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2.00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Special Order made Monday, January 22, 1973, the House proceeded to the taking of deferred divisions and to the putting of any other question necessary to dispose of the amendments before the House in relation to the motion to appoint a Special Committee to enquire into the trends in food prices and that the first question be put as follows:

Mr. Gray, seconded by Mr. MacEachen, moved,—That a Special Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and make recommendations upon the trends in food prices in Canada and factors domestic and foreign which account for these trends;

That 20 Members of the House of Commons to be designated by the House at a later date be the members of the Special Committee and that Standing Order 65(5) of the House of Commons be suspended in relation thereto;

That the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records and examine witnesses; to sit during periods when the House stands adjourned; to report from time to time and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be deemed advisable; to delegate to sub-committees all or any of their

powers except the power to report direct to the House; to engage the services of counsel, accountants and such other clerical and technical personnel as may be deemed necessary;

And on the motion of Mr. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Hellyer, in amendment thereto,—That the motion be amended by inserting therein, next after the third paragraph thereof, the following:

“That the said Committee shall make its final report and recommendations within the three months next following its appointment.”.

And on the motion of Mr. Harney, seconded by Mr. Symes, in amendment to the said proposed amendment,—That the amendment be amended by deleting the words “within the three months next following its appointment”, and by substituting therefor the following words:

“upon the completion of its investigation, and that it shall make an interim report, including recommendations for action, within two months of its first meeting.”.