

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, December 18, 1981

The House met at 11 a.m.

● (1105)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

THE ECONOMY

CALL FOR INTRODUCTION OF NEW BUDGETARY MEASURES—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Otto Jelinek (Halton): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. It is crystal clear that the November 12 budget is having a devastating effect on all sectors of our economy as witnessed by the outcry from virtually every responsible business and consumer organization in Canada, the latest two being the Canadian Institute for Economic Policy, headed by former Liberal finance minister, Walter Gordon, and the Economic Council of Canada. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen):

That this House condemn the government for its budgetary policy, as well as the Minister of Finance for imposing such financial chaos on all Canadians, and further that this House do not adjourn for Christmas until such time as the Minister of Finance introduces new, positive and realistic budgetary measures.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

POLAND—CONDEMNATION OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Thomas Siddon (Richmond-South Delta): Madam Speaker, in view of the imposition of martial law by the communist Government of Poland, and now the brutal killing of innocent Polish citizens, all in a ruthless attempt to stifle the new, free spirit of Solidarity, thereby reducing the people of Poland to little more than slaves in their own country, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Annapolis Valley-Hants (Mr. Nowlan):

That this House soundly condemn the military Government of Poland, and its Russian masters, for denying the Polish people their right to freedom of choice, and for the use of force and violence to crush the Solidarity movement, and warn

the Soviet Union of serious consequences if it continues to interfere in the domestic affairs of Poland.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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UNITED NATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW SECRETARY GENERAL, JAVIER
PEREZ DE CUELLAR—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Saint-Denis): Madam Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43 I move, seconded by the hon. member for Parry Sound-Muskoka (Mr. Darling) and the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That the House of Commons express its warmest congratulations to the new Secretary General of the United Nations, the Peruvian, Javier Perez de Cuellar, who has been elected unanimously by the General Assembly of the United Nations as the fifth Secretary General of that organization, and the first from our own western hemisphere; and that the House of Commons express its appreciation and thanks to the outgoing Secretary General Kurt Waldheim for his untiring efforts for peace during his two mandates as Secretary General from 1971 to 1981.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Madam Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion.

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Madam Speaker, I just want to say that that blows my chances of an early retirement. I am sorry!

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Madam Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Deans: If I had known that, we would not have seconded the motion.