Motions for Papers

Mr. Saltsman: Mr. Speaker, I want it transferred for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

MANPOWER RETRAINING PROGRAMS

Motion No. 8-Mr. Orlikow:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the report by the task force in the Department of Manpower and Immigration which recommended a 52-week limit for all federal government manpower retraining programs.

Mr. Rosaire Gendron (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, the papers called for in this motion are internal working documents developed by departmental officers during a meeting in October, 1968, and as such are considered to be confidential. I would therefore hope that the hon. member would consent to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Orlikow: Mr. Speaker, since I do not consider the matter confidential, I ask that the motion be transferred for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

COMPETITION POLICY

Motion No. 10-Mr. Orlikow:

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of the nearly forty submissions presented to the Economic Council of Canada for its review of Canada's competition policy, as referred to in the Council's report of July 1969 on page 4.

Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I am informed by the Economic Council of Canada that shortly after receiving a general inquiry from the government on the interest of consumers, competition policy and industrial and intellectual properties, the council solicited briefs from all interested parties on all matters falling under the government's reference. In its interim report the Council referred to nearly 40 briefs it had received at that time under this general reference. Briefs are still being received from organizations and individuals and a complete list will be published in the final report on the reference.

The council did not undertake to publish the briefs and indicated at that time that requests for them would be referred in all cases to the submitting organizations who would decide whether or not to make them public. I would therefore, Mr. Speaker, ask that this motion be withdrawn,

[Mr. Walker.]

Mr. Orlikow: Mr. Speaker, I should like to have the motion transferred for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.

REORGANIZATION OF RESERVE FORCES

Motion No. 158-Mr. Lewis:

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of all correspondence, memoranda, etc., between the Government of Canada and the Conference of Defence Associations regarding the reorganization of Canada's reserve forces.

[Translation]

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, as I have told the House on several occasions, I have had successful talks with the Conference of Defence Associations regarding the reorganization of Canada's reserve forces. However, there was not any correspondence with the Conference in that regard. Therefore, I would ask the hon. member for York South to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Lewis: Since there is no correspondence.

Mr. Cadieux (Labelle): There is no motion.

Order discharged and motion withdrawn.

[English]

DIRECTIVES RESPECTING DRAFT DODGERS AND DESERTERS

Motion No. 161-Mr. Lewis:

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the directive or directives of the Department of Manpower and Immigration regarding draftdodgers and military deserters.

[Translation]

Mr. Rosaire Gendron (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, the papers mentioned in this motion are guidelines for the internal use of the department. They have been sent by the central administration to the staff of the local offices. As they are confidential, it is not customary to make them public and therefore I hope that the hon member will be so kind as to withdraw his motion.

[English]

Mr. Lewis: In my opinion a directive like that is legislation and the public ought to know what it contains. I ask that the motion be transferred for debate.

Mr. Speaker: Transferred for debate.