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the minister to see what effects this matter will have on risk taking.

I would now like to talk about a plan which I advanced years ago. The government talks about forced Canadianization and taxation on oil at the wellhead to provide capital for that government octopus called Petro-Canada, which has only shown its ability through its desire to build a huge skyscraper in Calgary and to load staff, à la-Crown corporation style, by hiring every Tom, Dick and Harry. How about an incentive for the ordinary taxpayer? I can see some hon. members here who would welcome such a provision. If we determine within a ball park what are the relevant research resources and development propositions and what are Canadian companies, one can then indicate that any Canadian citizen or bona fide Canadian company can purchase the shares of Canadian companies or in fact any company engaged in resource search development—

The Deputy Chairman: Order, please. It is five o'clock. Progress reported.

• (1700)

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Order, please. It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for North Vancouver-Burnaby (Mr. Cook)—Regulatory reform—Task force report—Status of recommendations; the hon. member for Halifax West (Mr. Crosby)—Canadian National Railways—Investment in foreign shipping group; the hon. member for Winnipeg-Birds Hill (Mr. Blaikie)—World Health Organization—Canadian position on infant formula for Third World countries.

It being five o'clock the House will now proceed to consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, public bills, private bills, notices of motions.

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[English]

Mr. Collenette: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. There have been discussions among the parties and it is a little bit awkward for me to propose this motion but I shall. I am sorry the hon. member for Nepean-Carleton (Mr. Baker) is not in the House at the moment but we had agreed to this and I am sure he has just been delayed. The hon. member for

Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) has also agreed to the following request.

The problem is that Bill C-227 standing in the name of the hon. member for Mississauga North (Mr. Fisher) is a bill that I introduced five years ago. As a result of the bill coming forward in the next little while, and as a result of a misconception that I was under when the bill was introduced on my behalf by the hon. member for Mississauga North, we have agreed to revert the sponsorship of the bill back to me as the member for York East. The hon. member for Mississauga North will concur with that in a moment. The bill is not to be debated today but will be debated some time next week.

I would point out that according to citation 401 of Beauchesne no notice is required for change of sponsorship of a private member's motion. I can assure hon, members that this matter has been discussed by the House leaders on the other side. If there is agreement of the House, then I would propose a motion so to change this sponsorship.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): This can be done with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Mr. Fisher: Mr. Speaker, I only want to concur in the statement made by the parliamentary secretary. It was a pleasure for me to introduce the bill originally. It sprang from his ideas, his experience and his concern, and I am happy to let him have the credit for that.

Mr. Collenette: Perhaps, Mr. Speaker, you could advise whether unanimous consent is sufficient or whether you want to make a House order so that the order paper can be changed when it is printed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Agreed and so ordered.

Items Nos. 17, 18, 22, 25, 27 and 29 allowed to stand by unanimous consent.

[Translation]

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA ACT

AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE HULL IN NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

Mr. Gaston Isabelle (Hull) moved that Bill C-230, to amend the British North America Act, 1867 (national capital of Canada), be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

He said: Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to debate this bill which has been on the order paper for quite some time. I realize that it may be one of the most challenging pieces of legislation ever debated in the House since its purpose is to change the national capital of Canada. Mr. Speaker, may I make it clear that I am not advocating dissociation between the name Ottawa and Canada's capital city. I think that the historical background of the capital of Canada is