

Unemployment

interest-free loan since 1975; and that it has been shown that it is possible to lay one's capital to advantage without collecting interest, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Richmond (Mr. Beaudoin):

That the House enjoin the federal government to take immediately every necessary step so that the Bank of Canada may play its true role by directing its policy on the issuance of credit for the harmonious development of our national economy, by granting loans or advances at administrative cost in the public field.

Mr. Speaker: Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[English]

THE LATE CONSTABLE DAVID KIRKWOOD

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY TO WIFE AND FAMILY—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Hugh Poulin (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, I rise according to the usual provisions of Standing Order 43, and as a matter of tragic necessity. Recognizing the daily heroism that police officers across our country are called upon to perform, and in particular to the heroism and devotion to duty of the late Constable David Kirkwood of the Ottawa Police Department who so courageously gave his life last evening in the line of duty and in the protection of society, and in recognition of his fellow officers here and across the country, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Ottawa-Vanier (Mr. Gauthier):

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That this House does hereby express its profound grief and sympathy to the wife and family of the late Constable David Kirkwood.

Mr. Speaker: The motion can be put to the House only with unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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

Motion agreed to.

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THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

SUGGESTED INVESTIGATION OF REASON FOR LAY-OFFS IN
INDUSTRY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I wish to move a motion under the terms of Standing Order 43 concerning a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Figures from the Department of Manpower and Immigration released in June show that some 22 business firms have laid off

[Mr. Allard.]

more than 6,000 workers due primarily to marketing problems—this was during June alone—and there are indications of further deterioration which will exacerbate the unemployment rate in industry to even more unacceptable figures than presently exist. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton West (Mr. Alexander):

That this House order the government to take immediate action to investigate problems causing these alarming lay-offs and to direct the expertise of the departments concerned with the object of rehabilitating the firms which are in difficulty and preventing further lay-offs.

Mr. Speaker: The presentation for discussion of any such motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No!

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[Translation]

HARBOURS

SUGGESTION FORTY SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS OF MONTREAL
PORT BE LEFT TO ADMINISTRATION OF THAT PORT—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion dealing with an important and urgent matter. I am sure it will be supported by all Montreal members.

In view of the difficulties experienced by the port of Montreal in terms of financing and equipment; in view of the fact that the Montreal port authorities do have a reserve of \$47 million accumulated over the last forty years; and considering that the Montreal port could use this amount to complete the necessary facilities to maintain its importance, and that under the new legislation on national harbours this fund of \$47 million might fall into the hands of the federal treasury, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Pembina (Mr. Elzinga):

That this House unanimously urge the minister responsible to accept the proposal made in the memorandum submitted in the last few days by the Montreal Chamber of Commerce to the effect that the reserve of \$47 million remain the property of the Montreal port and that it may dispose of it in its best interests.

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 43, presentation of such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.