

S.O. 43

That this House direct the Leader of the Official Opposition to tell us whether his party is separatist or whether it is in favour of the survival and development of Canada.

Madam Speaker: The presentation of 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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GARRISON DIVERSION

REPRESENTATIONS TO UNITED STATES CONCERNING
CANADIAN OPPOSITION TO PROJECT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Charles Mayer (Portage-Marquette): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Garrison diversion project in North Dakota, if completed as planned, will cause irreparable harm to the waters of Manitoba and result in serious damage to Manitoba's fishing industry. The project is moving closer to completion each year, and recently additional money has been allocated for further construction of this project. Since Canadians of all political parties are opposed to the construction of those sections of the Garrison project that will harm Canadian waters, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg-Assiniboine (Mr. McKenzie):

That the Government of Canada send a delegation of members of this House from all parties to Washington at the appropriate time so that we can let the new administration and Congress know in the strongest terms possible that Canadians are unified in their opposition to the construction of those parts of the Garrison project that will harm Canadian waters.

Madam Speaker: 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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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CALL FOR WITHDRAWAL OF MINISTER FROM CHAIRMANSHIP
OF WESTERN DEVELOPMENT FUND—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Rod Murphy (Churchill): Madam Speaker, I rise to present a motion to the House under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Standing Committee on Regional Development last week unanimously passed the following recommendation, to be presented to the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion (Mr. De Bané):

That DREE be given a mandate to co-ordinate the spending and policy programs of line federal departments as they relate to regional development—

Considering that the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion has expressed his personal support for this concept, and

since the minister also admitted that it is his department's officials who act in a capacity as secretariat for the western committee of cabinet, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Comox-Powell River (Mr. Skelly):

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That the Minister of Employment and Immigration immediately withdraw from the chairmanship of the new western development fund, to be replaced by the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion, in the interest of strengthening the federal government's commitment to the honest eradication of regional disparities in Canada without regard to political gain.

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 CONSTITUTION

CALL FOR RECOGNITION OF CULTURAL DIVERSITY—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Yurko (Edmonton East): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. As the B and B Commission report and the Pepin-Robarts commission report recognize the active presence and practice of many world cultures in Canada, and furthermore as federal governments past and present of different partisan views have appointed ministers of state responsible for multiculturalism, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Joliette (Mr. La Salle):

That this House officially accept that Canada embraces many practising world cultures and therefore that a general statement to this effect be included in the final address to the Queen on constitutional patriation.

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

ACTION TO FIGHT INFLATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Madam Speaker, the nation's number one problem today as perceived by people across this country is still inflation. I therefore rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity.

The budget recently presented projects inflation in the 10 per cent range, while in fact it is now running at the rate of 10.9 per cent. This means that a person earning \$15,000 yearly will have to earn at least \$26,000 five years from now just to maintain his standard of living; in ten years, not too long a