

Whereupon the honourable the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Stanfield) raised a point of order to the effect that the motion should not be put to the House on an allotted day;

RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: I suggest with respect to honourable Members who have raised this point of order that the arguments brought forth are arguments in opposition to the motion itself. It seems to me that the motion should be put and honourable Members have brought argument against it to the effect that in their view this motion should not be put and that they would like to vote against it. Honourable Members suggest that this is Government Business. Obviously it is not government business. We are on Routine Proceedings and, as the honourable Member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) has quite rightly pointed out, we do not reach Government Business until Orders of the Day are called. These are routine proceedings and on Routine Proceedings this motion is quite in order. Honourable members may object to it. They may think that it is improper to bring it in at this time and that it may cause problems in future. That may very well be so. However, so far as the Chair is concerned, the motion is in order. It was submitted in the proper time. It is therefore to be put at this time.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale), seconded by Mr. Jamieson, moved,—

That upon the adoption of this motion, and continuing in effect until Friday, June 26, 1970, the ordinary hours of sitting and daily adjournment shall be as follows:

Mondays	from 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. and from 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays	from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. and from 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Wednesdays	from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. and from 8.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Fridays	from 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

That on Mondays, Government Orders shall be the first order of business taken up at 11.00 a.m. and that the daily Routine Proceedings be called at 2.00 p.m. on Mondays.

That the hour ordinarily provided for Private Members' Business on Friday shall be devoted to Government Business.

That proceedings on an adjournment motion, if any, on Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays under Standing Order 40(1) shall be deferred until 11.00 p.m.

That when it is provided in any Standing Order that the business under consideration shall be forthwith disposed of or concluded in any sitting, the hour of daily adjournment for that purpose shall be as stated in part one of this order.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the said motion, it was agreed to.