

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, October 22, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### NATIONAL SECURITY

REQUEST FOR DETAILS OF ALLEGED USE OF CANADIAN TERRITORY BY REVOLUTIONARIES AND EXPULSION OF CHINESE DIPLOMAT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds):** I rise, Mr. Speaker, to propose a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

**Some hon. Members:** No!

**Mr. Cossitt:** Yes! It arises from the frequent use of Canadian territory in conjunction with groups from the United States for activities of a serious nature directed against third countries and, also, from the failure of the government to disclose full details surrounding the expulsion of the Chinese diplomat Kuo Ching An earlier this year. I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre:

That the Solicitor General give the House full details concerning frequent use of Canadian territory in recent years by persons acting or co-operating with certain revolutionary-minded persons in the United States and elsewhere dedicated to action against the legal governments of third countries, and the House requests the full disclosure of all available information concerning the expulsion from Canada this year of diplomat Kuo Ching An of the People's Republic of China, confirming that this was a direct result of his attempting to convey a sizeable sum of money to a Philippine revolutionary group in the United States as payment for an attempt to assassinate President Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines.

**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]

### FOOD PRICES

PROPOSAL TO FIX PRICE OF PRODUCTS FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski):** Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to propose a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

As food plays an important part in Canada and as the prices of 80 per cent of food products are likely to spiral according to the market forces, and given the fact that no

serious measure has been taken in this area, that the amount of money spent on food varies from 20 per cent of the budget for well-to-do consumers to 50 per cent for those in the lower income brackets and also that the cost of grains is decisive for farm products like beef, bread and so on, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Shefford (Mr. Rondeau):

That the House take immediately all necessary steps to be able to put a quota on a portion of production which is equal to national consumption and set arbitrary prices for it.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. The House has heard the terms of the motion of the hon. member. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. 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]

### POST OFFICE

SUGGESTED RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH UNION OF POSTAL WORKERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Cyril Symes (Sault Ste. Marie):** I, too, rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the social and economic dislocation occasioned by the current cessation of postal services, and in view of the continued insensitivity of the Postmaster General toward the need for equitable completion of contract negotiations with the postal workers, an insensitivity vividly demonstrated by the numerous derogatory statements concerning the leadership of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers and his sabotaging of the collective bargaining processes by issuing an ultimatum commanding agreement to the government wage offer, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brant:

That this House instruct the Postmaster General to cease these irresponsible tactics and that the President of the Treasury Board take his rightful place in the current negotiations with the postal workers in the hope that contract talks may be expeditiously resumed and a just settlement swiftly negotiated.

**Mr. Speaker:** The motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.