

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, December 12, 1979

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### FINANCE

THE BUDGET—INCREASE IN EXCISE TAX FOR FUELS USED ON FARMS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Maurice Foster (Algoma):** Mr. Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the provisions of the budget last night which will have the effect of imposing a new 15-cent per gallon excise tax on fuel for farm tractors and equipment and a 25-cent tax per gallon for farm vans and trucks, and considering the devastating effect this tax will have on farmers' costs which are already rising rapidly due to inflation, and considering that these extra costs will result in higher food costs to the consumers of the country, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Essex-Kent (Mr. Daudlin):

That this increase in excise tax for fuels used on farms be reconsidered by the government and cancelled.

**Mr. Speaker:** Such a motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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[Translation]

### THE BUDGET

REQUEST LEADER OF CRÉDITISTES ASK PREMIER OF QUEBEC FOR INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING BUDGET—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Yvon Pinard (Drummond):** Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Rosemont (Mr. Lachance):

That the Leader of the Social Credit Party of Canada communicate forthwith with Mr. Lévesque to know whether he should support the people or the multinationals in the face of the Progressive Conservative budget of last night.

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[English]

### NUCLEAR POWER

ESTABLISHMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg-Birds Hill):** Mr. Speaker, I rise pursuant to Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that since June of this year many Canadians have been under the false impression that this government genuinely wished to review the development of nuclear power in Canada and intended to set up a parliamentary inquiry, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway (Mr. Waddell):

That this House instruct the government to get moving on the establishment of its promised parliamentary inquiry into nuclear power.

**Mr. Speaker:** Such a motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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### NATIONAL SECURITY

RUSSIAN INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES IN CANADA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds-Grenville):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent necessity arising from the quotation by CJOH TV Ottawa from a document classified "Top secret; Canadian eyes only" and expressing priority being given by the Russian intelligence service to the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce and the National Research Council. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Beattie):

That the government make public all details in this regard, specifically mentioning the parts played by Captain Valari Nicolayevich Smirnov of the Russian GRU, Yuri Demitriyevich Shcherbina and Vasaliy Andrevich Shimchik who has been labelled a suspected member of the Russian military intelligence by the RCMP security service, and specifically that the government investigate why the former government never permitted the Canadian people to know the details.

**Mr. Speaker:** Such a motion can be introduced for debate only upon unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?