

Manpower and Immigration

2. (a) What was the total number of employees in the Department of Regional Economic Expansion as of March 31, 1973 (b) how many of those employees would be considered employees of the headquarters and are employed on the (i) Quebec side of the national capital (ii) Ontario side of the national capital (c) how many employees does the department have in each of the 10 provinces, the Yukon and Northwest Territories?

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INTERNATIONAL TREATIES, CONVENTIONS AND AGREEMENTS
Question No. 416—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

1. How many international treaties, conventions and agreements has Canada been a signatory to since and including the year 1919?

2. How many such international treaties, conventions and agreements (a) have been ratified by Canada (b) have been approved by resolution of both Houses of Parliament (c) have been made law in Canada and before our Courts by an Act of Parliament being passed?

3. Does any court of Canada interpret international treaties, conventions or agreements which have not been made the law of Canada by an Act of Parliament and, if so (a) which court (b) under what authority?

4. How is a treaty, convention or agreement between Canada and any other state or group of states, which has only been signed by Canada and ratified by Canada by resolution of both Houses of Parliament, enforced?

5. In what manner is the Chicago Treaty of 1944, under which ICAO was set up in Montreal by the United Nations, enforced?

6. During the Royal Visit of 1973, did Her Majesty the Queen state "You may be assured that my Government of Canada recognizes the importance of full compliance with the spirit and terms of your treaties"?

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 26

[English]

MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION**ALLEGED DEPARTMENTAL MALADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Duncan M. Beattie (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 26 to request leave to make a motion to adjourn the House for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the government's administrative responsibilities with respect to immigration, manpower and unemployment insurance. It specifically relates to maladministration of these responsibilities which has already resulted in the laying of criminal charges against certain aliens and immigration officials, poor morale among immigration employees, and further suspected criminal activities arising out of the improper possession of unemployment insurance certificates. If you decide, Mr. Speaker, that this matter is proper to be discussed, I shall move, seconded by the hon. member for Provencher (Mr. Epp), that this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Hamilton Mountain has provided the Chair with the notice required by Standing Order 26. The hon. member proposes that the House set aside the business proposed for today, that is, the consid-

[Mr. Nystrom.]

eration of Bill C-7, an act to amend the Combines Investigation Act, to debate instead, and I quote the hon. member's words, "the government's administrative responsibilities with respect to immigration, manpower and unemployment insurance".

The Chair cannot agree that there is in the matter proposed for debate by the hon. member the aspect of sudden emergency which is essential to justify the adjournment of the day's business under the terms of Standing Order 26. With respect, I suggest to the hon. member that a debate alleging, generally, maladministration in a department should be considered in other ways provided by the Standing Orders, perhaps on a motion under Standing Order 58 or in the course of the examination of departmental estimates before the responsible standing committee of the House. I suggest to the hon. member and to the House that the requirements of Standing Order 26 preclude the Chair from putting the hon. member's motion today.

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

[English]

Mr. John M. Reid (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: Oral Questions.

Mr. Hellyer: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Trinity rises on a question of privilege.

Mr. Hellyer: Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the hon. Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Reid) could advise the House, through you, when notices of motions Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive will be dealt with? The fact that these notices of motions for the production of papers, which were originally put on the order paper on October 16, 1973, have not yet been dealt with is as inexplicable as it is unconscionable.

Mr. Reid: Mr. Speaker, I anticipate being able to deal with 10 or 15 notices of motions for the production of papers next Wednesday.