

*Social Security***ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE**

SUGGESTED STATEMENT BY FORMER SOLICITOR GENERAL
CONCERNING ALLEGED ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES OF FORCE—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Mr. Speaker, I have a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43. My motion concerns the many questions surrounding the activities of the security service while the present Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs (Mr. Allmand) was Solicitor General. In view of the fact that to date that hon. gentleman has not only neglected to make a personal statement about his involvement and responsibility to this House, but has also been unavailable for questioning, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Perth-Wilmot (Mr. Jarvis):

That the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs be permitted to answer questions about his activities or lack of them as Solicitor General and further that he make a statement about his failure to control continuing illegal activities by officials for whom he was constitutionally responsible.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

SOCIAL SECURITY

REQUEST THAT OLD AGE PENSION BE GRANTED TO WIDOWS 60
YEARS OF AGE OR OVER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion on an urgent and pressing matter.

Given the fact that widows aged 60 to 65 lose the spouse pension and since they are thus practically to return on the labour market or are forced to rely on social welfare, and given the fact that because of this blatant and inconceivable injustice these persons cannot enjoy peace of mind, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Abitibi (Mr. Laprise):

That this House urge the Minister of National Health and Welfare to put forward as soon as possible an amendment to the old age security legislation which would allow the spouse to enjoy the benefits of a rightfully entitled pensioner.

Mr. Speaker: Order. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, such a motion cannot be presented without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Speaker.]

FINANCE

REQUEST FOR MEASURES TO RESTORE ECONOMIC EQUILIBRIUM
IN QUEBEC AND MARITIMES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I seek the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that the unemployment statistics released today show a constant and increasingly alarming rise in unemployment in Quebec as well as in the Atlantic provinces, that the steps taken by the government to fight unemployment have not given the expected results either in Quebec or the Maritime provinces, and that a serious economic imbalance is being created which runs the risk of becoming irreparable between these and other provinces, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That the House urge the Minister of Finance to meet immediately with his Quebec and Atlantic province counterparts to discuss with them special measures which could help correct the current economic imbalance and eliminate in the process any new problem which might disturb our national harmony.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No!

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[English]

TRADE

SUGGESTION GATT NEGOTIATORS REQUEST INCREASED ACCESS
TO MARKETS FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS—MOTION UNDER
S.O. 43

Mr. John Wise (Elgin): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Having regard to the fact that the Canadian fruit and vegetable industry continues to suffer serious financial losses, primarily because of unfair and inadequate tariff levels, and given the fact that on November 1, 1977 the United States government gave notice to all nations taking part in the GATT negotiations that it wants increased market access for its agriculture exports, I ask leave to move, seconded by the hon. member for Lisgar (Mr. Murta):

That the government immediately serve similar notice to participating countries and that instructions be issued to Canadian negotiators to bargain vigorously on behalf of our domestic industry to ensure that Canadian farmers and food processing industries no longer bear the brunt of international trade-offs.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion requires unanimous consent before it can be put to the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No!