

S.O. 43

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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POST OFFICE

UNFULFILLED ORDERS FOR OLYMPIC COINS—GOVERNMENT POSITION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgency under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that prepaid 1976 orders for Olympic coins remain outstanding, purchasers are unable to get delivery or refunds from Olympic coin dealers under this federally-legislated program for which the government should be accountable to the general public, and that the Post Office Department apparently will not accept responsibility, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Capilano (Mr. Huntington):

That the Postmaster General report to the House of Commons prior to the Easter recess of parliament on this important matter.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

MINISTER'S SPEECH NO SUBSTITUTE FOR BUDGET—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands (Mr. Douglas):

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That this House wishes to make it clear to the Minister of Finance that a speech by him at 8 o'clock tonight during the debate on Bill C-31 is not to be construed as a substitute for a budget, and this House calls on the Prime Minister to make it clear that there will be a budget before parliament is dissolved for the holding of a general election.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Beaudoin.]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES TO RE-ESTABLISH PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Wenman (Fraser Valley West): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I rise to bring a matter of urgent and pressing necessity before the House regarding the critical situation in the Middle East.

While Canadians can understand the frustration which has led people to resort to violence and terrorism, such activities cannot be condoned, whether in the form of terrorism or open aggression. Such activities are unacceptable from any source. I therefore move:

That this government, at the earliest possible moment, bring forth initiatives at the Security Council of the United Nations, bilaterally with the United States and with the states currently in confrontation, that would re-stabilize the situation in the Middle East in order that earlier, positive peace initiatives may be resumed.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for debate, pursuant to Standing Order 43, requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

REQUESTED ASSISTANCE FOR CASTLEGAR, B.C.—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Brisco (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that radon gas has been discovered in the ground-water supply in the city of Castlegar, in view of the fact that the Department of National Health and Welfare is to conduct a survey of the basements of residences in Castlegar for the detection of radon gas, and in view of the fact that up to now the federal government has ignored an application by that city for assistance under the DREE program, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock (Mr. Friesen):

That the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion reconsider his decision to fund that community under the DREE program.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.