

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, October 23, 1981

The House met at 11 a.m.

● (1105)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

IMMIGRATION

ADMISSION OF POLISH REFUGEES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John McDermid (Brampton-Georgetown): Madam Speaker, Canada has always been known as a compassionate country and has helped out many times in world crises by accepting its share of refugees, as in the case of the Hungarians, Czechoslovakians, Vietnamese and others. Now 30,000 Polish refugees located in camps in Austria need help desperately. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Malpeque (Mr. Gass):

That the government heed the urgent appeal for help from the Canadian-Polish Congress, the refugees, and the foreign minister of Austria, and immediately increase its quota of Polish refugees to Canada and send aid, in the form of warm clothing and food and medical supplies to the refugees in Austria.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent of the House for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF RUSSIAN INVASION OF HUNGARY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Bosley (Don Valley West): Madam Speaker, I move, seconded by members of both other parties, in this case seconded by the hon. member for Parkdale-High Park (Mr. Flis) and the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That in memory of the events which began in Hungary on October 23, 25 years ago today, this House express its abiding opposition to the continuing totalitarian suppression of real freedom in Hungary and in all other countries so controlled, its sincere gratitude to those thousands of Hungarians whose reason for coming to Canada was so tragic and whose contribution to Canada has been so great, and its deepest sympathy to all those who lost family and friends in the valiant fight for freedom and against totalitarianism, and whose sacrifice free people must never forget.

I remind you, Madam Speaker, that this motion has support from all sides of the House.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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HOUSING

HOME OWNERS AFFECTED BY MORTGAGE INTEREST RATES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain): Madam Speaker, yesterday the minister responsible for housing indicated that if members of the House of Commons had hardship cases related to the renewal of mortgages, and difficulties in getting mortgage interest rates that people could afford, they should send him details. I have approximately 190 cases here which I want to send over to him. Therefore, under the terms of Standing Order 43 I move, seconded by the hon. member for Beaches (Mr. Young):

That this House direct the minister of housing to contact each of the families whose names I have provided today, and between now and Monday assure that in no case will they be forced out of their homes as a result of exorbitant mortgage interest rates.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

RELIEF SOUGHT FOR HOME OWNERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Cooper):

That this House deplores the procrastination and the delay of the Minister of Finance in providing help for persons losing their homes because of mortgage renewals. Is the minister waiting until the crises vanish, until the homes of hundreds are lost and the women and kids are freezing in the snow, before providing relief?

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.