

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 13, 1981

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DUMPING OF CHEMICAL WASTES INTO NIAGARA RIVER—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of most urgent and pressing necessity. It is reported that SCA Chemical Waste Services will begin dumping treated chemical wastes into the Niagara River this month. The people of Niagara have conducted a mock funeral and have declared dead this once mighty river. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Brampton-Georgetown (Mr. McDermid):

That in these days of upset wins and surprise moves the government even yet at this late time take action to prevent this proposed dumping, in compliance with the International Joint Commission's recommendation that governments prevent any additional discharges into the river, and in compliance with the Prime Minister's commitment to the people of Niagara.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Madam Speaker, I rise to exercise my right under Standing Order 43 and to add a footnote to the contemptible and quite irrational remarks of the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) on fascism, which he chose to make outside this House. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Pembina (Mr. Elzinga):

That Canadians be alerted to the fact that the Prime Minister sees
Fascism here;
Fascism there;
Fascism everywhere
But it's in his own chair!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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INCOME TAX

TREATMENT OF EAST COAST FISHERMEN—MOTION UNDER
S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Corbett (Fundy-Royal): Madam Speaker, last week the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. LeBlanc) closed the spring herring season on the east coast before it was opened. Now the government is going to gut any of the fishermen who might have weathered that storm by socking it to them via their income tax. I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That the House instruct the government to call off its ton-ton bullies in the Department of National Revenue and let the east coast fishermen go about their business of being honest and hard-working Canadians.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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FISHERIES

COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATIONS ON WEST COAST—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ted Miller (Nanaimo-Alberni): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. On Wednesday the B.C. Salmon fishing season will open without the proclamation of proposed regulations concerning two-area trolling. The government's hesitancy in legitimizing its policy proposals and press announcements is a result of fisheries department confusion and uncertainty and a sign that political rather than conservation considerations are foremost in the minds of ministry decision-makers. I move, seconded by the hon. member for New Westminster-Coquitlam (Miss Jewett):

That the department curtail all major changes in commercial fishing regulations until the Pearse commission of inquiry has had the opportunity to hear the B.C. fishing industry's concerns and proposals and has reported back to the government and consultations with fishermen have followed so that a comprehensive management plan can replace the present ad hoc policy formation which is destroying the opportunity to make a living in the B.C. fishing industry.