

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 12, 1976

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

AIRPORTS

REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL INQUIRY INTO AWARDING OF LEASE
TO SKY SHOPS OF DORVAL AND MIRABEL—MOTION UNDER
S.O. 43

Mr. Elmer M. MacKay (Central Nova): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of increasing evidence of improper interference with normal tendering procedures relating to leases and concessions, which cannot be fully explored within the narrow confines of a police investigation, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Saskatoon-Biggar (Mr. Hnatyshyn):

That the government appoint forthwith an independent judicial inquiry into the awarding of the lease extension for Sky Shops and the operations of its duty free concessions.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The provisions of Standing Order 43 require the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

FINANCE

REQUEST FOR MEASURES TO REDUCE INTEREST RATES—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I ask the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion on an urgent and important matter.

Considering that the Pepin Board has not seen fit to control interest rates, particularly debit and credit rates, considering that the gap now exceeds 4 per cent, which is the largest in recent years, and considering also that current interest rates are really very high, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Bellechasse (Mr. Lambert):

That this House instruct the Minister of Finance to take every necessary step to bring back interest rates at the level they were when the economic development was quite satisfactory, that is a normal rate of 6 per cent, and to avoid that in future Canadians be forced to contract loans at current interest rates which is one of the first causes of inflation.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion.

Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: Since there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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INCOME TAX

REQUEST FOR PROVISION FOR DEDUCTIBILITY OF PROPERTY
TAXES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion of urgent and pressing necessity.

Considering that municipal property and school taxes keep increasing and have become a burden which is likely to discourage access to property, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kamouraska (Mr. Dionne):

That this House request the Minister of Finance to consider an amendment to the Income Tax Act providing for the deductibility of property taxes and that this be taken in account in the preparation of the next budget.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent; therefore the motion may not be put.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

MINISTER'S VIEW OF POSSIBILITY OF GENERAL STRIKE—
EFFORTS TO PERSUADE LABOUR TO AWARD CONFRONTATION

Mr. John A. Fraser (Vancouver South): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Labour, of which I have