HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, July 21, 1980

The House met at 2 p.m.

• (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

DISABLED AND THE HANDICAPPED

EXCLUSION OF NORTHWEST TERRITORIES FROM ITINERARY OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dave Nickerson (Western Arctic): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a subject which I feel is sure to be supported by all members of the House. Whereas the special committee of the House of Commons on the disabled and the handicapped has published its proposed itinerary in which it plans to travel to every province in Canada and to the Yukon Territory but for some reason has declined to visit the Northwest Territories, and whereas the Northwest Territories, which has always taken a special interest in this subject, takes serious exception to this exclusion, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Peterborough (Mr. Domm), in the absence of the hon. member for Brandon-Souris (Mr. Dinsdale):

That the special committee of the House of Commons on the disabled and the handicapped travel to the Northwest Territories as well as to other territories and provinces.

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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INSTALLATION OF MOBILE AIR CONDITIONING UNITS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Madam Speaker, my motion also is being put under the provisions of Standing Order 43 and arises out of the fact that we are here today on Monday, July 21. In order to destroy once and for all the hollow myth that the NDP is so fond of nurturing to the effect that they and they alone are the great defenders of the working people of this country, and in particular of the staff of Parliament, and yet it was the NDP which, on its own, took action which will extend unduly this session of Parliament and

require the staff to remain at their post through the muggy heat of Ottawa's humid summer weather, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Dartmouth-Halifax East (Mr. Forrestall):

That during this NDP motivated prolongation of the current session of Parliament, mobile air conditioning units be installed in the English and French Hansard offices and the interpreters' booths where working conditions can best be compared to those to which Dante condemned mortal sinners in Inferno into which is injected superheated steam.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY

PROFIT-MAKING VENTURE WITH U.S. MULTINATIONAL CORPORATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock-North Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that the Nanaimo Commonwealth Association, the financial arm of the Nanaimo NDP Association, is planning on building a \$4.5 million complex and signing a joint venture agreement with the U.S. multinational Ramada Inn for a \$12 million hotel in that city, and in view of the fact that the Canada Elections Act provides for a return on expenses to local executives at the expense of the taxpayer, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Capilano (Mr. Huntington):

That this House call upon the national Leader of the NDP to explain this obvious contradiction between that party's stated abhorrence for multinationals and their profit-seeking venture with them and do further request from him assurances that no moneys which have come to the riding executives by virtue of the Canada Elections Act be invested in this profit-making venture of the NDP.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.