HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, November 6, 1968

The house met at 2.30 p.m.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL DEFENCE

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE—PROVISION FOR DISCUSSION

Mr. Ian Wahn (St. Paul's): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the second report of the standing committee on external affairs and national defence.

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, with regard to the report presented by the chairman of the standing committee on external affairs and national defence, there has been some discussion by way of the usual channels as to some means of disposing of it. I think it might be in order if I gave the house some views on the matter which might be acceptable.

As this matter came from the house, it has been suggested that the house give consideration to making an order that one supply day, not to include a Wednesday or Friday, be set aside to debate this report of the standing committee on a motion to concur in the said report; that on such motion all standing orders and precedents applicable be waived to the extent necessary to permit an amendment to be moved, as would be the case on a motion to amend a supply motion under standing order 56; and, at 15 minutes before the ordinary time of daily adjournment on such day, Mr. Speaker shall interrupt the proceedings and forthwith put all questions in order to dispose of the said motion and any amendments then before the house.

There have been some discussions on this matter and the house may feel disposed to giving unanimous consent to the suggestion that has just been made. I understand there must be unanimous consent to dispose of the matter in this way.

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, as the hon. member for Peace River has said, there have been discussions in the vein of the proposed order he has suggested. We would be quite agreeable to an order being made in that regard and would look forward to bringing this matter forward, subject to that order, upon the return of the Secretary of State for External Affairs from his Latin American trip. We would be agreeable to having an order made in those terms.

Mr. David Lewis (York South): Mr. Speaker, I know my colleague the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) has been discussing this matter with other house leaders, and this was agreed to. Perhaps I misheard the hon. member for Peace River, but I thought he said something about not excluding a Wednesday or Friday. Or were his words "not including Wednesday or Friday"?

Mr. Baldwin: It is one sitting day but excluding Wednesday or Friday, since sometimes that is less than one sitting day.

Mr. Lewis: Now it makes sense. That is what I hoped was meant.

Mr. Speaker: Is this proposal approved by the house and so ordered?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Translation]

INCOME TAX

TABLING OF STATEMENT RESPECTING HUTTERIAN BRETHREN COLONIES

Hon. Jean-Pierre Coté (Minister of National Revenue): Mr. Speaker, I should like to table a statement, in English and in French, concerning the application of the Income Tax Act to Hutterian Brethren colonies in Canada, as promised in reply to the questions raised in this house concerning that matter.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Has the minister leave to table this document?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

HUMAN RIGHTS

STATEMENT ON NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY IN NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Hon. Bryce S. Mackasey (Minister of Labour): On October 2 the hon. member for