

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, June 28, 1976

The House met at 2 p.m.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

REQUEST FOR REPORT ON WEEKEND PRISON SENTENCES—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg South Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43 to present a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the statements made by Superintendent J. M. Gillingham of the Headingley Correctional Institute in Manitoba, that the four-year old federal program of weekend jail sentences is an administrative nightmare, and one-third of those serving weekend jail terms are not showing up and also many of the prisoners arrive drunk or under the influence of drugs, and as the Chief Judge of the Manitoba Provincial Judges Court has called on magistrates to stop handing out weekend prison sentences, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Red Deer (Mr. Towers):

That this House direct the Minister of Justice to prepare a report on weekend prison sentences and, if necessary, rescind the legislation allowing weekend sentences.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 can be presented only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No.

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PUBLIC SERVICE

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RIGHTS
TO EMPLOYEES OF HOUSE OF COMMONS AND SENATE—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave under Standing Order 43 to present a motion of some urgency. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North (Mr. Orlikow):

That this House urges the government to bring in legislation to implement the recommendation of the Special Joint Committee on the Public Service, made on February 3, 1967, to the effect that employees of the Senate, the House of Commons and the Library of Parliament should be accorded the same collective bargaining and other rights that are accorded to federal public servants under the terms of the Public Service Staff Relations Act.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Under the terms of Standing Order 43 this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

CRIMINAL CODE

SUGGESTION THAT FINAL STAGES OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT
BILL BE DELAYED UNTIL FALL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Reynolds (Burnaby-Richmond-Delta): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince George-Peace River (Mr. Oberle):

That once Bill C-84 for abolition of the death penalty is reported to the House that this House do adjourn for the summer recess and that report stage and third reading be allotted five days debate in the fall with a vote to come at the end of the fifth day.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43, cannot be presented without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

REQUEST FOR REVISION OF EXTERNAL AID POLICY TO MAKE
IT MORE EFFICIENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion dealing with a question of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that Mr. Fernand Séguin has just resigned from the important position he held at the Science Council of Canada because of the content of the advice next to be presented to the government by the council concerning the attitude it should take toward the Third World and the imminent world food crisis, and that this disagreement underlines the possibility for Canada to adopt a policy of food imperialism toward the starving countries, as was pointed out by Mr. Omond Solandt, former president of the Council, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Roberval (Mr. Gauthier):

That the House of Commons review the entire Canadian aid policy towards the Third World in light of the advice of the Science Council of Canada, in order for such aid policy to be realistic, taking in account our surpluses and our production capacities, instead of becoming a disguised form of pressure on nations of the world.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Under the provisions of Standing