Adjournment Debate

# PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

A motion to adjourn the House under Standing Order 38 deemed to have been moved.

### TRADE

Hon. Ralph Ferguson (Lambton—Middlesex): Madam Speaker, in the absence of the Minister for International Trade on April 23, I asked the Minister of Agriculture a question about the dumping of subsidized soybean oil from the European Common Market on to the Canadian market.

At that time it had been confirmed that a large Toronto based vegetable oil refinery had purchased 10 million pounds of subsidized soya oil from Spain. Spain imports soybeans from Brazil and the United States to crush and then exports the oil at a subsidized rate to protect its olive oil producers. At the same time they use a soybean meal as a livestock and poultry feed protein supplement.

Although I am disappointed to notice that while it appears as if the problem may be resolved the minister is not in attendance. I am sure there will be someone here to answer in detail the questions I raised that day.

At the outset I would like to remark that although the particular import question may not be repeated because of the promise of the company involved, the government has not yet provided any assurances that such an import will not be repeated by any other corporation. To that end, I look forward to seeing just what the minister proposes as a remedy and just what his investigation into this matter revealed.

I should point out that there was no shortage of soya oil in Canada at the time this import was made. It was definitely a subsidized import. This can happen to other commodities where a large company will bring in a shipment of a product that is not really needed, simply to break the price structure.

I also noticed that the government has not undertaken to decrease the tariff on soybean oil imports which are currently set a 7.5 per cent, a full 15 per cent less than U.S. tariff. This figure is ironic as the soya oil in question

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Madam Deputy Speaker: I declare the motion carried.

Mr. Cooper: Madam Speaker, may I call it ten o'clock?

Mr. Gauthier: Madam Speaker, we would like to know from the government what it intends to call tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock when this House reconvenes.

**Mr. Cooper:** Madam Speaker, it is our intention tomorrow to deal with Bill C-54 and Bill C-55 at report and hopefully third reading stages.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Shall I call it ten o'clock?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.