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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
A DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND FORESTRY  
AND OTHER NEW DEPARTMENTS

The house resumed from Monday, March 10, consideration in committee of Bill C-173, respecting the organization of the government of Canada and matters relating or incidental thereto—Mr. Trudeau—Mr. Faulkner in the chair.

**The Chairman:** When the committee rose yesterday clause 7 of the bill was under consideration.

On clause 7—*Department established.*

**Mr. Peters:** Mr. Chairman, for two or three days the majority of the questions in the house have concerned the Post Office Department. I have listened very carefully and have been very interested in the development that is taking place there. Frankly I am very shocked by the minister's attitude in this regard. When the changes of automation and technical development in new areas took place we were all well aware there would be considerable difficulty experienced, and that this probably would be most apparent in the private sector of our economy.

Developments over a period of several years have indicated that this was not necessarily so. In the private sector in my opinion the technical change has been handled in a much better manner than it has been handled by the federal government. As we are well aware, the circumstances which surrounded the difficulty between the Canadian National Railways employees and their employer resulted in the Freedman report, which simply stated that where a technical change affecting the industry and a number of employees was to be undertaken, the employees would have an opportunity to discuss with representatives of the company their specific difficulties in respect of the technical change before such change was undertaken, and that they would be given an opportunity to participate with management in arriving at the most equitable solution to a particular problem.

Most members of the government agreed that the Freedman recommendation, as it affected technical change and the need for

**Mr. Speaker:** I bring to the attention of the hon. member that we have already gone a few minutes beyond the allotted time. There does not seem to be agreement that the hon. member should be allowed to pursue the matter further. The question has been stated by the hon. member and if there is urgency perhaps it might be discussed at the time of adjournment.

**Mr. Lundrigan:** The only reason I mention it is that we do not get these ministers in the house very often.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order.

**FISHERIES**

SEALS—REPORT ALLEGING FRAUDULENT  
FILM PRESENTATION OF KILLING  
METHODS

**Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order because of the urgency and seriousness of the matter I raised today. The Minister of Fisheries has now seen a copy of the report to which I referred. I have a signed copy in my hand. I wonder whether the house would agree to give unanimous consent to having this report tabled. It might clear up some of the misinformation that has been given abroad about the killing of seals in Canadian waters.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The request would have to be made by the minister. If the minister requested the concurrence of the house there would be no objection.

**Hon. Jack Davis (Minister of Fisheries):** Mr. Speaker, I do have a photostat copy of the report which was sent to me by the hon. member. Perhaps it is a document which was prepared internally in the Department of Fisheries. I notice the date is February 29, 1968. I should like to be sure of the general nature of the document and the circumstances under which it was prepared and submitted to my predecessor before I authorize its tabling.

**Mr. McGrath:** Mr. Speaker, now that the minister has referred to the document in the house, under the rules—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I cannot agree with the hon. member's interpretation of the rules.