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COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO  
MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND DEPARTMENTAL  
OFFICIALS

Motion No. 27—**Mr. Domm:**

That an order of the House do issue for a copy of all correspondence, notes, transcripts and all other communications exchanged between the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of the Environment and senior departmental officials cited by the parliamentary secretary in the House on May 13, 1980, at page 1012 of *Hansard*.

Motion agreed to.

[Translation]

**Mr. Collette:** Madam Speaker, I ask that the remaining notices of motions for production of papers be allowed to stand.

**Madam Speaker:** Shall the remaining notices of motions be allowed to stand?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Madam Speaker:** Pursuant to Standing Order 54, I now leave the chair for the House to go into Committee of the Whole.

## GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

### INCOME TAX ACT

#### MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed from Tuesday, February 3, consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bill C-54, an act to amend the statute law relating to income tax—**Mr. MacEachen—Mr. Blaker** in the chair.

**The Assistant Deputy Chairman:** The House again in Committee of the Whole on Bill C-54 to amend the statute law relating to income tax. When the committee rose on Tuesday, February 3, 1981, clause 58 of the bill was under consideration and the hon. member for Broadview-Greenwood had the floor. I might mention that Clause 8 was allowed to stand. Shall Clause 58 carry?

**Mr. Knowles:** On a point of order, Mr. Chairman, may I ask when it is proposed to return to Clause 8 for the amendment that has been promised.

[Translation]

**Mr. Bussières:** Mr. Chairman, I would have no objection if we were to proceed now with Clause 8 which deals with the Small Business Development Bond. It is up to the House to decide. We may, however, go on and come back later to clause

### Income Tax Act

8. It is all the same to me. We can either wait until the end or proceed with it at once.

[English]

**Mr. Nielsen:** Mr. Chairman may I suggest that we do it now because it is the only tag end before Clause 58. We could then proceed in a more orderly way.

On Clause 8—

● (1540)

[Translation]

**Mr. Bussières:** Mr. Chairman, as indicated after the oral question period, following an agreement between the parties, the government has agreed to propose the extension of the Small Business Development Bond until December 31 of this year. Throughout the debate, numerous representations have been made by hon. members on both sides of the House for the government to extend the scope of this proposal. On several occasions the Minister of Finance and I have discussed this matter with the Minister of State for Small Businesses who was also concerned with the short period of the fiscal year in which the bond could still be negotiated. By granting this extension the government has naturally taken into account these various representations. It has taken into account the particular situation in which we find ourselves and which as also been underlined by hon. members, namely the fact that in a period of high interest rates investments for the development of small businesses are a much more difficult proposition. Considering our fairly high rate of unemployment, at the present time we should extend the bond deadline and enable those job intensive small businesses to meet the challenge of reducing the present high level of unemployment. I would not like to prolong the debate, and I am going to ask my colleague the Minister of State for Small Businesses to move amendments to Clause 8, which were agreed upon by all parties.

**Mr. Lapointe (Charlevoix)** moved:

That Clause 8 of Bill C-54 be amended

(a) by striking out lines 44 and 45 on page 18 and substituting the following therefor:

“December 11, 1979 and before 1982.”;

(b) by striking out line 14 on page 19 and substituting the following therefor:

“1979 and before 1982”;

(c) by striking out line 21 on page 19 and substituting the following therefor:

“1979 and before 1982 in”; and

(d) by striking out line 24 on page 19 and substituting the following therefor:

“1982, in whole or in part.”

[English]

**Mr. Andre:** Mr. Chairman, I will be very brief in my remarks. I just want to confirm that this amendment arose out of the representations of myself and numerous other hon. members in the House, in particular the hon. member for Mississauga South.