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have not been allocated in terms of the work of this House. He knows he has some flexibility to get the agenda of the government through by next Friday.

Mr. Cooper: I do not mean to prolong this, but I want to be very clear. What the hon. member is suggesting is that an agreement that has gone on between the various House leaders did allow for us to complete the stages of both Bill C-5 and the financial institution bills by at the latest tomorrow. He knows our concerns relating to the Senate.

I just want to make sure that no misunderstanding is developing.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Just one moment. I see the hon. member has left the House. The hon. member for Oshawa rose and seemed rather upset and asked for a point of order, as another member had been recognized on a point of order. He seemed to be rather upset with the Speaker.

• (1700)

I do hope that the hon. Whip will let the hon. member know that I cannot recognize two people at the same time. There has to be one person after the other and someone already had the floor.

Mr. Angus: Madam Speaker, I will pass on that information.

I would just like to say to the House that it is my understanding that at no time did we give a commitment to reduce the number of speakers in order that the bill be passed tomorrow. We did not know about the intention of the Official Opposition to move concurrence in that motion tomorrow which has disrupted the schedule that was planned out by the House leaders, I understand that notice was given at the House leaders meeting. That was not part of the mix. It is still our intention to endeavour to meet that agreement but we cannot do so if our members are not given adequate time to make their comments.

I know some members are staying in Ottawa in order to do that, although some of them are not available tonight.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Will those members who object to the motion please rise in their places.

And more than 15 members having risen:

Madam Deputy Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 26(2), the motion is deemed to have been withdrawn.

Motion withdrawn.

Madam Deputy Speaker: It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 38, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Southwest Nova—The Economy; the hon. member for Mission—Coquitlam—Meme Breast Implants; the hon. member for Drummond—Imported Carpeting; the hon. member for York North—Unemployment; the hon. member for St. Boniface—Poverty.

Mr. Mills: Excuse me, Madam Speaker, I have a point of order.

I just want to seek a clarification from the Chair. If I understand correctly, the member for Thunder Bay earlier today asked for unanimous consent of this House to take an extra 40 minutes so that he could put forward his point of view on this bill. We concurred in the spirit of co-operation in order to get this bill moving.

If I understood correctly, the NDP now is saying we cannot continue to debate this bill in order to get it going.

An hon. member: Precisely.

Madam Deputy Speaker: The hon. member may want to reread Standing Order 26(1) which says, if I may paraphrase, that if a member from his seat asks that debate continue after the normal hour, if less than 15 members rise and say they disagree, we do go on. If 15 or more members rise and say they do not agree, the motion is deemed to have been withdrawn, which is what we have just seen in the last few minutes.

The Speaker explains the rules. This is all that I try and do.

It being five o'clock p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 36, the House will now proceed to the consideration of Private Members' Business as listed on today's Order Paper.

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[English]

HEALTH

FAMILY PLANNING

The House resumed, from October 31, consideration of the motion of Ms. Black (p. 4331).