

take it, the point the Hon. Member was making relates to whether the document should leave the House once it has been put under appeal. There is no way that I know of that I can make the document magically reappear.

An Hon. Member: Why can't you?

Mr. Speaker: There are limits to the Speaker's authority and powers, I assure you, and one of them is making papers appear.

I will, therefore, reserve and come back to the House with a judgment on this matter as quickly as I humanly can. It will be this afternoon some time.

ALLEGED INACCURATE STATEMENTS

Hon. John C. Crosbie (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada): Mr. Speaker, on June 3, the Hon. Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Lachine East (Mr. Allmand) made a completely inaccurate statement—and I refer to *Hansard* at page 5325—alleging that I had appointed my chief campaign organizer as a legal agent of the Department of Justice in matters involving, I think he said, drugs at approximately \$200,000 a year. That statement was completely untrue and incorrect. This person, Mr. Pittman, has never done any work for me of a political nature at all.

The Hon. Member further worsened these false statements in the House yesterday, on June 5, when I was out of the House. I am back in the House today, Mr. Speaker. I rushed back from Toronto to be here for the Question Period, but there were no questions asked by the hon. gentlemen opposite. They haven't got the backbone, of course, of an India rubber man.

At page 5439 of *Hansard* of June 5, the Hon. Member for Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Lachine East admitted he was wrong. He said that Mr. Pittman never worked in my campaign. He said he checked with sources in Newfoundland and was told that Mr. Pittman was not the campaign manager, but a Mr. Finton Aylward, senior partner in the same firm—and I quote: —was a senior campaign manager in the Minister's leadership campaign, and the firm Aylward, Morris, and Pittman was awarded legal business by the Minister.

That was his statement. But let me correct the record, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Aylward was not a senior campaign manager in the Minister's leadership campaign, although he certainly was a supporter, as was, reportedly, just about everyone in the Province of Newfoundland in that campaign. I therefore say that these are false allegations and I want to point out that the firm of Aylward, Morris and Pittman was on the list of legal agents even in those days, so long ago, when the Liberal Party was in office. They somehow got on by mistake.

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Mr. Foster: That was when you were a Liberal.

Mr. Crosbie: Mr. Speaker, could I point out to the House that Mr. Paul Dicks received \$120,329 in 1983-84 while he

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was President of the Liberal Association of Newfoundland. A supporter of the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Turner)—

Mr. Speaker: Order.

Mr. Crosbie: —Mr. Ed Roberts, got \$75,000 during the period that the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition was Prime Minister.

Mr. Speaker: Order.

Mr. Crosbie: He was a friend of the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition, but none of this was pointed out by the hon. gentleman from Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Lachine East.

Mr. Speaker: Will the Hon. Minister resume his seat?

Mr. Crosbie: Sorry, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Deeply, I can tell.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE

TABLING OF DOCUMENT

Hon. Bill McKnight (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour of tabling in both official languages copies of a document entitled *Canadian Position With Respect to Conventions and Recommendations Adopted at the Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth Sessions of the International Labour Conference* produced following the Geneva Conferences of June, 1982, and June, 1983.

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BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

WEEKLY STATEMENT

Hon. Herb Gray (Windsor West): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Government House Leader to tell us his plans for the business of the House over the next several days in light of the rather extensive discussions he has been having with myself and the NDP House Leader today and for some days previously.

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I thank the Hon. Member for his question. As you know, we will conclude consideration of third reading of Bill C-15 this afternoon. Tomorrow the business of the House will be item No. 20 standing under the heading of Government Business on the Order Paper. That motion relates to an amendment to the Constitution of Canada with respect to the consideration of legislation in the Senate. The business for