

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, June 14, 1984

The House met at 11 a.m.

● (1110)

[English]

HOUSE OF COMMONS

MOTION TO EXTEND SITTING HOURS

Hon. Yvon Pinard (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, at this time I would like to move a motion with the unanimous consent of the House. I have had consultations with both House Leaders on the other side regarding the extension of hours for the last ten sitting days, and we have reached an agreement. Therefore I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Saskatoon West (Mr. Hnatyshyn) and the Hon. Member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That, commencing Monday, June 18, 1984 until Friday, June 29, 1984 inclusive, the House shall, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 9, continue to sit beyond six o'clock p.m. and shall adjourn at nine o'clock p.m. on every sitting day provided for in the Standing Orders with the exception of Fridays;

That during this period the sittings of the House shall not be suspended between one o'clock p.m. and two o'clock p.m.;

That these sitting hours shall not affect the hours set aside for Private Members' Business on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays;

That for the purposes of Standing Order 45(1) the adjournment motion shall be debatable from nine o'clock p.m. to 9:30 o'clock p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays;

That during the additional hours provided herein, the only business to be considered shall be Government Orders; and

That following the adoption of this motion, no motion under Standing Order 9 shall be receivable on Monday, June 18, 1984.

Mr. Speaker, if you were to seek unanimous consent for the presentation and adoption of this motion, I have no reason to believe that it would be denied.

Mr. Speaker: Does the Hon. President of the Privy Council (Mr. Pinard) have unanimous consent to move the motion?

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (Saskatoon West): Mr. Speaker, the Government House Leader is correct in that there have been discussions and consultations among the House Leaders. Accordingly, through our respective caucuses, we have considered the proposal put forward by the Government House Leader and we are prepared to give our unanimous consent for the motion to be presented now and adopted.

Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain): Mr. Speaker, as was mentioned by the House Leader for the Government and the House Leader for the Official Opposition, we did engage in discussions on this matter and we came to an agreement that these hours would be satisfactory. We recognize that there is substantial legislation which still has to be dealt with by the House of Commons and we would very much like to see those

priority pieces of legislation passed before the House rises for the summer.

● (1115)

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members have heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

CANADIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE ACT

MEASURE TO ESTABLISH

The House resumed from Wednesday, June 13, consideration of Bill C-9, an Act to establish the Canadian Security Intelligence Service, to enact an Act respecting enforcement in relation to certain security and related offences and to amend certain Acts in consequence thereof or in relation thereto, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs; and Motion No. 1 (Mr. Robinson (Burnaby)).

Mr. Speaker: The Chair has heard comments concerning a point of order flowing out of the preliminary remarks of the Chair.

Hon. John A. Fraser (Vancouver South): Mr. Speaker, when I stopped speaking at six o'clock last evening Your Honour was not in the Chair but your colleague was. You will have had a chance to look at the transcript of my remarks. I was referring then specifically to paragraph 2 of your preliminary ruling in which you cited Beauchesne's Fifth Edition, Citation 773(10), which states:

A substantive amendment may not be introduced by way of a modification to the interpretation clause of a bill.

I had been showing, Mr. Speaker, that in the *Journals* of May 21, 1970, at page 835, which was cited as the basis of that Beauchesne citation, the situation there was clearly different from the situation before us. To sum up what I said yesterday, and I do not believe it is necessary to go over it, I would ask that Your Honour look very carefully at the *Journals* themselves which form the basis of the Beauchesne citation. I believe you will see that yesterday I distinguished quite clearly the factual situation. My proposition is that what