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acid rain falling on Canada is from American sources, that some crop yield losses in southern Ontario as a result of acid rain are now approaching 10 per cent, and that the assessment of Dr. Leonard Hamilton of the Brookhaven Institute of New York is that 5,000 Canadians died last year as a result of acid rain, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Regina East (Mr. de Jong):

That this House calls unanimously upon the President of the United States to take necessary action to reduce the output of those American sources of acid rain which affect Canada.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE MINISTRY

ACID RAIN PROTEST—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock-North Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the apparent instruction by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) to the Minister of the Environment (Mr. Roberts) to withdraw from participating with protesters during President Reagan's visit to Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Crowfoot (Mr. Malone):

That this House agrees with the Prime Minister's action in directing the Minister of the Environment to remove himself from the acid rain protest, thereby avoiding the curious spectacle of the minister's advertising his own incompetence and ineffectiveness.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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AGRICULTURE

HERD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Doug Neil (Moose Jaw): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the confusion which still exists with respect to the herd maintenance program, to the extent that some recipients of the benefits of the program are now being asked to refund payments that they have received, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Portage-Marquette (Mr. Mayer):

That the minister in charge and senior officials administering the program be required to appear before the Standing Committee on Agriculture to give an account of their actions and explain the reasons why the plan has become such a fiasco.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

THE CONSTITUTION

REQUEST THAT MEMBERS MAINTAIN QUALITY OF DEBATE—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Marcel Dionne (Chicoutimi): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 concerning an important matter.

Considering that Canadians had lost hope that the level of the constitutional debate would rise, and since the hon. member for Edmonton East (Mr. Yurko) reassured us by voicing noble sentiments and solid arguments in his speech last evening, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Portneuf (Mr. Dion):

That all speakers in this constitutional debate draw inspiration from the speech of the hon. member for Edmonton East with a view to maintaining this significant debate at the high level it deserves.

[English]

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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GRAIN

COMPENSATION TO FARMERS FOR EMBARGO ON SHIPMENTS TO
RUSSIA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Charles Mayer (Portage-Marquette): Madam Speaker, over a year ago the federal government announced an embargo on grain sales to the Soviet Union. There was agreement that grain producers should not bear the cost of lost sales and, since the embargo has cost grain producers many millions of dollars in lower prices and lost sales, I move, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, seconded by the hon. member for Moose Jaw (Mr. Neil):

That the federal government immediately make compensation payments to grain farmers to compensate them for their loss of income as a result of the grain embargo.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?