

The committee might decide to hear Mr. Sellar on such and such a day only to learn that Mr. Sellar would be in New York on that day. So I think the task of arranging appointments is one for the committee on agenda and procedure. Therefore I shall reword the proposal as follows:

That a subcommittee consisting of the chairman, the vice chairman and Messrs. Burton, Croll, Fleming, Marshall and Mutch be appointed to consider and report on all matters relating to procedure and agenda, and that any proposals concerning order of procedure in the committee shall be immediately referred to the committee on agenda and procedure.

The motion I have just read is moved by Mr. Maybank. So the question now before the committee is this proposal: that we appoint a subcommittee on agenda and procedure to consider and report on matters relating to procedure and agenda, and that immediately there is any proposal as to order of procedure it shall be referred to the committee on agenda and procedure.

Mr. MAYBANK: Mr. Chairman, I suggest that we change the word "immediately" to "whenever".

The CHAIRMAN: Whenever.

Mr. CASE: Mr. Chairman, in your earlier remarks you referred to the steering committee as being in the nature of an automatic body which would run the whole show. I think, in view of the fact that Mr. Sellar is the key man in relation to the Auditor General's report, surely this committee is the body to make the decisions on such a subject and that the other motion, the one relating to procedure, might be referred to the committee which you have designated.

The CHAIRMAN: I am in favour of our hearing Mr. Sellar but I think we should establish a rule now which would hold with respect to the whole committee in order to ensure a systematic arrangement.

The committee on agenda and procedure might sit tomorrow morning, or it might sit this afternoon. Then we might have a meeting of this main committee on Thursday with Mr. Sellar.

Let me stress the necessity of our having a definite rule so that the committee on agenda and procedure may iron out any questions which might arise as to subject-matter.

All those in favour of this motion will please so indicate.

A MEMBER: What is the motion?

The CHAIRMAN: The motion is that a subcommittee consisting of the chairman, the vice chairman and other gentlemen to be selected by the different parties, be appointed to consider and report on all matters relating to procedure and agenda, and that whenever a proposal is made concerning order of procedure in the committee, it shall be referred to the committee on agenda and procedure.

All those in favour? I think it is unanimous. The motion is carried unanimously.

Carried.

Now, we have the first motion as to the order of precedence. The first motion to be referred to the committee on agenda and procedure is the motion by Mr. Macdonnell. I think there is unanimous consent that Mr. Sellar be heard as the first witness, and I shall report to the committee accordingly.

Mr. ISNOR: In connection with the first witness, Mr. Sellar, might I ask if he will just make a statement along the lines covered in the Auditor General's report, or will he deal with specific cases?