

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, January 27, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

VETERANS AFFAIRS

SUGGESTED COMMITTEE STUDY OF TRANSFER OF HOSPITALS TO PROVINCIAL JURISDICTION—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I wish to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

Representations from veterans' organizations and individual veterans express urgent concern about the effects of the transfer of veterans' hospitals to provincial and municipal jurisdictions.

The aging of veterans of World Wars II and Korea, as well as World War I, reflects the additional need for bed space and domiciliary care facilities which is being brought about because of changing conditions.

I therefore move under Standing Order 43, seconded by the hon. member for Swift Current-Maple Creek (Mr. Hamilton):

That the matter be referred to the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs to review the cabinet decision of 1963 which advocated withdrawal of departmental hospitals; to call witnesses from former hospital staffs and veterans' organizations, and that further handovers be suspended until this review is carried out.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion being proposed. Pursuant to Standing Order 43 it cannot be debated without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There not being unanimous consent the motion cannot be debated at this time.

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[Translation]

INDUSTRY

TABLING OF DOCUMENTS EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND UNITED AIRCRAFT

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): Mr. Speaker, according to the provisions of Standing Order 41(2), I would like to table in the two official

languages the documents exchanged between the government and United Aircraft of Canada Limited.

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[English]

COMBINES INVESTIGATION ACT

AMENDMENT TO PREVENT THE APPLICATION OF FOREIGN LAWS TO CANADIAN TRADE

Hon. Robert Stanbury (York-Scarborough) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-374, to amend the Combines Investigation Act.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Stanbury: Mr. Speaker, this bill is offered as a vehicle for immediate enactment of those provisions of bill C-2 which would prohibit the extra-territorial application of foreign laws or directives prejudicial to Canadian trade or commerce.

As all parties in this House appear to consider this legislation to be urgently needed, I presume all members will wish to co-operate in giving it speedy passage.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Speaker: When shall the bill be read the second time? Now?

Mr. Sharp: At the next sitting.

Mr. Speaker: By leave now?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Sharp: Next sitting.

Mr. Speaker: At the next sitting of the House?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Diefenbaker: The government House leader says no.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 117, 387, 404, 408, 417,