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[English]

FRESHWATER FISH MARKETING CORPORATION

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF MEASURES TO INCREASE LEVEL OF INCOME OF FISHERMEN—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to raise a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the announcement that the prices for freshwater fish are to be at the same depressed level as in 1973, in view of the minister's failure to comply with a request for representation on the board in line with production in certain areas, in view of the failure of the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation to provide adequate markets—to the point at which very low and in some cases no prices are quoted for certain species—resulting in many lifelong fishermen having to resort to welfare, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Dauphin (Mr. Ritchie):

That the Minister of State (Fisheries) be immediately seized with this problem, to propose effective measures to maintain levels of disposable income for freshwater fishermen at an increased level which would take into account increased costs of production.

Mr. Speaker: Order. Such a motion can be presented to the House only by unanimous consent.

Some hon. Members: No!

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

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[Translation]

PUBLIC SERVICE

REQUEST FOR DECENTRALIZATION PROGRAM TO BENEFIT UNDERDEVELOPED REGIONS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eymard Corbin (Madawaska-Victoria): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to move the following motion.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Sherbrooke (Mr. Pelletier):

That the House recognize and support the merits of the principle of decentralizing the public service towards underdeveloped areas in the country facing a historically high and chronic unemployment rate due mainly to the lack of jobs, and that the House recognize the emergency of speeding up the process in an orderly and balanced way so that all Canadians wherever they may live be provided with equal opportunity to have access to the Canadian public service, in order to reduce the inequalities and distortions already existing within these areas.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Mr. Speaker: As there is unanimous consent of the House, I shall move the motion. Seconded by the hon. member for Sherbrooke (Mr. Pelletier), the hon. member for Madawaska-Victoria (Mr. Corbin) moved:

Oral Questions

That the House recognize and support the merits of the principle of decentralizing the public service towards underdeveloped areas in the country facing a historically high and chronic unemployment rate due mainly to the lack of jobs, and the the House . . .

Order, please. Is the hon. member for Abitibi rising on a point of order?

Mr. Laprise: Mr. Speaker, there was not unanimous consent on this last motion moved pursuant to Standing Order 43.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. There is not unanimous consent; therefore the motion cannot be put.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

AIR TRANSPORT

REQUEST FOR ASSURANCE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS WORKING—ASSURANCE TO PILOTS OF SAFE FLYING CONDITIONS

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, my question is addressed to the Minister of Transport to whom we extend sincere condolences. At 5.30 yesterday afternoon an official in the hon. gentleman's ministry stated that air traffic control operations were back to normal at all airports across the country. I am advised that this is the situation which prevails as of now. Can the minister confirm that this is the case and, in the light of the position taken by CALPA can he tell us what assurances, if any, have been given to the airline pilots so that the services can be normalized?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport): Again today we have indications that the air traffic controllers are working throughout the country. Conditions, therefore, are normal for the flight of aircraft. There seems to be no reason whatever for pilots not to fly. International flights are, indeed, flying through Canadian airspace and using Canadian airports. It is my hope that other pilots in Canada will do the same and that the inconvenience to the travelling public will end.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

REQUEST FOR TABLING OF TERMS OF REFERENCE OF INQUIRY INTO SAFETY OF BILINGUAL TRAFFIC CONTROL

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): In view of the misgivings felt, apparently, by many pilots about what the commissioner, or commissioners, once appointed, will be asked to do, may I inquire whether the terms of the reference to the commission have been drawn up and, if so, whether the minister would be prepared to table them?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Transport): I will certainly be glad to table them as soon as they are put in place. We drew up certain terms of reference which were later worked upon. We are now at the final stages of selecting the commissioners, and at that point we will