

S.O. 30 Motion

suggested to me, we will be able to make an announcement very quickly.

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[Translation]

PETITION

MR. KEEPER—TESTING OF CRUISE MISSILE ON CANADIAN SOIL

Madam Speaker: I have the honour of informing the House that the petition presented by the Member for Winnipeg-St. James (Mr. Keeper) on Wednesday, October 26, 1983, meets the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

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[English]

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

WEEKLY STATEMENT

Mr. Nielsen: Madam Speaker, I have the usual Thursday question. Would the Government House Leader be so kind as to inform the House of the order of business he intends to call today, tomorrow and as far up to November 4 as he can take us?

[Translation]

Mr. Pinard: Yes Madam Speaker, it is Bill C-155.

MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 30

[English]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

GRENADA—INVASION BY MULTINATIONAL FORCE

Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain): Madam Speaker, I rise on House business. Some consultation has taken place. Would it be possible to obtain the permission of the House by way of unanimous consent to allow the question you had before you in the name of the Leader of this Party requesting an emergency debate on the situation in Grenada to be put? As you know, the Hon. Member for Oshawa (Mr. Broadbent) filed proper notice yesterday. Unfortunately, the matter was not dealt with. He has since filed notice today requesting that the question of Grenada be dealt with by the House of Commons by way of an emergency debate. Could you seek the unanimous consent of the House to deal with that matter now rather than in its proper order, so that we could determine whether or not such an emergency debate might well take place?

[Translation]

Hon. Yvon Pinard (President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, on this side of the House we are most certainly agreeable to the Chair considering forthwith the request made under Standing Order 30. We give our consent as requested by the New Democratic Party.

[English]

Hon. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Madam Speaker, we too would agree to the request of the Leader of the New Democratic Party. Further, we would be prepared to go so far as to relieve the Chair of the necessity of ruling on the urgency of the matter and agree to give consent now to an emergency debate on the motion tonight at eight o'clock, when it will occur in any event.

Madam Speaker: As we have unanimous consent it is so ordered that there will be an emergency debate upon a motion to be moved by the Hon. Member for Oshawa (Mr. Broadbent). Since there is unanimous consent for an emergency debate at eight o'clock, perhaps the House will agree also that the Hon. Member for Oshawa give the House a brief statement so the House will know exactly what the subject matter of that debate will be.

Hon. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa): Madam Speaker, I think the most concise way of giving the House a statement of the subject-matter would be for me to move the motion, which following the events that have transpired during the past 24 hours, has changed somewhat in nature.

I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for New Westminster-Coquitlam (Miss Jewett), the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 30 for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely: the invasion of Grenada, an independent member of the Commonwealth whose Queen is also Queen of Canada, by a multinational force led by the United States of America, an action which violates the principles of international law, contravenes the Charter of the United Nations, and, according to a Minister of the Crown as revealed in the House of Commons yesterday, has resulted in endangering the lives of Canadians; an action about which the United States in extraordinary unconcern did not even inform the Government of Canada.

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PRIVILEGE

MR. MAZANKOWSKI—APPLICATION OF S.O. 33

Hon. Don Mazankowski (Vegreville): Madam Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege. At the outset I would like to say this. Since the point I want to make does come close to a ruling that was made yesterday, I want to tell you in advance that I am in no way intending to reflect upon a decision of the Chair. However, having said that, I do firmly believe that I have a bona fide and legitimate question of privilege, particularly after having had an opportunity to review yesterday's proceedings.