

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, June 21, 1978

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1407)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

DEVASTATION CAUSED BY EARTHQUAKE IN SALONIKA— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gus Mitges (Grey-Simcoe): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to present a motion which I am sure will be approved and accepted by all hon. members. In view of the fact that yesterday a devastating earthquake in Salonika and northeastern Greece left in its wake a trail of destruction and death, the tragedy and magnitude of which has not yet been fully realized, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Provencher (Mr. Epp):

That the Government of Canada, on behalf of all Canadians, express its heartfelt sympathy to the government of Greece and its citizens; and, further, that the government respond to any requests for aid, as has been similarly done in other areas and countries which have suffered similar natural disasters.

Mr. Speaker: The presentation of such a motion, pursuant to Standing Order 43, requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE SENATE

SUGGESTED COMPOSITION OF THE OTHER PLACE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): Mr. Speaker, I have an important motion concerning the possibility of a veritable glut of senators in the country. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House instructs the government to appoint a public committee to investigate and make recommendations as to what should be done with existing senators in the future should the present Senate be abolished; that this committee not be blue ribbon in nature, as proposed yesterday by the Prime Minister, but that it consist of one corporation lawyer to act in the interests of existing senators, two fishermen, two farmers, two miners and two factory workers, equally divided between men and women, and that the average income of members of this committee not exceed the national income average.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for the presentation of such a motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

AIRPORTS

REQUESTED EXTENSION OF LANDING STRIP AT SAINT-LÉONARD AND IMPROVED FACILITIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eymard Corbin (Madawaska-Victoria): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion dealing with an urgent matter.

Considering that the Air Transport Board of the Canadian Transport Commission ruled on June 2, 1978 that Eastern Provincial Airways (1963) Limited would be authorized to serve northwest New Brunswick under permit A.T.C. 2482/75(S) and considering that in its wisdom the commission recognizes that northwest New Brunswick has more than enough residents to make a commercial air service profitable, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Davenport (Mr. Caccia):

That the Minister of Transport authorize the extension of the landing strip at Saint-Léonard to the required length to accommodate EPA's Boeing 737 aircraft and that the required navigation facilities be installed to provide class I commercial service.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[English]

THE MINISTRY

AIR TRAVEL OF MINISTER OF TRANSPORT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg South Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of