

Customs Act

● (1110)

FISHERIES**ILLEGAL CATCHES BY UNITED STATES FISHERMEN ON BROWN'S BANK—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION**

Mr. Charles E. Haliburton (South Western Nova): Mr. Speaker, I wish to present a motion of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. It is one which is indeed of urgent and pressing necessity in my area of this country. It arises as a result of the ICNAF agreement which was reached in July 1973 and which was thought by Nova Scotia fishermen to protect a defined area known as Brown's Bank from fishing during a defined time of the year. In the last few weeks United States fishermen have been fishing in that area during the restricted period. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That this House direct the Secretary of State for External Affairs to promptly intervene with the United States government in order to request the immediate withdrawal of United States nationals fishing in the area of Brown's Bank, a protected area under the ICNAF agreement and, further, that this House direct the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Forestry to convene within 24 hours to investigate fully the circumstances which have led to a situation where Canadian fishermen are the only group legally prohibited from fishing in an area lying within 200 miles of our coastline.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The motion cannot be put.

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COMBINES INVESTIGATION ACT**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING DEFINITIONS, ADMINISTRATION AND OFFENCES**

Hon. Herb Gray (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-7, to amend the Combines Investigation Act and the Bank Act and to repeal an Act to amend an Act to amend the Combines Investigation Act and Criminal Code.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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CUSTOMS ACT**EXTENSION OF JURISDICTION TO OUTER LIMITS OF TERRITORIAL SEA**

Hon. Robert Stanbury (Minister of National Revenue) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-8, to amend the Customs Act.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

[Mr. Haliburton.]

[Translation]

YUKON, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND CANADA ELECTIONS ACT**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING COUNCILS AND ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES**

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-9 intitled "An Act to amend the Yukon Act, the Northwest Territories Act and the Canada Elections Act".

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: May I suggest that the numerous Public Bills standing in the name of private members be allowed to stand at this sitting. Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**REFERENCE TO STANDING COMMITTEE**

On the order: Government notices of motions:

March 8—The President of the Privy Council—That the Public Accounts for the years ending March 31, 1972 and March 31, 1973 and the reports of the Auditor General thereon, together with the evidence adduced by the committee while considering the said matters in previous sessions of Parliament, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 2 of Standing Order 21 this government notice of motion stands transferred to and ordered for consideration under government orders at the next sitting of the House.

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[Translation]

HOUSE OF COMMONS**REFERENCE OF SYSTEM OF READJUSTING REPRESENTATION TO COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS**

On the order: Government notices of motion: March 8, 1974—The President of the Privy Council moved:

That the system of readjusting representation in the House of Commons, including the method of determining the number of Members for each province established by section 51 of the British North America Act, be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Speaker: This notice of motion stands transferred to and ordered for consideration under government orders at the next sitting of the House, pursuant to Standing Order 21(2).