We are all delighted that Canada has been recognized internationally for its strong infrastructure and scientific achievements. It is gratifying to me personally that, as a member of the Canadian IPU delegation, I could help to advance this worthwhile and important cause. We rejoice in having succeeded in our bid to establish the Permanent Secretariat of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity in Canada.

• (1410)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD ADMINISTRATIVE MONETARY PENALTIES BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Dan Hays, Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, presented the following report:

Tuesday, November 28, 1995

The Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry has the honour to present its

TWELFTH REPORT

Your Committee, to which was referred Bill C-61, An Act to establish a system of administrative monetary penalties for the enforcement of the Canada Agricultural Products Act, the Feeds Act, the Fertilizers Act, the Health of Animals Act, the Meat Inspection Act, the Pest Control Products Act, the Plant Protection Act and the Seeds Act, has, in obedience to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, November 7, 1995, examined the said Bill and now reports the same without amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL HAYS Chairman

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

On motion of Senator Hays, bill placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. B. Alasdair Graham (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate, and notwithstanding rule 58(1)(h), I move:

That when the Senate adjourns today, it do stand adjourned until Wednesday, November 29, 1995, at one-thirty o'clock in the afternoon.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, is leave granted?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

FORTY-FIRST COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE, COLOMBO, SRI LANKA—REPORT TABLED

Hon. P. Derek Lewis: Honourable senators, I have the honour to table in both official languages the report from the Canadian Branch, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, concerning the Forty-first Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, from October 3 to 14, 1995.

BANKING, TRADE AND COMMERCE

STATE OF CANADIAN FINANCIAL SYSTEM—NOTICE OF MOTION TO EXTEND DATE OF PRESENTATION OF FINAL REPORT

Hon. Michael Kirby: Honourable senators, I give notice that tomorrow, Wednesday, November 29, 1995, I will move:

That, notwithstanding the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, November 30, 1994, the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce, which was authorized to examine the present state of the financial system in Canada, be empowered to present its final report no later than Tuesday, December 10, 1996; and

That, notwithstanding usual practices, if the Senate is not sitting when an interim report of the Committee is completed, the Committee shall deposit its report with the Clerk of the Senate, and said report shall thereupon be deemed to have been tabled in this Chamber.

[Later]

AGRICULTURE

RESPONSE OF MINISTER TO REPORTS OF STANDING SENATE COMMITTEE—NOTICE OF INQUIRY

Hon. Dan Hays: Honourable senators, I give notice that, on Wednesday next, I will call the attention of the Senate to the response of the Honourable Ralph Goodale, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, to the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry's ninth report, "Farm Machinery: Lost Lives, Lost Limbs," and its eleventh report, "Agricultural Trade, Report of the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry's Fact-Finding Mission to Washington and Winnipeg."