HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 28, 1980

The House met at 2 p.m.

• (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

SECOND WORLD WAR

EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY FOR HUMAN SACRIFICES MADE BY POLAND—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jesse P. Flis (Parkdale-High Park): Madam Speaker, I seek the attention of all hon. members on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the terms of Standing Order 43.

Taking into account that this year marks the fortieth anniversary of the Katyn forest tragedy, and that 1980 has been declared by Polish people as the year of Katyn, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House sympathizes with our fellow Canadians of Polish extraction over the great human sacrifices Poland had to endure during the course of the Second World War and declares that those who lost their lives at Katyn and all other sites of tragedy in Poland will long be remembered.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

FISHERIES

NOVA SCOTIA—DISASTER TO LOBSTER INDUSTRY—REQUEST FOR COMPENSATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to move a motion of extraordinary urgency having to do with the lobster fishery on the east shore of Nova Scotia.

Severe bottom and surface storms in the early part of last week combined to virtually wipe out the lobster industry in that part of Canada for the present season. Fourteen fishermen contacted out of about 280 lost about 96 per cent of their traps. In a survey of some 2,300 trap positions a week ago last Saturday, it was found that 2,072 had been lost or damaged beyond repair.

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

That this House request of the government its immediate attention to this disaster, that it devise and implement a trap replacement program, that it give immediate consideration to making interim cash compensation available so as to enable trap replacement and, finally, that it consider the extension of the lobster season in this district by one to two weeks.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

THE SENATE

ACTIVITIES OF SENATOR PERRAULT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Madam Speaker, I rise on an issue of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

In view of the increasingly partisan nature of Senator Perrault's activities in government ministries within which he has no responsibilities, in view of that senator's decision to assemble, at public expense, a partisan staff, and since that hon. gentleman is in no way accountable to this House or to the people of Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Burnaby (Mr. Robinson):

That this House directs the hon. senator to confine his activities to those normally reserved for members of the upper chamber and that all expenditures by him and his staff, including flights of government and commercial aircraft, be tabled monthly by the Prime Minister.

• (1410)

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

AIR CANADA

FLIGHTS FROM OTTAWA TO ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. John C. Crosbie (St. John's West): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

In view of the fact that under the winter schedule of Air Canada it was possible to leave Ottawa at 8 a.m. on an Air