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## **GOVERNMENT ORDERS**

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## CANADIAN CENTRE FOR MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT

MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Mazankowski that Bill C-34, an act to establish the Canadian Centre for Management Development and to amend certain acts in consequence thereof, be read the second time and referred to a legislative committee.

Mr. Peter Milliken (Kingston and the Islands): Mr. Speaker, I would like to make a very brief contribution to the debate taking place on this important bill.

As you have heard from the previous speakers from our side, we support this bill fully in its principle on the establishment of the Canadian Centre for Management Development. We believe that the centre is and will be a worth-while venture.

My only reason for rising and saying anything today is to put on the record my objection to the way in which the government has proceeded with the establishment of this centre. It is typical of the arrogance of the government in dealing with Parliament. I have in my hand a copy of the 1989–90 estimates for the Canadian Centre for Management Development.

This centre was established by Order in Council because the government failed to get a bill through Parliament before the last general election. Now we have the spectacle of the government introducing a bill

to do what it has already done by Order in Council. It has been funding this organization for over a year. The centre has been operating. I am glad, in a way, that it is operating. Nevertheless, this is a high-handed and arrogant approach to Parliament, to establish a body by Order in Council and then march into this House with the bill and say; "Now we would like you to pass a bill to establish what we have already established".

I want to put on the record my profound objection to this procedure. The hon. member for St. John's East is wagging his finger. He should be wagging it at the Minister of Justice and the other ministers who came up with this bill. I want to state my objection for the record. If it happens again, I will make a longer and more protracted contribution, chastising the ministers for this kind of high-handed approach.

Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): I appreciate that, Mr. Speaker. My hon. friend opposite was going out to do me a favour and I did not want anything untoward to happen while he was in the lobby.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and referred to a legislative committee.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** It being 3 p.m., this House stands adjourned until 1 p.m. Monday, pursuant to Standing Order 24(1).

The House adjourned at 3.07 p.m.