S.O. 43

years ago the Berger commission examined a similar proposal and recommended against it on social, political and environmental grounds; whereas in 1977, following the Berger commission report, the National Energy Board and the Government of Canada decided against the Mackenzie Valley gas pipeline; therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands (Mr. Manly):

That the Government of Canada continue to respect the recommendations of the Berger commission, and that the proposed Norman Wells pipeline be delayed until aboriginal rights in that area are protected and, in particular, until agreements in principle have been concluded with the native people of the Mackenzie district of the Northwest Territories respecting their aboriginal claims.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

AGRICULTURE

MEASURES TO IMPROVE FINANCIAL SITUATION OF FARMERS-MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Mel Gass (Malpeque): Madam Speaker, I, too, rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

In view of the fact that farmers finance between 50 per cent and 60 per cent of their operating costs with borrowed money, and some farmers have had to drop their low-interest Farm Credit Corporation mortgages for high-interest bank mortgages because the Farm Credit Corporation no longer has sufficient funds, and that in some regions there has been a five-fold increase in farms put up for sale, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Carleton-Charlotte (Mr. McCain):

• (1410)

That this House condemn the government's do-nothing approach to the financial crisis facing farmers today, that the federal government immediately offer more money to the Farm Credit Corporation, and that the Minister of Agriculture immediately introduce the proposal put forth by the previous PC government which would allow the Farm Credit Corporation to borrow supplemental funding from the private marketplace.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL AID FOR HOG PRODUCERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Madam Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous

consent of the House to present a motion dealing with an important and urgent matter.

Because of the dramatic situation in which hog producers have found themselves for the last four months already; because some of them will very soon have to face bankruptcy, if they have not already done so, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Wetaskiwin (Mr. Schellenberger)

That this House unanimously invite the Minister of Agriculture to act immediately through either a compensation formula or enough financial assistance to avoid the worst.

Madam Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the terms of Standing Order 43, the motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[English]

FINANCE

CALL FOR RESCINDING OF NEW TAXES IMPOSED ON DOMESTIC WINES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Girve Fretz (Erie): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

Given the fact that the now famous infamous mini-budget of April 21 imposed additional increases in excise tax and federal sales tax on wines, given the fact that the Canadian wine industry situated in the Niagara Peninsula and in the Okanagan Valley is being unfairly and grievously hindered in its attempts to compete with foreign wine by this measure, and given, further, that these increases will create surpluses of grapes and increase unemployment, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Okanagan-Similkameen (Mr. King):

That this government reconsider the action taken, and rescind the new taxes imposed on the Canadian wine industry.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

FREE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RIGHTS FOR EMPLOYEES-MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Svend J. Robinson (Burnaby): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43.