PLEASURE CRAFT

Question No. 2,495-Mr. Greenaway:

- 1. In each year 1978 to date, how many pleasure boats of (a) power (b) sail (c) other types were imported and, in each case (i) from which country (ii) what was the length of the craft (iii) what was the province of destination?
- 2. (a) For the same period, how many boat building manufacturers of (i) power (ii) sail (iii) other craft were registered in each province (b) how many of the companies exported (i) power (ii) sail (iii) other craft and to which countries were they exported?
- 3. For the same period, how many (a) power (b) sail (c) other boats were sold in (i) Canada (ii) British Columbia?

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[English]

STARRED QUESTION

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, would you be so kind as to call starred question No. 2,584?

[Text]

Question No. 2,584-Mr. Cullen:

Was Canadian citizenship awarded to any persons under subsection 5(4) of the Citizenship Act and, if so, what number were (a) "in order to alleviate cases of special and unusual hardship" (b) "to reward services of an exceptional value to Canada"?

[Translation]

Mr. Jean Lapierre (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): In reply to Question No. 2584, I should like to say that since the current Citizenship Act came into effect on February 15, 1977, 47 persons have been granted Canadian citizenship under Section 5(4), to wit: (a) "to alleviate cases of special and unusual hardship", 46; (b) "to reward services of an exceptional value to Canada", 1.

[English]

Mr. Smith: Madam Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Madam Speaker: The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Cossitt: Madam Speaker, in rising to make a brief point of order, may I preface it by congratulating the hon. member for Don Valley East on being appointed the latest "Dr. No". I hope that he will not suffer the fate of his predecessor who is now sitting across the way in outer Siberia.

In any event, I should like to ask the parliamentary secretary something which I have raised for five and a half years. I felt that perhaps it was inappropriate to raise the matter on the first day—but, on the other hand, when it has been five and a half years perhaps it is appropriate—as to why question No. 30 has not been answered. As his predecessors will tell him, I have raised this question and each time I received the

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answer that it will be answered soon. It is now about five and a half years, give or take a day or two, which seems to me to be a long time. I have simply asked for the members of the Canadian Transport Commission who have passes on Air Canada, their wives who have passes on Air Canada, and certain other interrelated questions. It is very simple, but in five and a half years the government has not been able to tell us

Therefore, I think I should give the parliamentary secretary notice that if he cannot tell me today—and I know it is premature, since I believe he was appointed about fifteen minutes ago, to expect that he would be good enough to be quite that fast—I intend to raise this matter as often as the Chair will permit me to do so in order that it will not take perhaps ten and a half years.

Mr. Smith: Madam Speaker, I take note of this suggestion. I should point out, if the question has been on the Order Paper for five and a half years, that the party to which the hon. member belongs could have answered it when it was in government.

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, I ask that all notices of motions for the production of papers be allowed to stand.

Madam Speaker: Shall all notices of motions stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

CANADA OIL AND GAS ACT

MEASURE RESPECTING OIL AND GAS INTERESTS

The House resumed, from Wednesday, July 15, consideration of Bill C-48, to regulate oil and gas interests in Canada lands and to amend the Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works, and Motion No. 3 (Mr. McGrath).

Hon. Michael Wilson (Etobicoke Centre): Madam Speaker, I rise reluctantly today because I feel that it would be much more appropriate for the House to be considering both of the motions under Standing Order 26 since they are of far greater importance to the country at this time than Bill C-48.

We debated Bill C-48 for three days prior to the recess in July. We have been considering proposed legislation of this sort for approximately eleven years. The Minister of Energy,