S.O. 43

That a permanent labour tribunal for conflicts arising in public and semi-public sectors be set up by the minister concerned.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[English]

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

OVERPAYMENTS UNDER PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Andy Hogan (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. We all know that the Unemployment Insurance Commission is in the process of asking some 15,000 Canadians, including 5,000 Nova Scotians, to pay back \$4.3 million due to a mistake of one of its employees. Since up to this date all such recipients have not yet been notified, and since UIC officials admit that so far they have not received any repayment, I move, seconded by the hon, member for Sault Ste. Marie (Mr. Symes):

• (1112)

That the UIC cancel these overpayments immediately, given the serious economic straits we are in and given the fact that such an error would have been caught by a properly operating internal auditing system within the UIC itself.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

REQUESTED COMMITTEE STUDY OF OVERPAYMENTS UNDER PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jake Epp (Provencher): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the findings of the Auditor General as contained in the annual report of the Department of Employment and Immigration tabled in this House that there has been an estimated \$142 million in overpayments to UI recipients, and in view of the fact that the commission failed to act on the recommendations of the Auditor General in 1976, where he identified \$95 million in overpayments, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That the public accounts committee be struck immediately and, further, that the 1977-78 annual report of the Department of Employment and Immigration be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

[Mr. Lavoie.]

Mr. Speaker: The introduction of such a motion for debate at this time would require unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon, Members: No.

URBAN AFFAIRS

DEFAULTED MORTGAGES INSURED BY CMHC—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mrs. Jean E. Pigott (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under Standing Order 43, arising out of a Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation press release that AHOP defaults are up by 300 per cent over 1977 and now account for 53 per cent of the defaulted mortgages insured by CMHC.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Selkirk (Mr. Whiteway):

That in light of this grave situation, the Minister of State for Urban Affairs be asked to make a statement to the House on how his proposed graduated payment mortgage plan based on high incomes and appreciation equity will work, and what plan Central Mortgage and Housing management has to fill these hundreds of vacant houses.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for debate requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

PRODUCTION OF GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS TO McDONALD COMMISSION

Mr. Joe Clark (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Prime Minister. As the Prime Minister will know, yesterday counsel for the government tried to withhold from the McDonald royal commission certain government documents. The Prime Minister will also recall that on October 25 of this year he said, as reported at page 450 of Hansard:

—we would produce and have produced every document asked for.

I would like to ask the Prime Minister, is that still the position of the government, and will the government instruct its counsel to make available to the McDonald royal commission all government documents, all documents in the possession of the government, relevant to the inquiry of the McDonald commission.