

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, January 19, 1973

The House met at 11 a.m.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity and the motion cannot be put.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

HOUSING

PROPOSED STUDY BY COMMITTEE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 to seek the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. In light of the fact the Urban Development Institute states that the shortage of reasonable cost housing in the urban centres of Canada has reached the proportions of a major social tragedy, I move:

That this House order that a standing committee of this House, known as housing and urban affairs, be set up to study matters which fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs, due to the fact that in some of the major cities of Canada only 4 per cent of the population can afford to buy a new house because of the outrageous cost and prices of same.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity and the motion cannot be put.

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PUBLIC SERVICE

CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I would ask leave to present a motion under Standing Order 43, and I hope that before there are automatic noes from the other side hon. members will listen to the reasonableness of my proposal. In view of the fact it would assist in settling the present postal dispute if parliament were to declare itself on the basic issue, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Howard):

That the question of amending the Public Service Staff Relations Act to provide for the classification of positions in the federal public service to be subject to collective bargaining, and particularly to grievance and arbitration, be referred forthwith to the Standing Committee on Labour, Manpower and Immigration.

Mr. Speaker: The motion requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

AGRICULTURE

DECLINE IN DAIRY EXPORTS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Stan Schellenberger (Wetaskiwin): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave of the House to move a motion under Standing Order 43. The urgent and pressing necessity arises out of the continuing decline in our cheese, butter and other dairy exports to the United Kingdom and other European countries as a result of the expansion of the EEC. Therefore, if consent is given, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Athabasca (Mr. Yewchuk):

That the Standing Committee of this House on Agriculture be instructed forthwith to examine the methods by which the drastic decline in Canada's dairy exports to Britain and the EEC countries may be halted, the effects of this decline on Canada's farmers and balance of payments position, and the possibility of finding alternative markets for dairy products.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: The motion cannot be put.

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AIRPORTS

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL—PROPOSED RUNWAY—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. John Reynolds (Burnaby-Richmond-Delta): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43 I ask leave of the House to propose a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. The urgency and necessity of my motion arise out of the apparent misunderstanding of the Minister of Transport (Mr. Jamieson) and the Minister of the Environment (Mr. Davis) of the facts, the law and their responsibilities in respect of the expropriation proceedings at Vancouver International Airport.

Because of the fact that the Cora Brown expropriation hearings were not held as the hearing officer resigned and a new hearing officer has to be appointed and a new date set for hearings in the future, I therefore move, with consent, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton Strathcona (Mr. Roche) that: