

The honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. Churchill) having raised a question of privilege concerning certain remarks made by the Minister of Justice (Mr. Cardin) both within and outside the House;

#### STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Member (Mr. Churchill) says he has a question of privilege which is somewhat like the one raised by the honourable Member for Calgary North (Mr. Harkness). I cannot find any difference at all between the honourable Member's question of privilege and the one raised by the honourable Member for Calgary North. I can see no point in every Member of the Privy Council getting up at this time to raise exactly the same question of privilege. A ruling has been made by the Chair and I would invite the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. Churchill) to take into account that ruling and what has been said by the Chair.

*And later—*

I cannot agree with the logic of the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre. The motion which was made did not refer to the honourable Member for Calgary North; it referred to the fact that there were allegations made affecting members of Her Majesty's Privy Council. The honourable Member for Calgary North in his presentation never suggested that the allegations applied only to him. His motion and the arguments submitted in his favour during its presentation referred to a matter of privilege which affected all Privy Councillors, not just one.

It is obvious to my mind that the ruling which has been made in connection with the question of privilege and the motion of the honourable Member for Calgary North applies in the same way to the question of privilege which the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre may have. That earlier privilege and motion have been put to the Chair, considered and ruled upon.

*And later—*

I cannot agree with the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre that there is a separate and distinct question of privilege in that he would be affected personally and distinctly from the honourable Member for Calgary North. For that reason I cannot allow him to re-open the whole question at this time.

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Whereupon, the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. Churchill), seconded by Mr. Starr, moved,—That the Prime Minister immediately call for the resignation of the Minister of Justice on the basis of the improper conduct of the Minister in the making of improper accusations against the Right Honourable Leader of the Opposition and all Privy Councillors in the former government.

#### RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: The motion which has just been submitted to the Chair by the honourable Member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. Churchill) is substantially the same as the one already before the Chair moved by the honourable Member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen). At that time I asked honourable Members to give the Chair an opportunity to look into the situation further, because certainly I think it is not entirely correct to submit a series of motions to the Chair in such a very important matter, such a very delicate matter, and ask that a ruling be made, except when there is a very clear case.

It is my opinion that the first motion put before the House constituted a very clear case, and by reason of precedents, it was clear that the motion