

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, April 26, 1978

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1407)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

ESTIMATES

EXAMINATION BY COMMITTEE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jake Epp (Provencher): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that the main estimates of the Department of Labour, the Department of Employment and Immigration and the Unemployment Insurance Commission have not been examined in the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration, and in view of the fact that the chairman has refused to schedule sittings of the said committee in order to examine the estimates, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That this House instruct the chairman of the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration to schedule meetings of the standing committee for the express purpose of examination of the estimates.

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 43, such a motion can be presented for debate only with unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NATIONAL SECURITY

SURVEILLANCE REPORTS OF RCMP—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stuart Leggatt (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of the same order I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the CBC news today that 24 monthly reports made by the RCMP to the Solicitor General concerning the force's surveillance operations are missing, and in view of the fact that the reports concern the period 1971-72, a period when Jean-Pierre Goyer was solicitor general, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Cape Breton-East Richmond (Mr. Hogan):

That Mr. Goyer be requested to check his brief case to see if he has inadvertently removed them from his office, and if he finds them would he please return them so that we can get the commission of inquiry under way.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NATIONAL REVENUE

REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Andy Hogan (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity I raise the following matter based on information circular 78.3 of the Department of National Revenue. According to the circular, its purpose as noted in paragraph 1 is to explain to registered charities and to charities seeking registration the consequences of carrying on activities that are political in nature. On page 3, point 2, under the title—

An hon. Member: Order.

Mr. Speaker: If the hon. member has a motion, would he put it, please.

Mr. Hogan: Mr. Speaker, my motion is that the information in this circular that was put out by the former minister of revenue—

An hon. Member: Order.

Mr. Hogan: Let me finish the motion, please. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Sault Ste. Marie (Mr. Symes):

That this House deplores the regressive, undemocratic and idiotic nature of some of the rulings pertaining to charitable organizations that occur in the revenue department's information circular 78.3.

This circular is important reading for you people over there.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for discussion would require the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.