HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, July 17, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

SUGGESTED RIGID ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS GOVERNING TANKER MOVEMENTS AT EAST COAST PORTS— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

In view of the threat to the environment resulting from the waiving of regulations by the Ministry of Transport, allowing loaded oil tankers to enter east coast harbours and dock without pilots, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Dartmouth-Halifax East (Mr. Forrestall):

That the Minister of the Environment take immediate steps to ensure that all regulations governing tanker movements in Canadian waters are rigidly enforced, and further, that the Minister of Transport instruct the committee set up to administer vessel movements during the pilots' strike not to waive regulations with respect to safety and environmental hazards.

Mr. Speaker: The motion, proposed pursuant to Standing Order 43, requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

FOOD PRICES

PROPOSED SUBSIDY ON BREAD AND FLUID MILK—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Rodriguez (Nickel Belt): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that milk and bread provide the nutritional cornerstone of the diets of Canadians; in view of the fact that price increases for these very basic foods have been astronomical, bread prices having risen 51 per cent and milk prices having increased 54 per cent over the past two years; and in view of the conclusion of the Food Prices Review Board's July study on the consumption of bread and fluid milk in Canada that the financial impact of rising bread and milk prices hits hardest at those on low incomes, I ask leave to move, seconded by the hon. member for New Westminister (Mr. Leggatt):

That the government reinstate the subsidy on fluid milk and introduce a subsidy on bread, and that these subsidies be effective immediately.

Mr. Speaker: This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SUGGESTED DEBATE ON ADMISSION OF PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE TO TORONTO CONFERENCE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the terms of Standing Order 43, I request unanimous consent of the House to present a motion dealing with a most important and urgent matter.

As a syndicated group in Quebec, designated as the Quebec-Palestine Association, threatened yesterday to hold certain government authorities responsible for eventual reprisals if the Palestine Liberation Organization is barred from the international crime conference organized by the United Nations and to be held in Toronto next September, and further, as a Montreal daily announced that the government of Canada, acquiescing to the wish of the PLO, had decided to give them access to the conference, while postponing to a later date publication of its decision, I move, seconded by the hon member for Rimouski (Mr. Allard):

That this House be allowed to discuss immediately this whole matter with a view, on the one hand, to analyzing its implications both national and international, and on the other hand, to determining clearly and without equivocation the Canadian position on this matter of prime importance.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the terms of Standing Order 43, the motion requires unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon, Members: Yes

Some hon, Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: As there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.