

*Energy Policy*

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COPY OF MEMORANDUM TO ASSISTANT CHIEF STATISTICIAN CONCERNING INACCURACY OF SOME BASIC SOURCES OF DATA

Motion No. 42—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the Statistics Canada memorandum written by J. S. Wells, Director-General, National Income and Expenditure Accounts Division to G. Leclerc, Assistant Chief Statistician, concerning the inaccuracy of some of the Bureau's basic sources of data.

[English]

**Mr. Hugh Poulin (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** Mr. Speaker, the document requested is an internal departmental memorandum and cannot be produced. I therefore ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

**Mr. Paproski:** Transfer for debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** Transferred for debate.

[Text]

COPIES OF FILES IN POSSESSION OF DEPARTMENT OF SOLICITOR GENERAL RELATING TO PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE ACT ADMINISTRATION

Motion No. 46—**Mr. Towers:**

That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the contents of the file or files in the possession of the Department of the Solicitor General and/or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police relating to the investigation concerning Prairie Farm Assistance Act administration.

[English]

**Mr. Art Lee (Parliamentary Secretary to Solicitor General):** Mr. Speaker, notwithstanding that the investigation in this connection was with respect to a federal statute, the alleged offence was criminal in nature and came under the jurisdiction of the attorney general of Saskatchewan. Production of the files is being denied because, as I have stated, they relate to a matter in which the province of Saskatchewan was concerned and the concurrence of the provincial authorities to the release has not been forthcoming. I would like to mention, however, that the transcript of the preliminary hearing will be made available to the hon. member, upon request, by the office of the deputy attorney general, Regina, Saskatchewan. In the circumstances, Mr. Speaker, I hereby ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

**Mr. Towers:** No, Mr. Speaker; transfer for debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** Transferred for debate.

[Text]

COPIES OF ALL CORRESPONDENCE, DIRECTIVES AND PERTINENT MATERIAL BETWEEN CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER AND NEWFOUNDLAND COMMISSION

Motion No. 50—**Mr. Marshall:**

That an Order of the House do issue for copies of all correspondence, directives, telegrams and other pertinent material between the Chief Electoral Officer and the Commission appointed to carry out redistribution of boundaries in the province of Newfoundland.

[English]

**Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, there have been no correspondence, directives, telegrams or other pertinent material between the Chief Electoral Officer and the commission appointed to carry out redistribution of boundaries in the province of Newfoundland. I therefore ask the hon. member to withdraw his motion.

**Mr. Marshall:** Transfer for debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** Transferred for debate.

**Mr. Goodale:** Mr. Speaker, I ask that the remaining notices of motions for the production of papers be allowed to stand.

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**GOVERNMENT ORDERS**

[English]

**BUSINESS OF SUPPLY**

ALLOTTED DAY S.O. 58—ALLEGED FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT TO DEVELOP FAIR AND JUST POLICIES RESPECTING OIL AND GAS RESOURCES

**Mr. John C. Crosbie (St. John's West) moved:**

That this House regrets the failure of the government to develop and apply policies in the fields of the oil and gas non-renewable energy resources that are fair or just or adequate for the people or the provinces of Canada today or for the future.

He said: Mr. Speaker, it is with considerable regret that I have to be critical of the government again today, having had to be critical of it last night; but one has to be truthful when speaking in this chamber and the subject matter of this motion will fit in with what I was saying last night. Hon. gentlemen opposite came into office on the basis of co-operative federalism, but they have now degenerated to strong-arm federalism or, as I said last night, to forced federalism or goon-squad federalism—anything but co-operative federalism. They came into office on the basis of participatory democracy, which has also vanished into limbo because the only democracy now is conference-hall autocracy.

The same thing is true in the energy field. What is the good of hon. gentlemen opposite publishing the study called "An Energy Strategy for Canada" when they ignore the recommendations of their own study or twist it in their administration so that it is unfair and unjust, as this motion says. The motion says that their policies are neither fair, just nor adequate for the people or the provinces of Canada.

I want to touch on three subjects in the short time allotted to me which I believe is 30 minutes. First, I want to touch on the new conservation policy, announced by the minister at the beginning of February, for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island dealing allegedly with conservation of energy in those two provinces and confining it to those two provinces for spurious reasons. Second, I want to touch on the failure of the