

## S.O. 43

uncertainty throughout the entire country. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton East (Mr. Yurko):

That this House request the government take immediate action to reach a responsible energy agreement.

**Madam Speaker:** For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## THE ECONOMY

## CALL FOR MEASURES TO DEAL WITH CRISIS IN ATLANTIC PROVINCES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Tom McMillan (Hillsborough):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion. Since the present government was elected more than ten months ago on promises to manage the economy effectively, the cost of living in the Atlantic provinces has skyrocketed by nearly 12 per cent in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; by over 13 per cent in St. John's, Newfoundland; by over 12 per cent in Halifax, Nova Scotia; by over 12 per cent in Saint John, New Brunswick; and so on. Unemployment has jumped to double-digit proportions in every province in the Atlantic region, with the unemployment rate 4 per cent higher than the national average. Record high interest rates are crippling small businesses, the backbone of the economy of the region, and now CN Express services, an essential part of the economic structure of the Atlantic provinces, are being savagely cut.

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I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That this House calls upon all Liberal MPs to make a serious representation to the Minister of Finance to introduce immediately measures to deal with the economic crisis faced by Canadians living in the Atlantic provinces.

**Madam Speaker:** For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## U.S.S.R.—ABDUCTION OF RAOUL WALLENBERG—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. David Smith (Don Valley East):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Guelph (Mr. Schroder):

That this House calls on the U.S.S.R. to state if Raoul Wallenberg, counsellor of the Swedish legation in Budapest in 1944, is alive or was killed following his abduction by Soviet troops.

**Madam Speaker:** For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## FINANCE

## STABILIZATION OF INTEREST RATES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain):** Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter that I think by any standard is of urgent and pressing necessity. Today's dramatic jump to 11.2 per cent in the inflation rate indicates that this government's mismanagement of the economy is total. High interest rates not only cripple industrial development, increase unemployment—in fact, 200,000 more Canadians were laid off this year—and preclude economic recovery, but they very clearly fuel inflation. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House instruct the government, notwithstanding the policies of the United States, to take immediate measures to stabilize interest rates at a sensible level conducive to economic recovery in Canada.

**Madam Speaker:** For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## THE ECONOMY

## CONTROLS ON WAGES, PRICES AND PROFITS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Geoff Scott (Hamilton-Wentworth):** Madam Speaker, I want to associate myself with my colleague from Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans) on stabilizing economic conditions in this country. I know that most of these Standing Order 43 motions go by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), but I want him to listen to this one. It relates to the most urgent provision of Standing Order 43 imaginable.

Since the Economic Council of Canada is predicting a bleak decade for the country, and since the Prime Minister has now succeeded in wrestling the economy to the ground, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Western Arctic (Mr. Nickerson):

That the Prime Minister confirm or deny before Christmas whether he is planning to impose controls on wages, prices and profits.

**Madam Speaker:** For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.