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### LAYOFFS AT CANADAIR—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Georges Valade (Sainte-Marie):** Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43, I intend to request the unanimous consent of the House to bring forward a motion regarding an urgent matter.

The urgency of the situation is clearly established by the developments which have been reported by the spokesmen of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, that is that the situation at Canadair has never been so critical; that this company, which had on its payroll 10,000 workers in 1968, employs presently a mere 4,000; that a committee of reclassification forecasts that in December, the workers will be reduced to less than 1,900; that in spite of a slowdown in the aerospace industry in North America, the situation is more critical at Canadair than anywhere else; that this situation is the direct result of the inaction and lack of planning of this government as well as the lack of a comprehensive Canadian policy—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I must interrupt the hon. member to remind him of the provisions of Standing Order 43. The hon. member knows that under that Standing Order, he cannot raise an argument or make a statement as if his motion had been accepted and put to the House.

The spirit and letter of Standing Order 43 require that the hon. member should state as briefly as possible the reason why he wishes to put that motion and point out the urgency of the situation without indicating the substance of the argument on which he bases the motion itself.

This in my view is the only way to progress and study such motions. I am sure that the hon. member will want to consider the suggestions I am now making.

**Mr. Valade:** Mr. Speaker, I will certainly follow your directives. I was referring to Standing Order 43 which provides that a member who takes the initiative—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I am not inviting the hon. member to rise on a point of order, but I am simply reminding him of the provisions of Standing Order 43 as well as of the practice which has developed over the years. By the way, Standing Order 43 provides that hon. members who wish to introduce a motion under its terms must do so as briefly as possible.

**Mr. Valade:** Mr. Speaker, I was precisely trying to explain to this House the state of emergency which exists presently at Canadair as an immediate result of the government policy in the aero-astronautical field. In fact, I was trying rather to clarify the urgency of the situation, because of the unemployment that it is causing and to expound the reasons behind the motion that I intend to introduce.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion may I say that I want to stand by your ruling. This state of emergency is due to the fact that the government does not propose any short

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term solution as, for instance, the purchase of the CL-215 aircraft in order to prevent the impending layoff of 2,000 Canadair employees. The unemployment which threatens the employees of this industry is ascribable to the lack of long term government policy in the establishment of a policy—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I must once more call the hon. member to order. If the terms of his motion are not pursuant to the Standing Order, it will not even be possible to put the motion to the House. The hon. member may move a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43. Therefore, I would invite him to explain as quickly as possible the motion he intends to move.

**Mr. Valade:** Mr. Speaker, in view of the disastrous situation of the economy and, in particular, of the employment situation in Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Joliette (Mr. La Salle):

That the Committee on Regional Development be required to consider without delay the economic difficulties in which Canadair of Montreal finds itself at this time, and recommend to the government immediate measures to be taken in order to palliate massive layoffs in this industry.

**Mr. Speaker:** The House heard the hon. member's motion—

**Some hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Speaker:** There is not unanimous consent.

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## THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

### OPPORTUNITY FOR CANADIANS TO INVEST IN MACKENZIE VALLEY PIPELINE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Paul Yewchuk (Athabasca):** Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 to ask unanimous consent of the House to propose a motion concerning a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. This matter concerns the desire of the Canadian people to be given the opportunity to invest in Canadian developments and the failure of the government to take cognizance of this fact while giving lip service to economic nationalism—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I have to interrupt the hon. member. I think this is a clear abuse of the Standing Order.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Speaker:** I have to bring this to the attention of the House. I have previously brought to the attention of other hon. members the fact that Standing Order 43 is a very special Standing Order and, until recently, was rarely used. A change was made in our procedures relating to Standing Order 26, and following that, Standing Order 43 has been used by hon. members in place of Standing Order 26. But I point out that Standing Order 43 has a very limited application.