

## S.O. 43

economy. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House direct the government to honour its promise to Sydney Steel Corporation and to Nova Scotians by providing the financial assistance required to revitalize the steel plant in accordance with the business plan submitted to the government.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## THE PRIME MINISTER

MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg-Assiniboine):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. A recent article in the *Brazil Herald* describes Prime Minister Trudeau's visit in true form. In an entirely unprecedented situation, the Prime Minister is reported to have thoroughly embarrassed Brazilian soldiers by handing them bars of German soap while they were lined up to present military honours. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Red Deer (Mr. Towers):

That this House direct the Prime Minister to come clean, make a formal apology to the Brazilian government, and that he promise this House that in the future he will make diplomatic exchanges with Canadian soap, not foreign soap, and, above all, not soft soap.

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

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## METRIC CONVERSION

APPLICATION TO AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL CONTAINERS—  
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Jack Shields (Athabasca):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Whereas the agricultural chemical industry is being forced to convert to the metric system so that future chemical containers will bear only the metric application measurements without equivalent imperial units shown for comparison and ease of conversion, and whereas miscalculations of the metric measurements could mean misapplication with disastrous results for farmers and the possible loss of an entire crop, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Assiniboia (Mr. Gustafson):

That this House take the necessary action to ensure that equivalent application rates in imperial units be displayed on all agricultural chemical containers.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## INDUSTRY

WHITE MOTOR CORPORATION—DELAY RESPECTING FARM  
MACHINERY DIVISION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43.

**Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain):** Madam Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I want to raise the following matter. White Motor Corporation's continued delays in reaching a decision to sell its farm machinery division is causing great hardship not only to the approximately 1,100 workers laid off in Brantford, but also to its Kelowna, B. C. truck plant employees and its dealers across the country.

Close to 75 per cent of its export production has already been lost, and production for its Canadian market must be commenced immediately or that too will disappear. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House unanimously endorse the sending of an urgent message to the president of White Motor Corporation in the United States informing him that the Canadian Parliament expresses extreme concern over the potential job loss if further delays are encountered and asking that an immediate decision be made.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## HOUSING

CUTS IN SOCIAL HOUSING BUDGET—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Frank Oberle (Prince George-Peace River):** Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Having regard to the fact that the government once again has misaligned its priorities in that commitments made respecting social housing programs have been betrayed, and that programs to which the government was committed under Section 40 of the Housing Act have never been delivered effectively in rural and northern areas of our country, and since energy and other input costs not considered by the program made it prohibitive for most northerners to participate, for whom the program was intended, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis):

That recent spending cuts in the social housing areas announced by the minister responsible for housing should not affect any programs that fall under Section 40 of the Housing Act and that such programs instead be strengthened in a manner which will account for the peculiar circumstances in the north with respect to high fuel and energy costs and other factors contributing to excessive and disproportionate living expenses.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?