

with the negotiations that are going on, in parallel with ones on the national park, as far as land claims are concerned. On both counts, the interests of the Haida people are uppermost in my mind.

**Mr. Blaikie:** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. Given the unanimous views which have been expressed, could the House agree and have you put it on record, with unanimous consent, that the motion we are debating at this point will be deemed to have been passed at the end of the day?

**Mr. Speaker:** The House has heard the suggestion of the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Birds Hill (Mr. Blaikie), the comment of the Hon. Minister of the Environment (Mr. McMillan) and the comment of the Hon. Member for Humber—Port au Port—St. Barbe (Mr. Tobin). Procedurally, the House can accept the suggestion made by the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Birds Hill at this point, and that will govern the rest of the day's debate. The record will show that at the end of the debate the House has been unanimous in supporting the motion put forward by the New Democratic Party. I take it that is the pleasure of the House?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Speaker:** Hon. Members have heard the motion. Is it agreed?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Speaker:** That will be appropriately recorded.

**Mr. Riis:** Mr. Speaker, we have all had the privilege today of witnessing some of the most outstanding debates we have heard in the House for a long time. I suspect that this will continue for the remainder of the day, considering the line-up of speakers from the various parties. Since we will break for lunch in a few minutes, would it be appropriate to call it one o'clock and resume debate at three o'clock?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Speaker:** It being one o'clock, I do now leave the chair until two o'clock.

At 12.57 p.m. the House took recess.

#### AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

*S. O. 21*

### STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 21

[*English*]

#### HEALTH

ALBERTA COALITION ON ACID GAS—REPRESENTATIONS TO PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE

**Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Davenport):** Mr. Speaker, two days ago Doctor Martha Kostuch of the Alberta Coalition on Acid Gas appeared before the Acid Rain Committee to make representations about the effects on the health of Canadians in Alberta and Saskatchewan from the activities of sour gas plants, tar sands refining, and the heavy oil industry. Her presentation gave us a classic example of economic gains being made at the expense of human health, property values, farm incomes and so on.

The Government of Canada should do something about this situation by directing the Minister of National Health and Welfare (Mr. Epp) to carry out an independent examination of the southwestern Alberta medical diagnostic review, by directing the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson) to permit sour gas plant owners to write off capital costs for pollution control technology on an accelerated basis, and by making federal payments to tar sands and heavy oil industry, and any other industry for that matter, contingent upon emission controls and environmentally responsible performance.

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#### SMALL BUSINESS

REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN

**Mr. Maurice Tremblay (Lotbinière):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to inform business people in my riding of the excellent work done by this Government on reducing the red tape inflicted on Canadian businesses.

The measures announced by the Minister of State for Small Businesses and Tourism (Mr. Valcourt) are aimed at reducing the number of overlapping investigations, centralizing data, designing shorter contract forms for Government suppliers, simplifying income tax requirements and cutting down on the number of import formalities.

Mr. Speaker, these measures were implemented as part of a specific action plan, followed by the publication of a progress report and the creation of an advisory committee consisting of representatives in the private sector.

Mr. Speaker, these measures will make life easier for our business people and let them take an active part in providing solutions for areas in which they are directly concerned, and thus enhance the growth of their businesses.