

S.O. 43

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE ECONOMY

SUGGESTION GOVERNMENT FOLLOW UNITED STATES INTEREST RATE POLICIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Don Blenkarn (Mississauga South): Madam Speaker, yesterday interest rates in the United States on treasury bills fell to 11.48 per cent. The American rate on a T-bill basis is now 3.5 per cent less than the Canadian T-bill rate. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lethbridge-Foothills (Mr. Thacker):

That, in view of the fact that the government is blaming the Americans for high interest rates, the government follow American interest policies and reduce our interest rates by 3.5 per cent, so that our interest rates are no more than the interest rates charged in the United States.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE PRESS

DETENTION OF BRITISH JOURNALISTS IN ARGENTINA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Madam Speaker, newspapermen and all of us who support the principle of freedom of the press want to register protest against the imprisonment of three British journalists who are detained in Argentina under charges of espionage. Whereas Canada, as a free and democratic country, cannot condone the trampling of this fundamental right anywhere in the world, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Haldimand-Norfolk (Mr. Bradley):

That the Secretary of State for External Affairs do convey through diplomatic channels Canada's concern with freedom of the press violations in Argentina and Canada's support for the representations made by many Canadians that the three British journalists, now detained, be released as quickly as possible.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

CALL FOR BOYCOTT OF NESTLÉ COMPANY PRODUCTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Nestlé company continues to make huge profits by pushing an infant formula which discourages breast feeding and leads to malnutrition and even death in many Third World countries. Inasmuch as 226 violations by Nestlé of the World Health Agreement have been documented, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Saskatoon East (Mr. Ogle):

That this House condemn Nestlé for continuing to kill Third World babies and support a renewed boycott of all Nestlé products in Canada to enforce World Health Organization requirements.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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HUMAN RIGHTS

CHILE—CONDEMNATION OF ARRESTS AND DETENTION WITHOUT TRIAL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Clarke (Vancouver Quadra): Madam Speaker, in light of recent reports from Chile of the disappearance of individuals at the hands of the Chilean CIS, I move, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, and seconded by the hon. member for Parry Sound-Muskoka (Mr. Darling):

That this House deplores the actions of the Chilean Central Intelligence Service for the numerous arrests and detention of individuals without trial, and further urges the Secretary of State for External Affairs to raise this important matter at the United Nations.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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FINANCE

EFFECT OF BUDGET ON SALES OF EQUIPMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, the November 12 budget has had untold disastrous effects upon Canadians. One of the provisions thought up by the Minister and the bureaucrats was cutting the capital cost allowance in half for the year of purchase. This has resulted in farmers and businessmen making do with their old equipment instead of buying new equipment, and there has consequently been a string of dire results—no purchases, no sales, no orders, no