

S.O. 29

and waiting for the signal by the Minister, the Associate Minister, or the Prime Minister (Mr. Mulroney) at the request of a province.

I will not abuse the privilege given to me to speak after the hour, but as a Canadian living in Quebec, I have to say at least a few words to let the House know that my province deeply regrets this tragedy and is ready to join with the rest of Canada to help. After all, it is not the maritimes which is attacked. It is all of Canada. In the name of Canadian solidarity, we have to be ready to make the necessary sacrifices if need be in order to help these people in the Atlantic region. Many of them lost almost everything they owned. Many of them lost what is best in life, a job. Losing everything on their land is losing everything they own.

I want to again thank my colleagues who made it possible to have this debate tonight, and I thank you, Mr. Speaker, for

your patience in listening to all of us so late. As Chairman of the Members' Services, I would like to thank the very able staff who stayed with us so late, and I see that everyone still has a smile. They are saying: "Yes, we do not mind staying because we are showing Canadians that at times we can put aside the division of our political Parties". Tonight it was a Canadian show of solidarity for people who suffer in this country, and I really wanted to be part of it.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hour being midnight, pursuant to Standing Order 29(13), I declare the motion carried.

This House stands adjourned until later this day at two o'clock p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 12.08 a.m.
