

Routine Proceedings

1994-95	health	330	77	526	423	3,977	5,937	647	597	1,519	1,924	32	15	16,004
	PSE	133	31	212	171	1,605	2,396	261	241	613	777	13	6	6,459
	total EPF	464	108	738	594	5,582	8,333	908	837	2,132	2,701	44	21	22,462

Totals may not add due to rounding.

EVENTS AT KANESATAKE AND KAHNAWAKE, QUE.

***Question No. 374—Mr. Riis:**

Does the government intend to inform Canadians fully of all the details of the events at Kanesatake and Kahnawake, Que. and, if so, will it be gathering that information through an impartial judicial inquiry?

Hon. Thomas Edward Siddon (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): On October 22, 1990 the House of Commons unanimously agreed "that the subject matter of the events at Kanesatake and Kahnawake during the summer of 1990 be referred to the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs".

EVENTS AT KANESATAKE AND KAHNAWAKE, QUE.

***Question No. 376—Mr. Riis:**

Has the government determined the cause or causes of the events at Kanesatake and Kahnawake, Que., and, if so, what are they?

Hon. Thomas Edward Siddon (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): The immediate cause was the non-settlement of the land question at Kanesatake. The federal government had been in negotiations with the Kanesatake Band Council concerning its land grievances and an agreement was reached in the Fall of 1989 which was to be discussed and ratified by the community in early 1990. In January 1990 the Band Council was changed and in March 1990 the Band Council informed the federal negotiator that the Council would not pursue the negotiated agreement and would not continue talks until further notice.

The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development met with the Council in June 1990 to attempt to put in place a process aimed at resolving the long standing issues in the community. In late June the Municipality of Oka obtained an injunction against individuals blockading municipal land and a violent

confrontation occurred when this injunction was served by the *Sûreté du Québec*.

[English]

Mr. Cooper: Mr. Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S. O. 52

PERSIAN GULF

Mr. John Brewin (Victoria): Mr. Speaker, as I understand, a letter was delivered to the Speaker notifying the Speaker that I intended to ask today for an emergency debate as provided under Standing Order 52.

The emergency to which I refer is the fact that the reports are that on Thursday of this week the United Nations Security Council will consider a resolution authorizing the use of force in the Persian Gulf. Canada, of course, is a member of the Security Council. We will have no opportunity between now and then in the House to debate the position that Canada should be taking at the United Nations.

The issue is one of momentous international significance and of tremendous significance to Canada and to the people of this country. The government has earlier indicated that it would ask Parliament for its advice on key issues in the gulf crisis as it moved along. There is no more significant issue than the issue of war and peace in the gulf.

I would therefore ask you, Mr. Speaker, to find that this is in fact a genuine emergency, one of those for which Standing Order 52 was developed and an appropriate motion under that standing order.

[Translation]

SPEAKER'S RULING

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The Chair fully agrees that the question raised by the hon. member for