

*Motions for Papers*

Speaker, the Policy and Planning Directorate of the Indian Affairs Branch drafted, on August 4, 1967, a document on the local administration of Indian reserves entitled "Local Government on Indian Reserves". This document marked "Confidential for discussion purposes" contains interim views and comments on local administration and on organization mechanisms to ensure the carrying out at headquarters of duties pertaining to local governments. This document was intended for field officials and I do not think that we could table it in the house since it is a departmental document prepared for internal administrative purposes.

[English]

**Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena):** Mr. Speaker, the document in question was distributed by an official of the department to someone other than an official and therefore has been given some public distribution. Because the document may be classified as a confidential document of the department I take it the minister is asking me to withdraw the motion.

**Mr. Chrétien:** Because of prevailing circumstances I should appreciate the hon. member's withdrawing his motion.

**Mr. Howard (Skeena):** I wonder if with the unanimous agreement of the house I might have leave to have the document in question tabled, and then withdraw the motion.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The hon. member is suggesting an irregular procedure. Perhaps the motion might be allowed to stand and the matter might be reviewed by the hon. member and the minister in the meantime. Is that agreed?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.  
Motion stands.

SASKATCHEWAN—DETERRENT FEES BY  
CANCER PATIENTS

Motion No. 53—**Mr. Burton:**

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a copy of all documents and correspondence exchanged between the Government of Canada and the Government of Saskatchewan with respect to the application of deterrent fees on cancer patients under the hospital insurance plan.

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, I have  
[Mr. Chrétien.]

talked to the hon. member about this matter. We do not have any correspondence or documents relating to that aspect of the problem with which his motion deals and he is aware of that now. In the circumstances I wonder whether he might consent to withdrawing the motion.

**Mr. John Burton (Regina East):** On the basis of the minister's remarks, Mr. Speaker, I ask for leave to withdraw the motion.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is that agreed?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Order discharged and motion withdrawn.

NORTHUMBERLAND STRAIT CROSSING—  
ENGINEERING FEASIBILITY

**Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont):** Mr. Speaker, last Wednesday the Minister of Public Works said he would reconsider the matter I had raised in my motion No. 62 last week, which had to do with the Stanford research study. Is the minister now able to table the document I referred to?

**Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works):** Mr. Speaker, a decision in this matter involves the Minister of Transport and I have not had a chance to discuss the matter with him.

**Mr. Baldwin:** Try to get him here more often.

## ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

### THE MINISTRY

RETURN OF MINISTER OF NATIONAL REVENUE  
FOLLOWING ILLNESS

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, I know I express the pleasure of all hon. members of the house in welcoming back the Minister of National Revenue.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear.

**Mr. Stanfield:** I hope he finds himself in good health, well able to discharge his duties to his department and to render all possible assistance to the government.

[Later:]

**Mr. Speaker:** I recognize the Minister of National Revenue.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear.