S.O. 43

[Translation]

NATIONAL FILM BOARD

REASON FOR CHANGES IN FRENCH REGIONALIZATION PROGRAM IN ONTARIO AND WESTERN CANADA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa-Vanier): 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 pressing necessity.

Considering the decision of the National Film Board to abolish the Francophone regional production centres in Ontario and western Canada; considering that such a decision will deprive Francophone minorities outside Quebec of an important communication and cultural tool and will also prevent them from obtaining the provincial government and nongovernment funds they need to operate, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vaudreuil (Mr. Herbert):

That the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) and the Secretary of State (Mr. Roberts) call on the administrative board of the NFB to justify that reprehensible action which did not contribute to the cultural survival of Francophone minorities outside Quebec when it abolished French regionalization in Ontario and western Canada.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, presentation of such motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[English]

FINANCE

INCENTIVE PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE EMPLOYMENT OF YOUTH—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, as the rate of unemployment for men and women under 25 years of age is twice that for those 25 years and over, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hastings (Mr. Ellis):

That the Minister of Finance be instructed by this House to introduce a program of incentives, without delay, which will induce businessmen and primary producers to employ our young people and enable them to take their rightful place in the work force.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Speaker.]

INDUSTRY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR STEEL INDUSTRY IN SYDNEY, N.S.—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton-The Sydneys): Mr. Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of extreme urgency affecting the economic future of thousands of Nova Scotians.

Recognizing that the ten-year, multimillion dollar contract between the Sydney Steel Corporation and the Tree Island Steel Company of British Columbia may represent the only real hope of revitalizing the Cape Breton steel industry, and recognizing the importance of this industry not only to Cape Breton but to all of Nova Scotia, and in view of the fact that Tree Island intends to cancel the contract unless financing can be arranged by December 31 for improvements to the Sysco billet mill—and I note that today is December 18, Mr. Speaker—I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cumberland-Colchester North (Mr. Coates):

That this government give its assurance that it will approve that portion of funding required for the modernization of the billet plant so the province of Nova Scotia may take advantage of the very substantial contract with Tree Island Steel Corporation of British Columbia.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented at this time for debate only with the unanimous agreement of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

CO-ORDINATOR TO ENSURE MAXIMUM USE OF RAIL CARS TO MOVE GRAIN—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity concerning the fact that there are at least 45 unassigned grain cars in a small area around Red Deer city, which means there could be hundreds of boxcars sitting on sidings in western Canada at a time when elevators are plugged and barley is not moving.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Moose Jaw (Mr. Neil):

That the minister in charge of the Canadian Wheat Board appoint immediately a capable co-ordinator with authority to ensure maximum use of railway cars so vessels will not be held up at the west coast, and thus avoid breaking last year's record \$25 million in demurrage charges.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be introduced for debate only with unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.