

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, July 17, 1981

The House met at 11 a.m.

● (1105)

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

#### CONDEMNATION OF POLICIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Douglas Roche (Edmonton South):** Madam Speaker, whereas the consumer price index for June was 12.8 per cent higher than one year ago, which is the highest rate of increase in 33 years, and whereas the government for the first time in history has invoked closure to shut down Parliament in order to divert the attention of Canadians to the glories of international summitry and away from the government's appalling economic failures, national divisiveness, and cartel scandal at home, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cambridge (Mr. Speyer):

That this House condemns the government for pretending international triumph when in fact it has produced tragedy in Canada.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

#### VISIT OF WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Walter McLean (Waterloo):** Madam Speaker, previously visiting heads of governments of Canada's closest allies have been invited to address joint sessions of Parliament. Canada has a close political, cultural and economic relationship with the Federal Republic of Germany, one of our NATO partners. In not inviting the head of West Germany, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, to address Parliament the government has slighted our esteemed guest, the people of West Germany, and the Parliament of Canada. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House protests the decision of the government not to have our reliable friend, Chancellor Schmidt, address Parliament during his current state

visit to Canada, and that this House extends its heartfelt welcome to the head of the government of one of our closest allies.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

#### PROTEST AGAINST INTENTION TO INVOKE CLOSURE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Hon. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Madam Speaker, there are times when I realize more than ever how valuable I feel this institution is, and I must say that I deplore it when anything is done which does damage to it. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver East (Mrs. Mitchell):

That this House calls on the government to show respect for Parliament by withdrawing its announced intention to invoke closure under Standing Order 33 on the adjournment motion now before the House.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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### TOURISM

#### CALL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka):** Madam Speaker, in light of the fact that the tourist season in the country is in the midst of its peak period, and because of the potential of the tourist industry to assist in generating extra income for all sectors of the economy, and because thousands of tourist operators are experiencing severe financial hardship due to excessively high interest rates in Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Fundy-Royal (Mr. Corbett):

That the Minister of State for Small Businesses and Tourism take immediate action on behalf of the people he represents, and establish a program of financial assistance to aid tourist operators now when they need help and not after many have gone bankrupt or deeply into debt.