

THE CABINET

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS OF MINISTERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Geoff Scott (Hamilton-Wentworth): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, but somehow I doubt that my motion will receive unanimous support.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Scott (Hamilton-Wentworth): In view of the fact that at least two cabinet ministers have been booted off public platforms as a result of a Prime Ministerial directive which gives marching orders that, under no circumstances, will cabinet ministers make speeches anywhere in this country to any group unless they lead off discussing the Constitution and energy, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton-Strathcona (Mr. Kilgour):

That the chief puppeteer instruct the marionettes on the Treasury benches to stick to their portfolio responsibilities when they go out to speak to Canadians.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

REQUEST HOUSE CONDEMN MINISTER'S ALLEGED ELECTORAL PROMISES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. David Kilgour (Edmonton-Strathcona): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to ask the unanimous consent of the House to discuss an important matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that again yesterday there were demonstrations in the Matapédia valley about the setting up of a paper mill, and since the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion (Mr. De Bané) would rather deal with development in Africa than in his own area where he was parachuted, of course, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cariboo-Chilcotin (Mr. Greenaway):

That the House condemn the thoughtless and irresponsible election and referendum promises made by the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion.

Madam Speaker: In order to be put, 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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[English]

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

PROPOSED U.S. LINKS TO CANADIAN CITIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Mark Rose (Mission-Port Moody): Madam Speaker, I too rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. A private American corporation, Satellite Business Systems, has applied to the U.S. Federal Communications Commission for permission to link its transmission services to five major Canadian cities. The minister's own department has shown that trans-border data transmission will lead to re-centralization of control by multinationals over their subsidiaries and a consequent loss of jobs in Canada. The Clyne commission agrees.

I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for New Westminster-Coquitlam (Miss Jewett):

That since the proposed service will require Canadian permission, the government refuses to grant authorization for further foreign intrusion which threatens Canada's independence and telecommunications future.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

SPEECH MADE IN BRANDON, MANITOBA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill McKnight (Kindersley-Lloydminster): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Last night in Brandon the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), in a desperate attempt to aggrandize his own shallow self-interest, insinuated that if Westminister, the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada, seven Canadian premiers, the energy producing provinces, the editorial writers of Canada and the majority of Canadian citizens disagree with his policies, then the "Prime Minister must be doing something right".

In light of the fact that the Prime Minister has accomplished nothing except to postpone forever energy self-sufficiency for our country and to split our regions irrevocably with his constitutional proposals, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lisgar (Mr. Murta):

That this House condemns the statements made by the Prime Minister, which have only served to encourage alienation and force Canadians to seek an alternative to a centralist regionally dominated government.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.