

Point of Order—Mr. Gauthier

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The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): I declare the motion carried.

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OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The hon. member for Ottawa—Vanier on a point of order.

Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier): Mr. Speaker, I have given the Chair notice two days in a row that I would like to propose a motion for an emergency debate according to Standing Order 52.

Yesterday and today I have been unable to propose that motion to you for debate. I just wondered if there would be unanimous consent today for me to at least put the motion for you, Mr. Speaker, to decide whether that motion will be debated tonight.

Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, I appreciate my hon. friend's concern that we did not have a normal Routine Proceedings. Yesterday my hon. friend's leader made a suggestion during Question Period *vis-a-vis* a motion to debate a very important issue in the country to which I believe my hon. member is referring.

We had an opportunity to review the motion and do some thinking on our own. Last evening on television my hon. friend suggested that he could go along with our motion with the change of one word. We have agreed to change that word. I think we are making progress on entertaining a full debate but we are not there yet. We obviously want to have some time to discuss it with our caucuses.

In the alternative, if the Chair wishes to entertain a motion for an emergency debate, the government would not stand in the way of such a motion. We just want to indicate that we are making progress toward perhaps a full debate in the House.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The hon. member for Kamloops on the same point of order.

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops): Mr. Speaker, I simply want to indicate very clearly that the matter before us in terms of the motion that is being examined is an appropriate initiative suggested by the leader of the Official Opposition and being responded to now by both the government and the New Democratic Party. Those discussions and deliberations are under way.

I do think the issue that the hon. member for Ottawa—Vanier wants to bring before the Speaker in terms of making a case for an emergency debate is of sufficient importance that I am prepared to say, on behalf of my party, that we would be prepared to give unanimous consent to allow the hon. member to put his case now.