

Committee Report

Madam Speaker: I suppose the minister is referring to the motion introduced by the hon. member for Regina East (Mr. de Jong) and which had not received the unanimous consent of the House. The motion is therefore as follows:

That this House pay tribute to the outstanding cultural contribution of John Lennon and express its condolences to his wife Yoko Ono and his family and friends.

I must again ask the House whether it gives unanimous consent to the motion of the hon. member for Regina East. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

[English]

MISS CARNEY—REPUDIATION OF NEWSPAPER ALLEGATION OF SEPARATIST SENTIMENTS

Miss Pat Carney (Vancouver Centre): Madam Speaker, I rise on a point of order regarding a statement made about myself in the House, when I was in my riding. On December 1, the hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway (Mr. Waddell) rose on a question of privilege and quoted from an article which appeared in the *Ottawa Citizen* on October 11, 1980. As reported in *Hansard* at page 5195, the member quoted the article as follows:

A few members of Clark's B.C. caucus have come dangerously close to endorsing separatism . . . Vancouver Centre MP Pat Carney has expressed similar sentiments in the House of Commons, despite pleas from some Tories that she hold her tongue.

My dispute is not with the hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway, as he was quoting a newspaper article. The newspaper article regarding myself is in error, as I have never expressed separatism sentiments in the House and no members of my party have ever cautioned me on this topic or any other. I should like to establish for the record the inaccuracy of this statement and the inaccuracies it contains.

Madam Speaker: Since the hon. member for Vancouver Centre (Miss Carney) was not in the House at the time when this discussion took place, nor at the time when I ruled on it, she is entitled to make these comments for the record.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

Second report of Special Committee on North-South Relations—Mr. Breau.

[Editor's Note: For text of the above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.]

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[English]

HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS RECALL ACT

MEASURE TO PROVIDE CONSUMER PROTECTION

Mr. Geoff Scott (Hamilton-Wentworth) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-622, to establish the Hazardous Products Recall Act.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Scott (Hamilton-Wentworth): Madam Speaker, the purpose of my private member's bill is to introduce formally the possibility of a hazardous products recall act. It is my view that we in Canada should have legislation in place which would empower the government to require manufacturers and retailers to remove from their shelves and their showrooms products which are demonstrably dangerous to the consumer. I feel consumers must have protection from obvious hazardous products, be they Corningware coffee pots with handles which come unglued, Pintos with rear gas tanks which explode on impact or, the latest example, Cuisinart food processors where the machine can switch on automatically when the high speed cutting blades are exposed.

It is my view that the Canadian government, in the interests of the fundamental protection of the consumer, should seriously consider a limited form of legislation, but one with teeth, to remove products which even manufacturers occasionally openly admit can be potentially dangerous to the health and lives of Canadians.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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[Translation]

NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

CONCURRENCE IN SECOND REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

Mr. Herb Breau (Gloucester) moved that the second report of the Special Committee on North-South Relations, presented this day to the House, be concurred in.

Madam Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

[English]

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): Madam Speaker, there were discussions with respect to this. I think all parties in the House are anxious to see these select committees of Parliament work. The request is a reasonable one. It was unanimously concurred in.

Mr. Knowles: That is also our position.