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this will do much to increase the national debt and its financing; and as it is more than high time serious steps were taken to put an end to that ruinous method of financing, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Abitibi (Mr. Laprise):

That this House urge the Minister of Finance (Mr. Chrétien) that he take the necessary steps to amend the Bank of Canada Act, whose main objective is to control credit in the interest of the economic life of the whole Canadian population, so as to allow the bank to grant the Canadian government the long term loans it needs to ensure the economic development of this country, instead of having to beg for foreign credits as it now intends to do.

Mr. Speaker: Order. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, such a motion cannot be put without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[English]

CANADIAN CULTURE

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Last year, directly as a result of the Secretary of State's freeze on federal assistance to the arts in Canada, the result of which was, to quote the chairman of the Professional Association of Canadian Theatre, Dr. Gregory Poggi, "in spite of ticket price increases, 67 per cent of our members have had to cut back the number of their productions, 55 per cent have had to lay off staff, 74 per cent have had to reduce the number of actors employed, and 55 per cent have incurred a greatly increased deficit", the Secretary of State was subsequently able to convince Treasury Board to allocate an additional \$13.6 million for the pet cultural projects of his department, none of which went to sustain the very cultural institutions of our country which have time and time again proven their worth in promoting cultural expression and dialogue across Canada—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. If the hon. member has a motion, would he please put it.

Mr. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): I have a motion, Mr. Speaker; I was just coming to it. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton Centre (Mr. Paproski):

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That the Secretary of State appear before the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts to justify his diversion of funds from such cultural organizations as professional theatre companies which Canadians strongly support in their contribution to our national sense of identity and harmony.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for the presentation of such a motion?

[Mr. Allard.]

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

USE OF FRENCH LANGUAGE IN ONTARIO—MOTION UNDER
S.O. 43

Mr. Eymard Corbin (Madawaska-Victoria): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to present the following motion.

Considering the oppressive tactics designed to deprive Franco-Ontarians of their most fundamental rights, I move, seconded by the hon. members for Vaudreuil (Mr. Herbert), Sherbrooke (Mr. Pelletier) and Ottawa-Vanier (Mr. Gauthier):

That this House condemn the federal-provincial coalition of the Conservative Party which refuses to recognize French as an official language in Ontario and regret more particularly the association of Mr. Joe Clark, leader of this party, with this point of view.

Mr. Speaker: Order. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, the presentation of such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[English]

FINANCE

REQUEST ACCOUNT OF PEIGAN CRAFT LIMITED BE PAID
IMMEDIATELY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ken Hurlburt (Lethbridge): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In light of the fact that a Crown corporation, Canadian Indian Marketing Services, owes a very small Indian handicraft enterprise on the Peigan reserve, by the name of Peigan Craft Limited, the sum of \$19,301.20 for goods purchased, and that this account has been outstanding for five months, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Medicine Hat (Mr. Hargrave):

That this account, plus interest, be paid immediately to save this small industry, which employs 24 people, from bankruptcy.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented for discussion only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.