

Immigration. Today, students from his own university, the University of Winnipeg, and students from the University of Manitoba, are demonstrating in front of the Canadian Forces Recruiting Base to protest what they consider to be a waste of federal funds for military summer jobs because they feel these jobs are unrelated to their education. They propose that the funds should go into career internship and community development, fields which are related to their own areas of education. Would the Minister give some very serious consideration to the protests from his own university?

**Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** Madam Speaker, we have spent a good deal of time meeting with students over the past week and, in fact, over the past several months. I have also had a number of conversations with members of our own caucus concerning the various ways in which we can try to assist young people get employment. There is no question this is one of the most serious issues facing the country and that we will try to provide support for them in a way that we can.

We have inaugurated certain pilot projects, as the Hon. Member may know, in those two universities to provide work-study programs which enable the students to attend school and at the same time get job experience. There is no lack of different, useful proposals. The question is what packaging or balancing of options will most effectively help young people during this very difficult recessionary period.

#### REQUEST THAT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM BE EXPANDED

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** Madam Speaker, the President of the University of Winnipeg Student's Association has predicted that unemployment for university students in Winnipeg, and I am sure the same is true in every other university city and town, will be over 25 per cent this summer. This means, despite everything that has been done by the federal and provincial Governments, that not enough has been done. Will the Minister indicate whether the Government is giving any consideration to more new programs that will cut down that very serious rate of unemployment, because many of those students will not earn the money to go back to school next September? Will he discuss with his colleague, the Secretary of State, the possibility that the student loan program will be expanded so that these students can get some loans this fall in order to go back to school?

**Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** Madam Speaker, the Hon. Member should know that just a few weeks back we announced the addition of \$50 million for the summer employment program, an increase in funds of some 40 per cent. We hope that will provide some leadership and direction for other provincial Governments and people in the private sector to employ students during this period.

This summer we will also be opening some 400 offices across Canada. They will provide direct placement services for

upwards of 200,000 or 300,000 young people during this period. We are trying to make an effort to assist students. But we recognize at the same time that young people in the job market will be going through a particularly strenuous period and, as I have said before, their is a matter of very active discussion and concern among members of our own caucus as to how we can best help students over the next year and a half.

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#### OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

##### REQUEST THAT MINISTER BE APPOINTED TO ENFORCE LEGISLATION

**Hon. Warren Allmand (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Lachine East):** Madam Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. This week the Commissioner of Official Languages tabled his annual report, in which he highlighted continuing violations of the Official Languages Act. He cited several flagrant examples, such as those of Air Canada in Timmins, and Petro-Canada in Quebec. These Crown Corporations are not giving adequate services to the official language minority. Since the problem appears to be with the enforcement of the Act in the various Departments and agencies, will the Prime Minister consider designating a Minister with sufficient power to enforce the legislation in all Departments and agencies in order to avoid a continuation of this type of violation?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Madam Speaker, I will certainly take notice of the question, because we are concerned with the facts as stated by the Commissioner of Official Languages. I will inquire into the best ways of ensuring that all Departments are more zealous in applying the requirements of the Official Languages Act. I have not had time to consider whether I should again consider designating a special Minister, or whether I should use some other mechanism to ensure that, but I will look into the matter very seriously.

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#### HARBOURS

##### REPORTED FUNDING FOR QUEBEC MARINAS

**Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich):** Madam Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, if I may. Last week there was a report in the paper that the Government had put up some \$9 million for a chain of marinas along the St. Lawrence from Baie Comeau to Quebec City. Could the Minister confirm that particular report?

**Hon. Pierre De Bané (Minister of Fisheries and Oceans):** Madam Speaker, that question should be asked of the Minister of Tourism or the Minister of State for External Relations. It is not an activity of my Department.