

LORNA MARSDEN
Chair

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration?

On motion of Senator Doody, report placed on the Orders of the Day for consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

[*Translation*]

INCOME TAX ACT

BILL TO AMEND—FIFTEENTH REPORT OF NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESENTED AND PRINTED AS APPENDIX

Hon. Fernand-E. Leblanc: Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the fifteenth report of the Standing Committee on National Finance. It concerns Bill C-51, an Act to amend the Income Tax Act. I ask that this report be printed as an appendix to today's *Debates* and form part of the permanent records of this House.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is it agreed, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

(*For text of report, see appendix "B", p. 2126.*)

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

On motion of Senator Simard, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding Rule 45(1)(b), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

[*English*]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED TO MEET DURING SITTING OF THE SENATE

Hon. John B. Stewart: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(a), I move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs have power to sit at four o'clock in the afternoon today, even though the Senate may then be sitting, and that Rule 76(4) be suspended in relation thereto.

Honourable senators, if leave is granted and the motion is put, I should like to say a word in explanation.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

● (1420)

Senator Stewart: Honourable senators, pursuant to the reference from the Senate respecting the monitoring of the Free Trade Agreement, the committee has as its witness this afternoon Professor Don McRae.

Professor McRae served as senior legal adviser to Canada on the Gulf of Maine boundary dispute and as counsel for Canada on the fisheries arbitration with France. He also served as the chairman of the first dispute panel established under Chapter 18 of the Free Trade Agreement.

The purpose of the meeting this afternoon is to have Professor McRae give us his views on the efficacy of the binational panels under Chapter 18, insofar as that efficacy has been ascertained.

Senator Doody: Who is the witness?

Senator Stewart: Professor Don McRae. He was chairman of the panel on the west coast salmon and herring question.

Motion agreed to.

STATUTE LAW AMENDMENT PROPOSALS

REFERRAL TO LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government), with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(e), moved:

That the document entitled: "Proposals to correct certain anomalies, inconsistencies, archaisms and errors in the Statutes of Canada, to deal with other matters of a non-controversial and uncomplicated nature therein and to repeal certain provisions thereof that have expired or lapsed or otherwise ceased to have effect", tabled in the Senate on 15th February, 1990 (Sessional Paper No. 342-508), be referred to the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(g), I move:

That when the Senate adjourns today, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, 26th June, 1990, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

I will say a word on that, if I may.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Senator Doody: Honourable senators, I am suggesting that Tuesday, June 26, would be the appropriate time for us to return in anticipation of events or occurrences that might have taken place with regard to the present constitutional situation. Whether or not that will be warranted remains to be seen. I have no information to pass on to honourable senators at this time.

I should add that it appears that the House of Commons will be adjourning from day to day. For how long that will continue, once again I cannot say.