

Routine Proceedings

[English]

CHRISTINE LAMONT AND DAVID SPENCER

Mr. George S. Rideout (Moncton): Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to introduce a petition under Standing Order 36 relating to two people who are in a Brazilian prison.

The petitioners call upon Parliament to urge the Prime Minister to request the Government of Brazil to expel Christine Lamont and David Spencer and return them to Canada in accordance with Brazilian law.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

Mr. George S. Rideout (Moncton): Madam Speaker, I have a second petition which it is my obligation to present. It concerns a referendum with regard to language.

CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

Mr. Vic Althouse (Mackenzie): Madam Speaker, I have the honour to present a number of petitions, mostly from farmers along the eastern side of Saskatchewan.

In their opinion the Canadian Wheat Board has played a vital role in the orderly marketing of Canadian wheat, barley and oats since its inception. They note that the Minister of Agriculture's proposal to remove barley from the jurisdiction of the Wheat Board is another step toward dismantling the board.

They call upon the government to keep barley under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Wheat Board and to actively support the marketing of other crops by the Canadian Wheat Board.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Lyle Dean MacWilliam (Okanagan—Shuswap): Madam Speaker, I have a petition with regard to the introduction of competition in the long distance telephone market as well as the passage of Bill C-62 and the regulation that would take place under the provisions of that bill.

These petitioners are opposed to the disruptive effects of the introduction of long distance competition and the deregulatory effects of this bill.

They ask the Minister of Communications to engage in substantive consultations with all segments of Canadian society regarding the market impact of this deregulatory environment.

TRADE

Mr. Lyle Dean MacWilliam (Okanagan—Shuswap): Madam Speaker, the second petition I have the honour to present is from petitioners who are concerned about the impact of the North American free trade agreement and the restrictions being placed upon Canada's federal, provincial and territorial governments now and in the future.

They ask the government to reject the proposed North American free trade agreement and recommend to the government that it use its termination clause to end the Canada-U.S. Free Trade Agreement.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT

Mr. Lyle Dean MacWilliam (Okanagan—Shuswap): Madam Speaker, the final set of petitions I have the honour to present concerns the changes to the Unemployment Insurance Act.

These petitioners, from throughout British Columbia, are concerned about the impact of these changes. They call upon the House to reject the amendments made to the Unemployment Insurance Act, particularly with respect to the appeal process for employees and the difficulty that has caused with respect to dismissal.

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Mr. Ian Waddell (Port Moody—Coquitlam): Madam Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by 1,425 people from the lower mainland of British Columbia.

They point out to this House and the government that Christine Lamont, whose family lives in the area where the signatures come from, and David Spencer will be rotting in a Brazilian jail for 28 years.

They request the Canadian government ask for the expulsion of these two people to Canada to get them out of that jail, which it could do. This petition is from 1,425 people from Langley, Surrey, and Aldergrove, B.C.

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[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)