

Government Orders

further discussions, and I think you would find that the House is prepared to give unanimous consent to the following motion:

That seven members and two staffers from the Standing Committee on Transport be authorized to travel to Europe from October 30 to November 9 to complete a study on high speed trains.

Mr. David Dingwall (Cape Breton—East Richmond): Madam Speaker, since the mover of the motion has made such an eloquent intervention on this particular matter, and in view of the fact that there have been consultations for extended periods of time and that there have been revisions of that particular proposal, I would like to give the consent of our party to this particular motion.

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Madam Speaker, I would like to signify the consent of the government side to the hon. member's motion for travel.

Mr. Angus: Madam Speaker, I would also like to elaborate on the comments by my colleague, the House leader for the Liberal Party, and compliment the three House leaders for their diligence in reviewing the submission and making sure that it worked.

Motion agreed to.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

MISCELLANEOUS STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT ACT, 1991

MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Ms. Campbell (Vancouver Centre) that Bill C-35, an act to correct certain anomalies, inconsistencies, archaisms and errors in the Statutes of Canada, to deal with other matters of non-controversial and uncomplicated nature therein and to repeal certain provisions thereof that have expired or lapsed or otherwise ceased to have effect, be read the second time and referred to Legislative Committee G.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Is the House ready for the question on Bill C-35?

Some hon. members: Question.

Madam Deputy Speaker: The question is on the motion standing in the name of the Minister of Justice. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

An hon. member: On division.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and referred to Legislative Committee G.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

DECORUM IN CHAMBER

The House resumed from Wednesday, October 23, consideration of the motion of Mr. Andre (p. 3871), the amendment of Mr. Dingwall (p. 3878) and the amendment to the amendment of Mr. Riis (p. 3881).

• (1230)

Mr. Dennis Mills (Broadview—Greenwood): Madam Speaker, I appreciate having the opportunity to rise and speak on this motion in the House today. I would like to begin by going back to the beginning of the debate on Wednesday when the hon. government House leader rose and presented his motion. As I was listening to him, in the initial part of his speech I was moved by his words and I thought that this was going to be a pretty productive debate.

We hear from our own families and friends that we did not need to pay Mr. Spicer \$27 million to hear that people across Canada, generally speaking, are absolutely frustrated and incensed at the way we sometimes behave in this House in terms of our actions and the insults we hurl at one another.

I sat there listening to the government House leader and all of a sudden, lo and behold, an incident came up and I lost it. I sort of blurted out something at the government House leader which I certainly was not pleased with. I reflected later in the day on why it is that we seem constantly to get into this use of language and finger pointing at one another to such an extent that we behave in front of national audiences in a way that we certainly would not behave if we were in a corporate boardroom, if we were in a classroom, if we were at a