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I hope that both those quotations that I have read into the record are overstatements of the actual situation, but sometimes I am afraid that they are not. As to the appeals to Quebec nationalism, as I say, in the minds of some Canadians in other parts of Canada, of whom I am one, they are perceived as threatening English-speaking Canadians that if they do not do exactly what the Prime Minister says they should do, Canada will in one way or another be blown apart. I do not believe that at all, and I am sure that there is a large body of opinion throughout this country—including the province of Quebec itself—that does not believe it.

Honourable senators, I conclude by saying that I am glad that there are some Canadians in responsible positions who still insist that the Meech Lake Accord has to be opened up and looked at with greater care. I commend the attitudes of the Premiers of New Brunswick and Newfoundland and of the members of the Legislature of Manitoba. I hope they will stick to their guns, because I think that in its present form the Meech Lake Accord is bad constitutional law, destructive of Canadian politics and society and cannot have any other than a disruptive effect on Canadian federal-provincial relations. I hope it will be rejected and that we can then take more time and, with greater care, attend to such constitutional problems as require the attention of this country or as will require it in the next few decades.

On motion of Senator Nurgitz, debate adjourned.

[Translation]

### INCOME TAX ACT AND RELATED ACTS

BILL TO AMEND—POINT OF ORDER

**Hon. Jean-Maurice Simard:** Honourable senators, may I now speak? Further to my commitment earlier this afternoon following a question from Senator McElman, after checking with the appropriate authorities, I can tell him and honourable senators that the government will propose a bill that will originate in the House of Commons; it will not be done by considering Bill C-28 in committee.

Minister Wilson confirmed in the House of Commons earlier this afternoon that he had contacted the *Citizen* and that it persisted in misquoting him. That means the Constitution will be respected. The government will in due course present a bill or measure originating in the House of Commons, not the Senate. The government still expects Bill C-28 to be approved as soon as possible in its present form.

[English]

### ADJOURNMENT

Leave having been given to revert to Notices of Motions:

**Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government),** with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(g), moved:

That when the Senate adjourns today, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, 30th January, 1990, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Motion agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, January 30, 1990, at 2 p.m.