HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday, June 26, 1973

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

MANPOWER

INADEQUACY OF RETRAINING ALLOWANCES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, I rise pursuant to Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

Since many persons employed by hospital services have to undergo retraining and since the allowances granted them are inadequate and less than unemployment insurance benefits, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kamouraska (Mr. Dionne):

That the House study the necessity of revising the Unemployment Insurance Act and regulations with a view to permitting persons taking retraining courses to draw unemployment insurance benefits complementary to their course allowances, for an indefinite period of time, as of November 30, 1973.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Under Standing Order 43 it requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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

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[English]

FISHERIES

ATLANTIC REGION—STORM DAMAGE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Elmer M. MacKay (Central Nova): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to Standing Order 43. In view of the disastrous storm on June 17 which so seriously affected the Atlantic fishing industry, in view of the great hardships and losses of potential income caused to the fishermen with the loss of their nets and lobster traps, and taking into account the various bipartisan representations and expressions of concern by members of all parties in the House, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall):

That this House instruct the Minister of the Environment in charge of fisheries to immediately, if he has not already done so, cause fisheries officers in the affected areas to make a survey and inventory and assessment of the losses in individual cases so that, when policy is determined regarding compensation, there will be a minimum of delay in forwarding aid and funding necessary loans and grants.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

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TRANSPORT

ANNUAL REPORTS OF AIR CANADA AND CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I rise to seek the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. I refer to the continued subsidization at a rate of more than \$1,000 per day by Canadian taxpayers of the Grand Trunk Railway, which is owned by Canadian National Railways, operates solely in the United States of America and serves solely the interests of United States citizens. Based upon the need to conduct an inquiry into this disgraceful state of affairs I move, seconded by the hon. member for Comox-Alberni (Mr. Barnett):

That the unaudited annual reports—

I have included Air Canada because they are both together.

—of Air Canada and the Canadian National Railways for the financial year ended December 31, 1972, tabled in this House on June 5, 1973, be referred to the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion proposed by the hon. member for Skeena under the terms of Standing Order 43. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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