

*Motions for Papers*CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MR. JOHN CARSON AND  
HON. JOHN N. TURNER REGARDING BILINGUALISM IN  
THE PUBLIC SERVICEMotion No. 11—**Mr. Orlikow:**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of all correspondence between Mr. John Carson, Chairman of the Public Service Commission and the Hon. John Turner, Minister of Justice, regarding bilingualism in the Public Service and its application under the terms of the Public Service Employment Act.

**Mr. Judd Buchanan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, this correspondence in general cannot be identified as government papers as such but, rather, should be identified as correspondence between the Minister of finance, as a Member of Parliament, and one of the established institutions of government. In addition, some of the correspondence reflects on the personal competence or character of individuals and some of the papers are private and confidential. It is respectfully requested that the hon. member withdraw his motion.

**Mr. Orlikow:** Mr. Speaker, since the parliamentary committee is now meeting to discuss a question of concern to a great many people in Canada, namely, the question of merit, I think this correspondence is vitally important and I certainly do not intend to withdraw the motion.

**Mr. Jerome:** Transfer for debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** Transferred for debate. Shall the remaining notices of motions stand?

**Mr. Woolliams:** Mr. Speaker, some time ago I had on the order paper notice of motion No. 6 which has to do with an order for the production of all documents, reports, letters, papers and statements relating to the release of Yves Geoffroy from penitentiary. I would also refer to notice of motion No. 15 which has to do with copies of all documents, application forms, photographs and letters leading to the issuance of passports to Geoffroy and Carmen Parent. I wonder whether the Solicitor General could produce those papers? The other papers were produced. Both these notices of motions ought to be taken together.

**Mr. Jerome:** Mr. Speaker, I know that the Parliamentary Secretary to the Solicitor General had some conversation with the hon. member about the other notice of motion he referred to. I shall certainly ask him if he will be good enough to discuss with the hon. member the matter he has raised.

**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):** Mr. Speaker, I apologize to Your Honour for raising this matter again, but I do so in the same manner as the right hon. member for Prince Albert raised a point concerning starred questions. I am referring to notice of motion for production of papers No. 40, having to do with a copy of the evaluation report of the government's 1971 opportunities for youth program. This has now been on the order paper for almost three months and the estimates have been passed for next year's program. I find it passing strange that no response has been made. I would ask Your Honour and the officials of the House to consider seriously the plight of hon. members who have placed on the order paper notices of motions for

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the production of papers which stay there for an inexplicably long time. I wonder if there is not some responsibility on the part of ministers to respond to these requests when they are placed on the order paper?

**Mr. Speaker:** Shall the remaining notices or motions stand?

**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I wonder whether the Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary of State could indicate when we might expect an answer to a fairly straightforward motion for papers?

**An hon. Member:** After the election.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shall the remaining notice of motions stand?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

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## INDUSTRY

LANARK INDUSTRIES, DUNNVILLE—REASONS FOR  
POSSIBLE CLOSING OF PLANT

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce respecting the plant at Dunnville, Ontario, operated by Lanark Manufacturing. I assume the parliamentary secretary will be fully informed and able to answer this question. In view of the alleged closing of the plant and the possible relationship between this and the automobile pact, may I ask the parliamentary secretary whether the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce has been in touch with the management of this plant to obtain some explanation of what is going on and the reasons for such action?

**Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of State for Science and Technology):** Mr. Speaker, I will be pleased to take that question as notice and refer it to the minister.

CANADA-U.S. AUTO PACT—POSSIBILITY OF CHANGE IN  
AMERICAN POSITION BECAUSE OF RECENT CANADIAN  
TRADE DEFICIT IN AUTOMOBILES AND PARTS

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a supplementary question to the Prime Minister. In view of the apparently dramatic change in the figures for trade between Canada and the United States in automobiles and automobile parts, which show Canada in a deficit position for the first three months of this year as opposed to the surplus position about which the United States authorities had complained, has the government been in touch with the United States authorities and has this apparent turnaround evoked any change in the position taken by the United States administration with regard to modifications in the pact?