

CANADA-U.S. TRADE AGREEMENT—REPRESENTATIONS
BY GOVERNMENT TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Motion No. 199—**Mr. Lawrence:**

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of all notes and formal representations made by, or on behalf of, the Government of Canada to the Government of the United States of America with respect to negotiating revisions to the Canada-U.S. Automotive Trade Agreement.

Mr. Baldwin: I move the motion on behalf of the hon. member.

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, no written representations have been made to the United States government in respect of the operation of the Canada-United States automotive trade agreement and the possibility of revisions to this agreement. However, these matters have been the subject of numerous discussions with senior United States officials who thus are fully aware of Canadian views. I would therefore ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Baldwin: Withdrawn, subject to the right of the hon. member to reinstate it after examining all the subtleties of that answer.

Mr. Speaker: Dropped.

Order discharged and motion withdrawn.

BURKE-HARTKE BILL—REPRESENTATION BY
GOVERNMENT TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Motion No. 200—**Mr. Lawrence:**

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of all notes and formal representations made by, or on behalf of, the Government of Canada to the Government of the United States of America with respect to the so-called "Burke-Hartke" bill.

Mr. Baldwin: I move the motion on the hon. member's behalf.

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, no written representations have been made to the United States government with regard to the so-called "Burke-Hartke" bill. However, this bill and its implications for Canada have been discussed on numerous occasions with senior United States officials who are thus well aware of Canadian views. I would therefore ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

Mr. Baldwin: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Dropped.

Order discharged and motion withdrawn.

Mr. Howard: Mr. Speaker, my point of order is the same as the one I raised last week with reference to notices of motions Nos. 161 to 185 inclusive standing in my name since February 26. They ask for a copy of the time schedule that is supposed to exist within which pulp and paper mills in British Columbia will have to meet the pulp and paper mill effluent regulations established by the government some two and a half years ago. I am wonder-

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ing why there has been such a long delay in replying to that request.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining notices of motions stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

EFFECTIVENESS OF PRESENT STRATEGY IN REDUCING
UNEMPLOYMENT IN LIGHT OF REPORTED GOVERNMENT
INTENTION TO PROVIDE WORK FOR EMPLOYABLES ON
WELFARE

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Finance whether, in view of the intention of the Minister of National Health and Welfare to get employables off the welfare rolls by providing work on the government payroll, it is now the position of the minister and the government that its present economic strategy will not reduce unemployment to an acceptable rate?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I think the hon. gentleman is basing that question on a press report, and he ought to wait and see the policy announced by my colleague.

Mr. Stanfield: Is it now the policy of the minister to attempt to reduce unemployment by creating a sort of huge LIP style program, does the government believe this is necessary in view of interest rates going up, and will the government accept the proposition that its policies will not create sufficient jobs in the private sector?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): The answer is no, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Stanfield: Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Finance whether he has been consulted about the work program proposal of the Minister of National Health and Welfare?

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): The government is constantly in touch, Mr. Speaker.

UNEMPLOYMENT—POSSIBILITY OF LEGISLATION TO
MAKE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH AND LOCAL
INITIATIVES PROGRAMS PERMANENT

Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question I should like to direct to the Prime Minister. In view of the importance of the two employment programs devised by the government in the last couple of years, opportunities for youth and local initiatives, and in view of recent comments by the Secretary of State in respect of the possible integration of these programs and the lack of any statutory recognition for them, will he indicate whether the government plans in