

*Proceedings on Adjournment Motion*

quarter of one per cent of our national defence budget would be an appropriate start for this government to make in the form of a grant to the operations of this body, which has performed such very useful work in leading to an understanding of the causes of war and the ways of promoting peace since its inception in 1962.

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, this is a question on which the government has already received representations from the hon. member for Davenport (Mr. Caccia), the hon. member for Ontario (Mr. Cafik), the hon. member for Victoria (Mr. Groos) and the hon. member for New Westminster (Mr. Hogarth). I can assure the hon. member for Comox-Alberni (Mr. Barnett) that the government has nothing but the greatest respect for those persons who are involved with the Canadian Peace Research Institute.

I recall when I was Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary of State for External Affairs I had the opportunity to meet Dr. Alcock and discuss with him a number of the projects. I regretted at that time that we could not be of more assistance to him. In the interval, of course, we have gone into a period of austerity in respect of the government's budget, and the government expresses regret that at the present time it is not in a position to contribute to very worth-while objectives such as those of the institute. I might say that basic research of the type advocated by the institute is now being indirectly supported by the government of Canada at Canadian universities.

As I have indicated I regret that at the present time the government is not in a position to assist the institute, although the government has great respect for its objectives.

Motion agreed to and the House adjourned at 10.20 p.m.

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