

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, February 5, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

• (1410)

[English]

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES

THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGE AT CANADA-U.S. BORDER—
GOVERNMENT POSITION ON MAINTENANCE PROJECTS—
REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to seek permission to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity, particularly to the area which I represent in this House, and arising out of the failure of the government to conclude vital and important negotiations involving the international crossing between Canada and the United States, known as the Thousand Islands bridge at Landsdowne, Ontario. I would ask permission to move, seconded by the hon. member for Grenville-Carleton (Mr. Baker):

That in view of the absolute necessity for the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority to know whether or not the Government of Canada will agree to extension of the life of the Authority to 1981, and in view of the fact that lack of such a decision has seriously delayed construction of maintenance projects related to this international crossing, despite the full co-operation offered at all times by United States officials involved, the House requests the government to instruct the interdepartmental committee on international bridges to take immediate steps to resolve this entire situation as quickly as possible.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the terms of the motion being proposed pursuant to Standing Order 43. It cannot be debated without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENERGY

STUDIES RESPECTING EFFECT ON CANADA OF WORLD
PRICE FOR OIL—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT
TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina-Lake Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In light of the statement made in the House yesterday by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Macdonald) that an agreement has been concluded between the federal government and the principals of the Syncrude consortium for the exploitation of the tar sands, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn):

That the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce be instructed to table immediately copies of all studies in his possession relating to the effect on Canadian manufacturers and the Canadian manufacturing industry of an internationally oriented oil price.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the terms of the motion being proposed pursuant to Standing Order 43. It cannot be debated without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

SYNCRUDE PROJECT—SUGGESTION BANK OF CANADA
FINANCE PROJECT—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS
CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Armand Caouette (Villeneuve): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to propose a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the decision of the federal government to invest more than \$600 million in the Syncrude project and that the money, in the present system, will come from taxes paid by taxpayers, and in view of the fact that the situation deprives taxpayers of the money they need to face high prices of consumer goods, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Richmond (Mr. Beaudoin):

That this House consider the possibility of financing the Syncrude project as well as all other public development projects supported by the federal government by way of interest free loans provided by the bank of Canada, those loans being guaranteed by the natural resources of Canada.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There being no unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

EFFECT OF SYNCRUDE TAR SANDS PROJECT ON LABOUR
MARKET—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO
MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Cyril Symes (Sault Ste. Marie): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the