

Mr. Lang:—would not be dealt with as there would be a general election, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Guelph (Mr. Schroder):

That the House request the Conservative caucus to stop wasting the time of the House and the taxpayers' money with its attempts to denigrate the important issue of capital punishment by using it as a political tool to embarrass their own leader.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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AGRICULTURE

SUGGESTED STATEMENT BY MINISTER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Doug Neil (Moose Jaw): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that no announcement has been made as to whether or not a payment has been triggered under the provisions of the western grain stabilization plan, notwithstanding the fact that the minister in charge of the Canadian Wheat Board, when originally proposing the plan, stated that such decisions would be made early in each calendar year; and in view of the fact that no announcement has been made with respect to compensation to grain producers arising out of the Russian embargo, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Assiniboia (Mr. Gustafson):

That the Minister of Agriculture make a statement on motions with respect to both these matters to indicate that he still retains some interest in agriculture in western Canada.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

MINISTER'S STATEMENT ON POSSIBLE REDUCTION IN COMPLEMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock-North Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Since the Solicitor General has indicated that he would have to reduce the size of the RCMP force by 3,000 if they decided to organize, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Fraser Valley West (Mr. Wenman):

That the Solicitor General explain to the House in a statement on motions which part of the force would be reduced, or which part of the country would

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have reduction of services, and to what extent he has consulted with the provinces' attorneys general regarding his plan to reduce the size of the force.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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FISHERIES

SALMON FISHING ON RESTIGOUCHE RESERVE IN QUEBEC—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Mel Gass (Malpeque): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The natives of Restigouche Reserve in Quebec were instructed to cease all salmon fishing by midnight last night or suffer the consequences. As of 11 a.m. this morning, 300 Quebec Provincial Police and fisheries officers have the reserve surrounded and under siege. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Fundy-Royal (Mr. Corbett):

That this House instruct the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans to contact his provincial counterpart, urging him to intervene so that a peaceful solution can be found before this crisis situation gets further out of hand.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

POLLUTION OF NIAGARA RIVER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Joe Reid (St. Catharines): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the Minister of the Environment has told the press that the pollution of the Niagara River is a top priority concern to his department, and whereas it has now been reported that levels of cancer-causing PCBs have jumped from 153 to 266, and the Lindane compound is now at 26 when it had not previously been detected, and whereas four million gallons of untreated industrial and domestic waste continue to be dumped into the Niagara River from Niagara Falls, New York, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe South (Mr. Stewart):

That this House instruct the minister that the people of Niagara want more action on the Niagara River problem and a good deal less time spent on consuming and unproductive talk with the press about his department's top priorities.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?