

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, January 21, 1981

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

THE MINISTRY

CALL FOR MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR STATUS OF WOMEN TO BE RELIEVED OF DUTIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Walter McLean (Waterloo): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In the light of the resignation yesterday of Doris Anderson, President of the Canadian Advisory Council on the Status of Women, protesting gross manipulation of the council by the minister responsible for the status of women who feared the council's February 12 and February 13 conference on the constitution would prove embarrassing to the government, and in the light of the council's original concept to be an advisory council reporting directly to Parliament as an independent body, not a political tool to any minister, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That this House demands the minister responsible for the status of women be immediately relieved of his duties in order to restore the independence of the advisory council.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM

CALL FOR POLICY CHANGE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the Liberal government's energy policy in threatening nationalization of large and small successful oil companies and imposing increased federal taxes on provincial resources is crippling the oil industry, and whereas these policies are driving businesses and skilled labour and capital out of Canada which will set back oil sufficiency in this

country at least ten years, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Cooper):

That the liberal backbenchers open their eyes to the facts and demand that the Prime Minister change these disastrous policies.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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AIR CANADA

PROPOSED CONNOISSEUR SERVICE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Murta (Lisgar): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Air Canada has announced the establishment of a new connoisseur service effective February 1, 1981, for passengers paying the regular economy fare with special service to avoid line-ups at airports, more spacious seating, complimentary bar and wine service, a first choice of meals, a first choice of magazines and newspapers and priority in boarding and deplaning. Unfortunately, this service will not be available to Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Atlantic Canada where full-fare economy passengers will pay more for less. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg-Assiniboine (Mr. McKenzie):

That this House direct Air Canada to renounce second-class treatment for the people of Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Atlantic Canada and initiate its new connoisseur service on all domestic flights effective February 1, 1981.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

CONSTRUCTION OF PULP AND PAPER PLANT IN MATAPÉDIA—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Rémi Bujold (Bonaventure-Îles-de-la-Madeleine): Madam Speaker, I rise on an urgent matter under the provisions of Standing Order 43.