

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, January 19, 1966

The house met at 2.30 p.m.

UNITED NATIONS

TABLING OF GOVERNMENT PLEDGE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO WORLD FOOD PROGRAM

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I should like to table two copies in English and two copies in French of the government's statement yesterday to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization pledging contributions for the world food program.

THE MINISTRY

TABLING OF CORRESPONDENCE RESPECTING RESIGNATIONS, ETC.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I should like to table letters of resignation from certain members of the cabinet and my replies thereto; also, a list of members of the government as it now stands in order of precedence by portfolios; also, an order in council appointing Parliamentary Secretaries.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INQUIRY RESPECTING ONTARIO SUPREME COURT JUDGE

Hon. Lucien Cardin (Minister of Justice): At the time I assumed my present office there was, and had been, considerable public discussion concerning Mr. Justice Landreville. I have looked into the matter very carefully and I have come to the conclusion that it would be in the public interest to institute an inquiry under the Inquiries Act for the purpose of ascertaining all the relevant facts and circumstances.

I wish to table order in council PC 1966/128 passed under the Inquiries Act appointing Hon. Ivan C. Rand, of Moncton, New Brunswick, formerly a judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, to be a commissioner under part I of that act to conduct this inquiry and make his report to the Governor in Council. I am now tabling a copy of that order.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

TABLING OF AGREEMENTS RESPECTING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND PROVINCIAL SERVICES

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources): Mr. Speaker, I would like permission to table copies of the agreements which have been forwarded to the provinces dealing with community development programs and the extension of provincial services. Both deal with our Indian peoples.

[Translation]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

WINTER WORKS, QUEBEC—MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 26

Mr. Gilles Grégoire (Lapointe): Mr. Speaker—

[English]

Mr. Diefenbaker: I have a question for the Prime Minister.

Mr. Grégoire: On a point of order.

Some hon. Members: Order.

[Translation]

Mr. Grégoire: Mr. Speaker, I ask leave, under standing order 26, to move the adjournment of the house to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance.

The motion is as follows:

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Villeneuve (Mr. Caouette) the adjournment of the house to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely the suspension of winter works in several municipalities in the Province of Quebec.

Mr. Speaker, this is a question—

Mr. Speaker: If the hon. member will wait a moment, I must examine the subject he proposes to discuss.

Would the hon. member for Lapointe be kind enough to enlighten the Speaker as to the urgency of the matter he is raising?

Mr. Grégoire: Mr. Speaker, I feel my motion meets every requirement of the standing orders, since it is a very definite matter, that is, the suspension of winter works which