

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, May 3, 1982

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

LEAKAGE OF TOXIC CHEMICALS INTO LAKE ONTARIO—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Madam Speaker, about 80,000 tonnes of toxic chemicals were left to leak into Lake Ontario under the terms of a secret agreement entered into by Hooker Chemical and Plastics Corporation with the State of New York and the United States government, which agreement is now approved by a United States district court judge, all this leaving the Environment Canada officials and citizens' groups on either side of the Niagara River in a shocked and outraged position. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Perth (Mr. Jarvis):

That the Minister of the Environment initiate some positive action, even as far as taking legal proceedings, so as to protect the water quality of Lake Ontario and particularly so as to ensure that this court ruling is not a precedent for the cover-up of other chemical dump sites.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

FARMING OUT PRODUCTIONS IN VANCOUVER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Mark Rose (Mission-Port Moody): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 concerning the production of a CBC miniseries on the life of Samuel Bronfman with a working title of the "Mr. Sam Project". This series is being filmed in Vancouver, at a cost to the CBC of approximately \$1 million, by freelance personnel in independent production facilities while the CBC's salaried, award-winning production personnel and new production facilities are underutilized. This is all taking place while the CBC is cancelling editions of "The Journal" because of tight budgets and cost

overruns. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Fulton):

That this House instruct the CBC to stop squandering the public's money and the talents of its own personnel in Vancouver by farming out programs and productions when these projects could be done in the CBC's own facilities by the people who are already being paid to do such work.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM

CONDEMNATION OF TWO MINISTERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Shields (Athabasca): Madam Speaker, whereas the total destruction of the energy sector in Canada has been capped by the cancellation of the Alsands project because of the shortsighted and greedy tax policies of the Liberal government; whereas the National Energy Program has been condemned by knowledgeable businessmen, economists and analysts from coast to coast as an unmitigated disaster, and whereas the names of the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen) and the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Lalonde) have become synonymous with destruction and despair across Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brampton-Georgetown (Mr. McDermid):

That this House condemn these callous, incompetent and obstinate ministers and ask them, in God's name, to resign their posts and leave this House.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

CALL FOR RESIGNATION OF TWO MINISTERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John McDermid (Brampton-Georgetown): Madam Speaker, the Alsands consortium was ready to proceed over two years ago with the development of this valuable Canadian asset until the Liberal interventionist government got its sticky hands in the process. Thousands of jobs have now been lost in Ontario and Quebec; self-sufficiency in oil is now a shattered dream. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Athabasca (Mr. Shields):