

Air-Sea Rescue

[Translation]

FINANCE**SUGGESTED STUDY OF POSSIBILITY OF REDUCING INTEREST RATES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I request unanimous consent of the House to present an important and urgent motion.

Because the ravages of inflation constantly reduce the real purchasing power of Canadians, because the low-wage earners, the poor, the underprivileged are forced to borrow money at high interest rates to solve their problems and make ends meet, and also because interests rates are really too high in Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Roberval (Mr. Gauthier):

That this House study, at the very first opportunity, the possibility of lowering interest rates in Canada.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, the motion cannot be put without unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: As there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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[English]

NATIONAL DEFENCE**REQUEST FOR STATIONING OF AIR-SEA RESCUE AIRCRAFT IN EASTERN NEWFOUNDLAND—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, I, too, rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to present before the House a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that there is no air-sea rescue unit in Newfoundland, the last unit having been removed to Nova Scotia in 1964, and in light of the most recent tragedy in which two fishermen were lost on the east coast of Newfoundland, underlining the need for such an air-sea rescue unit in our province, and because of the critical time involved in having rescue operations carried out from Nova Scotia, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall):

That the Minister of National Defence be directed to have air-sea rescue aircraft stationed in eastern Newfoundland.

Mr. Speaker: The motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Speaker.]

HOUSE OF COMMONS**PREVENTION OF INCREASE IN MEMBERS' TAX-FREE ALLOWANCE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave to present a motion under Standing Order 43. The urgent and pressing necessity is the fact that it is desirable to clear up a point of uncertainty. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Waterloo-Cambridge (Mr. Saltsman):

That this House calls on the government to indicate forthwith its readiness to move or accept an amendment to Bill C-81 to prevent any increase at this time in the tax-free allowances as well as the salaries of Members of Parliament, Senators and cabinet ministers.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 can only be presented with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF CANADIAN POSITION ON EXTENSION OF JURISDICTION OVER MARINE RESOURCES TO 200 MILES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I, too, have a motion under Standing Order 43. A task force report of the trilateral commission on ocean management warns of the danger of nations deciding not to wait for the end of the global treaty-making process and resorting instead to arrangements amongst themselves, thereby destroying the intent of the conference.

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Since Canada has been negotiating and signing agreements with several nations on fisheries management, contrary to the advice of the commission, and since continuing pessimism is being expressed by an increasing number of countries as to the achievement of an international agreement on a 200-mile economic zone, many of those countries taking unilateral action, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That the Secretary of State for External Affairs make a statement on motions forthwith expressing Canada's position at the Law of the Sea conference in March, particularly to relate its plan if, indeed, as is obvious to the government itself, no international agreement will be reached.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, the motion cannot be presented without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.