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Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

FINANCE

REQUEST FOR DATA ON INFLATION EXCLUDING SALES TAX CUTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ray Hnatyshyn (Saskatoon-Biggar): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the people of Canada have a right to know the true rate of inflation in Canada, and whereas the government appears to be hiding behind a temporary artificial drop in the consumer price index, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That this House request that the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce direct Statistics Canada to publish data showing the rate of inflation without the sales tax cuts, which is the rate voters will experience after the fall election.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of this motion for debate would require the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

REQUEST MINISTERS DELIVER SALES TAX CHEQUES TO QUEBECKERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 and request the unanimous consent of the House to discuss a motion relating to a matter of pressing necessity.

Given the unbelievable decision taken yesterday by the Minister of Finance (Mr. Chrétien) in what we might call the sales tax affair, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Nickel Belt (Mr. Rodriguez):

That the House ask the Minister of Finance, the Minister of State for Urban Affairs and the Minister of State for Federal-Provincial Relations to go in person and give each Quebec resident his cheque. While so doing, they might seize that opportunity of trying to explain to the people of Quebec the tact and the intelligence of the federal Liberals.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion can be put only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Mr. Speaker.]

[English]

NATIONAL SECURITY

GRANTS TO CENTRE FOR EXPERIMENTAL ART AND COMMUNICATIONS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent necessity.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Cossitt: It pertains to an organization known as the Centre for Experimental Art and Communications, 15 Duncan Street, Toronto, the publishers of a monthly news magazine entitled "Strike". Its current issue reads in part:

In the manner of the Red Brigades, we support leg shooting/knee capping to accelerate the demise of the old system.

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I move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That the Prime Minister make a full statement concerning sizeable federal government grants to this organization in the amount of many thousands of dollars, including Canada Council grants of \$29,000 in 1975-76 and \$47,200 in 1976-77, that he make public the amount of travel grants given to this organization and whether our security services are aware if such grants were used by representatives of the group to meet with terrorists abroad and, finally, whether the government is aware that this organization advocating terrorism owns the building at 15 Duncan Street in Toronto where the Liberal party occupies spacious offices.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for debate requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

ANNUAL INCREASES FOR COMMONS AND LIBRARY STAFF— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Rodriguez (Nickel Belt): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to ask the unanimous consent of the House to deal with a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that the possibility of a spring or summer election has been the primary excuse for not giving the employees of the House of Commons, members of parliament staff and the library of parliament their annual increases which are now a month and a half overdue, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Yorkton-Melville (Mr. Nystrom):

That this House instruct the government to immediately introduce a 9 per cent wage increase for employees of the House of Commons and library of parliament and to reconsider plans to re-evaluate the work of employees of members of parliament so that they may begin to be paid salaries that reflect the work they do.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Nickel Belt (Mr. Rodriguez) will realize that pay increases related to the staff