

Mr. Gimaël on the list of members appointed to serve on the Special Joint Committee on the Constitution of Canada.

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CANADA POST CORPORATION BILL

SUBJECT MATTER OF CLAUSES 2, 3 AND 17 REFERRED TO
STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS AND OTHER
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS—COMMONS MESSAGE

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have the honour to inform the Senate that I have received a message from the House of Commons in the following words:

Thursday, November 20, 1980

Ordered,—That a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint Their Honours that the subject matter of Clauses 2, 3 and 17 of Bill C-42, An Act to establish the Canada Post Corporation, to repeal the Post Office Act and other related Acts and to make related amendments to other Acts, has been referred to the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Attest

C. B. Koester

The Clerk of the House of Commons

Ordered that the message do lie on the Table.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Raymond J. Perrault (Leader of the Government) tabled:

Copies of document entitled "A Review of the Taxation of Capital Gains in Canada: An examination of the Canadian experience and of issues involved in proposals for change", dated November 1980, issued by the Department of Finance.

Copies of Order in Council P. C. 1980-3142, dated November 21, 1980, directing Petro Canada to negotiate with Esso Resources Canada Limited with a view to advancing to that company up to forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) for the period to June 1, 1981, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by Petro Canada, in order to maintain the Cold Lake Project in existence.

BANKING, TRADE AND COMMERCE

BANKS AND BANKING LAW REVISION BILL, 1980—REPORT OF
COMMITTEE TABLED AND PRINTED AS AN APPENDIX

Hon. Salter A. Hayden: Honourable senators, I desire to table the report of the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce on the subject matter of Bill C-6, to revise the Bank Act, to amend the Quebec Savings Banks Act and the Bank of Canada Act, to establish the Canadian

[The Hon. the Speaker.]

Payments Association and to amend other acts in consequence thereof. I would ask that the report be printed as an appendix to the *Debates of the Senate* and to the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate* of this date and form part of the permanent records of this house.

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

(For text of report, see appendix, p. 1289.)

[Translation]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED TO MEET DURING SITTING OF THE
SENATE

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government): 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 while the Senate is sitting tomorrow, Tuesday, November 25, 1980, and that rule 76(4) be suspended in relation thereto.

[English]

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, is leave granted?

Senator Phillips: Honourable senators, could the deputy leader explain why the committee is seeking this privilege, and perhaps he could tell us if the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce will be meeting tomorrow afternoon, because the thought occurs to me that if both committees meet tomorrow afternoon and there are still transportation problems, it will be difficult to have a quorum in three places at the same time.

Senator Frith: Honourable senators, Senator Phillips's question is apropos. I wish I could give a definite answer, but I can only give an indefinite one. As honourable senators will remember, the objective was to deal with the second reading stage of the Bank Act this evening, and have it referred to committee tomorrow morning in the hope that we might get it back in the house tomorrow afternoon.

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After making our plans a problem arose in connection with the attendance of an important witness, and it looked as if we were unlikely to have the Banking, Trade and Commerce Committee sit until tomorrow afternoon. However, I was informed about 30 seconds ago that it looks as though the witness will be able to attend in the morning, and therefore we will be able to proceed with our arrangement to have the house sit tomorrow afternoon.

That brings me to my reason for asking permission for the Foreign Affairs Committee to sit tomorrow afternoon. It is because that committee had planned a long time ago to have some witnesses from Toronto and the United States appear before it tomorrow afternoon, assuming that the Senate would be sitting Tuesday evening. The caveat raised by Senator Phillips is one that we should keep in mind with reference to a quorum, if several committees are authorized to sit tomorrow