

country I move, seconded by the hon. member for Halton (Mr. Jelinek) and the hon. member for Elgin (Mr. Wise):

That the minister apologize to Canadians for his apparent bias, and if he cannot encourage Canadians to buy cars made in Canada and not just in his own constituency, that his resignation be submitted forthwith.

**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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[Translation]

#### RESTRICTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

RESUMPTION OF COURT ACTION RESPECTING WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF GASOLINE BY PETRO-CANADA

**Mr. Bob Rae (Broadview-Greenwood):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to ask for the unanimous consent of the House to introduce a motion concerning a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that the government has decided to drop its charges against Imperial Oil, Irving Oil and Petrofina Canada allegedly engaged in restrictive trade practices in their dealings with the Perrette company by refusing to supply gasoline to its stations and considering the harassing and threatening tactics of large oil companies against independent oil dealers in Quebec, I move, seconded by the member for Selkirk-Interlake (Mr. Sargeant):

That the House ask the government to reconsider its decision to drop its proceedings and to entrust the bulk distribution of oil with Petro-Canada.

**Madam Speaker:** The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. For presentation, such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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[English]

#### ENERGY

CALL FOR RESIGNATION OF MINISTER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Bill Domm (Peterborough):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, which was confirmed last night in a special report on the CBC national news. It is exceedingly clear from this and from other widely available data that the present government's non-policy on energy matters is directly responsible for the oil and gas industry abandoning this coun-

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try in droves, with the result that everyone suffers—industry and the population in general—because of the lack of jobs. Since this government has failed to produce a comprehensive energy policy and has rather derived its position from a bird's-eye view gained from the "Liberal dirigible" drifting around in a constitutional cloud, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cambridge (Mr. Speyer):

That this House demand the immediate resignation of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

**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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#### HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF PREMIER OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

**Madam Speaker:** I would now like to draw the attention of the House to the presence in our gallery, in the event he slips away, of the former member for Malpeque, the present Premier of Prince Edward Island, the Hon. Angus MacLean.

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

#### ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

#### THE CONSTITUTION

REFUSAL OF PRIME MINISTER TO REFER RESOLUTION TO SUPREME COURT

**Right Hon. Joe Clark (Leader of the Opposition):** Angus, you know you are welcome here!

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

**Mr. Clark:** Madam Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister will recall that yesterday when I asked him about a reference to the Supreme Court for its opinion on the constitutionality of his constitution resolution, he said as reported at page 3630 of *Hansard*:

—it is not the intention of the government to ask the courts to decide upon a matter which Parliament itself has before it.

The Prime Minister will also remember that two years ago he agreed to refer Bill C-60 to the Supreme Court, even though that bill was before Parliament at the time. He did so because he agreed, to quote him directly from his letter of September 13, 1978 to Premier Blakeney, as follows:

—it seems undesirable to allow allegations of uncertainty in this regard to continue to impede concentration on the substance of the question.