Motions for Papers
TRADE PROMOTION COST—SALES RATIO

Motion No. 202-Mr. Broadbent:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the study on the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce trade promotion policies showing a 12:1 cost-sales ratio as stated by Mr. P. Schutte, Chief of the Trade Fairs Abroad Division of the Department.

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce wishes to inform the hon. member that the documents and reports from which this information is derived are internal working matter provided to the department by private firms on the understanding that they will be kept in confidence and used internally only. Publicizing such information would be a breach of this confidence and would make it difficult to obtain such data in the future. In view of this, the minister would ask the member to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Broadbent: Mr. Speaker, I cannot accept the statement that publicizing these documents would constitute a breach of confidence. I therefore refuse to accept the answer and ask that this motion be transferred for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

COMBINES—QUININE—CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED BY U.S.

Motion No. 205-Mr. Saltsman:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying that he will cause to be laid before this House copies of all correspondence, memoranda, etc., provided to the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs by the United States Justice Department on anti-combines matters related to international drug companies and the price of quinine.

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, the material called for by this motion constitutes privileged communication between two governments, the publication of which would impair the usefulness of such written exchanges. I hope that the hon. member would consent to withdraw the motion.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I do not think he will, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.
[Mr. Speaker.]

CANADIAN TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Motion No. 217-Mr. Skoberg:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the consultant report by Gherzi Textile Organization on the Canadian textile industry undertaken for the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in the fiscal year 1966-67, as mentioned in answer to Question Number 1,323 of the past Ses-

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Stand.

Mr. Speaker: Stand.

INDUSTRIAL PUBLIC RELATIONS STUDY

Motion No. 228-Mr. Skoberg:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the consultant report by Public Industrial Relations Limited, a public relations study, undertaken for the Department of Labour in the fiscal year 1968-69, as mentioned in answer to Question Number 1,323 of the past Session.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Stand.

Mr. Speaker: Stand.

ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE BOARD LOANS

Motion No. 259-Mrs. MacInnis:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the list of the 77 firms receiving loans from the Adjustment Assistance Board as mentioned in answer to Question Number 2,490 of the past Session.

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce wishes to inform the hon member that it has always been the practice of the Adjustment Assistance Board not to reveal the names of its borrowers. This policy is in line with that taken by term lenders in the private sector. In view of this, the minister would ask the member to withdraw her motion.

Mrs. MacInnis: Mr. Speaker, since our taxpayers provide the funds for this board I think they have the right to know who obtains the loans. May this be transferred for debate, please?

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

RESEARCH STUDIES, CRTC ECONOMICS BRANCH

Motion No. 271-Mr. Rose:

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of the research studies by the Economics Branch