

On motion of Mr. Macdonald (*Rosedale*), seconded by Mr. Allmand,

Resolved,—That the Report be adopted.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the items listed in the Main Estimates for 1967-68, relating to the Department of External Affairs.

Item 1 was allowed to stand.

The Chairman called the following items pertaining to the External Aid Office:

- 30. Salaries and Expenses—\$2,521,700.
- 35. Economic, technical, educational and other assistance—\$130,100,000.
- L30. Special loan assistance for developing countries in the current and subsequent fiscal years—\$90,000,000.

The Chairman introduced Mr. Strong, who made a statement and was questioned. The witness was assisted by Messrs. Drake and McLellan.

Documents entitled *Canadian External Assistance Program* and *Canadian Aid Program 1967-68 Fiscal Year* were submitted by Mr. Strong and distributed to members of the Committee.

Certain members made suggestions regarding the form of the External Aid Office estimates. It was agreed that this matter could be discussed at the time of preparation of a report to the House respecting the Estimates.

Mr. Strong undertook to supply the Committee at its next meeting with the last available figures concerning direct bilateral aid to all countries concerned.

At 11.45 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Fernand Despatie,
Clerk of the Committee.