

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, July 3, 1980

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### FISHERIES AND OCEANS

JURISDICTION OF MINISTER IN LIGHT OF SUPREME COURT  
JUDGMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. F. Oberle (Prince George-Peace River):** Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity having to do with a recent judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada in the case of a British Columbia logger by the name of Dan Fowler.

The judgment challenges the jurisdiction and renders the operative use of the jurisdiction of the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. LeBlanc) useless. Accordingly, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Richmond-South Delta (Mr. Siddon):

That the House instruct the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans to set out forthwith to examine his jurisdiction in areas where legitimate interests of his department are in conflict with competing interests, as was the case with respect to matters leading to the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada in the Fowler case, and to include in such examination discussions with provincial officials and leaders of industry as requested by the Council of Forest Industries in British Columbia.

**Madam Speaker:** 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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### NORTHERN PIPELINES

CONSTRUCTION OF ALASKA HIGHWAY NATURAL GAS  
PIPELINE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Bill Yurko (Edmonton East):** Madam Speaker, I wish to follow up my motion of June 26 under Standing Order 43. Canada is importing approximately \$4 billion of oil and \$1 billion of coal annually, causing a severe adverse balance of payments problem.

As the pre-build section of the Alaska highway gas pipeline will provide 150,000 man-years of employment and will permit the export of Canadian surplus natural gas, resulting in a

favourable balance of payments of approximately \$2 billion per year, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Western Arctic (Mr. Nickerson):

That the federal government immediately approve all Canadian aspects of the pre-build Alaska highway natural gas pipeline while concurrently continuing negotiations with the United States of America for acceptable guarantees in regard to construction of the northern and Alaska sections of the natural gas line.

Approval is needed now.

**Madam Speaker:** 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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### SEARCH AND RESCUE

NEED FOR IMPROVED FACILITIES ON WEST COAST—MOTION  
UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Ray Skelly (Comox-Powell River):** Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Whereas another British Columbian has died because of the federal government's failure to provide adequate search and rescue facilities on the west coast, and whereas this death occurred a short distance from CFB Comox and resulted, in all probability, from the fact that all four helicopters were down for maintenance, and whereas the rescue co-ordination centre failed to provide helicopter service and a competent medical team, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Beaches (Mr. Young):

That the Prime Minister of Canada apologize to the family and to the people of British Columbia for failure to provide service and, further, that he make a statement in this House explaining how much longer the people of western Canada must put up with this inexcusable service.

**Madam Speaker:** Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.