

THE SENATE

Wednesday, April 28, 1971

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Leopold Langlois tabled:

Copies of Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on Scientific and Technological Cooperation. Done at Bonn April 16, 1971.

Report on proceedings under the Industrial Relations and Disputes Investigation Act for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1971, pursuant to section 68 of the said Act, chapter 152, R.S.C., 1952.

PRIVATE BILL

ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL—FIRST READING

Hon. L. P. Beaubien presented Bill S-19, respecting the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Bill read first time.

Hon. Mr. Beaubien moved, with leave of the Senate, that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

NATIONAL FINANCE

ADDITION TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Hon. Leopold Langlois moved, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding Rule 45(1)(h):

That the name of the honourable Senator Croll be added to the list of senators serving on the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance.

Motion agreed to.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

ADDITION TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Hon. Leopold Langlois moved, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding Rule 45(1)(h):

That the name of the honourable Senator Hastings be added to the list of senators serving on the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs.

Motion agreed to.

NATIONAL FINANCE

FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICY STUDY REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Hon. Leopold Langlois moved, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding Rule 45(1)(e):

That the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance be authorized to examine and report upon the question of methods by which fiscal and monetary policy in Canada may be exercised to achieve full potential growth and employment without inflation; and notwithstanding Rule 83a

That the budget approved by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration and printed in the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate of 18 March, 1971*, for the proposed expenditures of the said Committee on National Finance with regard to its examination of the Estimates laid before Parliament for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1972, be applicable as well in respect of its examination of the said question of fiscal and monetary policy in Canada.

Motion agreed to.

CANADA-UNITED STATES RELATIONS

NEED FOR A REASSESSMENT OF CANADA'S POSITION—
DEBATE ADJOURNED

Hon. Ernest C. Manning: Honourable senators, I rise to direct your attention to the need for a reassessment of Canada's position in the matter of Canada-United States relations.

Few other developments in the field of international co-operation will more profoundly influence Canada's future as a sovereign nation than the relationships we establish with the great world power with whom we share most of the land mass of this continent. There is today a growing public awareness that this is so, and that awareness has given rise to no small measure of concern. This concern finds expression in many divergent viewpoints and is not without its controversial aspects. Some honourable senators may not agree with certain conclusions I will seek to express. I present these conclusions and the reasons for them not in the spirit of controversy but in the hope they will contribute something to your own objective assessment. Above all I sincerely hope that our discussion of this vital question will result in a re-examination by the Government of Canada of the course it presently is pursuing in this important area of Canadian foreign policy.

I am particularly pleased that the Government Leader in this chamber is the former Secretary of State for External Affairs, and is therefore eminently qualified to