

S.O. 43

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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METRICATION

BILINGUAL LABELLING OF PREPACKAGED CHEESE PRODUCTS—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds-Grenville): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent necessity to my constituency of Leeds-Grenville concerning threats made by certain government officials against at least two of the three remaining cheddar cheese producers in that part of Ontario within the last week. I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Parry Sound-Muskoka (Mr. Darling):

That whereas the Plum Hollow and Forfar cheese factories, two producers of cheddar cheese in Leeds-Grenville, have been ordered to immediately undergo the high cost of conversion to the metric system and to commence immediately bilingual labelling of prepackaged products or face removal of their products from store shelves, the government immediately order a stoppage in such actions in view of the reportedly announced decision that such things have already been set back to January 1, 1981, by the government; and, further and finally, that nothing be done until completion of the examination of the metric system by the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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PETRO-CANADA

REQUEST GOVERNMENT ABANDON PLANS FOR ALTERING
NATURE OF CORPORATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Cyril Symes (Sault Ste. Marie): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I would like to move the following motion. In view of representations made by the independent petroleum marketers of Ontario, that without Petro-Canada their future is threatened by the predatory practices of the multinational oil companies operating in Canada, and given the independents' desire to maintain Petro-Canada as it now is, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Fulton):

That this House of Commons instruct the government to abandon any plans to alter the present nature of Petro-Canada as a viable Crown corporation.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be introduced for debate, pursuant to Standing Order 43, only upon unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Speaker.]

[Translation]

NATIONAL UNITY

QUEBEC REFERENDUM—REQUEST GOVERNMENT STUDY
ALTERNATIVE TO BILL C-9—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mrs. Thérèse Killens (Saint-Michel): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion dealing with an important matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

Considering the negative reply given yesterday to the Leader of the Opposition, the right hon. Pierre Trudeau, on the referendum, considering that we are living in a kind of euphoria following the victories of the federalist forces in the last seven byelections in Quebec, considering that we Quebec members are in a position to say to the House that we should not conclude, as a result of those victories, that federalism is no longer jeopardized, considering that Mr. René Lévesque will have interpreted—

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member should put the motion.

Mrs. Killens: I move, seconded by the hon. member for Richelieu (Mr. Leduc):

That the Prime Minister include immediately that item on the agenda of his cabinet and suggest to the House another alternative to Bill C-9 on the referendum.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

ENERGY

OIL SUPPLY IF IMPORTS FROM IRAN ARE CUT OFF—SUPPLY TO
EASTERN CANADA

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Outremont): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources on a day when he certainly should be in the House, with the developments we have seen in the last 24 hours, I will address my question to the Prime Minister. On Friday last, the Prime Minister at his press conference was asked how much consideration had been given to taking steps in case our energy supply from Iran might be cut off. The Prime Minister answered:

I suppose I have to say frankly, none.