Motions for Papers

In deciding whether or not to allow the motion the Chair must, of course, take into account the actual problem sought to be discussed. Is it of national importance and is it urgent?

In my opinion the new circumstances indicated by the questions asked in the house yesterday, by the concern expressed by the minister himself when replying to these questions, and by the hon. member's statement, indicate that a strong case can be made in favour of the proposed motion, on the ground of urgency of debate.

Therefore I am inclined to put the question to the house in accordance with the standing order for the reasons stated, that the matter is important, that there is urgency of debate, that the opportunity for debate within a reasonable time is restricted, and that public business is not impeded.

The question before the house is the following one. Has the hon, member leave to move the motion for the purpose of discussing the matter stated by him?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Discussion of the proposed motion shall therefore stand over until eight o'clock this evening, pursuant to section 9 of Standing Order 26.

Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, as I understood your ruling you set the motion over until eight o'clock this evening. As I understand it, we do not sit on Wednesday evenings.

Mr. Speaker: If the hon, member will read the Standing Orders he will notice that this is a provision of Standing Order 26. When a motion of this sort is moved on a Wednesday we sit at eight o'clock.

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

[Translation]

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, would you kindly call notices of motions Nos. 35, 36, 40 and 53?

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining notices of motions be allowed to stand.

[English]

NOISE LEVELS, TORONTO AIRPORT EXPANSION

Motion No. 35-Mr. Diefenbaker:

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of any maps and diagrams in the possession of the Department of Transport which show what changes will result in noise levels in the surrounding inhabited areas should plans for the expansion of Toronto International Airport be carried out.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, this motion is acceptable to the government. I think it should be pointed out, however, that the sketch desired by the right hon. gentleman refers to the major expansion proposed for Toronto International Airport in the Parkin report, and in that respect is no longer relevant. But as I say, the motion is acceptable.

Mr. Speaker: Subject to the reservations and conditions expressed by the minister, is it the pleasure of the house that motion No. 35 be deemed to be adopted?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH KAISER CORPORATION

Motion No. 36—Mrs. MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway):

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of all letters, communications, reports, memoranda or other data in respect of an agreement between the Government of Canada or the National Harbours Board, or any other agency or department of government, on the one hand, and the Kaiser Corporation on the other.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I have spoken to the hon. lady concerning this motion and she has agreed to limit it to include the agreement between the National Harbours Board and the Kaiser Corporation concerning the use of the port of Roberts Bank only. On this basis the motion is acceptable to the government.

Mr. Speaker: Subject to the reservations and conditions expressed by the minister, is it the pleasure of the house that motion No. 36 be deemed to be adopted?

Some hon. Members: Agreed. Motion agreed to.

"LOCAL GOVERNMENT ON INDIAN RESERVES"

Motion No. 40-Mr. Howard (Skeena):

That an order of the house do issue for a copy of a document entitled "Local Government on Indian Reserves" prepared by the policy and planning directorate of the Indian affairs branch, dated August 4, 1967?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Mr.