

## PM Mulroney said broke when he took cash

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OTTAWA -- A businessman told Canadian lawmakers that Prime Minister Brian Mulroney was in need of money when he allegedly paid him \$300,000 on his way out of office. Karlheinz Schrieber testified before the Commons ethics committee Thursday he was told by a lobbyist that Mulroney was in dire straits as he exited politics in 1993, and that he and Mulroney had discussed payments totaling \$500,000. The CanWest News Service said Friday that Schrieber also alleged that Mulroney had played him. Schrieber was lobbying for construction of a Nova Scotia armored vehicle plant that, it turned out, had been quietly killed before he and the prime minister started talking about money. Schrieber has filed a lawsuit against Mulroney seeking to recover the money.

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