

The CHAIRMAN: Would you care to allow item 50 to stand? We hope that Mr. Moran will be back before the committee again.

Mr. BREWIN: It would not be necessary for Mr. Moran to come again. He has already expressed his interests in this idea, and has made a request that we do something in this regard.

The CHAIRMAN: I will be pleased to entertain a motion now, Mr. Brewin.

Mr. BREWIN: I will move then, having regard to the fact that reputable private organizations are concerned with worth-while projects in the field of external aid, raise substantial amounts of money for such purposes, and need additional funds from time to time to carry out such projects, that this committee recommends a certain sum be made available in future estimates to enable grants to be made to assist private organizations in projects in the field of external aid which are approved by the external aid office.

Mr. THOMPSON: I second the motion.

Mr. GELBER: Are you referring to student organizations?

Mr. BREWIN: I am not necessarily referring to student organizations. Churches might be putting money into external aid projects.

Mr. GELBER: That is a very broad subject.

The CHAIRMAN: The motion was seconded by Mr. Thompson.

Mr. CHOQUETTE: I do not think this is the appropriate time to discuss this subject.

The CHAIRMAN: Is it the pleasure of this committee to refer this motion to the steering committee?

Mr. MACEWAN: I was going to make such a suggestion.

Mr. BREWIN: I am perfectly willing to have it referred to the steering committee, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. CHOQUETTE: I think that is agreeable.

Mr. FAIRWEATHER: I am not trying to anticipate what the steering committee will do, but I hope it will note the activities of CUSO because it has particular application to this discussion. I do not think we have done anything in respect of CUSO, yet there is quite a reservoir of idealism among university students which should be harnessed, and I think the government should match private donations.

Mr. LACHANCE: Do I understand the adoption of this motion will automatically increase the estimates?

Mr. BREWIN: No. I do not know whether all members of this committee were present when Mr. Moran gave his evidence, but if they were not naturally they are handicapped in respect of the intent of this motion. Mr. Moran said that in respect of external aid not only were projects being carried out through the Colombo plan and other government activities but also various voluntary organizations such as the Canadian university service overseas were sending young people over there and supposing they had a project of sending teachers and had raised \$75,000 but needed \$100,000, external aid could provide a useful service by granting the additional \$25,000 in order that this project could be carried out effectively.

I have stressed in this motion that grants should be made in respect of projects which the external aid department had approved. That department will not be throwing money around, but will operate in a sort of partnership, as it were, in regard to what we are trying to do through governmental sources and what is done by, as I said, very reputable private organizations in this limited field of external aid. This recommendation only tries to put this idea into a form so that we can make this recommendation to the department that when they are drawing up their estimates for next year they will include something of this sort.