

Motions for Papers

GULF OF GEORGIA OIL DRILLING COST-BENEFIT STUDY

Motion No. 272—**Mr. Rose:**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the cost-benefit study undertaken in the Department of Fisheries and Forestry regarding drilling for oil in the Gulf of Georgia as mentioned by the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Stand.

Mr. Speaker: Stand.

SHIPMENT OF POTASH TO U.S.

Motion No. 296—**Mr. Burton:**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of all correspondence exchanged between the Government of Canada and potash companies or their representatives concerning trade and prices of potash shipped from Saskatchewan to the United States.

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I am informed by the departments concerned that the correspondence in question deals largely with the anti-dumping investigation conducted by the United States Tariff Commission. This correspondence contains information on the prices and quantities of potash shipments, that was supplied by the producers, and accepted by the government on a confidential basis. Therefore, it would not be in the public interest to disclose this correspondence and it is hoped that the member would withdraw his motion.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Information Canada!

Mr. Burton: I cannot agree with that, Mr. Speaker, and I would ask that the vote be taken.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

REPORT ON ATTITUDES OF INDIAN PEOPLE

Motion No. 300—**Mr. Howard (Skeena):**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the report on attitudes of Indian people based mainly on a visit to the Six Nations Reserve on July 16, 1969, submitted to the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development by Berger, Tisdal, Clark and Lesley Ltd., as referred to on page 6 of the quarterly report on public relations activity, June, July, August, 1969 by the said Berger, Tisdal, Clark and Lesley Ltd.

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr. Speaker, the hon.

[Mr. Saltsman.]

member from Skeena is asking for a report which in fact is a 500-word personal letter written by a contact employee to a departmental employee. The writer specifically requested that the confidentiality of the letter be respected. Under the circumstances I would ask that the hon. member withdraw this motion.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, there is a lot more than that behind this particular item. This report was referred to in a quarterly report by a public relations firm which the taxpayer paid for and I think it should be produced.

Mr. Speaker: I assume the hon. member wants it transferred for debate.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): No, I do not want it transferred for debate, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

Mr. Baldwin: You should have a minister of concealment over there.

Mr. Trudeau: We have not named him yet.

EFFECTS ON CANADA OF BRITISH ENTRY INTO ECM

Motion No. 302—**Mr. Saltsman:**

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of the information provided by the Government of Canada to the Government of Great Britain regarding the effects on Canadian interests as a result of the British entry into the Common Market as mentioned by the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce in *Hansard* of December 9, 1969 on page 1733.

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce wishes to inform the hon. member that the government is in a continuing process of communication with the United Kingdom about the possible effects on Canadian trade if the United Kingdom were to become a member of the EEC. In the context of negotiations which have yet to commence, the hon. member will appreciate that it would be contrary to the Canadian interest to make public the information which has been provided in confidence to the British authorities. Accordingly, the minister would ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.