

[English]

### MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

**Mr. Paul Dick (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, I ask that all Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers be allowed to stand.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shall all Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers stand?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

### GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

#### BUSINESS OF SUPPLY

ALLOTTED DAY, S.O. 62—JOB CREATION

**Mr. David Dingwall (Cape Breton-East Richmond)** moved:

That this House condemns the government for its failure to create the jobs required to substantially reduce the excessively high levels of unemployment, either through its general economic policies or through its recently announced energy agreement, the job creation potential of which has made the Ontario Deputy Minister of Energy skeptical to the point where he has said that, in signing it, the Government "gave away the store".

He said: Mr. Speaker, I put forward this motion with great sincerity but also with great regret. I would have hoped as a Member of Parliament, notwithstanding the fact that I am in opposition, I would have an opportunity to debate in a meaningful way some of the positive things that this Government is alleged to have done.

The record, however, is quite clear, indeed. The accomplishments or lack of accomplishments of this Government have been very evident over the last six months, so much so that the Leader of our Party has characterized them, I think, in a very, very good fashion. He said: "This is a Prime Minister of what I call cosmetic politics where appearance takes precedence over reality, style over substance and package over policy. It is an approach to government that seems directed more by desire to placate a need to please, an urge to be loved, than the ability to order priorities and a willingness to make choices."

That submission characterizes the Tory Government. The Minister of Finance (Mr. Wilson) today stood in his place and questioned the integrity of the Deputy Minister in Ontario. Let me quote for the record, Mr. Speaker, what the Deputy Minister said. Before I do that, let me quote what Mr. Mercier said, the President of Universal Exploration.

**Mr. Dick:** Lots of style and no substance.

**Mr. Dingwall:** What did he say, Mr. Speaker? He said: "But from the point of view of a Canadian, I am really concerned we are giving away more than we have to". Of what is he speaking? He speaks of the agreement consummated by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Miss Carney

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and the producing provinces. It is an agreement that is a bail-out of the multinational oil companies. It is a lavishing decree against the consumers of this country. It is against the small producers in western Canada. It is simply a bail-out of the multinational oil companies.

What did the Deputy Minister say? This is what the Deputy Minister in Ontario, Duncan Allan, said about this so-called agreement, which is really an agreement to buttress the multinational oil companies: "I don't know whether they will simply use the cash flow to buy other companies. If that happens, all we will see out of this is an orgy of mergers or oil companies getting into other forms of business". Mr. Allan said that he was skeptical about whether the industry could create 225,000 jobs, and "if Ottawa imposes a gasoline tax to help pay for the energy deal, it will throw Canadians out of work", he added.

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**Mr. Dick:** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I wonder whether the Hon. Member is quoting from the exact transcript or whether he is quoting from a newspaper article. Could he please tell us from what he is quoting?

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** I regret to inform the Hon. Member that that is not a point of order.

**Mr. Dingwall:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Perhaps the Hon. Member will learn something about parliamentary procedure before he rises again.

**Mr. Dick:** What are you quoting from, *The Toronto Star*?

**Mr. Dingwall:** Yes, *The Toronto Star*. I suppose anyone who disagrees with the Conservative Government or with the Minister of Finance is either paranoid or is trying to make an unjustified attack against the Government. When Members say anything about the Government, that Hon. Member rises in his place and castigates them for making remarks which he knows to be true.

**Mr. Dick:** We don't believe *The Toronto Star*.

**Mr. Dingwall:** I suggest that this agreement does not provide benefits for consumers in all parts of Canada. What about the primary industry levy offset program? That program was part of the fuel tax rebate program for those in the primary industries—farmers in southwestern Ontario, fishermen in Atlantic Canada and those involved in logging, mining, hunting and trapping in northern Ontario. They were entitled to it.

**Mr. Speaker:** I regret to interrupt the Hon. Member at this point in his speech.

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**Mr. Speaker:** I have the honour to inform the House that a message has been received from the Senate informing this