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HOUSE OF COMMONS

SUGGESTED HOLDING OF ELECTIONS ON FIXED DATES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43, I ask the unanimous consent of the House to consider an urgent and important parliamentary matter.

Since the Canadian people wish to see the legislative action of an elected Parliament and since a majority of members have been elected to govern, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lotbinière (Mr. Fortin):

That the government introduce legislation which would enable Parliament to be elected on a set date for a determined period to ensure a satisfactory democratic operation of an elected Parliament.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: As there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

AGRICULTURE

RESULTS OF NEW DAIRY POLICY—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. André Fortin (Lotbinière): Mr. Speaker, under the terms of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House in order that in this spirit of unanimity and co-operation of the members, this House can hold a special debate on the impact of the new dairy policy, especially in Quebec, which is very much lacking and unsatisfactory for our Quebec producers.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the terms of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: I understand that there is no unanimity in support of the motion of the hon. member for Lotbinière.

Mr. Fortin: I raise a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member on a point of order.

Mr. Fortin: Under the terms of Standing Order 43, the Chair asks if there is unanimous consent. I have the feeling on this side of the House that it would be important to know where the opposition is coming from. I have heard that it comes from the Progressive Conservatives, but I would like to be sure, Mr. Speaker.

Feed Grains

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member may have heard so, but I have heard "no".

[English]

FISHERIES

GOVERNMENT POSITION IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF CASSIAR CANNERY—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I seek the consent of the House to move a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43. The case of urgent and pressing necessity is the concern that secret negotiations may now be going on between the government and the owners of the Cassiar Cannery on the coast of British Columbia in an attempt to bring the cannery further under the control of Japanese interests. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Comox-Alberni (Mr. Barnett):

That the government disclose forthwith the relationship it has with respect to the Cassiar Cannery near Prince Rupert, B.C., especially with reference to any current negotiations to purchase the said cannery.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent to the motion proposed by the hon. member for Skeena?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The motion cannot be put.

GRAIN

MARKETING OF FEED GRAINS BY CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD— REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Bill Knight (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact the well worded motion of the right hon. member for Prince Albert (Mr. Diefenbaker) and the principle contained therein were turned down, I would like to move a similar motion. In view of the fact the official position of the Conservative party is to have feed grains on the open market, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Meadow Lake (Mr. Nesdoly):

That this House support orderly marketing of feed grains under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Wheat Board.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I am not sure whether the hon. member has the motion in writing. I see him writing now. Perhaps the hon. member will have the motion for tomorrow. The right hon. member for Prince Albert.

Mr. Diefenbaker: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege arising out of the twice-repeated statement on the part of the hon. member for Assiniboia (Mr. Knight) concerning Conservative policy. I simply want to say this: While the spirit of unity moves, we have not yet come to a point where the NDP will make any announcements as to what is Conservative policy. They have been doing that for the Liberal party for some time.