

Mr. BREWIN: I would suggest that we leave the details to the committee on privileges and elections. With Mr. Castonguay there they will go over it for hours and hours, and I do not think we need go over the details.

Mr. MACQUARRIE: If it were much earlier in the day I would raise this question with a great deal of vigour.

Mr. DEACHMAN: It will be up to them to object.

Mr. FAIRWEATHER: They are already dealing with it.

Mr. LACHANCE: May we say "all Canadians"?

Mr. THOMPSON: I think it includes all Canadians on foreign assignment.

Mr. LACHANCE: I do not mean all Canadians on assignments but "all Canadians". There is no reason why we could not manage to get all Canadians to vote.

Mr. FAIRWEATHER: This is an external affairs committee. Let the privileges and elections committee worry about this. We are worried about the foreign service.

The CHAIRMAN: Now may we pass on to item one?

1. Departmental administration, \$7,648,800.

Item agreed to.

Now let us move on to item 50, which is under external aid office.

50. Salaries and expenses, \$652,600.

The CHAIRMAN: It is moved by Mr. Brewin and seconded by Mr. Thompson that the Committee include in its Report to the House the following:

Having regard to the fact that reputable private organizations are concerned with many worth-while projects in the field of external aid and that they raise substantial sums of money for such purposes but they need additional funds from time to time to carry out such projects:

This committee recommends that certain sums be made available in future estimates to enable grants to be made to assist private organizations in projects in the field of external aid which are approved by the external aid office.

Mr. GELBER: This is a very broad resolution. I think before we deal with a resolution such as that we should have people brought before this committee who can discuss it with us. I have not heard it done at our meetings. We have not gone into any details with a resolution as broad as that. I know that is what Mr. Fairweather has in mind. It is a very limited proposal. If he wishes to say specifically what his proposal is, I would support it. It is very broad and it involves a lot of associations who are going to come here. Who is going to sit in judgment? I think this should be discussed in great detail. I suggest that a resolution as broad as this be left for another meeting.

The CHAIRMAN: Is there any other comment?

Mr. GELBER: We just have a quorum and if you are not going to be reasonable, I shall leave.

Mr. BREWIN: May I comment, this is a limited project of external aid, and it is limited to those which have the approval of external aid, and it would undoubtedly be subject to the treasury board.

Mr. GELBER: There is no doubt about that.

Mr. BREWIN: The committee would see it in the estimates and complain if we started to go into any extravagant suggestions.

Mr. DEACHMAN: I would prefer to tackle the institutions one at a time rather than make a blanket resolution.

The CHAIRMAN: I do not know how the reporter would get all this down.

Mr. KLEIN: I do not think history will mind too much.