Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton), seconded by Mr. MacEachen, by leave of the House, introduced Bill C-245, An Act to impose a charge on the export of crude oil from Canada, to impose an oil export tax under the Excise Tax Act and to allocate certain of the revenues derived from the oil export tax, which was read the first time and ordered to be printed and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The text of the Message and Recommendation of the Governor General pursuant to Standing Order 62(2) in relation to the foregoing Bill is as follows:

His Excellency the Governor General recommends to the House of Commons a measure to impose a charge on the export of crude oil from Canada, to impose an oil export tax under the Excise Tax Act and to allocate certain of the revenues derived from the oil export tax by providing that there shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to defined provinces for a prescribed period, a proportion of 50% of the revenues to such provinces calculated in the manner set out in the measure.

The House resumed debate on the motion of Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale), seconded by Mr. MacEachen,— That Bill C-236, An Act to provide a means to conserve the supplies of petroleum products within Canada during periods of national emergency caused by shortages or market disturbances affecting the national security and welfare and the economic stability of Canada and to amend the National Energy Board Act, be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

And debate continuing;

[At 4.00 o'clock p.m., Private Members' Business was called pursuant to Standing Order 15(4)]

(Public Bills)

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs of Bill C-7, An Act to amend the Statistics Act (area statistics);

Mr. MacDonald (Egmont), seconded by Mr. McKinley, moved,—That the said bill be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

And debate arising thereon;

The hour for Private Members' Business expired.

Changes in Committee Membership

Notice having been filed with the Clerk of the House pursuant to Standing Order 65(4)(b), membership of Committees was amended as follows:

Mr. Laflamme for Mr. Danson on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Messrs. Hamilton (Swift Current-Maple Creek), Murta, Schumacher, McCain, Haliburton, Turner (London East), Smith (Northumberland-Miramichi), Roy (Laval) and Gleave for Messrs. McKenzie, Stevens, Blenkarn, Korchinski, Schellenberger, Mackasey, Turner (London East), Herbert and Rose on the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications.

Messrs. Hargrave and Turner (London East) for Messrs. Haliburton and Smith (Northumberland-Miramichi) on the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications.

Returns and Reports Deposited with the Clerk of the House

The following papers having been deposited with the Clerk of the House were laid upon the Table pursuant to Standing Order 41(1), namely:

By Mr. Trudeau, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Summary of Orders in Council passed during the month of June, 1973. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 291-1/356A.

By Mr. Sharp, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, —Report of the Department of External Affairs for the year ended December 31, 1972, pursuant to section 6 of the Department of External Affairs Act, chapter E-20, R.S.C., 1970. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 291-1/10A.

At 5.00 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned until Monday at 2.00 o'clock p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 2(1).