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high-handed manner, has moved to decrease the number of full-time jobs for a great many of its female employees.

The strike of Air Canada's ticket agents is just. These workers are simply fighting for the right to earn a decent living. The Government, by its inertia and inactivity, would appear to be denying the ticket agents of Air Canada this most basic human right. Surely the Government and the Minister of Transport must quickly move to end a costly strike, and see that the employees of its Crown Corporation are treated with dignity, respect, and fairness.

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SPORTS

HOCKEY—SUCCESS OF TEAM CANADA

Mr. Gabriel Desjardins (Témiscamingue): Mr. Speaker, I am sure all Members of this House will want to join me today in praising the remarkable performance of Team Canada at this year's world hockey championships in Prague.

The members of the Canadian team played as a tight unit with great determination and enthusiasm, all of which helped them to return to this country with the silver medal for which they worked so hard.

Mr. Speaker, to find a parallel, we have to go back as far as 1962 in Colorado Springs. As we all know, conditions are particularly difficult for our Canadian players during these world championships. Coming from various teams in the National Hockey League, the players get together just before the beginning of the first game. After an exhausting and stressful regular season, they have to draw on their last reserves of energy and determination to put on a good show in a world championship series where the competition is becoming increasingly fierce.

Our Canadian players have more than earned our congratulations, and we are particularly proud of the fact that they defeated the Russians and also of the determination with which they played in the final game against Czechoslovakia, when they played valiantly up to the very last minute. Mr. Speaker, the members of Team Canada have every reason to be proud.

Finally, I have some words of special praise for Mario Lemieux, a 19-year-old Quebec hockey player who was selected as one of the players on the second team of stars. To all members of Team Canada, we say: Well done and thank you!

[English]

PARLIAMENT HILL

END OF PEACE CAMP

Mr. Mike Cassidy (Ottawa Centre): Mr. Speaker, for more than two years a group of Canadians have been maintaining a vigil on Parliament Hill to protest Canada's decision to aid the arms race by permitting Cruise missile testing within our borders, and to express their concern about nuclear devastation. Most recently, Mr. Speaker, that group in the Peace Camp has been voicing the concerns of millions of Canadians over President Reagan's star wars project, a \$30-billion initiative which will escalate the arms race, jeopardize the anti-ballistic missile treaty, and gravely destabilize the military balance between the United States and the Soviet Union.

The people of the Peace Camp have been exceptionally well received, both by the public and by people who pass near the Centennial Flame on Parliament Hill. They have weathered rain, snow, bitter winter weather and harsh conditions, to carry on their protest. The one thing the Peace Camp could not withstand, Mr. Speaker, was the opposition of an unfeeling Government which cared more about good housekeeping than it cared about peace. I record with regret the decision of members of the Peace Camp that, in view of the Government's intransigence, they are bringing their demonstration to an end. They have been forced out by a set of Draconian regulations which now permit the Government to stop any demonstration on Parliament Hill, with heavy fines as a penalty.

While the Peace Camp has disbanded, the concern for peace which it symbolized lives on in the hearts of almost all Canadians. On behalf of my Party and of this House, Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the people of the Peace Camp for their witness to peace.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE OF MEXICO

Mr. Speaker: Before proceeding to questions, may I signal the presence in our gallery today of Senora Edouardo Pesquier a Olea, the Minister of Agriculture and Hydraulic Resources of the United Mexican States, and his delegation.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!