Motions for Papers

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council):

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1977	3,746	860
1978 (to Oct. 31, 1978)	3,311	686

NOTE: —Some statutes require publication of certain orders in council in the Canada Gazette—the remainder are not published however all orders in council are public documents and lists of them are tabled regularly in the House of Commons. Concerning inspection and obtaining copies of orders in council, see part 21 of regulations made pursuant to the Statutory Instruments Act (Canada Gazette part II, vol. 105, No. 22)

[English]

Mr. Speaker: The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, notice of motion for the production of papers No. 18 is acceptable to the government, subject to the usual reservations concerning confidential documents.

CTC-ANGUS STONEHOUSE AND CO. LTD.

Motion No. 18-Mr. Whittaker:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying that he will cause to be laid before this House copies of all contracts between Angus Stonehouse and Co., Ltd. and the Canadian Transport Commission having to do with the reporting of public hearings by the said commission.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Pinard: Mr. Speaker, would you be so kind as to call notices of motions for the production of papers Nos. 2, 3, 10, 11 and 15?

[Translation]

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Motion No. 2—Mr. McKenzie:

That an order of the House do issue for a copy of all government contracts, excluding Crown corporations and agencies, with Canadian firms and individuals for the years 1976 and 1977.

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the number of documents requested is high and the number of contracts is in the range of thousands. The expenses in terms of time and labour necessary for the reproduction of those documents would be considerable or prohibitive. I would thus ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

[Mr. Mazankowski.]

Mr. Paproski: Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

[English]

PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE ACT

Motion No. 3-Mr. Towers:

That an order of the House do issue for a copy of the file or files in the possession of the Department of the Solicitor General and/or in the possession of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police relating to the investigation concerning Prairie Farm Assistance Act administration.

Mr. Roger Young (Parliamentary Secretary to Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, notwithstanding that the investigation in this connection was with respect to a federal statute, the alleged offence was criminal in nature and came under the jurisdiction of the attorney general of Saskatchewan. Production of the files is being denied because, as stated above, they relate to a matter in which the province of Saskatchewan was concerned, and the concurrence of the provincial authorities to the release has not been forthcoming.

In the circumstances, Mr. Speaker, I hereby ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Towers: Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

[Translation]

QUEEN MARY VETERANS HOSPITAL IN MONTREAL

Motion No. 10—Mr. Herbert:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency praying that he will cause to be laid before this House copies of all correspondence, notes, minutes of meetings, agreements and other communications between the government and the province of Quebec concerning the transfer of the Queen Mary Veterans Hospital in Montreal.

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I would ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion since there is a rather large number of papers requested and a substantial amount would have to be earmarked as well as much time would have to be devoted to their preparation.

An hon. Member: Motion to stand. Transfer for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

V.A.—DECENTRALIZATION TO P.E.I.

Motion No. 11-Mr. Herbert:

That an order of the House do issue for copies of all correspondence, notes, minutes of meetings and other communications relating to the decentralization of the Department of Veterans Affairs to the province of Prince Edward Island.