

<i>Export Development Act</i>		
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CANCELLATION OF BP CANADA ACCOUNTS

Question No. 4,994—**Mr. Beatty:**

How many customers of BP Canada have asked that their accounts be closed as a result of the purchase of BP by Petro-Canada?

Mr. Dave Dingwall (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Petro-Canada reports as follows: Between November 1, 1982 and June 30, 1983, 186 holders of BP Canada credit cards requested cancellation of their accounts. No record has been kept of the reason for these cancellations.

Mr. Evans: I ask, Madam Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[*Translation*]

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[*English*]

EXPORT DEVELOPMENT ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed consideration of Bill C-110, to amend the Export Development Act, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs; and Motions Nos. 3 and 5 (Mr. Blenkarn).

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Mr. Speaker, at one o'clock I was discussing Bill C-110 and some of the very pertinent recommendations that have been made to Government and to Canadians in general with respect to the efficiency, if you will, and the expenditure of public funds. The difficulty faced by Members on this side, as I was indicating, is the question of accountability; the efficiency and the degree of efficiency with which the Government spends our tax dollars; the degree of efficiency it attaches to the credits that we extend and the degree to which the EDC conducts its operations with respect to insurance.

The Economic Council of Canada has had a number of things to say to us and I was in the process of dealing with some of those recommendations, and in the few minutes I have left I would like to continue. I had started to deal with the role the EDC plays with respect to other countries, the need for the Export Development Corporation to be the last resort, if you will, for lending, for insuring and so on, and the need for the EDC to get out of the private sector. We were talking about meetings of the OEDC, for example, concerning other nations and the absolute necessity for our Government to obtain some agreement from our trading partners to limit further subsidization of exports. In the absence of such an agreement, which is the case and continues to be the case today, the Council strongly recommended the following, and I commend its remarks to Members opposite:

—that Canada use subsidized credit only—

I emphasize the word "only".

—in cases where there is a sufficiently strong presumption that it will facilitate the opening of new markets . . . for Canadian products.

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Or, it recommended that Canada use subsidized credit in cases where it could be demonstrated that the present share of these markets for Canadian products would be increased substantially. These points are directed toward the role of the