

interest Canadian investors, especially builders, to construct accommodation for people in Poland. This is probably one of the greatest problems in that country. There are families that are living together, which causes a lot of friction. Some young couples have to live with their parents or in-laws for 12 years before finding their own accommodation.

I hope many other delegations of Canadian businessmen will visit Poland to help that country lift itself out of its present problems so that it can take its place in Europe alongside other countries. It is Poland's desire to join the European Common Market in a few years. It is up to countries like Canada to assist Poland generously and swiftly so that it can be independent politically, and bring stability by having a free market, which will bring to the Polish people a better standard of life.

The Hon. the Speaker: If no other senator wishes to speak on this matter, this inquiry is considered debated.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At 5 p.m. the sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

● (1710)

ROYAL ASSENT

The Honourable John Sopinka, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne, and the House of Commons having been summoned, and being come with their Acting Speaker, the Honourable Steve Paproski, the Honourable the Speaker of the Senate said:

Honourable members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to be issued under his Sign Manual and Signet constituting the Honourable John Sopinka, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, his Deputy, to do in His Excellency's name all acts on his part necessary to be done during His Excellency's pleasure.

The Commission was read by a Clerk at the Table.

The Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following bills:

An Act to establish the Department of Industry, Science and Technology, to repeal the Department of Regional Industrial Expansion Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts (*Bill C-3, Chapter 1, 1990*)

An Act to amend the Energy Supplies Emergency Act and to amend the Access to Information Act in consequence thereof (*Bill C-4, Chapter 2, 1990*)

An Act respecting museums (*Bill C-12, Chapter 3, 1990*)

An Act to authorize the divestiture of Nordion International Inc. and Theratronics International Limited (*Bill C-13, Chapter 4, 1990*)

An Act to amend the Governor General's Act (*Bill C-31, Chapter 5, 1990*)

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, February 13, 1990, at 2 p.m.