

Motions

which has been cleared through the Chair, calling upon the Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson) to depose all of the documents relating to the budget which outline the massive loss of jobs as a result of the so-called economic statement.

[Translation]

I just want to clarify, Mr. Speaker, that we Liberal Members have a petition that is duly signed.

● (1220)

[English]

Mr. Speaker: May I explain to the Hon. Member, please, that the tradition here is that petitions are submitted with a brief description of what they are and the translation takes care, I believe, of the problem the Hon. Member is trying to deal with. I take it that is the explanation.

Ms. Copps: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Speaker: I regret to inform the Hon. Member that the tradition here is a short explanation of the petition. Does the Hon. Member have something she wishes to add?

Ms. Copps: Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to explain that, certainly, from a government which has pledged to the Canadian people that it was going to be an open government, this—

Mr. Speaker: No, I regret to advise the Hon. Member—and I will be very clear on this—that that is not an explanation of what is in the petition. I will be very firm on that matter.

TESTING OF CRUISE MISSILE

Mr. G. M. Gurbin (Bruce-Grey): Mr. Speaker, I am privileged to present a petition on behalf of 200 constituents in the riding of Bruce-Grey who ask that the Parliament of Canada act to refuse the testing of the Cruise missile in Canada and to reject research, production, testing and transport of any nuclear weapon, their delivery systems or components in Canada; that Canada be declared a nuclear-weapons-free zone; that the wasteful spending on the arms race be diverted to fund human needs so as to ensure prosperity through peace and finally, that the above stated objectives be subject to ratification through a free vote in the Parliament of Canada.

Therefore, the undersigned call upon this honourable House to bring about these changes.

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BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

DISPOSITION OF AMENDMENTS TO ADDRESS IN REPLY

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (Minister of State (Government House Leader)): Mr. Speaker, there have been consultations with the Opposition House Leaders with respect to the business on Tuesday. It was contemplated, as I mentioned yesterday, that when we return after the Remembrance Day week-

end we will proceed with the Speech from the Throne debate. In order to avoid any possibility of procedural technicality whereby deferred votes today would have to be disposed of before we proceeded with the debate, I would like to propose for the unanimous approval of this House the following motion. Therefore, I move:

That on Tuesday, November 13, 1984, notwithstanding any deferred division on the proposed amendment to the amendment of the Hon. Member for Oshawa (Mr. Broadbent), if the Order of the Day is the consideration of the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne, the business to be considered shall be the proposed amendment thereto of the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Turner).

I believe you will find that unanimous consent will be forthcoming, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Herb Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, I want to confirm that we give our consent to this order.

Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, we did in fact confer on this matter. It is a technical question, as you well know, Sir, as to how to deal with that portion of a debate which is supposed to have ended but which in fact by agreement is being continued. Therefore, I will on this occasion accept that this is one of a number of ways it can be dealt with and we accept the motion.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the suggestion of the Government House Leader. Is there unanimous consent that the matter be introduced?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the matter be disposed of as the Hon. House Leader suggests?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

Mr. Paul Dick (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State (Government House Leader)): Mr. Speaker, I ask that all questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Speaker: Shall all questions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

RESUMPTION OF DEBATE ON ADDRESS IN REPLY

The House resumed from Wednesday, November 7, consideration of the motion of Mr. Ken James for an Address to Her Excellency the Governor General in reply to her Speech at the opening of the session; and the amendment thereto of Mr.