

FISHERIES

DEPLETION OF RESOURCES BY FOREIGNERS—
REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Lundrigan (Gander-Twillingate): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43 I ask the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion in a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

This matter involves the management and conservation of our marine resources on both our Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The depletion of our marine resources by foreign nationals, especially by the Soviet Union, necessitates that Canada assume its responsibility under the articles of the law of the sea and initiate an international conference on fish conservation and management.

With the unanimous consent of the House I therefore would move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's West (Mr. Carter), the following motion:

That, in the opinion of this House, the government take the initiative in convening an international conference of the fishing nations of the world to discuss the conservation and management of marine resources in the waters adjacent to the territorial seas of Canada.

Mr. Speaker: Again, this is a motion which requires unanimous consent. I ask whether there is unanimous consent.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The hon. member's motion cannot be put at this time.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk)

RELEASING OF INFORMATION BY HAROLD HUSKILSON

Question No. 513—**Mr. Crouse:**

1. What is the official status of Harold Huskilson of Lockeport and Shelburne, Nova Scotia, who recently announced federal government contracts in Nova Scotia?

2. Does the government see fit to channel such information through him rather than through the Office of the Minister or the Information Division of the particular department and, if so, for what reasons?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): 1. The Department of Public Works has no knowledge of the official status of Harold Huskilson.

2. Not applicable.

Questions

OTTAWA—OFFICES FOR MINISTERS
WITHOUT PORTFOLIO

Question No. 587—**Mr. Winch:**

1. Do the two most recent Ministers without Portfolio have offices located in departmental buildings and, if so, were renovations required and what were these renovations for each?

2. What was the cost of the renovations in each case?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): 1. Work was carried out in the National Building, 130 Slater Street, Ottawa, to accommodate the Hon. R. D. G. Stanbury. It included painting, partitioning, electrical and mechanical work, and the cutting of a new door. The Hon. H. E. Gray occupies an office in the Confederation Building, Wellington Street, Ottawa. Renovations carried out to this space consisted of painting and the installation of new electrical fixtures.

2. Cost of work in the National Building \$2,500., Confederation Building \$720.

PUBLIC WORKS—CONSTRUCTION OF FEDERAL BUILDING, ANDOVER, N.B.

Question No. 713—**Mr. Coates:**

1. On what date was the federal building constructed at the border crossing between Andover, N.B., and Port Fairfield, Maine, that is presently not in use and what was its cost of construction?

2. Has the building in question ever been used by the federal government and, if so, for what periods of time since its construction?

3. What was the purpose for construction of the building and why has it remained unused for substantial periods of time?

4. Have steps ever been taken by the federal government to dispose of the building or have any representations ever been received by the federal government as to its disposal and, if so, what were the recommendations in question?

5. What are the present considerations by the federal government regarding this building?

Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of Public Works and National Revenue as follows: 1. A contract for the building was awarded in November 1952 and it was completed in September 1954. The cost of construction was \$218,181.60.

2. This building has been used infrequently for Customs purposes since its construction.

3. At the time of construction, reports indicated that the State of Maine proposed constructing a new highway across the northern part of Maine connecting the Provinces of Quebec and New Brunswick at Andover. The Department of National Revenue felt that the new highway would attract a considerable amount of truck traffic through Andover and it was in anticipation of meeting these de-