

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

* * *

NATIONAL ANTHEM

PROVISION OF COPIES OF PROCLAMATION TO MPs FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CONSTITUENTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. Walter Baker (Nepean-Carleton): Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43. For years, members of Parliament have been able to encourage knowledge of the fundamental rights of Canadians by distributing copies of the Bill of Rights, and have been able to promote the use of the Canadian flag by sending out copies of that proclamation.

Since "O Canada" has now been confirmed as our national anthem by the passage of Bill C-35 on June 27 and by proclamation by the Governor General on July 1, I believe members of this House will want to promote the widest possible enthusiasm for the anthem by sending copies of the proclamation to schools, organizations and individuals in their ridings, I therefore ask leave to move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe South (Mr. Stewart)—and I am sure the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) would second it if he could by the rules—

Mr. Knowles: Hear, hear!

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton):

That Madam Speaker undertake to arrange the printing of facsimile copies of the proclamation officially making "O Canada" our national anthem, and that these facsimiles be available under suitable conditions to members of Parliament for distribution to the people of Canada.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

An hon. Member: The NDP said "No".

* * *

KU KLUX KLAN

PROTEST AGAINST OPENING OF OFFICE IN TORONTO—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Rae (Broadview-Greenwood): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to move a motion which I very much hope will have the unanimous consent of the House.

Oral Questions

Whereas the Ku Klux Klan has opened an office in the east end of Toronto, and whereas this group has throughout its history preached doctrines of race hatred and religious bigotry and has engaged in systematic violence and intimidation against thousands of groups and individuals, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Fulton):

That this House reaffirms its commitment to Canada as a multicultural and multiracial society, whose foundations are political, racial and religious tolerance, places on record its opposition to everything the Ku Klux Klan stands for, and its conviction that this organization is not welcome anywhere in Canada, and calls upon all levels of government to ensure that all Canadians are protected from racial attack, harassment and intimidation wherever and whenever they occur and prosecute the perpetration of these attacks with the full force of the law.

● (1415)

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Madam Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

INCOME TAX

POSSIBILITY OF DEINDEXING—EFFECT ON THE ECONOMY

Hon. Sinclair Stevens (York-Peel): Madam Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Finance, perhaps I could direct my question to the Prime Minister. My question is, again, with respect to the proposed deindexing with regard to which this government has been doing some kite-flying.

In view of the fact that the OECD, in their current publication, are anticipating that the real growth in this country will be a negative, in the current six months, of 1 per cent, or \$2.5 billion, and bearing in mind that Dr. Stewart, before a committee of this House, testified that deindexing will increase unemployment by .3 of 1 per cent, or perhaps 30,000 more people will be out of work in this country, will the Prime Minister indicate why his government persists in studying the possibility of deindexing personal income tax in this country, and goes to the extent of having the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance in effect defending deindexing before an audience in Toronto?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Madam Speaker, the parliamentary secretary took exactly the same view as the minister, myself and other members of this government in saying that deindexing was a technique of a budgetary nature and it was being studied. I do know if it is