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This way, Island potato farmers will benefit, Canada's international reputation will be enhanced, and we will be assisting Soviet citizens in this very difficult time for the Soviet Union.

PEARSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Mr. Harry Chadwick (Bramalea—Gore—Malton): Mr. Speaker if a new east—west runway is built at Pearson International Airport, the owners of the new Novatel Hotel might have a few things to say about it.

Four floors of their hotel will have to be removed to accommodate the flight path. There will be literally no room in the inn.

Is the airport encroaching on other land development? Are airport planners lacking in foresight or is Pearson International just running out of room?

My bet is that it is time officials started looking in the direction of Hamilton or Buttonville. It is high time airport officials paid heed to the wise words of their predecessors: "Build a second airport now".

AGRICULTURE

Mr. Lyle Vanclief (Prince Edward—Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I stand here today shocked at what I saw in this House last night at 6 p.m. when Conservative members of Parliament performed a complete flip-flop on assisting Canadian farmers.

Late last month at the House of Commons Standing Committee on Agriculture, all members of all parties present voted and passed a motion calling on the government to assist and consider a third line of defence for Canadian farmers for the 1990–91 crop year. Last night the same motion came before the House. Where were the Conservatives? All but one Tory member reversed themselves and voted against the motion.

I am afraid when Tory MPs are forced to face Canadian farmers, they say one thing. But when it comes time

to providing action, the only thing farmers can count on from this government is hypocrisy.

ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS FUND

Mr. A. H. Harry Brightwell (Perth—Wellington—Waterloo): Mr. Speaker, September marks the end of the second year of operation for the Environmental Partners Fund program of Environment Canada. To date, over 480 environmental projects across the country have been approved. This represents a federal commitment of over \$19.3 million to initiatives which are protecting, preserving and enhancing our environment. The program encourages small community groups, the private sector and other levels of government to form partnerships to help solve our environmental problems. Such groups have been able to raise an impressive \$60.3 million. Last December, the green plan challenged all Canadians to participate in securing a healthy environment for our future.

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In this regard, the Environmental Partners Fund was extended for a further two years and expanded to include community based awareness activities for products which encourage and lead people to further action.

I am proud of the response by responsible Canadians to help resolve our environmental problems.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt): Mr. Speaker, this government has recently named Toronto department store co-owner Frederick Eaton as High Commissioner to Britain. Of course, Mr. Eaton has been making the annual \$1,000 contribution to the Conservative Party to qualify him as a member of the Club 500. His company contributed \$81,463 in the 1988 election campaign. His company has also contributed \$40,000 to the Conservative Party in the two subsequent years for which returns are public.

Obviously Mr. Eaton is far from being a career diplomat. Besides, if you are born in the right families, six figure jobs are available to you by birthright.