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OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS

OF CANADA

OTTAWA, TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 1970.

2.00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS,

By unanimous consent, it was ordered,—That speeches on the motion under the order Business of Supply when proposed later in this day be limited to fifteen minutes with the exception of the prime speakers.

The Order being read for the consideration of the Business of Supply;

Pursuant to section (9) of Standing Order 58, Mr. Stanfield, seconded by Mr. MacLean, moved,—That this House condemns the government for criticising the Auditor General of Canada for carrying out his duties according to law; and reasserts its support of the principle of unfettered parliamentary scrutiny of government expenditures including the right of the Auditor General to comment on the failure of the government to make expenditure in strict compliance with parliamentary appropriations and to report on these and any other cases he feels should be brought to the attention of Parliament.

And debate arising thereon;

Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands), seconded by Mr. Lewis, moved in amendment thereto,—That the motion be amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a comma, and by adding immediately thereafter the following words:

“and this House further declares that the Auditor General has served the interests of Canada by drawing Parliament’s attention to the improper concessions of over \$180 million made to motor vehicle manufacturers by Order-in-Council.”.

And debate arising thereon; at 9.45 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker interrupted the debate pursuant to Standing Order 58(9);