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That the said Special Joint Committee be composed of 14 members of the House of Commons, and 7 members of the Senate;

That the Standing Committee on House Management appoint the membership of this House of the Special Committee and present its report no later than five sitting days after the adoption of this Order, which report shall be deemed concurred in upon presentation to the House of Commons;

That changes in the membership of the said Special Joint Committee be effective immediately after notification signed by the Member acting as the Chief Whip of any recognized party has been filed with the Clerk of the Committee;

That the said Special Joint Committee have power to sit during sittings and adjournments of the House of Commons, to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the Committee;

That the quorum of the Committee be a majority of members, whenever a vote, resolution, or other decision is taken, so long as both Houses are represented; and

That a message be sent to the Senate requesting that House to unite with this House for the above purpose, and to select, if the Senate deems it advisable, some of its members to act on the proposed Special Joint Committee.

ATTEST

ROBERT MARLEAU  
*The Clerk of the House of Commons*

PROPOSED SPECIAL JOINT COMMITTEE—NOTICE OF MOTION

**Hon. John Lynch-Staunton (Deputy Leader of the Government):** Honourable senators, I give notice that, with leave, tomorrow I will move:

THAT the Senate do unite with the House of Commons in the appointment of a Special Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons for the committee stage consideration of Bill C-116, An Act to provide for greater certainty in the reconciliation of the personal

interests and duties of office of public office holders, to establish a Conflict of Interests Commission, to amend the Parliament of Canada Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts;

THAT the House of Commons Order for resuming second reading of Bill C-116 be amended by having the Bill referred to the Special Joint Committee rather than a Legislative Committee in the Departmental envelope;

THAT the said Special Joint Committee be composed of fourteen Members of the House of Commons and seven Members of the Senate;

THAT, notwithstanding Rule 86(1)(b), the Members to act on behalf of the Senate on the Special Joint Committee be the Honourable Senators Balfour, De Bané, Grimard, Kelleher, Oliver, Olson, and Stanbury;

THAT the said Special Joint Committee have power to sit during sittings and adjournments of the Senate, to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the Committee;

THAT the quorum of the Committee be a majority of members, whenever a vote, resolution, or other decision is taken, so long as both Houses are represented; and

THAT a message be sent to the House of Commons to acquaint that House accordingly.

**The Hon. the Speaker pro tempore:** Is leave granted, honourable senators, that this matter be proceeded with tomorrow?

**Hon. Senators:** Agreed.

[Translation]

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

**Hon. Jacques Hébert:** Honourable senators, I have the honour to present petitions signed by 125 citizens of Alberta who oppose the goods and services tax. These petitions come mainly from Calgary, Edmonton and Sherwood Park.

I also have the honour to present petitions signed by 21 citizens of Quebec who oppose the goods and services tax. These petitions come mainly from Montreal.

I have some further information for Senator Murray: I received these petitions this very morning. They were signed on March 26, 1993.