HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 8, 1974

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

HEALTH, WELFARE AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

First report of Standing Committee on Health, Welfare and Social Affairs, in both official languages—Mr. Isabelle.

[Editor's Note: For text of above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.]

[English]

AIR TRANSPORT

BRITISH COLUMBIA—CLOSING OF AIRPORTS BY FIREFIGHTERS' STRIKE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. John Reynolds (Burnaby-Richmond-Delta): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, namely, that the closing of all airports in British Columbia due to the strike by the firefighters is having serious ramifications for the economic and transport sectors of Canada. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince George-Peace River (Mr. Oberle):

That the House instruct the Minister of Transport or the President of Treasury Board or their senior officials to travel to Vancouver to meet with the firefighters with a view to settling their grievances.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member's motion is proposed under the terms of Standing Order 43 and requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity. The motion cannot be put.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—DISRUPTION OF SERVICE BY AIRPORT FIREFIGHTERS' STRIKE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. F. Oberle (Prince George-Peace River): Mr. Speaker, my motion is similar to that moved by my hon. friend. It touches a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. I will try a somewhat different approach. Since aircraft service to central and northern British Columbia has become a

lifeline indispensable to health and social services, industry and commerce, and since this service has been totally disrupted by an illegal strike of emergency service employees at all airports in British Columbia, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Burnaby-Richmond-Delta (Mr. Reynolds):

That the government take the necessary steps to utilize manpower and, if necessary, equipment maintained by the Armed Forces to firstly allow for time for immediate and meaningful negotiations and to immediately restore services.

Mr. Speaker: Again, this motion is proposed under the terms of Standing Order 43. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity. The motion therefore cannot be put.

• (1410)

[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

DIFFICULTIES OF PORK PRODUCERS IN EASTERN CANADA—
REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43, I ask the unanimous consent of the House to raise a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

I move, seconded by the hon. member for Drummond (Mr. Boisvert):

That this House study without delay the financial difficulties experienced by eastern pork producers as a result of profit losses because of lower pork prices and the constant increase in the cost of feed, and that immediate solutions be found that this group of producers be better protected.

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

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent; therefore, the motion cannot be put.