

Unemployment

disappointed that both the Minister of Justice (Mr. Basford) and the Solicitor General (Mr. Fox) are absent. I rise under the provisions of Standing Order No. 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The Minister of Justice's indifference to the established facts of international gang-rule is absolutely astonishing, and his refusal to set up a royal commission on organized crime is undeniably mistaken. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That this House views with alarm the increase in international organized crime in Canada and directs the government to establish a royal commission on the matter with full powers to subpoena witnesses and documents to get the hard evidence to lead to charges and convictions to stamp out crime in this nation.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: According to Standing Order 43, the presentation for debate 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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LABOUR CONDITIONS

LEVEL OF UNEMPLOYMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The May labour force survey showed that unemployment in Atlantic Canada has reached the tragically unacceptable level of 12 per cent. Unemployment in Quebec is up two full percentage points from May, 1976, to 10 per cent in May, 1977. This government's policies have increased regional disparity and cost young Canadians dearly. There are 403,000 unemployed between the ages of 15 and 24. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Timiskaming (Mr. Peters):

That this House urge the government to immediately implement a policy of full employment.

Mr. Speaker: According to Standing Order 43, the presentation of such a motion can be made only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION TO CREATE JOBS—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lincoln M. Alexander (Hamilton West): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing concern. In light of the fact that economic stagnation, and the failure of governments to act to solve the problems of unemployment elsewhere in the world has led to internal dissension, in light of the fact that we in Canada are faced with the double-barrelled problems of high unemployment and a separatist government in Quebec, and recognizing the desire

[Mr. Woolliams.]

of the Canadian parliament to keep Canada together, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House urges the government to take new and immediate action to solve the unemployment crisis in Quebec and throughout this country before it is too late to save the country from the destruction which is inevitably bred by the continual failure of a national government to create a positive climate leading to more jobs.

Mr. Speaker: Standing Order 43 requires the unanimous consent of the House for the presentation of such a motion. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CAPE BRETON—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton-The Sydneys): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. My motion is prompted by the tragic unemployment situation existing on Cape Breton Island. In light of the announcement that there is to be a shutdown of a five-week duration at the Sydney Steel Corporation, which will add hundreds of additional unemployed to the ranks of an unemployment rate that is already the highest in the nation, and as a result of a largely attended public meeting of unemployed and others held in Sydney last night, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cumberland-Colchester North (Mr. Coates):

That a team of expeditors from the Department of Manpower and Immigration and officials from the Unemployment Insurance Commission be immediately dispatched to Cape Breton Island to meet with the unemployed and municipal authorities to work out at least immediate short-term proposals to provide employment, particularly in view of the telegram that was sent to the Prime Minister and government ministers stating that if this was not done within 48 hours, further and more serious action would be taken.

Mr. Speaker: The presentation of such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

RECOMMENDED CONTROL OF CHICKEN IMPORTS—
ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL MARKETING BOARD—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion concerning an urgent and important matter.

Since massive imports of chicken from the United States endanger the Canadian agriculture industry and could cause the rate of unemployment to rise, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Bonaventure-Îles-de-la-Madeleine (Mr. Béchard):