

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, June 20, 1980

The House met at 11 a.m.

● (1105)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

FISHERIES ACT

REQUEST LEGISLATION BE AMENDED TO PREVENT POLLUTION OF WATERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Thomas Siddon (Richmond-South Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing importance.

In view of this week's controversial ruling by the Supreme Court of Canada that section 33(3) of the federal Fisheries Act is unconstitutional, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hillsborough (Mr. McMillan):

That the government be directed to immediately prepare legislation to amend the federal Fisheries Act in such a way as to prevent the dumping of logging wastes directly into streams frequented by fish, provided that biological damage to fish stocks can be predicted in advance, and provided also that such authority will respect the constitutional right of the provinces to authorize and regulate logging operations on adjacent watershed areas.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

UNITED NATIONS—GLOBAL REFERENDUM ON DISARMAMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Tom McMillan (Hillsborough): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of House of Commons Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that the federal government recently created the position of ambassador for disarmament, and that Canada supported in principle the final document of the United Nations special session on disarmament in 1978 and also endorsed, with all other UN member states, the goal of general disarmament in 1961, and in view of the fact that disarmament must be achieved by the efforts of all governments negotiating through gradual and balanced steps, I move,

seconded by the hon. member for New Westminster-Coquitlam (Miss Jewett):

That this House support a proposal for a global referendum on disarmament at the thirty-fifth session of the UN General Assembly, to be sponsored by the government of Canada, so that humanity can participate in the historic choice for a disarmed world.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CONVENTION CENTRES

FUNDING OF CENTRE IN EDMONTON—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Yurko (Edmonton East): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent consideration under Standing Order 43.

The government has acted preferentially and with political overtones with regard to its policy of funding assistance for convention centres. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton North (Mr. Paproski):

That the federal government readjust its convention centre funding policy and announce immediately a grant for construction of the Edmonton convention centre.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR EMPLOYEES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Madam Speaker, last week I proposed a motion under Standing Order 43 which gained near unanimous approval, and Your Honour stated I might move it later. I wish to do so today.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Nepean-Carleton (Mr. Baker), the House leader of the Conservative party:

That this House urges the Committee on Members' Services to give positive consideration to making the language training presently available to members of Parliament available to employees of members of Parliament.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?