The honourable Member has drawn attention to the fact that we would not be referring provisions of the bill, and I agree with him on this point. The proposed amendment contains the words "so that consideration can be given ... to the position of agriculture, fisheries and small business under the proposed legislation."

This is going beyond the reference of a subject-matter. It is an instruction to consider certain provisions of the bill, which can only be done after the bill has been read the second time and referred to a committee. It seems to me we would be opening the door very wide to this kind of amendment if we were to move away from the well established form, that is, a motion to refer the subject-matter of the bill.

As the honourable Member for Winnipeg North Centre has indicated, it is the intention of the mover of the amendment that certain matters be considered by the committee. I would hope the honourable Member for Waterloo would find it acceptable to put a period after the words "Trade and Economic Affairs". With the consent of the House the amendment would then be modified along those lines so that it would read as follows: "That Bill C-262 be not now read a second time, but that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs."

Whereupon, Mr. Saltsman, seconded by Mr. Gleave, moved,—That Bill C-262 be not now read a second time, but that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

And debate arising thereon;

Returns and Reports Deposited with the Clerk of the House

The following papers having been deposited with the Clerk of the House were laid upon the Table pursuant to Standing Order 41(1), namely:

By Mr. Davis, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Report of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada for the year ended December 31, 1970, pursuant to section 12 of the Fisheries Research Board Act, chapter F-24, R.S.C., 1970. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 283-1/149A.

By Mr. MacEachen, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Return to an Order of the House, dated April 21, 1971, for a copy of the letter dated in March sent by Catalina Exploration and Development Limited to the Prime Minister, and the reply thereto.—(Notice of Motion for the Production of Papers No. 206).—Sessional Paper No. 283-3/206.

By Mr. MacEachen,—Copies of Statutory Orders and Regulations published in the *Canada Gazette*, Part II of Wednesday, September 8, 1971, pursuant to section 7 of the Regulations Act, chapter R-5, R.S.C., 1970. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 283-1/341.

By Mr. Mackasey, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council,—Report on Proceedings under the Canada Labour (Standards) Code, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1971, pursuant to section 75 of the Canada Labour Code, chapter L-1, R.S.C., 1970. (English and French).—Sessional Paper No. 283-1/82.

At 6.01 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 2.00 o'clock p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 2(1).