

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, October 31, 1974

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

AGRICULTURE

GOVERNMENT ACTION TO STOP WASTEFUL SLAUGHTER OF CALVES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

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. Last night, Mr. Speaker, Canadians were shocked to see on the national television news the wanton and wasteful slaughter of hundreds of calves. This bloody waste of high protein food comes at a time when Canadians are paying record high prices for beef which are not reflected in returns to producers. We saw, on the same television program, the suffering, death and human misery on the Indian subcontinent arising out of famine and drought.

I would therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That the government give immediate consideration to taking whatever steps are necessary to put an end to this wasteful slaughter.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the terms of the motion. As it is proposed pursuant to Standing Order 43, it can be debated only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There not being unanimous consent, it cannot be debated.

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

DENIAL OF BENEFITS TO FISHERMENS' WIVES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I, too, wish to move a motion under Standing Order 43 for the usual logical reasons.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Marshall: Present unemployment insurance regulations discriminate against fishermen's wives who are engaged in work related to fish processing in that they are

being denied unemployment insurance benefits. This situation conflicts with the government's stated intention to implement equality of status for women. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's West (Mr. Carter):

That the matter of the entitlement of fishermen's wives to UIC benefits be referred to the Standing Committee on Health, Welfare and Social Affairs.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion being proposed pursuant to Standing Order 43. It cannot be debated without the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There not being unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.

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[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

ADOPTION OF MEASURE TO ASSURE SUPPLY OF FERTILIZER—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

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

In view of the fact that the manufacturers of fertilizers are not in a position to ensure a normal supply to farmers for this fall and next spring, and in view of the fact that they anticipate a price increase of about \$50 a ton, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Richmond (Mr. Beaudoin):

That this House instruct a special committee to fully investigate the causes of this disorder in the fertilizer trade and report to the House before the Christmas recess.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion which, under Standing Order 43, requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There being no unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put at this time.