

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, October 30, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

REQUEST FOR REPORT ON ALLEGATION AGAINST SEAFARERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Elmer M. MacKay (Central Nova): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter which has occupied a great deal of attention in this chamber during the past year, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Grenville-Carleton (Mr. Baker):

That the Minister of Labour, fresh from his triumphal appearance at St. John's, Newfoundland, report to the House at the earliest opportunity on the progress of the investigation which he announced in this House on May 21, 1975 into problems surrounding the SIU and put an end to persistent reports that the investigation has been shelved and that Mr. Carson, the respected gentleman appointed to head the inquiry, has been removed from that post.

Mr. Speaker: Standing Order 43 requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

OLYMPIC GAMES

SUGGESTED PARTICIPATION OF ALL CANADIANS IN COST—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to deal with a case of urgent and pressing necessity.

Considering that the Olympic Games in Montreal in 1976 will cost about \$1 billion and probably will be in the red by several hundred million dollars, which should normally be absorbed by all Canadians, that the whole of Canada will benefit from the fame and international prestige of the games and that some programs which are essential to the development of the city of Montreal, such as the extension of the subway and the purifying of water supplies, may be placed in jeopardy on account of the games, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Champlain (Mr. Matte):

That the House take the necessary measures to ensure that the deficit incurred by the Olympic Games, which are due to take place in Montreal in 1976, be borne by all Canadians.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Standing Order 43 requires the unanimous consent of the House, for the motion. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There not being unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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[English]

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

SEARCH FOR LABOUR SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT'S ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): Mr. Speaker, I, too, rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The matter of urgent and pressing necessity arises from the profound need of the government to find any possible support from any possible element of the trade union movement for its anti-inflation program which heretofore, for some inexplicable reason, has been endorsed only by big business and chambers of commerce across the land. There has also been the related profound need of CBC television news to find the slightest bit of such support for the government so that it could convey such a surprising development to the people of Canada.

I, therefore, move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House compliments the government in obtaining the support for its program from Senator Lawson and further wishes to commend those responsible for the CBC national television news for their gifted insight into the fact that a Liberal appointed Senator announcing support for a Liberal government program constitutes a major breakthrough for the government and thus should be the lead item on the national news.

The House further urges the Minister of Labour, accompanied by CBC television cameras, to travel to New York in order to obtain additional support from their one other friend in labour, Mr. Hal Banks.

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SUGGESTED REFUSAL BY MEMBERS OF SALARY INCREASES FOR 1976—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Reynolds (Burnaby-Richmond-Delta): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43 I rise to present a motion considered necessary and urgent in this inflationary period. In light of the government's proposals to initiate an attack on inflation, and in view of the election