

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, February 18, 1977

The House met at 11 a.m.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

PROPOSAL TO OUTLAW UGANDA IN VIEW OF PRESIDENT AMIN'S ALLEGED CRIMES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert):** Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity to move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton West (Mr. Alexander) that on the basis of information already available, it being apparent that President Idi Amin of Uganda and his associates have committed a revolting crime against civilization in the murder of Archbishop Janani Luurum and two of his ministers, and that this latest event being part of a continuous reign of terror and outrageous insane atrocities against Christians in particular, hundreds of whom have been shot and killed by gunfire by so-called security forces, I move:

That this House views with horror and condemns unreservedly Amin's crimes and believes that his country, so long as he is president, should be outlawed both in the United Nations and in the Commonwealth of Nations.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43 the motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Mr. MacEachen:** Mr. Speaker—

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Diefenbaker:** So that it be perfectly clear, Liberal members are the ones who said no.

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### REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT TO CLARIFY OPERATIONS OF METROPOLITAN AREA GROWTH INVESTMENTS LIMITED—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Elmer M. MacKay (Central Nova):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the depressed state

of the Nova Scotian economy and the need for maximum utilization of all resources to assist in overcoming regional disparity, and in view of the dismal and continuing failure of the Metropolitan Area Growth Investments Limited, that split-level, hybrid, crown venture capital agency, jointly funded by this government and the government of Nova Scotia, to the amount of \$20 million nearly five years ago, I move seconded by the hon. member for Halifax (Mr. Stanfield):

That the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion make a statement on motions at the first opportunity to explain and clarify the operations of MAGI and inform the House and the country whether the minister has recommended and approved the multi-million dollar investment in a second-hand cruise ship to ply the waters of the Caribbean, and whether or not the continuing dispute between the minister and his predecessor and the Premier of Nova Scotia as to appointments of executive officers for MAGI has finally ceased.

**Mr. Speaker:** Such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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### URBAN AFFAIRS

ALLEGED FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT TO KEEP COMMITMENT TO AID URBAN TRANSIT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** Mr. Speaker, I, too rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Considering that the Prime Minister promised three days before the 1974 election that a returned Liberal government would spend \$290 million on badly needed energy-efficient urban transit, and considering that both the need to conserve energy and the financial burden of our municipalities have increased since then, I move:

That this House condemns the disgusting cynicism of the Liberal government glaringly revealed yesterday when the Minister of Finance casually announced that this additional election promise was dead.

● (1110)

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. Standing Order 43 requires the unanimous consent of the House for the presentation of such motion. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton):** Macdonald said no. How would you like your wages frozen?

**Mr. Fairweather:** That's one more promise down the drain.