and arduous affairs which may the State and Defence of Canada concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Senate of Canada; and We do command you, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Senate of Canada at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Parliament may be in Canada convoked and holden; and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS: Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Counsellor, Roland Michener, Chancellor and Principal Companion of Our Order of Canada upon whom We have conferred Our Canadian Forces' Decoration, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada.

AT OUR GOVERNMENT HOUSE, in Our City of Ottawa, this seventh day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy and in the nineteenth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND,

RON BASFORD, Registrar General of Canada.

Ordered, That the Writ be placed upon the Journals.

The Honourable Senator Lawson came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed for that purpose, and took his seat as a Member of the Senate.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that the Honourable Senator Lawson had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required of him by *The British North America Act*, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said Declaration.

With leave of the Senate,

The Honourable Senator McDonald moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Molgat:

That the proceedings on the order of the day for resuming the debate on the motion for an Address in reply to His Excellency the Governor General's Speech from the Throne addressed to both Houses of Parliament be concluded on the eighth sitting day on which the order is debated.

The question being put on the motion, it was—Resolved in the affirmative.

With leave of the Senate,

The Honourable Senator McDonald moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Croll:

That, for the duration of the present Session of Parliament, should an emergency arise during any adjournment of the Senate, which would in the opinion of the Honourable the Speaker warrant that the Senate meet prior to the time set forth in the motion for such adjournment, the Honourable the Speaker be authorized to notify Honourable Senators at their addresses registered with the Clerk of the Senate, to meet at a time earlier than that set out for such adjournment, and non-receipt by any one or more Honourable Senators of such call shall not have any effect upon the sufficiency and validity thereof.

The question being put on the motion, it was—Resolved in the affirmative.

With leave of the Senate,

The Honourable Senator McDonald moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Cook:

That a Special Committee of the Senate be appointed to consider and report upon the ownership and control of the major means of mass public communication in Canada, in particular, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, to examine and report upon the extent and nature of their impact and influence on the Canadian public, to be known as the Special Committee of the Senate on Mass Media;

That the Committee have power to engage the services of such counsel and technical, clerical and other personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of the inquiry;

That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses, to report from time to time and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the Committee;

That the Committee, before assuming any financial obligations, submit to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy and Contingent Accounts a budget for approval setting forth in reasonable detail the forecast of expenses to be incurred;

That the papers and evidence received and taken on the subject in the preceding session be referred to the Committee; and

That the Committee be composed of the Honourable Senators Beaubien, Bourque, Davey, Everett, Hays, Kinnear, Macdonald (Cape Breton), McElman, Petten, Prowse, Quart, Smith, Sparrow, Welch, and Yuzyk.

The question being put on the motion, it was—Resolved in the affirmative.

With leave of the Senate,

The Honourable Senator McDonald moved, seconded by the Honourable Senator Fergusson:

That a Special Committee of the Senate be appointed to consider and report on the science policy of the Federal Government with the object of appraising its priorities, its budget and its efficiency in the light of the experience of other industrialized countries and of the requirements of the new scientific age and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, to inquire into and report upon the following:

(a) recent trends in research and development expenditures in Canada as compared with those in other industrialized countries;