

## THE SENATE

Thursday, June 21, 1973

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.  
Prayers.

### DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Paul Martin tabled:

Copies of Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America on reciprocal fishing privileges in certain areas off their coasts. Signed at Ottawa, June 15, 1973. In force June 16, 1973.

Report on Vocational Rehabilitation for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 8 of the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act, chapter V-7, R.S.C., 1970.

Statement of expenditures and financial commitments made under the Veterans' Land Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 49 of the said act, chapter V-4, R.S.C., 1970

Report of the Science Council of Canada for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973, pursuant to section 19 of the Science Council of Canada Act, chapter S-5, R.S.C., 1970.

### MADAM INDIRA GANDHI PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA

ADDRESS TO MEMBERS OF BOTH HOUSES

Hon. Paul Martin: Honourable senators, I would ask leave that the address of the Prime Minister of India, Madam Indira Gandhi, to members of both Houses of Parliament, delivered on Tuesday, June 19, 1973, together with the introductory speech by the Prime Minister of Canada, and the speeches delivered on that occasion by the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons, be printed as an appendix to the *Debates of the Senate* and to the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate* of this day, and form part of the permanent records of this house.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is it agreed, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

For text of addresses see Appendix "A", pp. 756-760.

### AIRCRAFT REGISTRY BILL

FIRST READING

Hon. Paul Martin presented Bill S-9, to enable Canada to comply with a Convention on the International Recognition of Rights in Aircraft.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Flynn: Are you sure it is not a money bill?

Hon. Mr. Martin moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

### NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

BILL TO AMEND—REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Chesley W. Carter, Deputy Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Health, Welfare and Science, reported that the committee had considered Bill C-133, to amend the National Housing Act, and had directed that the bill be reported without amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Maurice Bourget moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

### THE ESTIMATES

REPORT OF NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE—DEBATE  
ADJOURNED

Hon. Douglas D. Everett, Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance, presented the report of the committee, to which was referred the estimates laid before Parliament for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1974.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration?

Hon. Mr. Everett: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(f), I move that the report be taken into consideration now.

Hon. W. M. Benidickson: Honourable senators, if this is the appropriate time, I should like to point out that although I am a member of the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance, I missed some of the very proper discussions they had relative to Information Canada owing to the fact that I was away with the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture last week.

During my absence a tremendous volume of information came into my office. I can see no diminution in information or any consolidation of information as a result of the establishment of this department. I am sure that this report of the National Finance Committee, although it appears on our desks only now, confirms my views. But it is my feeling that, even though a study of Information Canada may involve \$9 million or \$15 million, this is small compared to the growth in expenditures in a high-priced civil service establishment. In making this comment, I apologize for not being an attending member of the com-