

Point of Order—Mr. Nielsen

Mr. Deputy Speaker: With all due respect, the Chair's statement was that the Chair had recognized the Hon. Member four times, which is not quite what the Hon. Member has said.

Mr. Nielsen: The record will clearly show what happened, Mr. Speaker. I was continually interrupted.

The other question of privilege I have is that it is said that I would not answer questions from the Chair. Sir, with respect again, the Chair hardly gave me that opportunity to answer questions because of its continual interruptions in my submissions.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Hon. Member for Vegreville has a matter of privilege.

Mr. Mazankowski: Mr. Speaker, thank you very much. I have had an opportunity to review the remarks in the official report of the House of Commons proceedings, *Hansard*, arising out of the exchange which took place yesterday at page 28349. Mr. Speaker, I want to tell you that I believe very sincerely that my privileges—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Could the Hon. Member please serve notice on the Chair relating to this matter? I believe the Standing Orders require that he give the Chair notice under such circumstances.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Mazankowski: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: No, in fairness, the Chair has asked if the Hon. Member would give notice of it.

Mr. Mazankowski: I have just had the opportunity of reviewing the official record of the House of Commons proceedings. I will not be very long. I think—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: With all due respect to the Hon. Member, there is a point at which the proceedings and practices of this House have to be observed.

An Hon. Member: We want to hear what it is.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: No, if the Hon. Member has an item of privilege arising out of the conduct of proceedings, he does not need notice.

Mr. Gamble: Right here.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: But to raise a question the day after concerning what appears in *Hansard*, the Chair respectfully asks the Hon. Member to give notice. That is the practice of the House.

Mr. Deans: A point of order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: I quote Standing Order 20(2):

Unless notice of motion has been given under Standing Order 47, any Member proposing to raise a question of privilege, other than one arising out of proceedings in the Chamber during the course of a sitting, shall give to the Speaker a

written statement of the question at least one hour prior to raising the question in the House.

The Chair cannot disregard the Standing Orders of the House, nor would the Hon. Member really knowingly request the Chair to do so.

Mr. Malone: A point of order.

Mr. Mazankowski: I just simply want to reserve the right to make a point of privilege which I think is very fundamental. I firmly believe that my rights and privileges as a Member of Parliament have been breached and eroded. I think that on the basis of the official record of the House of Commons proceedings—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Hon. Member can give notice, and his privileges and rights will be observed scrupulously according to the Standing Orders of the House.

Mr. Mazankowski: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Hon. Member, who is an experienced Parliamentarian, knows that this is the Standing Order and that it calls for notice.

Mr. Mazankowski: Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity—

Some Hon. Members: Order, order!

Mr. Mazankowski: —to serve notice now that I will be raising this matter of privilege at the earliest opportunity—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Hon. Member has given—

Mr. Mazankowski: —this afternoon.

An Hon. Member: You have to give written notice.

Mr. Mazankowski: This is my notice.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: No, it says "shall give to the Speaker a written statement of the question at least one hour prior to raising the question in the House". If the Hon. Member is giving to the Chair a written statement, the Chair will be pleased to receive it and can assure the Hon. Member that his rights will be scrupulously observed.

Mr. Taylor: A point of order.

Mr. Mayer: A point of order.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hon. Member for Portage-Marquette (Mr. Mayer).

Mr. Mayer: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I think you know the respect with which I hold the Chair.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Mayer: They can laugh, they can laugh. I am not speaking to Government Members; I am speaking to the Chair.