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exist as a distinct national film market. Previously, Canada did not exist as such a distinct market.

In the field of broadcasting, where the need for balance between Canadian and foreign cultural productions is most critical, we will be conducting a fundamental overhaul of the Broadcasting Act. In a matter of days we will be introducing new copyright legislation.

All of these initiatives cut across the full spectrum of the cultural portfolio. They nurture individual creators and performers, and they foster the economic health of the cultural industries. They are not meant to restrict freedom of choice but to enrich it, by ensuring that each of us as consumers of art work and cultural products will be able to choose from Canadian images, ideas and music as well as from the best from other countries.

These measures are not the work of a Government that takes cultural sovereignty lightly. They are not the work of a Government that would sacrifice national identity for political or economic ends. These are measures that are testimony to the Government's commitment and it is a testimony that has been heard and respected by both sides in these trade talks.

**Mr. O'Neil:** Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate the Hon. Member for Gatineau (Mrs. Maily) for her thorough, well researched speech on the negotiations with the United States. I am particularly pleased to hear her references to cultural institutions and the cultural fabric of this country, representing, as she does, a culturally unique part of our Confederation.

Does she foresee a trade agreement to be something analogous to the trading arrangement that is reflected in the Auto Pact? When we in eastern Canada hear the negative remarks about a trade agreement, we look at the Auto Pact and wonder how the Member for Oshawa (Mr. Broadbent) can stand in the House to oppose a trade arrangement that will benefit Atlantic Canada in the same way as the Auto Pact benefits his constituency.

**Mrs. Maily:** Mr. Speaker, while these two subjects are of different magnitude, they do have many common elements.

The first reaction of the Opposition, including the former Liberal Government and the socialist Opposition, to the proposition of an Auto Pact was one of great dissension, fear and doom and gloom. That is in common with what is happening in this case. There are similarities with the Auto Pact. There is also a great resemblance in the benefits to our country of both arrangements.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski):** It being five o'clock p.m., it is my duty to inform the House that pursuant to Standing Order 82(12), proceedings on the motion have expired.

Pursuant to Order made Thursday, May 21, 1987, this House stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 26, 1987, at 11 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 5 p.m.

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