

it, he believes quite strongly. If the Hon. Member will resume his seat, I suggest that he review the entire history of Question Period.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): On the same point of order, Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Deans: You cannot do that; you do not have a point of order.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): May I ask the Chair a question?

Mr. Deans: No.

Mr. Speaker: Is the Hon. Member for Ottawa-Carleton (Mr. Turner) raising another point of order?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): The same point of order, Mr. Speaker, please.

Mr. Speaker: With respect, there is no point of order. Does the Hon. Member have a different point of order?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): It will be different, Mr. Speaker. May I please read from Speaker Lamoureux's ruling—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Will the Hon. Member resume his seat? The Hon. Member has had a ruling on the point of order which he raised. If he has a different point of order, I take it he might want to raise it. The Hon. Member for Ottawa-Carleton on a different point of order.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, if it is not a point of order, would you please instruct me as to what it is?

Mr. Speaker: It is a representation to me on a matter about which the Hon. Member feels strongly. That is what it is, and I take it at that. The Hon. Member will please resume his seat, unless he has a point of order to raise.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): I do, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member will resume his seat, please.

An Hon. Member: Sit down, Barry.

RULES REGARDING TELEVISIONING OF HOUSE OF COMMONS PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I had the opportunity yesterday to review part of the televised proceedings of the afternoon session of the House of Commons. During the course of the presentation by the Hon. Prime Minister of Japan, the television camera took the opportunity to show other than the Prime Minister of Japan making his speech. Rather, from time to time, it showed other Members of the House either in their seats or doing other things.

Point of Order—Mr. Deans

It may well be that that is good television. I might even be prepared to concede that that would be more interesting television than the practice which we have agreed we would follow during the televised proceedings of the House of Commons. However unfortunately, perhaps, the rule which we have followed—and I have raised this point before—was one to which all Parties agreed, that only the person who has the floor will appear on the television camera during the broadcast. I am not asking for any retribution. I am simply asking that, if we are to change the rules, I would prefer it to be done by agreement than done unilaterally. If it is the desire of some that the rules should be changed, then some kind of representation ought to be made, either to or through the Speaker, to the appropriate House committee or through the House Leaders in an effort to come to a consensus.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. There is, in this representation, a point of order because the agreements with regard to television are agreements of the whole House. Therefore, I would be happy to have yesterday's telecasting reviewed to determine what happened. I might say to the Hon. Member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans), who is himself a House Leader, that he may want to discuss with the other House Leaders the entire question of television. I take it from what he has said that he believes there should be some considerations, and I think he knows the appropriate channels.

Mr. Prud'homme: Mr. Speaker, I am sure the House Leaders, being here, would receive very well a suggestion that if there was to be a debate, it could be referred to the appropriate committee, that is, the Standing Committee on Management and Members' Services. We would be more than delighted to receive it as a suggestion to study, to look into it and to report back to the House.

Mr. Speaker: I welcome the Hon. Member's representation in this case. It is not a point of order.

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, in your consideration of the point made by the House Leader of the New Democratic Party, I hope it will not be argued that because the House yesterday was not in regular session, the rules ordinarily applied to the televising of proceedings in the House would not be in force. This would depart from the spirit of the rules, if not their very letter. At the time the Prime Minister of Japan was with us, we were not in session in the sense of the mace being on the table.

Mr. Althouse: *Hansard* recorded it.

Mr. Gray (Windsor West): I would ask you, Mr. Speaker, to look at that aspect. If that is argued on behalf of what was done yesterday, I would ask that that argument be rejected.

Mr. Speaker: I thank the Hon. Member for Windsor West (Mr. Gray). I probably would not have thought of that possible representation until he made it. If my memory is correct—and I will check it—the House adopted a House Order yesterday to cover the proceedings of yesterday afternoon in the normal way in which the House is covered. I would therefore