

S.O. 43

That this House urge the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition to abandon his obstructionist tactics and demonstrate his interest in the welfare of Canadians with mortgage problems by co-operating in giving speedy approval to the remaining stages of this bill.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE EMIGRANT'S LAMENT

MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Arnold Malone (Crowfoot): Madam Speaker, one of Canada's most renowned cartoonists, Jim Unger, who created the lovable character "Herman", has chosen to leave Canada permanently because, and I quote, "My tax money is going to support things I don't support and there is creeping leftism and a breakdown of law and order in the present government", and according to a recent local poll it was noted that 87.3 per cent of citizens prefer Herman to the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), while the other 12.7 per cent think that Herman is the Prime Minister, and since Herman has more charisma than at least two Liberal leadership hopefuls, namely, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce (Mr. Gray) and the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) and, as Jim Unger might imply, we ought not to be giving the Russians a \$600 million loan at 10 per cent interest while Canadian farmers are going bankrupt; or spending millions of dollars for monuments in Algeria when Canadians cannot afford homes; or hire Japanese firms—

Madam Speaker: Order, please. That is hardly pressing and urgent.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

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ESTIMATES

LEVEL OF FUNDING FOR EMPLOYMENT AND IMMIGRATION COMMISSION AND FOR PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of some urgency under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Restraint and equity were two of the main themes of last November's disastrous budget. The tabling of the 1982-83 spending estimates demonstrates that the government has no intention of practising either. Despite the fact that there are more than 1.5 million Canadians unemployed, the budget for the Canadian Employment and Immigration Commission will only increase by 6.6 per cent, in contrast to a 24 per cent increase in the funds being provided to run the

office of the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau). I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince Edward-Hastings (Mr. Ellis):

That the Prime Minister, in the spirit of restraint and equity, take immediate steps to reverse either the percentage of increase with respect to his office and the employment commission, or use his additional funds to hire unemployed Canadians who obviously have a sound, first-hand understanding of the state of our economy.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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GARRISON DIVERSION

SUGGESTED VISIT BY CANADIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS TO WASHINGTON—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Charles Mayer (Portage-Marquette): Madam Speaker, the International Joint Commission, in a report on the Garrison diversion project in 1977, recommended that "those portions of the Garrison diversion unit which could affect waters flowing into Canada not be built at this time". Since that time construction on the Garrison has gradually proceeded. Subsequently the House unanimously passed a motion on March 5, 1981, supporting the thrust of the decision of the International Joint Commission. Until recently the only thing preventing continued construction on the Garrison was a court injunction obtained by a private group of Americans. Therefore I move, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, and seconded by the hon. member for Lisgar (Mr. Murta):

That the federal government support the suggestion that was made to the Secretary of State for External Affairs in the House on November 19, 1980, to send an all-party delegation of members of the House to Washington to let American legislators know that Canadians are unalterably opposed to construction of those sections of Garrison which will cause damage to Canadian waters.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE ECONOMY

REQUEST THAT THE HOUSE CONDEMN THE GOVERNMENT'S REFUSAL TO CO-OPERATE WITH PROVINCES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg-Birds Hill): Madam Speaker, considering the arrogance and lack of co-operation shown yesterday by three federal ministers regarding Quebec's emergency plan for assistance to smaller and medium-sized businesses, and considering the disastrous effects of the Liberal government's economic policies in Quebec and throughout Canada: