

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

[English]

#### MEETINGS OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada):** Mr. Speaker, I move:

That, notwithstanding any Standing Order of this House, the chairman of any legislative committee shall be empowered to call a meeting for the purposes of organization, pursuant to Standing Order 113(3), at his or her discretion but, in any case, shall do so no later than 10 sitting days after this House resumes sitting in September, 1989;

Provided that this Order does not apply to the legislative committee on Bill C-21.

[Translation]

**Mr. Speaker:** Does the Hon. Leader of the Government in the House of Commons have the unanimous consent of the House to move the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

[English]

The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

#### BILL C-21 — MEMBERSHIP ON COMMITTEE

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada):** Mr. Speaker, I move:

That, notwithstanding any Standing or other Order of this House, the membership of the legislative committee on Bill C-21, an Act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act and the Employment and Immigration Department and Commission Act, be increased from eight to 14 members;

That the additional members to serve on the said committee be: Mrs. Anderson, Ms. Langan, Mr. F. LeBlanc, Ms. Catterall, Mr. Vien and Mr. Worthy.

That the said committee, accompanied by the necessary staff be empowered to adjourn from place to place within Canada; and

That the said committee report the Bill no later than Tuesday, October 10, 1989.

**Mr. Speaker:** Does the Hon. government House Leader have the unanimous consent of the House to move the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

#### Motions

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

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

**Mr. Speaker:** Perhaps the Hon. Minister of Justice might stand down for a moment, and because it is today I will make a great exception and recognize the Hon. Member for York Centre on the presentation of a petition.

\* \* \*

#### PETITION

##### EMIGRATION OF GEORGY BELITSKY

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (York Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from a number of members of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue who are presenting a petition on behalf of Georgy Belitsky of Vilnius, U.S.S.R. who is seeking to leave the Soviet Union to emigrate to Israel.

The petitioners urge the Government of Canada to make representations to the Government of the Soviet Union to grant an exit visa to Georgy Belitsky.

\* \* \*

#### MOTIONS

##### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada):** Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among the Parties. As the House knows, there has been considerable progress made on the business before the House, thanks to the efforts of all Members of the House.

There is an understanding between the Parties that we will complete the items on the Projected Order of Business in the following order. First, the appropriation Bill re the drought payments; second, Bill C-16, the space agency Act to complete second reading; Bill C-19 to complete third reading of the Energy Act; Bill C-22 to complete third reading of the Environmental Protection Act amendments; and Bill C-15, plant breeders' rights Act second reading.

It may very well be that we will have to invoke closure on Bill C-15, the plant breeders' rights at second reading.

However, on that understanding, I move: