

S.O. 43

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

ROLE OF PARLIAMENT OF CANADA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jim Peterson (Willowdale): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the unabashed, premeditated and systematic obstruction of the work of the House by the Conservative Party—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Peterson: The evidence is before us, Madam Speaker.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Peterson: Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Guelph (Mr. Schroder):

That this House reiterates the sentiment expressed by the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition when he stated last June, "Parliament speaks for 23 million Canadians. If the first ministers of the federation cannot make marked progress toward changes which fit the Canada of the 1980s, then the Parliament of the federation may have to assert a stronger role".

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Clark: They are making marked progress.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

An hon. Member: Joe said "No".

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): I said "No". Of course there is no unanimous consent.

Madam Speaker: Order, please.

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AIRPORTS

PROVISION OF GARBAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Charles Mayer (Portage-Marquette): Madam Speaker, many of Canada's international airports do not have adequate facilities for burning or sterilizing garbage from international flights. This deplorable situation unnecessarily exposes the Canadian livestock industry to risks from exotic and dangerous diseases. In fact the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) recently warned of precautions against the spread of the dreaded hoof and mouth disease to Canada. Therefore I move, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 and seconded by the hon. member for Kindersley-Lloydminster (Mr. McKnight):

That the government be condemned for allowing this situation to linger and, further, that the government move immediately to construct disposal facilities for proper sterilization of all garbage left in Canada from international flights.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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METRIC CONVERSION

CALL FOR DISBANDMENT OF BOARD—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Canadian government notified the people of Canada through *The Canada Gazette* of February 28, 1981, that shortly only metric measurements will be permitted in retail food stores throughout Canada and that persons daring to use imperial after the said date will be liable for fines in the amount of \$5,000 and/or imprisonment of up to two years. The Government of Canada is doing this, not by an act of Parliament but by an order in council. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lethbridge-Foothills (Mr. Thacker):

That this House orders the government to rescind immediately the said order in council, to fire the chairman and to retire the balance of the metric board.

We are not in a unilateral country.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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PARLIAMENT

RIGHTS AND PRINCIPLES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Garnet M. Bloomfield (London-Middlesex): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the historical tradition in British parliamentary democracy that Parliament, as the highest court in the land, is supreme, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Scarborough West (Mr. Weatherhead):

That this House reaffirms its right to discuss any matter it so chooses and that it reaffirms the principle that the courts of the land can only adjudicate those laws duly passed by this Parliament.

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): It is out of order.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?