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with a sound basis to make judgments about the adequacy of current efforts, whether they be by governments, industry, or individuals.

The routine provision of high quality environmental information is a major component of the green plan. Although there is much work to be done in this complex area, we are committed to providing Canadians with the information they need to make informed decisions about their own activities and about the environmental performance of others.

The government fully supports the concept of federal departments being accountable for their use of resources from an environmental perspective. The green plan clearly emphasizes that every Canadian has a role to play in achieving the goal of sustainable development and that everyone is accountable for the impact of their actions on the environment.

[*Translation*]

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois):** Since there are no more members who want to speak, the hour provided for the consideration of Private Members' Business has now expired. Pursuant to Standing Order 96(1), this item is dropped from the Order Paper.

[*English*]

**Mr. Angus:** Point of order, Mr. Speaker. If there is no further private members' business, I am wondering if the House would agree to suspend until six o'clock as other things are evolving outside this House which will require some House time later on.

[*Translation*]

SITTING SUSPENDED

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois):** Order, please. I think that with unanimous consent, we can now proceed to the adjournment debate. Without it, I am going to suspend the sitting until 6 p.m. Is there unanimity? Is there consent that we proceed to the adjournment debate?

**An hon. member:** No.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois):** The sitting of the House is then suspended until 6 p.m.

At 5.44 p.m., the sitting of the House was suspended.

SITTING RESUMED

The House resumed at 5.56 p.m.

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BILL C-29

**Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among the various representatives in the House and I believe you will find unanimous consent for the following motion:

That notwithstanding any Standing Orders and usual practices of this House, the House withdraw Government Motion No. 4 after the adoption of this order and that;

After the return to work of the employees of the Public Service Alliance of Canada and other related unions, proceeding on Bill C-29, an act respecting compensation in the public sector of Canada and to amend another act in relation thereto, be halted immediately after second reading and not proceeded further with;

Should the PSAC and Treasury Board fail to reach an agreement with ensuing public inconvenience, then Bill C-29, an act respecting compensation in the public sector of Canada and to amend another act in relation thereto, would be deemed referred to a Committee of the Whole House; and that, immediately at the beginning of Government Orders the House shall begin its study at Committee of the Whole of the said bill and that all questions to dispose of the said bill at that stage and report stage be put without further debate or amendment no later than 10 p.m. that day.

That the following sitting day, the House shall begin consideration at third reading to Bill C-29, and that all questions to dispose of the said bill at that stage be put without further debate or amendment no later than 10 p.m. that day.

Mr. Speaker, I should also indicate that I believe you will find unanimous consent to complete the second reading of Bill C-29 now without further debate. I might add that the vote would be deemed demanded and deferred until tomorrow at three o'clock p.m.

**Mr. David Dingwall (Cape Breton—East Richmond):** Mr. Speaker, just in terms of a point of clarification because there has been a fair degree of communication from the government with regards to this particular matter, I am wondering if the parliamentary secretary could confirm for members of the House that in point of fact the workers will be called back by the President of the Treasury Board for eleven o'clock tomorrow morning