motion No. 9, and a negative vote on motion No. 8 necessitates a vote on motion No. 9.

MEASURE TO ENACT

Mrs. Marlene Catterall (Ottawa West) moved:

Motion No. 3

That Bill C-16 be amended in Clause 16 by striking out lines 19 to 40 at page 6 and substituting the following therefor:

"(2) The Treasury Board shall implement for the Agency a classification plan for the scientific, engineering and related technical professionals that is based on the competence of the person to be employed rather than on the description of the functions to be carried on by such person at the employ of the Agency".

Mrs. Catterall: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. There has been considerable discussion on Motion No. 8 and I did address it in my comments on the motions generally. I am prepared to withdraw this motion. I think there is unanimous consent to substitute a slightly revised draft. I am not entirely happy with this. It has put a time limit in there that I think is unnecessary. However, it is a substantial improvement over what is now in the bill. In the interests of having protection for the employees, I am prepared to move a motion with the wording that is acceptable to the department.

• (1240)

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent to allow the hon. member for Ottawa West to bring in a new motion at this time?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Translation]

Mrs. Duplessis: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary on the same point of order.

Mrs. Duplessis: Mr. Speaker, after discussion, we shall support the new version of Motion No. 8 moved by Mrs. Catterall.

[English]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Motion No. 8 is withdrawn.

Motion No. 8 withdrawn.

Mrs. Marlene Catterall (Ottawa West) moved:

Motion No. 8A

Government Orders

That clause 28 of Bill C-16 be amended by striking out lines 5 through 8 on page 9 and substituting the following:

"28.(1). Where a position in the Public Service of Canada is transferred to the Agency within ninety days after the day on which this Act comes into force, the incumbent of the position continues in the position in the Agency, unless the incumbent otherwise elects prior to the transfer, and any person so continuing is"

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent to allow Mr. Manley to move Motion No. 9 on behalf of Mr. Pagtakhan?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. John Manley (for Mr. Pagtakhan) moved:

Motion No. 9

That Bill C-16 be amended in Clause 28 by striking out line 7 at page 9 and substituting the following therefor:

"service of Canada within one hundred and eighty days after".

[Translation]

Hon. Marcel Masse (for the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion and Minister of State for Science and Technology) moved:

Motion No. 10

That Bill C-16 be amended in Clause 28 by striking out lines 16 and 17 at page 9 and substituting the following therefor:

"immediately before the appointment, and any person who was so subject".

[English]

Mrs. Beryl Gaffney (Nepean): Mr. Speaker, I wish to briefly comment on the amendments to the space agency bill before us today.

We all recognize the importance of establishing a space agency. The comment that I would like to make is in relation to the process that was used. First, it took approximately two years to allow this bill to come before the House which caused a great deal of indecision on how this space agency should be implemented and on the jobs of the people who were involved.

At times it appeared to pit one municipality against another as to the location of the space agency, and at other times it appeared to become a political football. That is what was so terribly wrong in the process which was so important. I hope that it never happens again because it did nothing but cause ill feeling. It caused problems with our scientists and with our astronauts. It is the process that I am really speaking against. I hope that we as members can recognize the importance in moving