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**B**Y virtue of Her Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, Parliament was prorogued on the above-mentioned day to Thursday the Thirty-first day of this instant October, to be then here holden.

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**The Fiftieth Parliament of the United Kingdom  
of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.**

[No. 1.]

*Thursday 31st October 1991.*

The House met at twenty-five minutes past Eleven o'clock.

**PRAYERS.**

- 1 Message to attend Her Majesty,—A Message from Her Majesty was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend Her Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Mr Speaker, with the House, went up to attend Her Majesty:—And having returned;

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair at half-past Two o'clock.

- 2 Elections,—*Ordered*, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their Election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if any thing shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their returns are determined.

*Resolved*, That no Peer of the Realm, except a Peer of Ireland, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

*Resolved*, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

- 3 Witnesses,—*Resolved*, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing



or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanour; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

*Resolved*, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

4 Metropolitan Police,—*Ordered*, That the Commissioner of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that during the Session of Parliament the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the Sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioner aforesaid.

5 Votes and Proceedings,—*Ordered*, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

6 Outlawries,—A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

7 Journal,—*Ordered*, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

*Ordered*, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Clifford John Boulton, K.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

*Ordered*, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such person as shall be licensed by Mr Speaker, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

8 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

9 Standing Orders (Public Business),—*Ordered*, That the Standing Orders relating to Public Business be printed [No. 1].

10 Queen's Speech,—Mr Speaker reported Her Majesty's Speech and directed that it be entered in the Journal, as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

I look forward to visiting Australia in February, the European Parliament and the Council of Europe in Strasbourg and Malta next May, France in June and Germany in October.

My Government attach the highest importance to maintaining our security. For nearly half a century NATO has formed the cornerstone of our defences. It will continue to be the principal focus, but the dissolution of the Warsaw Pact and the other welcome developments in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe permit changes to NATO's strategy and will enable us to maintain our security with smaller forces. Nevertheless, instability and other risks remain in Europe and elsewhere, and substantial and effective nuclear and conventional forces will be maintained.

The United Kingdom will work for balanced and verifiable arms control agreements including early ratification of the Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty. Efforts will continue to control the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and to encourage greater international responsibility in the transfer of conventional weapons. The completion of multilateral negotiations on the abolition of chemical weapons will be pursued.

My Government will require full, unconditional compliance by Iraq with the United Nations Security Council Resolutions, including the disposal of its missiles and weapons of mass destruction. They will press for long-term peace in the Middle East, including a settlement of the Palestinian problem. They will continue their efforts to secure the release of hostages in the Middle East.

They will continue to work for a stronger, more effective United Nations.

My Government will, with our Community partners, pursue the successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations. Within the Community, they will continue to play a constructive role in the two Inter-Governmental Conferences on Political Union and Economic and Monetary Union; and will work to complete the

Single European Market, to promote budgetary discipline, and to reform the Common Agricultural Policy. They will prepare for the United Kingdom's Presidency of the Community beginning on 1st July 1992.

The United Kingdom will continue to develop our good relations with the Soviet Union and its republics, and to encourage their integration into the world economy; and will work to help Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania re-establish themselves in the international community.

My Government will further encourage the development of democratic institutions and market economies in central and eastern Europe; and pursue the completion of Association Agreements with Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia. They hope for a peaceful settlement in Yugoslavia. They will contribute constructively to the Helsinki Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

My Government will encourage all sides in South Africa to pursue peaceful means of constructing a democratic, non-racial society.

A substantial aid programme aimed at promoting sustainable economic and social progress and good government in developing countries will be maintained.

My Government will continue to support the Commonwealth.

My Government will continue to administer Hong Kong in the interests of its people and to co-operate with China in implementing the Sino-British Joint Declaration.

My Government will continue their fight against terrorism in the United Kingdom and elsewhere. They will vigorously pursue their policies to combat drug trafficking and misuse of drugs, nationally and internationally.

The United Kingdom will work for a successful United Nations Conference on Environment and Development next June.

Members of the House of Commons,

Estimates for the Public Service will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

My Government will pursue, within the framework of the Exchange Rate Mechanism, firm financial policies designed to reduce inflation further and maintain the conditions necessary for sustained growth. They will promote enterprise and training and improve the working of the economy. They will continue to prepare for the privatisation of the British Railways Board and the British Coal Corporation.

They will maintain firm control of public spending with the aim of keeping its share of national income on a downward trend over time.

My Government attach the highest priority to improving public services. They will implement the programme of reform in the White Paper on the Citizen's Charter, including bringing forward Charters for individual public services.

Legislation will be introduced to reinforce the regulation of privatised utilities.

Legislation will be introduced to provide for a new council tax, to establish a review of local government structure in England, and to enhance competitive tendering for local authority services.

Action will be taken to improve quality and choice in education. Legislation will be introduced to reform funding of further education and sixth form colleges and to reform higher education in England and Wales, and to make information available about the performance of individual schools.

My Government will continue to develop policies to enhance the nation's health and to improve the effectiveness of the health and social services, and the social security system.

Work for the regeneration of our cities will continue.

A Bill will be introduced to enable applications for asylum in the United Kingdom to be dealt with quickly and effectively.

A Bill will be presented to create an offence of prison mutiny and to increase the maximum penalty for aiding prisoners to escape.

Legislation will be introduced to revise health and safety arrangements for offshore installations.

A Bill will be introduced to replace private legislation as the means for authorising transport development schemes.

A Bill will be introduced to provide for a Cardiff Bay Barrage.

For Scotland, legislation will be introduced to reform further and higher education.

In Northern Ireland, my Government will resolutely seek to defeat terrorism through the even-handed and energetic enforcement of the law; to promote political progress; to strengthen the economy; and to create equality of opportunity and equity of treatment for all sections of the community. They will maintain positive relations with the Republic of Ireland.

Legislation will be introduced to improve the supervision of charities.

Other measures will be laid before you.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your counsels.

- 11 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(*Mr Peter Walker*);

*Ordered*, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

- 12 Adjournment, — *Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]

## APPENDIX

*Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Prorogation of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):*

- 1 Civil Defence,—Department of Health Minute, dated 30th October 1991, concerning a contingent liability consequent on the indemnification of those other than qualified medical personnel distributing iodine tablets to the general public in the event of a nuclear emergency [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 2 El Salvador,—Report by Dr David Browning on the conduct and context of the national and municipal elections in El Salvador on 10th March 1991 [Cm. 1680] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 3 Miscellaneous (No. 17, 1991),—Convention, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 20th November 1989, on the rights of the child [Cm. 1668] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 4 Miscellaneous (No. 18, 1991),—Convention, done at Istanbul on 26th June 1990, on Temporary Admission, with Annexes [Cm. 1669] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 5 Miscellaneous (No. 20, 1991),—Protocol of Decisions, adopted by the Revision Committee in the course of the first session held at Berne from 14th to 21st December 1989, amending the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) signed at Berne on 9th May 1980 [Cm. 1690] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 6 Miscellaneous (No. 21, 1991),—Protocol of Decisions, adopted by the Revision Committee in the course of the second session held at Berne from 28th to 31st May 1990, amending the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF) signed at Berne on 9th May 1980 [Cm. 1689] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 7 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply by manufacturers and importers of indirect electrostatic photocopiers in the United Kingdom [Cm. 1693] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

- 8 Treaty Series (No. 69, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Freetown on 22nd May 1987 and 6th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Sierra Leone Debt Agreement No. 4 (1986)) [Cm. 1671] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 70, 1991),—Agreement, done at Paris on 29th May 1990, establishing the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development [Cm. 1670] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 10 Treaty Series (No. 71, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Abidjan on 21st August and 18th October 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Côte d'Ivoire Debt Agreement No. 5 (1989)) [Cm. 1673] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 11 Treaty Series (No. 72, 1991),—Notes exchanged at London on 13th January 1987 and Nouakchott on 11th February 1989 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Mauritania Debt Agreement No. 2 (1986)) [Cm. 1675] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 12 Treaty Series (No. 73, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Kinshasa on 3rd April and 23rd July 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Zaire concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Zaire Debt Agreement No. 9 (1989)) [Cm. 1676] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 13 Treaty Series (No. 74, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Dakar on 25th February 1991 and Conakry on 27th February 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Guinea concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Guinea Debt Agreement No. 3 (1989)) [Cm. 1677] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

*24th October 1991*

- 14 European Communities,—European Communities (Designation) (No. 3) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2289), dated 16th October 1991 [Mr John MacGregor].
- 15 Northern Ireland,—(1) Dangerous Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2292), and  
(2) Social Security (Contributions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2294),  
dated 16th October 1991 [Mr John MacGregor].
- 16 Value Added Tax,—Value Added Tax (Input Tax) (Person Supplied) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2306), dated 17th October 1991 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

*25th October 1991*

- 17 Social Security,—Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Amendment No. 3 Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2448), dated 25th October 1991 [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 18 Value Added Tax,—Value Added Tax (General) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2312), dated 17th October 1991 [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

*28th October 1991*

- 19 Local Government,—Local Government Reorganisation (Consequential Provision) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2296), dated 15th October 1991 [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 20 Pensions,—Pensions Increase (Approved Schemes) (National Health Service) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2419), dated 21st October 1991 [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 21 Rights of the Subject,—Access to Health Records (Steps to Secure Compliance and Complaints Procedures) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2295), dated 14th October 1991 [Mr Secretary Lang].

29th October 1991

- 22 National Health Service,—National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2465), dated 28th October 1991 [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 23 Police,—(1) Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 459),
- (2) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Full-Time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 460), and
- (3) Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve (Part-Time) (Appointment and Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 461),
- dated 30th September 1991 [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Thursday 31st October 1991:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 24 Agriculture,—Imported Food and Feedingstuffs (Safeguards against Cholera) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2486), dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

*Other Papers:*

- 25 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Classes VI (Employment) and VII (Transport) for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 4-V] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 26 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1989: summary volume [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 27 Local Government (Scotland),—Scottish Local Government Financial Statistics 1989-90 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 28 National Heritage,—Report and Accounts of the National Heritage Memorial Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 29 Police Complaints Authority,—Report by the Police Complaints Authority on the investigation into the West Midlands Police Serious Crime Squad [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 30 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12 Partial Revocation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2482), dated 30th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 31 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the Petition [25th July, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Boston and elsewhere for prevention of the export of live horses and ponies for the purpose of slaughter [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 32 Scottish Sports Council,—Report and Accounts of the Scottish Sports Council for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

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#### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Mr Speaker appointed the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office to print the Votes and Proceedings of this House.

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[No. 2.]

Friday 1st November 1991.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).
- 2 Asylum Bill,—Mr Secretary Baker, supported by Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Newton, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang and Mr Peter Lloyd, presented a Bill to make provision about persons who claim asylum in the United Kingdom and to extend the provisions of the Immigration (Carriers' Liability) Act 1987 to transit passengers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 4th November and to be printed [Bill 1].
- 3 Coal Industry Bill,—Mr Secretary Wakeham, supported by Mr Secretary Howard, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr David Mellor, Mr David Heathcoat-Amory and Mr Colin Moynihan, presented a Bill to make provision for extending the duration of, and increasing the limit on, grants under section 3 of the Coal Industry Act 1987 and to repeal the Coal Mines Regulation Act 1908: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 4th November and to be printed [Bill 2].
- 4 Local Government Finance Bill,—Mr Secretary Heseltine, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Newton, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr Michael Portillo and Mr Robert Key, presented a Bill to provide for certain local authorities to levy and collect a new tax, to be called council tax; to abolish community charges; to make further provision with respect to local government finance (including provision with respect to certain grants by local authorities); and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 4th November and to be printed [Bill 3].
- 5 Welsh Development Agency Bill,—Mr Secretary Hunt, supported by Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr David Mellor, Sir Wyn Roberts and Mr Nicholas Bennett, presented (under Standing Order No. 48 (Procedure upon bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the public revenue)) a Bill to increase the financial limit in section 18(3) of the Welsh Development Agency Act 1975: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 4th November and to be printed [Bill 4].
- 6 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Monday 4th November.
- 7 Magistrates' Courts,—*Ordered*, That the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)
- 8 Public Health,—*Ordered*, That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2077) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)
- 9 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—*Ordered*, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)
- 10 Town and Country Planning,—*Ordered*, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)

11 *Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Nicholas Baker.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 4th November.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

Friday 1st November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Marine Pollution,—Draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Great Yarmouth Outer Harbour,—Great Yarmouth Outer Harbour Act 1986 (Extension of Time) Order 1991, dated 15th October 1991; with a certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2(2) of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 3 Health and Safety,—Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2431), dated 15th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 4 Local Government,—Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemption) (England) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2438), dated 24th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2487), dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 European Communities (No. 44, 1991),—Co-operation Agreement, done at Brussels on 11th March 1991, between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Austria in the field of medical and health research [by Command] [Cm. 1742] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 7 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy had been laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:
  - Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12 Partial Revocation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2482)
 [by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 75, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Luanda on 11th September 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of Angola concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Angola Debt Agreement No. 2 (1989)) [by Command] [Cm. 1741] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 76, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Libreville on 13th November 1990 and 12th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Gabon concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Gabon Debt Agreement No. 3 (1989)) [by Command] [Cm. 1740] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 10 Treaty Series (No. 86, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Lagos on 10th June 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Nigeria Debt Agreement No. 3 (1991)) [by Command] [Cm. 1753] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

[No. 3.]

Monday 4th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the transfer to and vesting in Commercial and Private Bank of the undertaking of WPZ Bank (UK) Ltd; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive to construct further works and to acquire additional lands; to confer further powers on the Executive; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower London Underground Limited, for safety purposes and the relief of passenger congestion, to construct works to improve the underground stations at London Bridge, Holborn and Tottenham Court Road and to acquire lands; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Llanelli Borough Council (Burry Port Harbour) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Llanelli Borough Council to construct works at Burry Port Harbour; to alter the status of that harbour and to confer powers on the Council as the harbour authority for that harbour; for the provision of facilities therein; for the regulation of the harbour; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer additional powers upon The Mersey Docks and Harbour Company; to amend the Mersey Docks and Harbour Act 1971 and the Mersey Docks and Harbour Act 1986; and for connected or other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

- 4 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang, supported by Mr Secretary Rifkind, Mr Secretary Clarke, Mr Michael Forsyth and Mr Francis Maude, presented a Bill to make new provision about further and higher education in Scotland; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 5].
- 5 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—Mr Secretary Hunt, supported by Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr David Mellor, Sir Wyn Roberts and Mr Nicholas Bennett, presented a Bill to provide for the construction by the Cardiff Bay Development Corporation of a barrage across the mouth of Cardiff Bay with an outer harbour and of a tidal lagoon and for related works; to make provision for the acquisition and use of land for the works; to make provision about the operation and management of the barrage, the outer harbour, the water impounded by the barrage and the lagoon; to make provision for dealing with property damage resulting from any alteration of groundwater levels which may occur in consequence of the construction of the barrage; to enable other protective provisions to be made; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 6].
- 6 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [31st October], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to



offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

7 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tom Sackville*);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Monday 4th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Income Tax,—(1) Draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1991,  
(2) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1991,  
(3) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Morocco) Order 1991, and  
(4) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Papua New Guinea) Order 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Cinemas and Films,—Fees for Cinema Licences (Variation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2462), dated 27th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Local Government,—Derbyshire and Greater Manchester (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2464), dated 28th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Pensions,—Local Government Superannuation (Interchange) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2471), dated 28th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 Road Traffic,—(1) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2493), dated 1st November 1991,  
(2) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Heavy Goods and Public Service Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2491), dated 24th October 1991, and  
(3) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2492), dated 1st November 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 6 Water,—South Staffordshire Waterworks Company (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2463), dated 28th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 7 Gift of Public Property,—Departmental Minute, dated 4th November 1991, concerning the proposed disposal of 13-17 Ladybellegate Street, Gloucester, by English Heritage [by Command] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 8 Social Security (Consolidation of Enactments),—Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain enactments relating to social security in Northern Ireland [by Act]; to be printed [No. 10] [Clerk of the House].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- Environment,—(1) First Special Report from the Environment Committee [DOE, Property Holdings and PSA Services Estimates 1991-92 and DOE Annual Report 1991: Observations by the Government on the Fourth Report from the Committee Session 1990-91]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 4th November; to be printed [Nos. 16 and 17-i] [Sir Hugh Rossi].

[No. 4.]

*Tuesday 5th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [31st October], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

- 4 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.14 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 5th November 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Electricity,—Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2490), dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 2 Evidence,—Blood Tests (Evidence of Paternity) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2472), dated 28th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of St. John's College, Cambridge, on 16th May and 11th July 1991, amending the Statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Child Care,—Report by the Secretaries of State for Social Services and for Wales on social services for children for 1988 to 1990 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 2] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 5 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on the consolidation of certain enactments relating to social security [by Command] [Cm. 1726] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Report of the Welsh National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1990–91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 7 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the Thirty-sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1990–91 [by Command] [Cm. 1725] [Mr Francis Maude].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 5th November; to be printed [No. 23-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 2 Sittings of the House,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sittings of the House Committee on 5th November; to be printed [No. 20-i] [Mr Michael Jopling].
- 3 Social Security,—(1) First Report from the Social Security Committee [Public Expenditure]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 18]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 5th November; to be printed [No. 19-i]  
[Mr Frank Field].
- 4 Statutory Instruments,—First Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-i] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 5.]

*Wednesday 6th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Selection (Standing Committees),—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection the following Resolution:  
That, after a Bill has been under consideration in a Standing Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee except where a Member is incapacitated from attendance by illness or where he has been appointed or ceased to be a Member of the Government or has changed his office for another, or has acquired other duties, or ceased to hold or changed such duties.  
Report to lie upon the Table.
- 4 Selection (Select Committees),—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection the following Resolution:  
That Motions to alter the Membership of Select Committees may be tabled on behalf of the Committee of Selection only if previously approved at a meeting of the Committee of Selection.  
Report to lie upon the Table.
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 6 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill with respect to the applicability thereto of the Standing Orders relating to Private Business.
- 7 Severn Bridges Bill,—Mr Secretary Rifkind, supported by Mr Secretary Baker, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Wakeham, Mr John Selwyn Gummer, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr David Mellor and Mr Roger Freeman, presented a Bill to provide for the construction of a new bridge over the Severn Estuary between England and Wales and roads leading to the new bridge and associated works; to make provision for the levying of tolls in respect of use of the existing Severn bridge and the new bridge; to make other provision for and in connection with the operation of the bridges; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first, second and third time, pursuant to the Standing Order of 18th October, and passed.
- 8 Education (Schools) Bill,—Mr Secretary Clarke, supported by Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr John MacGregor, Mr Francis Maude, Mr Michael Forsyth, Mr Tim Eggar, Mr Alan Howarth, Mr Michael Fallon and Mr Robert Atkins, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the inspection of schools and with respect to

information about schools and their pupils: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 7].

9 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That—

(1) Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business) shall have effect for this Session with the following modifications, namely:

In paragraph (4) the word “eleven” shall be substituted for the word “ten” in line 43; in paragraph (7) the word “eight” shall be substituted for the word “ten” in line 64; and in paragraph (8) the word “two” shall be substituted for the word “four” in line 66;

(2) Private Members’ Bills shall have precedence over Government business on 17th, 24th and 31st January, 7th, 14th and 21st February, 20th and 27th March, 3rd April, 1st May and 5th June;

(3) Private Members’ Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business on 29th November, 6th and 13th December, 28th February, 6th and 13th March, 8th May and 12th June, and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on 13th, 20th and 27th November, 12th, 19th and 26th February, 22nd April and 20th May;

(4) On Monday 3rd February and Monday 27th April, Private Members’ Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business until Seven o’clock and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on Thursday 16th January and Thursday 2nd April; and

(5) No Notice of Motion shall be handed in for any of the days on which Private Members’ Notices have precedence under this order in anticipation of the ballot for that day.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

10 Queen’s Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [31st October], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words ‘but humbly regret that the Gracious Speech contains no guaranteed way of ending the Poll Tax by April 1993 and neglects the urgent need to abolish the minimum 20 per cent. Poll Tax contribution levied on the poorest members of society so as to relieve the increased difficulties in collecting the Poll Tax now faced by local government in England, Scotland and Wales; recognise that the proposed council tax combines an unsound valuation process and a banding structure which takes no account of regional variation with a personal taxation element or head tax which requires the maintenance of a register of those liable; and deplore the continuing unfairness of a local tax which, by exempting the wealthiest from paying their proper share, forces up the bills for others and fails to provide the stable and fair financial basis that local government needs’.—(*Mr Bryan Gould.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Ken Eastham: 198.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 326.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

And it being after Ten o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tom Sackville*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eleven minutes to Eleven o’clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.49 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 6th November 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Social Security,—Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 6) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2505), dated 4th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Broadcasting,—Report and Accounts of the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Environment,—Government Response to the Eighth Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1990-91, on eco-labelling [by Command] [Cm. 1720] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Prisons,—Report on the work of the Prison Service for 1990-91 [by Command] [Cm. 1724] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 5 Science and Technology,—Report of the Economic and Social Research Council for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 6 Treaty Series (No. 77, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Dakar on 8th November 1990 and Bamako on 9th November 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mali concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Mali Debt Agreement No. 2 (1989)) [by Command] [Cm. 1743] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 78, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Maputo on 25th and 29th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Mozambique concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Mozambique Debt Agreement No. 3 (1990)) [by Command] [Cm. 1745] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 79, 1991),—Agreement, done at London on 19th February 1986, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Turkey for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains, with amending notes exchanged at Ankara on 4th and 29th December 1987 [by Command] [Cm. 1744] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Chairmen's Panel (Parliament Act 1911),—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of section 1(3) of the Parliament Act 1911, it had appointed Sir Michael Shaw and Mr James Lamond to be the two Members whom Mr Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before certifying a Bill to be a Money Bill.
- 2 Committee on Unopposed Bills (Panel),—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had appointed twenty-six Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 111 relating to Private Business (Reference to Committees of opposed and unopposed Bills), viz.: Dr John G. Blackburn, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Sir Alan Glyn, Mr Robert Hicks, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr David Knox, Mr Robert Litherland, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr William McKelvey, Mr David Marshall, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Barry Porter, Mr Martin Redmond, Sir Robert Rhodes James, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Roger Sims, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Malcolm Thornton, Mr Dennis Turner, Sir Dennis Walters, Mr Brian Wilson, Audrey Wise and Mr Mark Wolfson.
- 3 Provisional Orders (Scotland) (Panel),—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), it had selected fourteen Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, viz.: Mr Ron Brown, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Frank Doran, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr Adam Ingram, Mr John McFall, Mr Michael J. Martin, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker, Mr Mike Watson, Mr Andrew Welsh and Mr George Younger.

- 4 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had designated Standing Committee C as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.
- 5 Standing Orders Committee,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eight Members to serve on the Standing Orders Committee under Standing Order 103 relating to Private Business (Appointment of Standing Orders Committee) viz.: Mr Tony Banks, Mr Ron Brown, Sir John Farr, Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr Robert Parry, Mr James Pawsey, Mr Ernie Ross and Mr Nicholas Winterton.
- 6 Welsh Grand Committee,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated four additional Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee for the remainder of this Session, unless otherwise ordered by the Committee, viz.: Mr John Bowis, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr John M. Taylor and Mr David Tredinnick.
- 7 European Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated thirteen Members to serve on European Standing Committee A, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Tim Devlin, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr David Harris, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Gordon McMaster, Emma Nicholson, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr Peter L. Pike, Mr John D. Taylor and Sir Teddy Taylor.
- 8 European Standing Committee B,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated thirteen Members to serve on European Standing Committee B, viz.: Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr James Cran, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr Tony Favell, Mr Paul Flynn, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Bernie Grant, Ms Joyce Quin, Mr Lewis Stevens, Mr Gary Waller, Mr Robert N. Wareing and Mr Dafydd Wigley.
- 9 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Michael Forsyth, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Robert B. Jones, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Sir Richard Luce, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Paul Marland, Mr David Martin, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Norman Miscampbell, Sir David Mitchell, Sir Gerrard Neale, Mr David Nicholson, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr James Wallace, Mr Brian Wilson, Mr Jimmy Wray and Mr David Young.
- 10 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Joe Ashton, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Gerald Birmingham, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Michael Irvine, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Jim Lester, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr Max Madden, Mr Humphrey Malins, Mr John Marshall, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr John Patten, Mr Stuart Randall and Mr Dennis Turner.
- 11 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Ron Brown, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr Tam Dalyell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr George Galloway, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Roger King, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Knowles, Mr David Madel, Mr Keith Mans, Sir Hector Monro, Mr William O'Brien, Mr Bill Walker, Mr John Watts and Mr Tim Yeo.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—First Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Reply to the Eighth Report from the Committee, Session 1990–91, on Progress of the Trident Programme]; to be printed [No. 27] [Mr Michael Mates].
- 2 Education, Science and Arts,—First Special Report from the Education, Science and Arts Committee [Government Response to the Third Report from the Committee, Session 1990–91, on Standards of Reading in Primary Schools]; to be printed [No. 22] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 3 Employment,—(1) First Report from the Employment Committee [Employment in Prisons and for Ex-Offenders], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken

before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 30]; and

(2) Memorandum laid before the Employment Committee

[Mr Ron Leighton].

- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 25] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 European Legislation,—First Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-i] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 6 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 21-i] [Mr David Howell].
- 7 Health,—(1) First Report from the Health Committee [The Fourth Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1990–91, The Financing of Private Residential and Nursing Home Fees]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 28];  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 29-i]; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Health Committee  
[Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 8 Home Affairs,—Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 23-ii] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 9 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Procedure Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 31-i] [Sir Peter Emery].
- 10 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 12-i] [Mr David Marshall].
- 11 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 6th November; to be printed [No. 26-i] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

#### MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 6th November 1991*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (2) the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (3) the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991;
  - (2) Mr David Knox Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991; and
  - (3) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991.
- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 6641/90, relating to the common system of value added tax, 6748/91, relating to advertising for tobacco products, 7368/91, relating to the letter of amendment No. 1/1992 to the preliminary draft budget of the European Communities for 1992, 8719/91, relating to Revision of the

Financial Perspective for 1992, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 4th November 1991, relating to the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the draft general budget of the European Communities for 1992, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

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#### CHAIRMEN'S PANEL

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 4 (Chairmen's Panel), Mr Speaker nominated Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Stan Crowther, Dame Janet Fookes, Mr James Hill, Mr Norman Hogg, Mr Geraint Howells, Mr Roy Hughes, Sir John Hunt, Mr David Knox, Mr James Lamond, Mr Michael Latham, Mr Ted Leadbitter, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr John McWilliam, Mr Michael J. Martin, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Michael Morris, Sir Robert Rhodes James, Sir Giles Shaw, Sir Michael Shaw, Mr Michael Shersby and Mr Nicholas Winterton to be members of the Chairmen's Panel during this Session.

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[No. 6.]

*Thursday 7th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Private Bills,—The Standing Orders of 11th, July, relating to the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill, 16th July, relating to the British Railways Bill, 23rd July, relating to the Hook Island (Poole Bay) Bill, 15th October, relating to the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill, the British Railways (No. 2) Bill the Cattewater Reclamation Bill, the London Docklands Railway Bill, the London Regional Transport (Penalty Fares) Bill, the London Underground Bill, the Midland Metro Bill and the Midland Metro (No. 2) Bill, and 17th October, relating to the London Underground (King's Cross) Bill, suspended in the last Session of Parliament, being read;

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill,—A Bill to provide for restoration and diversion of a section of the River Aire and of the Aire and Calder Navigation within the St. Aidan's Remainder Opencast Site of the British Coal Corporation; to authorise the Corporation to construct works and to acquire lands, to confer further powers on the Corporation; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

British Railways Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

Cattewater Reclamation Bill,—A Bill to empower New Cattedown Limited to construct works in the Cattewater in the city of Plymouth; to authorise the company to acquire lands; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

Hook Island (Poole Bay) Bill,—A Bill to empower BP Exploration Operating Company Limited to construct works in Poole Bay; to bring those works within the jurisdiction of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990; to authorize the Company to acquire lands; to extend the jurisdiction of the Poole Harbour Commissioners, Dorset County Council and Poole Borough Council; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

London Docklands Railway Bill,—A Bill to empower London Regional Transport to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on London Regional Transport, and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—A Bill to empower London Regional Transport to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on London Regional Transport, and for related purposes, was read the first and second time, and committed.



London Regional Transport (Penalty Fares) Bill,—A Bill to empower the charging of a penalty fare in substitution for the proper fare for persons using transport services under the control of London Regional Transport without a valid ticket for such use; and for related purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

London Underground Bill,—A Bill to empower London Regional Transport and London Underground Limited to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on London Regional Transport and London Underground Limited; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

London Underground (King's Cross) Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited, for safety purposes and for the relief of passenger congestion, to construct works and to acquire or use lands; to confer further powers on the Company; and for connected purposes, was read the first and second time and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Midland Metro Bill,—A Bill to empower the West Midlands Passenger Transport Executive to construct additional works for extension of their light rail rapid passenger transport system; to authorise the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to confer further powers upon the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

Midland Metro (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to empower the West Midlands Passenger Transport Executive to construct additional works for extension of their light rail rapid passenger transport system and substituted works for parts of that system; to authorise the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to confer further powers upon the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

- 4 Private Bills [*Lords*] (Suspension),—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that, in respect of the following Bills brought from the House of Lords, and upon which the proceedings were suspended in this House, the Agents for each Bill have deposited in the Private Bill Office a declaration signed by them, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the last Session, viz.:

British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*]

Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*]

Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*]

Llanelli Borough Council (Burry Port Harbour) Bill [*Lords*]

London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*]

Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*].

- 5 Private Bills [*Lords*],—The Standing Orders of 9th July, relating to the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*], 16th July, relating to the Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*] and the Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*], 17th July, relating to the Llanelli Borough Council (Burry Port Harbour) Bill [*Lords*], 24th July, relating to the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], and 17th October, relating to the London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*], being read;

British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*],—The British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first and second time and committed.

Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—The Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*],—The Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first and second time and committed.

Llanelli Borough Council (Burry Port Harbour) Bill [*Lords*],—The Llanelli Borough Council (Burry Port Harbour) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—The London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first and second time and committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means.

Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*] was read the first and second time and committed.

- 6 London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, pursuant to the Standing Order of 17th October, that he had gone through the London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*] and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended by the Chairman of Ways and Means, be read the third time.

- 7 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the dissolution of the Torquay Market Company and the vesting of its undertaking in Torquay Market Company Limited; to repeal the Torquay Market Acts 1855 and 1974; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

8 Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*].—The Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

9 Building Societies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

10 Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

11 Marine Pollution.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

12 Education (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1522) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

13 Public Health (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1609) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

14 Education (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1682) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

15 Children and Young Persons.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Child Minding and Day Care (Registration and Inspection Fees) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2076) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

16 Immigration.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Immigration (Carriers' Liability Prescribed Sum) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1497) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

17 Social Security.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1520) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

18 Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned debate on the Question proposed [31st October], That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to

offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words ‘but humbly regret that the Gracious Speech seeks to continue economic policies which have caused a deep and damaging recession, falling output and investment, rising unemployment and record levels of business failures and house repossessions; and call upon the Government to adopt a programme for recovery which will encourage investment and rising levels of employment by the promotion of sustained investment in the manufacturing sector, by encouraging industrial innovation through the application of science and technology and by fully exploiting the potential of the neglected regions through vigorous regional policies, and by providing new opportunities in education and training which are crucial to Britain’s economic recovery and future prosperity’.—(*Mr John Smith.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Jack Thompson: 193.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 323.

So the Question was negatived.

Another Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words ‘but humbly regret that the Gracious Speech failed to present any coherent policy to secure for the people of the United Kingdom the full benefits of the economic, monetary and political union of the European Community and furthermore fails to contain any constructive proposal to combat environmental pollution; regret the inadequacy of the educational reforms proposed in the Gracious Speech to provide for higher standards and wider opportunity in the educational system; further regret the inclusion in the Speech of a measure to replace the unjust poll tax with a regressive and administratively cumbersome council tax rather than a more equitable local income tax; and finally regret the absence of any commitment to comprehensive reform of the institutions of government including Parliaments for Scotland and Wales, a Bill of Rights and, in particular, in the last Gracious Speech before the general election, any proposal to reform the electoral system for local, Westminster and European elections despite the deficiencies in the current system, which distorts the wishes of the people and produces divisive governments supported by only a minority of the electorate’.—(*Mr A. J. Beith.*)

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Calling of amendments at end of debate), That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Wallace, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 19.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 320.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put:—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty’s most honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty’s Household.

19 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from D. N. Wood for a reduction in vehicle excise duty in respect of motor cycles was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

20 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.59 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Thursday 7th November 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Police,—Police (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2484), dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 Value Added Tax,—Value Added Tax (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2503), dated 4th November 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

*Other Papers:*

- 3 National Savings Bank,—Accounts of the National Savings Bank with respect to ordinary deposits and expenses for 1990; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 32] [Clerk of the House].
- 4 Transport Series (No. 14, 1991),—Amendments to Annex 1 of the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP) 1970 [by Command] [Cm. 1747] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Health,—First Special Report from the Health Committee [Disclosure of Chairman's Draft Report, July 1991]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 34] [Mr Nicholas Winter-ton].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 7th November; to be printed [No. 19-ii] [Mr Frank Field].

[No. 7.]

*Friday 8th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Stockwood, Eastville, Brislington and Whitchurch, in Bristol, against the policy and actions of Avon Council in regard to camp sites for travellers and for the abolition of the council was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill,—Mr Secretary Lilley, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Wakeham, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr John Redwood and Mr Edward Leigh, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to standards of performance and service to customers in relation to the telecommunications, gas supply, electricity supply, water supply and sewerage service industries; to make provision with respect to complaints by, and disputes with, customers in those industries; to make provision with respect to the powers of the regulators of those industries and with respect to related matters; to make provision with respect to the payment of deposits by customers of certain telecommunications operators; to make further provision for facilitating effective competition in certain of those industries; to make provision with respect to mergers of water or sewerage undertakers; to make provision with respect to compliance orders against public gas suppliers; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 11th November and to be printed [Bill 8].
- 4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr John M. Taylor);  
And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 5 Finance and Services Committee,—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 125A (Finance and Services Committee), agreed to on 18th July in the last Session of Parliament, be amended, in paragraph (2), by leaving out the words 'eight Members' and inserting the words 'nine Members'.—(Mr Tim Boswell.)

6 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 11th November.

[Adjourned at 2.58 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

*Friday 8th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Coal Industry,—Mining Industry Act 1926 (Metrication) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2531), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 2 Coal Industry,—(1) Coal Mining Subsidence (Notices and Claims) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2509), dated 5th November 1991, and  
(2) Coal Mining Subsidence (Preventive Measures and Rates of Interest) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2510), dated 4th November 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 3 Insurance,—Insurance Companies (Linked Contracts) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2511), dated 6th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 4 National Health Service,—(1) Croydon Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2507), dated 6th November 1991, and  
(2) Lifecare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2541), dated 7th November 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 5 Pensions,—Local Government Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2522), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Plant Health,—Import and Export (Plant Health Fees) (Forestry) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2523), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Public Health,—Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2532), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 8 Social Services,—Residential Care Homes (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2502), dated 4th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 9 Value Added Tax,—(1) Value Added Tax (Piped Gas) (Metrication) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2534), and  
(2) Value Added Tax (Small Non-Commercial Consignments) Relief (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2535),  
dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

*Other Papers:*

- 10 Crown's Nominee Account,—Account of the receipts and payments by the Treasury Solicitor, in the administration of estates on behalf of the Crown, for 1990 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 11 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Petition [25th July, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of the United Kingdom for the withholding of aid to the Soviet Union until countries forcibly included therein can decide their own destiny [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 12 Transport,—Statement of determination of pensions of three widows of former members of the British Railways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 13 Treaty Series (No. 80, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Abidjan on 8th December 1989 and Niamey on 6th April 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Niger concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Niger Debt Agreement No. 6 (1988)) [by Command] [Cm. 1746] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 14 Ultimus Haeres (Scotland),—Abstract Account of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the administration of estates and treasure trove in Scotland on behalf of the Crown, for 1990 [by Command] [Mr John Maples].

[No. 8.]

Monday 11th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).
- 2 Prison Security Bill,—Mr Secretary Baker, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary King, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Attorney General and Mrs Angela Rumbold, presented a Bill to make provision for an offence of prison mutiny and for a new offence and new penalties in connection with escapes from prison: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 9].
- 3 Transport and Works Bill,—Mr Secretary Rifkind, supported by Mr Secretary Baker, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr John MacGregor, Mr Secretary Wakeham, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang and Mr Patrick McLoughlin, presented a Bill to provide for the making of orders relating to, or to matters ancillary to, the construction, operation or use of railways, tramways, trolley vehicle systems, other guided transport systems and inland waterways, and orders relating to, or to matters ancillary to, works interfering with rights of navigation; to make further provision in relation to railways, tramways, trolley vehicle systems and other guided transport systems; to amend certain enactments relating to harbours; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 10].
- 4 Industrial Organisation and Development,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 5 Companies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 6 Banking,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 7 Housing,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 8 Social Security,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1559) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 9 Local Government Finance Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Finance Bill;  
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.
- 10 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
  - (1) residents of parishes in Chichester and East Hampshire for action to annul the Dorset, Hampshire, West Sussex and Wiltshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991; and
  - (2)(i) A. D. Bailey,  
(ii) D. G. Brown,  
(iii) David Clark,  
(iv) J. B. Dean,  
(v) R. Dormer,  
(vi) F. Gibson,  
(vii) D. Hayward,

- (viii) G. L. W. Leniel,
- (ix) Peter Matthews,
- (x) Emma Parsons,
- (xi) A. M. Postles,
- (xii) Carolyn Roberts,
- (xiii) Peter S. Roberts,
- (xiv) Mark Robinson,
- (xv) C. M. Rogerson,
- (xvi) D. Skinner,
- (xvii) V. A. Skinner,
- (xviii) R. Staples,
- (xix) O. H. Whitehead, and
- (xx) R. Woods

for a reduction in vehicle excise duty in respect of motorcycles were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Greg Knight*);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then half-past Ten o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

Monday 11th November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2497),  
(2) Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2496),  
(3) Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2499), and  
(4) Lotteries (Registration Authority Fees) (Scotland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2498),  
dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 2 Licences and Licensing,—Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2495), dated 31st October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Local Government,—Hampshire and Surrey (County Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2494) dated 1st November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Public Health (Scotland),—Control of Pollution (Radioactive Waste) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2539), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 5 Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 477), dated 24th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Home Affairs,—Government Reply to the Sixth Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1990-91, on financing of greyhound racing [by Command] [Cm. 1757] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 7 Next Steps Agencies,—Paper, entitled Improving Management in Government: The Next Steps Agencies Review 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1760] [Mr Tim Renton].
- 8 Sports Council for Wales,—Report and Accounts of the Sports Council for Wales for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Command] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 9 Treasury and Civil Service,—Government Reply to the Seventh Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, Session 1990-91, on the next steps initiative [by Command] [Cm. 1761] [Mr Tim Renton].

[No. 9.]

Tuesday 12th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Queen's Speech (Answer to Address),—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with its Address of 7th November, was pleased to receive the same very graciously and give the following Answer:

I have received with great satisfaction the loyal and dutiful expression of your thanks for the speech with which I opened the present Session of Parliament.

- 2 London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That the London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*], as amended by the Chairman of Ways and Means, be read the third time to-morrow.

- 3 London Underground (King's Cross) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the London Underground (King's Cross) Bill be considered to-morrow.

- 4 Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That the Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*] be read a second time to-morrow.

- 5 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

- 6 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

- 7 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2077), referred to a Committee on 1st November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 40].

- 8 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr David Knox reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 1st November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 41].

- 9 New Members sworn,—The following Members took and subscribed the Oath, or made and subscribed the Affirmation required by law:

Ashok Kumar, Esquire ... .. *for* Langbaurgh.

Derek Anthony Enright, Esquire ... .. Hemsworth.

Nicol Ross Stephen, Esquire ... .. Kincardine and Deeside.

- 10 Local Government Finance Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That the Local Government Finance Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 334.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mrs Llin Golding: 245.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mrs Margaret Ewing*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Andrew Welsh, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones: 241.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 322.

So the Question was negatived.

The Bill accordingly stood committed to a Standing Committee.



- 11 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, That, at this day's sitting, the Ways and Means Motion and the Motion relating to Local Government Finance Bill (Allocation of Time) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Timothy Wood*)—: It was agreed to.
- 12 Local Government Finance Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Local Government Finance Bill [Money];  
*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government Finance Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
- (a) the remuneration of, and any expenses incurred by, listing officers in carrying out their functions under the Act (including the remuneration and expenses of persons, whether or not in the service of the Crown, to assist them);
  - (b) any sums required to enable valuations to be carried out in accordance with the Act;
  - (c) any expenses of the Secretary of State incurred in consequence of the Act; and
  - (d) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)
- 13 Local Government Finance Bill [Ways and Means],—*Resolved*, That for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government Finance Bill ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of—
- (a) any sums received by the Secretary of State in consequence of the Act; and
  - (b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable into that Fund under any other enactment.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)
- 14 Local Government Finance Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Bill—

*Committee*

1.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated shall report the Bill to the House on or before 5th December 1991.

(2) Proceedings on the Bill at a sitting of the Standing Committee on the said 5th December may continue until Eight o'clock, whether or not the House is adjourned before that time, and, if the House is adjourned before those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion, the Standing Committee shall report the Bill to the House on 6th December.

2.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated—

- (a) shall meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at half-past Ten o'clock and half-past Four o'clock; and
- (b) shall allot 18 sittings to the consideration of the Bill.

(2) The proceedings to be taken on each of those sittings shall be as shown in the second column, and shall be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column, of the following Table—

TABLE

<i>Sitting</i>	<i>Proceedings</i>	<i>Time for conclusion of proceedings</i>
1st	Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 and 70 to 74 and Schedule No. 5	—
2nd	Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 and 70 to 74 and Schedule No. 5 so far as not disposed of	—
3rd	Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 and 70 to 74 and Schedule No. 5 so far as not disposed of	—
4th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 and 70 to 74 and Schedule No. 5 so far as not disposed of	10:00 p.m.
5th	Clauses Nos. 6 to 13 and 75 to 80 and Schedule No. 1	—
6th	Clauses Nos. 6 to 13 and 75 to 80 and Schedule No. 1 so far as not disposed of	—
7th	Clauses Nos. 6 to 13 and 75 to 80 and Schedule No. 1 so far as not disposed of	—
8th	Clauses Nos. 6 to 13 and 75 to 80 and Schedule No. 1 so far as not disposed of	Midnight

9th	Clauses Nos. 14 to 19, 81 to 83 and 97 and Schedules Nos. 2 to 4, 6 and 8	—
10th	Clauses Nos. 14 to 19, 81 to 83 and 97 and Schedules Nos. 2 to 4, 6 and 8 so far as not disposed of	10:00 p.m.
11th	Clauses Nos. 20 to 29 and 84 to 92	—
12th	Clauses Nos. 20 to 29 and 84 to 92 so far as not disposed of	8:00 p.m.
13th	Clauses Nos. 30 to 52, 65 to 69, 93, 95, 96, 98 and 99	—
14th	Clauses Nos. 30 to 52, 65 to 69, 93, 95, 96, 98 and 99 so far as not disposed of	Midnight
15th	Clauses Nos. 53 to 64, 94 and 100 and Schedule No. 7	—
16th	Clauses Nos. 53 to 64, 94 and 100 and Schedule No. 7 so far as not disposed of	10:00 p.m.
17th	Remaining proceedings	—
18th	Remaining proceedings so far as not disposed of	8:00 p.m.

*Report and Third Reading*

3.—(1) The proceedings on consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in two allotted days.

(2) The proceedings to be taken on each of those days shall be as shown in the second column, and shall be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column, of the following Table—

TABLE

<i>Allotted day</i>	<i>Proceedings</i>	<i>Time for conclusion of proceedings</i>
First day	New Clauses	10:00 p.m.
Second day	Remaining proceedings on consideration	8:00 p.m.
	Third Reading	10:00 p.m.

*Procedure in Standing Committee*

4.—(1) At a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the proceedings have been brought to a conclusion.

(2) No Motion shall be made in the Standing Committee relating to the sitting of the Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves, and from a Member who opposes, the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

5. No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which Clauses, Schedules, new Clauses and new Schedules are taken in the Standing Committee.

*Conclusion of proceedings in Committee*

6. On the conclusion of the proceedings in any Committee on the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

*Dilatory Motions*

7. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be moved in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Extra time on allotted days*

8. If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day, paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings on the Bill for a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Private business*

9. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

*Conclusion of proceedings*

10.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

- (a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);
- (c) the Question on any amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member, if that amendment is moved or that Motion is made by a member of the Government;
- (d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;

and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If an allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o'clock—

- (a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time;
- (b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

(4) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which under this Order are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Supplemental orders*

11.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made in the House by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(2) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

*Saving*

12. Nothing in this Order shall—

- (a) prevent any proceedings to which this Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by this Order; or
- (b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

*Recommittal*

13.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) On an allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the Question.

*Interpretation etc.*

14.—(1) In this Order—

“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as first Government Order of the day, provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;

“the Bill” means the Local Government Finance Bill.

(2) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) and Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees) shall not apply to this Order—(*Mr John MacGregor*);

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 293.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Martyn Jones: 233.

So the Question was agreed to.

15 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(i) members of the University of Liverpool Catechumenate group, and

(ii) students of Liverpool University

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

16 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes past Two o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.23 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 12th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Education,—Draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].

2 Income Tax,—(1) Draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1991,

(2) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Finland) Order 1991, and

(3) draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Iceland) Order 1991

[by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

3 Food,—Antioxidants in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2540), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

4 International Parliamentary Organisations (Registration),—Register of organisations listed in the schedule to the International Parliamentary Organisations (Registration) Act 1989, dated 12th November 1991 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

1 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 12th November; to be printed [No. 19-iii] [Mr Frank Field].

2 Statutory Instruments,—Second Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-ii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 10.]

Wednesday 13th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*], as amended by the Chairman of Ways and Means;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

- 2 London Underground (King's Cross) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the London Underground (King's Cross) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

- 3 Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—The Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

- 4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

- 5 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

- 6 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

- 7 Asylum Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Asylum Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House, whilst reaffirming its determination to prevent bogus asylum seekers from entering the United Kingdom, declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which, because of the arbitrary criteria against which asylum applications are measured and the inadequacy of the appeal system for those who are initially rejected, will result in the exclusion of men and women who have a well-founded fear of persecution and death and is therefore in breach of this country's obligations under the United Nations Convention of 1951', instead thereof.—(*Mr Roy Hattersley*.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Ken Eastham: 234.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 312.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 311.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 233.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 8 Asylum Bill [*Money*],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Asylum Bill [*Money*];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Asylum Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenditure of the Secretary of State which is attributable to provisions about the fingerprinting of persons who have made a claim for asylum, and

(b) any increase in the sums payable out of such money under the Immigration Act 1971 which is attributable to provisions about appeals to special immigration adjudicators, and

(2) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

- 9 Social Security,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Social Security (Adjudication)

Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1950), dated 30th August 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th August, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled—(*Mr Michael Meacher*);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15 (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (negative procedure)).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 211.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 271.

So the Question was negatived.

10 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from —

(1) Sarah Graham-Brown and others against the Asylum Bill,

(2) Mrs Janet Burke against export of live horses for slaughter, and

(3) Mr Reg Neal for restoration of the link between pension calculations and average earning increases

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(i) Mr W. Fee and others, and

(ii) the Abbot and Monks of the Monastery of Our Lady and St. Benedict, Speen

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);

*Thursday 14th November 1991*

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then sixteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.16 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 13th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Employment and Training,—Draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

2 Local Government (Scotland),—Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Competition and Specified Periods) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2548), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

3 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for—

(1) Classes XVI (Wales) and XVII (Northern Ireland), and

(2) Classes XVIII (Departments of the Chancellor of the Exchequer), XIX (Cabinet Office, Privy Council Office and Parliament etc.), XIXA (House of Commons: Administration) and XIXB (National Audit Office),

for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 4-XI and -XII] [Mr Francis Maude].

4 Autumn Statement 1991,—Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer's Autumn Statement 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1729] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission on transfer of land: land mortgages [by Act]; to be printed [No. 5] [Clerk of the House].

6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on upkeep of historic buildings on the civil estate [by Act]; to be printed [No. 37] [Clerk of the House].

7 National Health Service (Scotland),—Report and Accounts of the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust for the period 1st August 1990 to 31st July 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 11] [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 8 Provisional Orders (Scotland).—Reports by the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, That they have taken into consideration the representations by—
- (1) the Alliance and Leicester Building Society, and
  - (2) the Ulster Bank Ltd.
- and that they have decided in each case that the powers sought would be more properly obtained by the promotion of a Private Bill than by the promotion of a Private Bill and of a Provisional Order [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 9 Science and Technology.—Report of the Science and Engineering Research Council for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 10 Scottish Land Court.—Report as to proceedings of the Scottish Land Court for 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 1659] [Mr Secretary Lang].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-nine Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Local Government Finance Bill, viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr John Battle, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Nicholas Bennett, Mr David Blunkett, Mr John Bowis, Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr David Davis, Mr Bryan Gould, Mr Gerald Howarth, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Tim Janman, Mr Robert Key, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Keith Mans, Mr John Maxton, Mrs Ray Michie, Mr Paul Murphy, Emma Nicholson, Mr William O'Brien, Mr Michael Portillo, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Robin Squire, Mr Allan Stewart and Mr Bill Walker.
- 2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991 and the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991, viz.: Mr David Ashby, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Sir Peter Blaker, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr John Carlisle, Mr Churchill, Sir William Clark, Mr Douglas French, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Robert Hicks, Sir Peter Hordern, Mr John McFall, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Terry Patchett, Mr John Redwood, Mr Terry Rooney and Mr Mike Watson.
- 3 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Immigration (Carriers' Liability Prescribed Sum) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Jonathan Aitken, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Robert Boscawen, Mr Gerald Bowden, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Geoffrey Dickens, Mr David Evennett, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Bernie Grant, Sir Barney Hayhoe, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Ivan Lawrence, Mr Ron Leighton, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr Max Madden and Mr Keith Vaz.
- 4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr W. Benyon, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr James Couchman, Mr Jim Cousins, Mr Den Dover, Mr Clifford Forsythe, Mr Peter Fry, Sir George Gardiner, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr William Hague, Mr Jeremy Hanley, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Doug Hoyle, Mr John Hughes, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Irvine Patnick and Mr Jonathan Sayeed.
- 5 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Child Minding and Day Care (Registration and Inspection Fees) Regulations 1991, viz.: Hilary Armstrong, Mr Jack Aspinwall, Mr John Butcher, Mr Chris Butler, Mr Michael Colvin, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Sir Philip Goodhart, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mr Alan Haselhurst, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr David Hinchliffe, Joan Lestor, Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Jeff Rooker, Mr Matthew Taylor, Mr Dennis Turner and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 6 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Spencer Batiste, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr Ron Brown, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Tam

Dalyell, Mr Tim Devlin, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Harry Ewing, Mr Tony Favell, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Michael Grylls, Mr Ken Hargreaves, Mr Michael Irvine, Mr Timothy Kirkhope and Mr Tony Worthington.

- 7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Michael Knowles (nominated in respect of the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Mark Wolfson.
- 8 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Jacques Arnold, Sir Richard Body, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Stephen Day, Mr Michael Forsyth, Mr Cecil Franks, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr Conal Gregory, Mr Kenneth Hind, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr William McKelvey, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Bill Walker and Mr Brian Wilson.
- 9 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Michael Carttiss, Mr Bob Clay, Mr David Clelland, Mr Julian Critchley, Sir Anthony Durant, Mr Barry Field, Mr Ian Grist, Mr John Hannam, Mr Patrick McLoughlin, Mr Gordon Oakes, Mr James Wallace, Joan Walley, Mr Gareth Wardell, Mr Alan W. Williams and Mr Jimmy Wray.
- 10 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991, viz.: Mr David Atkinson, Mr David Gilroy Bevan, Mr Julian Brazier, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr James Cran, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Alex Eadie, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr Peter Griffiths, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr David Lambie, Mr John McAllion, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mrs Ray Michie, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Ernie Ross and Mr Brian Wilson.
- 11 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Robert Adley, Mr Robert Banks, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Paul Boateng, Mr Nicholas Budgen, Mr John Butterfill, Mr William Cash, Dr Michael Clark, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Terry Davis, Sir Peter Emery, Mr Frank Field, Mr Nigel Forman, Mr John Gorst, Mr Greg Knight, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr John Maples and Mr Austin Mitchell.
- 12 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Graham Allen, Mr John Battle, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Joe Benton, Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr John Cartwright, Mr Anthony Coombs, Dame Peggy Fenner, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Mildred Gordon, Mr Christopher Hawkins, Maureen Hicks, Mr John Hughes, Mr Michael Jack, Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Clare Short and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 13 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991, viz.: Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Vivian Bendall, Sir Antony Buck, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Terry Dicks, Mr Hugh Dykes, Mr Ronnie Fearn, Sir Geoffrey Finsberg, Kate Hoey, Mr George Howarth, Mr Ralph Howell, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Brian Sedgemore, Mr Peter Shore, Mr Nigel Spearing, Mr John M. Taylor and Mr Tim Yeo.
- 14 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Sir Thomas Arnold, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr Ron Brown, Mr Ian Bruce, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr David Evans, Mr Harry Ewing, Mr Dudley



Fishburn, Mr Michael Forsyth, Mr Thomas Graham, Mr John Greenway, Mr Patrick Ground, Mr Andrew Hargreaves, Mr Timothy Kirkhope and Mr Tony Worthington.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 45] [Mr Michael Mates].
  - 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 47] [Mr Harry Greenway].
  - 3 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 43-i] [Dr Michael Clark].
  - 4 European Legislation,—Second Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-ii] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
  - 5 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 29-ii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
  - 6 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 49-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
  - 7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 13th November; to be printed [No. 44-i] [Sir Antony Buck].
  - 8 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Procedure Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 31-ii] [Sir Peter Emery].
  - 9 Public Accounts,—(1) First Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Sale of Rover Group plc to British Aerospace plc]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 51];  

(2) Second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Management of the British Council]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 52];

(3) Third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Management of Road Maintenance]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 53]; and

(4) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 13th November; to be printed [No. 50-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].
  - 10 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 13th November; to be printed [No. 12-ii] [Mr David Marshall].
  - 11 Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) First Special Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Government's Response to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1990-91: The Acceptance of Outside Appointments by Crown Servants]; and  

(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 13th November;

to be printed [Nos. 48 and 26-ii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
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## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 13th November 1991*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Local Government Finance Bill to Standing Committee A;
  - (2) the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991 and the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (3) the Immigration (Carriers' Liability Prescribed Sum) Order 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (4) the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (5) the Child Minding and Day Care (Registration and Inspection Fees) Regulations 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (6) the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (7) the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (8) the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (9) the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (10) the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (11) the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (12) the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (13) the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Sir Michael Shaw and Mr Ted Leadbitter Chairmen of Standing Committee A in respect of the Local Government Finance Bill;
  - (2) Mr David Knox Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991 and the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991;
  - (3) Mr John McWilliam Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Immigration (Carriers' Liability Prescribed Sum) Order 1991;
  - (4) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991;
  - (5) Mr Geraint Howells Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991;
  - (6) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991;
  - (7) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991;
  - (8) Mr James Lamond Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991; and
  - (9) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 4173/91, relating to copyright and neighbouring rights, 4174/91, relating to the accession of the Member States to the Berne Convention for the protection of literary and artistic works as revised and the Rome Convention for

the protection of performers, producers of phonograms and broadcasting organisations, and 4175/91, relating to rental right, lending right and certain rights related to copyright.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Document No. 8886/91, relating to reform of the Common Agricultural Policy, to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) European Community Documents Nos. 6642/90, relating to administrative co-operation in the field of indirect taxation, 9670/90, relating to arrangements for products subject to excise duty and the holding, movement and control of such products, 7573/91, relating to the adoption of standards for satellite broadcasting of television signals, and 7485/91, relating to child care, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 11.]

Thursday 14th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Order not previously enquired into applicable),—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*].

Bill to be read a second time.

2 London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*],—The London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

3 London Underground (King's Cross) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the London Underground (King's Cross) Bill.

Bill to be read the third time.

4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

5 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

6 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

7 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows;

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London Underground (Safety Measures) Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

8 Standing Orders,—*Ordered*, That—

(1) the Order [31st October], That the Standing Orders relating to Public Business be printed, be discharged, and

(2) the said Standing Orders, including the Amendment made on 8th November, be printed [No. 1].

9 Coal Industry Bill,—The Order of the Day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Industry Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Sydney Chapman: 287.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Ken Eastham: 196.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 10 Coal Industry Bill [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Coal Industry Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Coal Industry Bill, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament which is attributable to—

- (a) increasing to £2,500 million, with power to increase by order to £3,000 million, the limit imposed on the aggregate amount of grants made under section 3 of the Coal Industry Act 1987, or
- (b) enabling such grants to be made in respect of costs falling to be charged to accounts in respect of financial years ending after March 1993 but not later than March 1996.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

- 11 Public Health.—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 12) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2077), dated 13th September 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th September, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.

- 12 Energy.—*Ordered*, That Mr Eric Illsley be discharged from the Energy Committee and Mr Joe Benton be added to the Committee.—(*Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

- 13 Welsh Affairs.—*Ordered*, That Mr Alan W. Williams be discharged from the Welsh Affairs Committee and Mr Huw Edwards be added to the Committee.—(*Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

- 14 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of the United Kingdom in favour of the European Community directive for a ban on tobacco advertising and sponsorship was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 15 Adjournment.—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.44 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Thursday 14th November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Judges.—Draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 2 Value Added Tax.—Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2569), dated 13th November 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Ancient Monuments.—Ancient Monuments (Claims for Compensation) (England) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2512), dated 6th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Building Societies.—(1) Building Societies (Designation of Qualifying Bodies) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2581),  
(2) Building Societies (Liquid Asset) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2580), and  
(3) Building Societies (Prescribed Contracts) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2582),  
dated 11th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 5 Insurance.—Insurance Brokers Registration Council (Registration and Enrolment) (Amendment) Rules Approval Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2566), dated 6th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 6 Medicines.—Medicines (Veterinary Drugs) (Prescription Only) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2568), dated 12th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 7 Supply Estimates, 1991-92,—(1) Winter Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 6]; and  
 (2) Treasury Minute, dated 14th November 1991, concerning the application of certain receipts specified as appropriations in aid of the Winter Supplementary Estimates laid this day, to the extent specified, in aid of the Vote for the relevant service [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 8 Supply Estimates, 1992-93,—(1) Estimates (Classes I-XIX) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 7] [Mr Francis Maude];  
 (2) Estimates for the House of Commons: Administration and Accommodation Services (Class XIX, A, Votes 1 and 2) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 8] [Mr Speaker]; and  
 (3) Estimates for the National Audit Office (Class XIX, B, Vote 1) for which a Vote on Account is required for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 9] [Sir Peter Hordern].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated two further Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Local Government Finance Bill, viz.: Mr Julian Brazier and Maria Fyfe.
- 2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Den Dover (nominated in respect of the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman.
- 3 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Dr Michael Clark (nominated in respect of the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr John Lee.
- 4 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Sir Geoffrey Finsberg (nominated in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Dame Jill Knight.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 14th November; to be printed [No. 25-ii] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 2 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 14th November; to be printed [Nos. 55-i and 56-i] [Sir Hugh Rossi].

## MEMORANDUM

*Thursday 14th November 1991*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991, in place of Mr James Lamond.

[No. 12.]

*Friday 15th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Memoranda were reported from a Select Committee (see Appendix III).
- 4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Lightbown*);  

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 5 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);  

And the Motion having been made at half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday 18th November.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Friday 15th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government,—Bolton, Bury and Salford (District Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2555), dated 8th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 2 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1967 (Unregistered Ships) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2543), dated 7th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 3 English Industrial Estates Corporation,—Report and Accounts of English Estates for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 4 Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments,—Report of the Historic Buildings Council for Wales for 1988-89 and 1989-90 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 5 Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pensions Increase) Order 1991, dated 16th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 6 Northern Ireland,—Northern Ireland Appropriation Accounts for 1990-91, together with the Consolidated Fund Services Account; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon and upon the Revenue Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 3] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 7 Police Complaints Authority,—Account of the Police Complaints Authority for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 57] [Clerk of the House].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Derek Conway (nominated in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr John Wilkinson.

#### APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

Trade and Industry,—Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 13.]

*Monday 18th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Consolidation, &c., Bills,—The Lords communicate that they have appointed a Committee of twelve Lords to join with a Committee of this House as the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills; that they have ordered that such Committee have power to agree with the Committee of this House in the appointment of a Chairman; and that they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room 3a on Wednesday 27th November at half-past Four o'clock.

- 4 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which fails to establish independent consumer ombudsmen; fails to strengthen consumer representation; fails to give sufficient priority to energy saving and environmental protection; fails to take action where there are excess profits; and does nothing to prevent privatised boardroom salary excesses', instead thereof.—(*Mr Gordon Brown.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ken Eastham: 191.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Greg Knight, Mr Tim Boswell: 278.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 5 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to provisions of the Act in sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope.*)

- 6 Magistrates' Courts,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Magistrates' Courts (Remands in Custody) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 12th July, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.

- 7 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.42 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Monday 18th November 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2583), dated 15th November 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].
- 2 Legal Profession,—Draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Education,—(1) Education (Bursaries for Teacher Training) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2589), dated 14th November 1991,  
(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (England) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2562), dated 11th November 1991,  
(3) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Modern Foreign Languages) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2563), dated 11th November 1991, and  
(4) Education (National Curriculum) (Modern Foreign Languages) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2567), dated 11th November 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 4 Sea Fisheries,—(1) Cod and Sole (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) (Variation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2593), dated 15th November 1991, and  
(2) Sea Fishing (Specified Western Waters) (Restrictions on Landing) (Variation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2565), dated 11th November 1991  
[by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 5 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Cambridge, on 31st May 1991, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Agriculture,—Report and Accounts of the Home-Grown Cereals Authority for the period 1st July 1990 to 30th June 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 7 Citizen's Charter,—Paper, entitled *Competing for Quality: Buying better public services* [by Command] [Cm. 1730] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 8 Industrial Training,—Report and Accounts of the Offshore Petroleum Industry Training Board for the period 1st January 1990 to 31st March 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Wales on the Petitions [24th July, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Ogwr for the restoration of Phase II of the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend, to the ten year capital programme of the Mid Glamorgan Health Authority [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 10 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy had been laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:  
Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2583)  
[by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—(1) Fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Progress on National Health Service Operating Theatres and Waiting Lists in England]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 59]; and  
(2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 18th November; to be printed [No. 60-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 18th November; to be printed [No. 58-i] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].



[No. 14.]

*Tuesday 19th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order [9th November], That, in the case of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with.
- 2 British Railways Bill,—*Ordered*, That the British Railways Bill be considered to-morrow.
- 3 Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*],—The Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*] was read a second time and committed.
- 4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 5 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Paul Flynn reported from the Committee on the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 10th December at Ten o'clock.
- 6 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 7 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 8 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr David Knox reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991 and the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991, referred to a Committee on 11th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 62].
- 9 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—*Ordered*, That the Lords Message [yesterday] relating to the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills be now considered.  
Lords Message considered accordingly.  
*Ordered*, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.  
Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
- 10 Judges,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 11 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Morocco) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 13 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Papua New Guinea) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 14 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.

- 15 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Iceland) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 16 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Finland) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 17 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*):—It was agreed to.
- 18 Education (Schools) Bill,—The Order of the Day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Schools) Bill;  
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
The House divided.  
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Nicholas Baker: 264.  
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Martyn Jones: 219.  
So the Question was agreed to.  
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.  
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee—(*Mr Jack Straw*);  
The House divided.  
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Eric Illsley: 223.  
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Irvine Patnick: 259.  
So the Question was negatived.  
The Bill accordingly stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 19 Education (Schools) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Education (Schools) Bill [Money];  
*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Education (Schools) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—  
(a) any sums payable under the Act in respect of the office and functions of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools for England and the office and functions of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools for Wales;  
(b) any other expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under the Act; and  
(c) any increase attributable to the Act in sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other Act.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)
- 20 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting to-morrow, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to European Community: The Inter-Governmental Conferences may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Twelve o'clock.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)
- 21 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from members of the Southgate Christian Fellowship for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 22 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)  
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.55 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Tuesday 19th November 1991

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

Papers subject to Negative Resolution:

- 1 Customs and Excise,—Spirits Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2564), dated 11th November 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

- 2 Road Traffic,—International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2571), dated 12th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 3 Computers,—Report of the Computer Board for Universities and Research Councils for the period 1st April 1988 to 31st March 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1731] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 4 Science and Technology,—Report of the Agricultural and Food Research Council for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr W. Benyon (nominated in respect of the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Sir Marcus Fox.

APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 19th November; to be printed [No. 35-i] [Mr David Howell].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 19th November; to be printed [No. 61-i] [Mr Frank Field].
- 3 Statutory Instruments,—Third Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-iii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 15.]

*Wednesday 20th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 London Underground (King's Cross) Bill,—The London Underground (King's Cross) Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 2 British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill;  
*Ordered,* That the Bill be considered to-morrow.
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 7th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 68].
- 7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and

Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991, referred to a Committee on 1st November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 65].

- 8 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 7th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 64].

- 9 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 4173/91, relating to copyright and neighbouring rights, 4174/91, relating to accession to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works and the Rome Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations, and 4175/91, relating to rental right, lending right and certain rights related to copyright; and supports the Government's intention to seek adequate protection for copyright owners and performing artists throughout the European Community while having regard to the needs of users of copyright works and of the services of the performers.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 10 European Community: The Inter-Governmental Conferences,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, believing it is in Britain's interests to continue to be at the heart of the European Community and able to shape its future and that of Europe as a whole, endorses the constructive negotiating approach adopted by Her Majesty's Government in the Inter-Governmental Conferences on Economic and Monetary Union and on Political Union; and urges them to work for an agreement at the forthcoming European Council at Maastricht which avoids the development of a federal Europe, enables this country to exert the greatest influence on the economic evolution of the Community while preserving the right of Parliament to decide at a future date whether to adopt a single currency, on issues of Community competence concentrates the development of action on those issues which cannot be handled more effectively at national level and, in particular, avoids intrusive Community measures in social areas which are matters for national decision, develops a European security policy compatible with NATO and co-operation in foreign policy which safeguards this country's national interests, increases the accountability of the Commission, enhances the rule of law in the Community including improved implementation, enforcement and compliance with Community legislation, improves co-operation between European governments in the fight against drugs, terrorism and cross-border crime, and through these policies secures the long-term interests of the United Kingdom—(*The Prime Minister*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'regrets that Her Majesty's Government's preoccupation with divisions in its own Party has meant that in the Inter-Governmental Conferences it has not taken the negotiating approach necessary to ensure that the United Kingdom exercises decisive influence on the future of the Community in ways which will help to advance the living and working standards of the people of this country in company with other peoples of Europe; calls upon Her Majesty's Government to work for an agreement at the European Council which ensures inclusion of the Social Charter, qualified majority voting on social and environmental matters, powers for the European Parliament to hold the Commission to account in ways that complement the role of national parliaments, decision-making at the level—local, regional, national or Community—where maximum democratic control is at all times exercised, foreign and security policy co-operation without the development of a European Community military role, widening of the Community as rapidly as practicable, co-operation to combat terrorism and other crime, and strengthened powers for ECOFIN as the politically responsible counterpart to any European Central Bank system; and urges the Government to work to secure agreement to, and adopt policies for, high levels of employment, sustainable non-inflationary growth, balanced regional and national economic development and social cohesion, and for the fundamental reform of the CAP, in order to achieve real economic convergence in the years leading to economic and monetary union and a single currency as the essential foundation for those changes and to safeguard the long-term interests of the people of the United Kingdom', instead thereof.—(*Mr Neil Kinnock*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made;

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And it being Twelve o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Order [19th November].

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed this day.

11 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from James Eric Melvin for justice was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes past Twelve o'clock, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.24 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 20th November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Education,—Draft Teachers' Pay and Conditions Act 1987 (Continuation) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

2 Education,—Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2608), dated 18th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

*Other Papers:*

3 Defence (Royal Air Force),—(1) Amendment List No. 12 to Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition), and  
(2) particulars of grants of pay, allowances, etc., sanctioned by the Treasury during 1990-91  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary King].

4 Local Government,—Report and Accounts of the London Residuary Body for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

5 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the acquisition by Avenir Havas Media SA of Brunton Curtis Outdoor Advertising Ltd [by Command] [Cm. 1737] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

6 Museums and Galleries,—Accounts of Museums and Galleries for 1988-89 [by Command] [Cm. 1543] [Mr Tim Renton].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

1 Standing Committee B,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Asylum Bill, viz.: Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Tom Cox, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr John Fraser, Mr Roger Gale, Sir Philip Goodhart, Mr John Greenway, Mr Patrick Ground, Kate Hoey, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr Max Madden, Mr Steve Norris, Mr Bowen Wells and Mr Tim Yeo.

2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Coal Industry Bill, viz.: Mr Kevin Barron, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr John Cummings, Mr Denzil Davies, Mr Frank Dobson, Mr Derek Enright, Mr John Hannam, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr David Heathcoat-Amory, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Greg Knight, Mr David Martin, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr Patrick Nicholls, Mr Lewis Stevens, Mr Andy Stewart and Mr Peter Thurnham.

3 Standing Committee E,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-four Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill, viz.: Mr Tony Baldry, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Ian Bruce, Mr John Butterfill, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr James Cran, Mr David Evans, Mr Dudley Fishburn, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Win Griffiths, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Doug

Henderson, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Bill Michie, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mr Colin Moynihan, Mr David Nicholson, Mr John Redwood, Mr Tim Smith, Mr Ian Taylor, Mr Jack Thompson and Mr Alan Williams.

- 4 Standing Committee F,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee F in respect of the Education (Schools) Bill, viz.: Mr Alan Amos, Hilary Armstrong, Mr Gerald Bowden, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Tim Eggar, Mr David Evennett, Mr Michael Fallon, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr John McFall, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr James Pawsey, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Gerry Steinberg, Mr Jack Straw, Mr David Sumberg and Mr Matthew Taylor.
- 5 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Morocco), (Papua New Guinea), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and (Denmark) Orders 1991, viz.: Ms Diane Abbott, Mr John Battle, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Nicholas Brown, Mr Tom Clark, Mr John Cummings, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Greg Knight, Sir Ian Lloyd, Sir Neil Macfarlane, Mr Tony Marlow, Mr Michael Mates, Mr Francis Maude, Sir Hal Miller, Mr Iain Mills, Mr Richard Page, Mr James Paice and Mr Graham Riddick.
- 6 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (nominated in respect of the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Michael Forsyth.
- 7 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Tam Dalyell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr George Galloway, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Michael Knowles, Mr Michael Lord, Mr John McAllion, Sir Robert McCrindle, Mr John McFall, Mr William McKelvey, Sir Patrick McNair-Wilson, Mr Roger Moate, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Bill Walker, Mr Brian Wilson and Mr George Younger.
- 8 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Ralph Howell (nominated in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr David Wilshire.
- 9 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Joe Benton (nominated in respect of the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Keith Bradley.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 72] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 2 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 71-i] [Mr Ron Leighton].
- 3 Energy,—(1) First Special Report from the Energy Committee [Government Observations on the Fifth Report from the Committee, Session 1990-91, on Clean Coal Technology and the Coal Market after 1993]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 20th November; to be printed [Nos. 67 and 43-ii] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 4 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 17-ii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 5 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 29-iii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—First Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Report of the Northern Ireland Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for 1990], together with Minutes of

Evidence taken before the Committee on 16th October, in the last Session of Parliament, and an Appendix thereto; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 63] [Sir Antony Buck].

- 7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 20th November; to be printed [No. 73-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 8 Statutory Instruments,—First Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 15-i] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 9 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 12-iii] [Mr David Marshall].
- 10 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 58-ii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
- 11 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 20th November; to be printed [No. 66-i]; and  
(2) Memorandum laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee  
[Mr Gareth Wardell].

#### MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 20th November 1991*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Asylum Bill to Standing Committee B;
  - (2) the Coal Industry Bill to Standing Committee D;
  - (3) the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill to Standing Committee E;
  - (4) the Education (Schools) Bill to Standing Committee F;
  - (5) the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Morocco), (Papua New Guinea), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and (Denmark) Orders 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (6) the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Dame Janet Fookes Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Asylum Bill;
  - (2) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Coal Industry Bill;
  - (3) Mr David Knox Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill;
  - (4) Mr Michael Shersby Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the Education (Schools) Bill;
  - (5) Sir John Hunt Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Child Minding and Day Care (Registration and Inspection Fees) Regulations 1991;
  - (6) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991;
  - (7) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991; and
  - (8) Mr James Lamond Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 7485/91, relating to child care.

[No. 16.]

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 28th November.

- 2 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(1) the total number of Questions to Ministers or other Members which stood on the Order Paper, distinguishing those set down for oral, written priority and written answer respectively, the number of days upon which replies to Questions for oral answer were given in the House; and the total number of Questions for oral answer to which such answers were given in the House;

(2) the total number of Notices of Motions given for an early day;

(3) the number of Members ordered to withdraw from the House under Standing Order No. 42 (Disorderly conduct), showing separately the orders given in the House and those given in Committee; and the Members suspended from the service of the House under Standing Order No. 43 (Order in debate) or otherwise, distinguishing whether the offence was committed in the House or in Committee, the period of such suspension, the number of occasions on which more than one Member was so suspended having jointly disregarded the authority of the Chair, and the number of occasions on which the attention of the House was called to the need for recourse to force to compel obedience to Mr Speaker's direction; and

(4) the number of public petitions presented to the House, distinguishing separately those brought to the Table at the times specified by Standing Order No. 133 (Time and manner of presenting petitions).—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

- 3 Closure of Debate and Allocation of Time,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(A) applications of Standing Order No. 35 (Closure of debate)—

(1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

1	2	3	4	5	6
Date when Closure claimed and by whom	Question before House or Committee when claimed	Whether in House or Committee	Whether assent given to Motion or withheld by the Chair	Assent withheld because, in the opinion of the Chair, a decision would shortly be arrived at without that Motion	Result of Motion, and if a Division, Numbers for and against

and (2) in Standing Committees under the following heads:

1	2	3	4	5
Date when Closure claimed and by whom	Question before Committee when claimed	Whether assent given to Motion or withheld by the Chair	Assent withheld because, in the opinion of the Chair, a decision would shortly be arrived at without that Motion	Result of Motion, and if a Division, Numbers for and against



(B) applications of Standing Order No. 28 (Powers of chair to propose question)—

(1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

1	2	3	4	5
Date when Closure claimed and by whom	Whether in House or Committee	Whether claimed in respect of Motion or Amendment	Whether assent given to Motion or withheld by the Chair	Result of Motion, and, if a Division, Numbers for and against

and (2) in Standing Committees under the following heads:

1	2	3	4
Date when Closure claimed and by whom	Whether claimed in respect of Motion or Amendment	Whether assent given to Motion or withheld by the Chair	Result of Motion, and if a Division, Numbers for and against

and

(C) the number of Bills in respect of which allocation of time orders (distinguishing where appropriate orders supplementary to a previous order) were made under Standing Order No. 81 (Allocation of time to bills), showing in respect of each bill—

(i) the number of sittings allotted to the consideration of the Bill in Standing Committee by any report of a Business Sub-Committee under Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees) agreed to by the Standing Committee, and the number of sittings of the Standing Committee pursuant thereto; and

(ii) the number of days or portions of days allotted by the allocation of time order and any supplementary order to the consideration of the Bill at any stage in the House or in committee, together with the number of days upon which proceedings were so taken in the House or in committee.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

4 Delegated Legislation,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(A) the numbers of Instruments subject to the different forms of parliamentary procedure and those for which no parliamentary procedure is prescribed by statute (1) laid before the House; and (2) considered by the Joint Committee and Select Committee on Statutory Instruments respectively pursuant to their orders of reference, setting out the grounds on which Instruments may be drawn to the special attention of the House under Standing Order No. 124 (Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee)) and specifying the number of Instruments so reported under each of these grounds; and

(B) the numbers of Instruments considered by a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and by the House respectively, showing the number where the Question on the proceedings relating thereto was put forthwith under paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.).—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

5 Private Bills and Private Business,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(1) the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, Bills for the confirmation of Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders introduced into this House, and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed, specifying also the dates of the House's consideration of the several stages of such Bills;

(2) all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which were reported on by Committees on Opposed Bills or by Committees nominated by the House or partly by the House and partly by the Committee of Selection, together with the names of the selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last day of the sitting of each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; the number of days on which each selected Member served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills of which the Preambles were reported to have been proved; the Bills of which the Preambles were reported to have been not proved; and in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Order ought or ought not to be confirmed;

(3) all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which were referred by the Committee of Selection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on the Committee; the number of days on which the Committee sat; and the number of days on which each Member attended;

(4) the number of Bills to confirm Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, distinguishing those proceeded with under section 7 and under section 9 respectively; specifying, in the case of Bills proceeded with under section 9 against which petitions were deposited, whether a motion was made to refer the Bill to a Joint Committee, and if so, whether such motion was agreed to, withdrawn, negatived or otherwise disposed of; and stating for each Joint Committee to which a Bill was referred the names of the Members of this House nominated thereto, the first and last day of the Committee's sitting, the number of days on which each Joint Committee sat for the consideration of the Bill referred to it, the number of days on which each Member of the Committee served, and whether the Committee reported that the Order ought or ought not to be confirmed;

(5) the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, Bills for the confirmation of Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders withdrawn or not proceeded with by the parties, those Bills being specified which were referred to Committees and dropped during the sittings of the Committee; and

(6) the membership, work costs and staff of the Court of Referees and the Standing Orders Committee.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

6 Public Bills,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of the number of Public Bills (other than Bills to confirm Provisional Orders and Bills to confirm Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936) distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, showing—

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent, and

(2) the number which did not receive the Royal Assent, indicating those which were introduced into but not passed by this House, those passed by this House but not by the House of Lords, those passed by the House of Lords but not by this House, those passed by both Houses but Amendments not agreed to; and distinguishing the stages at which such Bills were dropped, postponed or rejected in either House of Parliament, or the stages which such Bills had reached by the time of Prorogation.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

7 Sittings of the House,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of the days on which the House sat; stating for each day the day of the month and day of the week, the hour of the meeting, and the hour of the adjournment; the total numbers of hours occupied in the sittings of the House; and the average time; showing the number of hours on which the House sat each day and the number of hours after the time appointed for the interruption of business; and specifying, for each principal type of business before the House, how much time was spent thereon, distinguishing from the total the time spent after the hour appointed for the interruption of business.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

8 Special Procedure Orders,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(1) the number of Special Procedure Orders presented, the number withdrawn; the number annulled; the number against which Petitions or copies of Petitions were deposited; the number of Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively considered by the Chairmen; the number of such petitions certified by the Chairmen as proper to be received and the number certified by them as being Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively; the number referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses; the number reported with Amendments by a Joint Committee, and the number in relation to which a Joint Committee reported that the Order be not approved and be amended respectively; and the number of Bills introduced for the confirmation of Special Procedure Orders; and

(2) Special Procedure Orders which were referred to a Joint Committee, together with the names of the Commons Members who served on each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; and the number of days on which each such Member attended.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

9 Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of—

(1) the total number and the names of all Members (including and distinguishing Chairmen) who have been appointed to serve on one or more Standing Committees

showing, with regard to each of such Members, the number of sittings to which he was summoned and at which he was present;

(2) the number of Bills, Estimates, Matters, and other items referred to Standing Committees pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) or Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of sittings of each Committee and the titles of all Bills, Estimates, Matters and other items as above considered by a Committee, distinguishing where a Bill was a Government Bill or was brought from the House of Lords, and showing in the case of each Bill, Estimate, Matter and other item, the particular Committee by which it was considered, the number of sittings at which it was considered (including, in the case of the Scottish Grand Committee, the number of Meetings held in Edinburgh pursuant to a motion made under paragraph (3) of Standing Order No. 94 (Scottish Grand Committee)) and the number of Members present at each of those sittings; and

(3) the membership, work costs and staff of the Chairmen's Panel.—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

10 Select Committees,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1990-91 of statistics relating to the membership, work costs and staff of Select Committees (other than the Standing Orders Committee).—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

11 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

12 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

13 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr John McWilliam reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Immigration (Carriers' Liability Prescribed Sum) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1497), referred to a Committee on 7th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 77].

14 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geraint Howells reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 11th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 75].

15 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 7th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 76].

16 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1520), referred to a Committee on 7th November, and the Income Support (General) Amendment No. 4 Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1559), referred to a Committee on 11th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 79].

17 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Consolidation, &c., Bills,—The Lords communicate that they have ordered that the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*] and the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] be referred to the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

18 Value Added Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2569) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.

19 European Community: The Inter-Governmental Conferences,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Question proposed

yesterday, That this House, believing it is in Britain's interests to continue to be at the heart of the European Community and able to shape its future and that of Europe as a whole, endorses the constructive negotiating approach adopted by Her Majesty's Government in the Inter-Governmental Conferences on Economic and Monetary Union and on Political Union; and urges them to work for an agreement at the forthcoming European Council at Maastricht which avoids the development of a federal Europe, enables this country to exert the greatest influence on the economic evolution of the Community while preserving the right of Parliament to decide at a future date whether to adopt a single currency, on issues of Community competence concentrates the development of action on those issues which cannot be handled more effectively at national level and, in particular, avoids intrusive Community measures in social areas which are matters for national decision, develops a European security policy compatible with NATO and co-operation in foreign policy which safeguards this country's national interests, increases the accountability of the Commission, enhances the rule of law in the Community including improved implementation, enforcement and compliance with Community legislation, improves co-operation between European governments in the fight against drugs, terrorism and cross-border crime, and through these policies secures the long-term interests of the United Kingdom;

Which Amendment was, in line 3, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'regrets that Her Majesty's Government's preoccupation with divisions in its own Party has meant that in the Inter-Governmental Conferences it has not taken the negotiating approach necessary to ensure that the United Kingdom exercises decisive influence on the future of the Community in ways which will help to advance the living and working standards of the people of this country in company with other peoples of Europe; calls upon Her Majesty's Government to work for an agreement at the European Council which ensures inclusion of the Social Charter, qualified majority voting on social and environmental matters, powers for the European Parliament to hold the Commission to account in ways that complement the role of national parliaments, decision-making at the level—local, regional, national or Community—where maximum democratic control is at all times exercised, foreign and security policy co-operation without the development of a European Community military role, widening of the Community as rapidly as practicable, co-operation to combat terrorism and other crime, and strengthened powers for ECOFIN as the politically responsible counterpart to any European Central Bank system; and urges the Government to work to secure agreement to, and adopt policies for, high levels of employment, sustainable non-inflationary growth, balanced regional and national economic development and social cohesion, and for the fundamental reform of the CAP, in order to achieve real economic convergence in the years leading to economic and monetary union and a single currency as the essential foundation for those changes and to safeguard the long-term interests of the people of the United Kingdom', instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jack Thompson: 200.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Nicholas Baker: 391.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Nicholas Baker: 351.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Jack Thompson: 250.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House, believing it is in Britain's interests to continue to be at the heart of the European Community and able to shape its future and that of Europe as a whole, endorses the constructive negotiating approach adopted by Her Majesty's Government in the Inter-Governmental Conferences on Economic and Monetary Union and on Political Union; and urges them to work for an agreement at the forthcoming European Council at Maastricht which avoids the development of a federal Europe, enables this country to exert the greatest influence on the economic evolution of the Community while preserving the right of Parliament to decide at a future date whether to adopt a single currency, on issues of Community competence concentrates the development of action on those issues which cannot be handled more effectively at national level, and in particular, avoids intrusive Community measures in social areas which are matters for national decision, develops a European security policy compatible with NATO and co-operation in foreign policy which safeguards this country's national

interests, increases the accountability of the Commission, enhances the rule of law in the Community including improved implementation, enforcement and compliance with Community legislation, improves co-operation between European governments in the fight against drugs, terrorism and cross-border crime, and through these policies secures the long-term interests of the United Kingdom.

- 20 Accommodation and Works,—*Ordered*, That Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Geraint Howells, Dame Jill Knight, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr Ray Powell and Mr Donald Thompson be members of the Accommodation and Works Committee.—*(Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 21 Administration,—*Ordered*, That Mr Jacques Arnold, Sir Charles Irving, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Stanley Orme, Mrs Marion Roe, Mr William Ross and Mr Tom Sackville be members of the Administration Committee.—*(Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 22 Catering,—*Ordered*, That Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Alan Haselhurst, Mr Michael J. Martin, Mr Colin Shepherd, Mr Anthony Steen and Mr John Townend be members of the Catering Committee.—*(Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 23 Information,—*Ordered*, That Mr Spencer Batiste, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Huw Edwards, Sir Ian Lloyd, Mr John McFall, Sir Fergus Montgomery and Mr Gary Waller be members of the Information Committee.—*(Sir Marcus Fox, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 24 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) Michael Baker against the draft specification for safety devices on motorcycles; and
  - (2)(i) residents of North-East Cambridgeshire,
  - (ii) members of the congregation of Star of the Sea, Leith, and
  - (iii) residents of the West Midlands
- for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 25 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—*(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)*

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.59 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Thursday 21st November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Broadcasting,—Draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Agriculture,—Suckler Cow Premium Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2632), dated 20th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 3 Electricity,—Electricity (Scottish Electricity Companies) (Target Investment Limits) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2579), dated 11th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Libraries,—Public Lending Right Scheme 1982 (Commencement of Variations) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2618), dated 19th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Tim Renton].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Local Government, Planning and Land,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 21st November 1991 on borrowing by the Land Authority for Wales [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Sittings of the House,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sittings of the House Committee on 21st November; to be printed [No. 20-ii] [Mr Michael Jopling].

[No. 17.]

Friday 22nd November 1991.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*] and Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That the Lords Message [yesterday] relating to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*] and the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] be now considered.
- Lords Message considered accordingly.
- Resolved*, That this House doth concur with the Lords in their Resolution.
- Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
- 4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Greg Knight*);
- And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 5 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill may be proceeded with as if it had been certified by Mr Speaker as relating exclusively to Scotland.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)
- 6 European Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H.M. Treasury on 12th July 1991, relating to the preliminary draft general budget of the European Communities for 1992, European Community Documents Nos. 7731/91, relating to the draft general budget of the European Communities for 1992, 7368/91, relating to the letter of amendment No. 1/1992 to the preliminary draft general budget of the European Communities for 1992, and 8719/91, relating to the revision of the financial perspective for 1992, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H.M. Treasury on 4th November 1991, relating to the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the draft general budget of the European Communities for 1992, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee B.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)
- 7 Welsh Development Agency Bill,—*Ordered*, That in respect of the Welsh Development Agency Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)
- 8 Welsh Development Agency Bill,—*Ordered*, That, if the Welsh Development Agency Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed and that as soon as the proceedings on any Resolution come to by the House on Welsh Development Agency Bill [Money] have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

- 9 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tim Boswell*);

And the Motion having been made at half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday 25th November.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Friday 22nd November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

### *Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Dogs,—Dangerous Dogs Compensation and Exemption Schemes (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2636), dated 20th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 Health and Safety,—Electrical Equipment for Explosive Atmospheres (Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2570), dated 11th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 3 Medicines,—Medicines (Pharmacies) (Applications for Registration and Fees) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2605), dated 15th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 4 Monopolies and Mergers,—Merger Reference (Medicopharma NV and AAH Holdings plc) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2648), dated 21st November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 5 Road Traffic,—Goods Vehicles (Authorisation of International Journeys) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2646), dated 21st November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

### *Other Papers:*

- 6 British Library,—Report of the British Library for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Tim Renton].
- 7 Sex Discrimination,—Account of the Equal Opportunities Commission for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 80] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 81, 1991),—Third Additional Protocol, done at Hamburg on 27th July 1984, to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union, together with Declarations, General Regulations and Rules of Procedure of Congresses [by Command] [Cm. 1748] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Graham Riddick (nominated in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Morocco), (Papua New Guinea), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and (Denmark) Orders 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Jerry Wiggin.
- 2 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Sir Robert McCrindle (nominated in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Charles Wardle.

[No. 18.]

*Monday 25th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House declines to give a Second Reading to the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill because of the inadequacy of the groundwater protection provisions in that the powers granted to the Secretary of State in the Bill would enable him to weaken the protections specified in the schedule, because the public consultation on the Hydrotechnica report is not yet concluded, because that consultation process has allowed no mechanism for public discussion of the report, and because the Bill makes no provision for an independent final arbiter on matters concerning the quality of the water environment in the inland bay', instead thereof.—(*Mr Barry Jones.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Ken Eastham: 130.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 278.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

*Ordered,* That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of seven Members, four to be nominated by the House and three by the Committee of Selection;

That there shall stand referred to the Select Committee—

- (a) any Petition against the Bill presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office at any time not later than the fourteenth day after this day; and
- (b) any Petition which has been presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office and in which the Petitioners complain of any amendment as proposed in the filled-up Bill or of any matter which has arisen during the progress of the Bill before the Select Committee,

being a Petition in which the Petitioners pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel or Agents;

That if no such Petition as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) above is presented, or if all such Petitions are withdrawn before the meeting of the Select Committee, the Order for the committal of the Bill to a Select Committee shall be discharged and the Bill shall be committed to a Standing Committee;

That any Petitioner whose Petition stands referred to the Select Committee shall, subject to the Rules and Orders of the House and to the Prayer of his Petition, be entitled to be heard by himself, his Counsel or Agents upon his Petition provided that it is prepared and signed in conformity with the Rules and Orders of the House, and the Member in charge of the Bill shall be entitled to be heard by his Counsel or Agents in favour of the Bill against that Petition;

That the Select Committee have power to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House, to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom and to report from day to day the Minutes of Evidence taken before it;

That three be the Quorum of the Select Committee.—(*Mr Greg Knight.*)

- 4 King's Cross Railways Bill,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Promoters of the King's Cross Railways Bill may, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of this House, proceed with the Bill in the present Session;



and the Petition for the Bill shall be deemed to have been deposited and all Standing Orders applicable thereto shall be deemed to have been complied with;

That the Bill shall be presented to the House not later than the seventh day after this day;

That there shall be deposited with the Bill a declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the last Session;

That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first and second time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read) and, having been amended by the Committee in the last Session, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the last Session—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means*);

Mr Gary Waller rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put:—It was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Promoters of the King's Cross Railways Bill may, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders or practice of this House, proceed with the Bill in the present Session; and the Petition for the Bill shall be deemed to have been deposited and all Standing Orders applicable thereto shall be deemed to have been complied with;

That the Bill be presented to the House not later than the seventh day after this day;

That there shall be deposited with the Bill a declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the last Session;

That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first and second time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read) and, having been amended by the Committee in the last Session, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the last Session.

To be communicated to the Lords and their concurrence desired thereto.

- 5 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

- (a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of increases attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other enactment; and
- (b) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);

And it being a quarter to Eleven o'clock, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

- (a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of increases attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other enactment; and
- (b) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.

- 6 Libraries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Library Charges (England and Wales) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 22nd July, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Tim Renton*);

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

- 7 Companies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Companies Act 1985 (Bank Accounts) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 16th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.

- 8 Banking,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Bank Accounts Directive (Miscellaneous Banks) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 16th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 9 Town and Country Planning,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 14th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 10 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 16th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 11 Building Societies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies Act 1986 (Modifications) (No. 2) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 22nd October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Marine Pollution,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Order 1991, which was laid before the House on 1st November, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 13 Industrial Organisation and Development,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Scottish Seed Potato Development Council (Amendment) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 14th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 14 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 14th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 15 Copyright and Neighbouring Rights,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 4173/91, relating to copyright and neighbouring rights, 4174/91, relating to accession to the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works and the Rome Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations, and 4175/91, relating to rental right, lending right and certain rights related to copyright; and supports the Government's intention to seek adequate protection for copyright owners and performing artists throughout the European Community while having regard to the needs of users of copyright works and of the services of the performers—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 16 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from A. Callard for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 17 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Greg Knight*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes to One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.37 a.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 22nd November 1991 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Pensions,—Occupational Pensions (Revaluation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2606), dated 18th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 25th November 1991:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 2 Criminal Law,—Draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Evidence,—Blood Tests (Evidence of Paternity) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 494), dated 13th November 1991 [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Special Procedure Orders,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945, That no Petition has been presented against the Great Yarmouth Outer Harbour Act 1986 (Extension of Time) Order 1991 [by Act] [Chairman of Ways and Means].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—(1) Fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [The Condition of Scottish Housing]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 84]; and

(2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 25th November; to be printed [No. 83-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

- 2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 25th November; to be printed [No. 58-iii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

## MEMORANDUM

*Monday 25th November 1991*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse an additional Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the Education (Schools) Bill.

[No. 19.]

*Tuesday 26th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir John Hunt reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Child Minding and

Day Care (Registration and Inspection Fees) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2076), referred to a Committee on 7th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 85].

- 5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 19th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 88].

- 6 Customs and Excise.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2583) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 7 National Health Service.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1680) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 8 Electricity.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2490) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 9 Criminal Law.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 10 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question and add the words 'this House declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which, whilst establishing the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council as urged by the Labour Party and the opportunities for improved access to higher education it could bring, also contains provisions to centralise control of further education in the Scottish Office for which no educational or social case has been made, but offers no guarantee of the necessary investment in research, staff and facilities to meet the needs of Scotland', instead thereof.—(*Mr Donald Dewar*.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Allen McKay: 220.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 307.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 60 (Amendment on second or third reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee—(*Mr Donald Dewar*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Allen McKay: 222.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 303.

So the Question was negatived.

The Bill accordingly stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 11 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

- (a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under the Act; and
- (b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums so payable under any other enactment.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

- 12 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from delegates attending the LIFE National Conference in September 1991 for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes to Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.58 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 26th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Social Security,—(1) Draft Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations 1991,  
(2) draft Social Security (Adjudication) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1991,  
(3) draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Regulations 1991, and  
(4) draft Social Security (Introduction of Disability Living Allowance) Regulations 1991

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Police,—Police (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2650), dated 21st November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

- 3 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statutes made by—

(1) the Governing Body of St. Peter's College, Oxford, on 24th July 1991, amending the Statutes of the College, and

(2) the Governing Body of Trinity College, Cambridge, on 5th June 1991, amending the Statutes of the College

[by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Housing (Scotland),—(1) Accounts of Scottish Homes for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 70] [Clerk of the House]; and

(2) Report and Accounts of Scottish Homes for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Timothy Kirkhope (nominated in respect of the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Irvine Patnick.

- 2 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory

Instruments, &c., Mr Tim Yeo (nominated in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Sir George Young.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 25th November; to be printed [No. 61-ii] [Mr Frank Field].
- 2 Statutory Instruments,—Fourth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-iv] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 3 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 26th November; to be printed [No. 86-i] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 20.]

*Wednesday 27th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to City of Edinburgh District Council: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 3rd December and to be printed [Bill 12].
- 2 Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Strathclyde Regional Council: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 3rd December and to be printed [Bill 13].
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 6 European Standing Committee B,—Mr James Lamond reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:
 

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 7485/91, relating to child care; and supports the Government's view that the terms of the Recommendation are welcome in principle, subject to detailed changes to improve the text to ensure adequate recognition of the principle of parental choice and the involvement of the private and voluntary sectors, and to ensure that the wide range of developments in childcare services, leave and other arrangements for employed parents are not adversely affected by the imposition of statutory arrangements.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.
- 7 Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill,—Mr Secretary Baker, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Rifkind, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley and Mr John Patten, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to persons who commit offences under section 12(1) of the Theft Act 1968 in relation to a mechanically propelled vehicle where additional circumstances are present relating to the driving of or damage to the vehicle: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 14].
- 8 Legal Profession,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 9 Opposition day [1st allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Housing.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House is appalled by the complacent attitude of the Government towards the high levels of mortgage debt and repossession which are due to the Government's high interest rate policy, unemployment, the slump in the property market and the general mismanagement of the economy; notes that close to one hundred thousand homes will be repossessed this year and one in twelve mortgage payers is two months or more in arrears; and calls on the Government to introduce a mortgage rescue scheme as a matter of urgency—(*Mr Clive Soley*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes the fact that interest rates have been set at a level within the European Exchange Rate Mechanism which has succeeded in substantially reducing inflation; and congratulates Her Majesty's Government on the continued success of its policies to put a decent home within reach of every family, by promoting home occupation, by the success of the right to buy, by securing greater private sector investment, by promoting diversification of tenure and tenant involvement, by directing public expenditure so as to secure more effective use of resources and improved performance from housing authorities and by increasing the budget of the Housing Corporation by 94 per cent. over three years', instead thereof.—(*Sir George Young*.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Jack Thompson: 224.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 315.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House welcomes the fact that interest rates have been set at a level within the European Exchange Rate Mechanism which has succeeded in substantially reducing inflation; and congratulates Her Majesty's Government on the continued success of its policies to put a decent home within reach of every family, by promoting home occupation, by the success of the right to buy, by securing greater private sector investment, by promoting diversification of tenure and tenant involvement, by directing public expenditure so as to secure more effective use of resources and improved performance from housing authorities and by increasing the budget of the Housing Corporation by 94 per cent. over three years.

Sports Provision in the United Kingdom.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House expresses its concern at the effects of the policies of Her Majesty's Government on the provision of facilities and opportunities for sport and recreation in this country; deplores the fact that the Minister's review initiated four years ago into the organisation and financing of sport has still not reported; regrets the serious decline of school sport and the proper supply of physical education teachers which should be seen as the foundation upon which all United Kingdom sport is established; condemns the appalling effects of Government policies and financing which have seriously damaged sports services provided by local authorities and educational authorities, undermining the right of all children to learn to swim, and of all citizens to enjoy their chosen leisure pursuits; condemns the lack of leadership provided by the Government for the development of United Kingdom sport and the promotion of major international sports events such as the Olympics, Commonwealth Games and world events; and endorses the policies set out in the Labour Party's 'Charter for Sport'—(*Mr Denis Howell*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes the commitment of Her Majesty's Government to sport in the United Kingdom in the provision of grant to the Sports Council for 1992-93 of £48.8 million, which has been increased in line with forecast inflation next year, complemented by new funds of the order of £40 million this year from the Sports and Arts Foundation and the £20 million per annum additional money from the Football Trust, and a further £0.7 million for the Champion Coaching Scheme; recognises the important decision to make physical education a mandatory subject in the National Curriculum from the start of the next academic year and the lead given by Her Majesty's Government in international matters such as drug abuse and the participation of South Africa in international sport; and further believes that Her Majesty's Government has demonstrated its high priorities in the sporting field as opposed to the

out-dated, uncosted, bureaucratic, interfering and irrelevant policies of Her Majesty's Opposition and its allies', instead thereof.—(*Mr Robert Atkins.*)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 195.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 329.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr James Wallace, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 67.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House welcomes the commitment of Her Majesty's Government to sport in the United Kingdom in the provision of grant to the Sports Council for 1992-93 of £48.8 million, which has been increased in line with forecast inflation next year, complemented by new funds of the order of £40 million this year from the Sports and Arts Foundation and the £20 million per annum additional money from the Football Trust, and a further £0.7 million for the Champion Coaching Scheme; recognises the important decision to make physical education a mandatory subject in the National Curriculum from the start of the next academic year and the lead given by Her Majesty's Government in international matters such as drug abuse and the participation of South Africa in international sport; and further believes that Her Majesty's Government has demonstrated its high priorities in the sporting field as opposed to the out-dated, uncosted, bureaucratic, interfering and irrelevant policies of Her Majesty's Opposition and its allies.

- 10 European Community Budget,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7184/91, relating to the Preliminary Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1992, 7368/91, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 1 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, 8442/91, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 2 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 20th November 1991, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 3 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, 7731/91, relating to the Draft Budget for 1992, 9092/91, relating to the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the Draft Budget, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 18th November 1991, relating to Council consideration of the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications, and 8719/91, relating to revision of the Financial Perspective for 1992; and supports the Government's efforts to maintain budget discipline and ensure that the Financial Regulation is applied strictly—(*Mr Francis Maude*);

Notice having been taken that strangers were present, Madam Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 143 (Withdrawal of strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That strangers do withdraw:—It was negatived.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7184/91, relating to the Preliminary Draft Budget of the European Communities for 1992, 7368/91, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 1 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, 8442/91, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 2 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 20th November 1991, relating to Letter of Amendment No. 3 to the Preliminary Draft Budget, 7731/91, relating to the Draft Budget for 1992, 9092/91, relating to the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications to the Draft Budget, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by HM Treasury on 18th November 1991, relating to Council consideration of the European Parliament's proposed amendments and modifications, and 8719/91, relating to revision of the Financial Perspective for 1992; and supports the Government's efforts to maintain budget discipline and ensure that the Financial Regulation is applied strictly;

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Madam Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.



11 Procedure,—*Ordered*, That Sir William Clark, Mr Roger Sims and Sir Charles Morrison be discharged from the Select Committee on Procedure and Mr James Hill, Mr Patrick Nicholls and Sir Gerrard Neale be added to the Committee.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*.)

12 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) the congregation of Union Chapel, Bath, and

(2) Mr Michael Lester

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn— (*Mr Sydney Chapman*);

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And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.21 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 27th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Northern Ireland,—(1) Draft Electricity (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991, and

(2) draft Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1991

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

2 Rating and Valuation,—Draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

3 Northern Ireland,—(1) Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2628), and

(2) Judicial Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2631),

dated 19th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

4 Fair Employment (Northern Ireland),—Report and Accounts of the Fair Employment Commission for Northern Ireland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 13] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

5 Industry,—Report and Accounts of the National Enterprise Board for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

6 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on Southern Newspapers plc and EMAP plc, Pearson plc, Reed International plc and Trinity Holdings plc: the proposed transfer of controlling interests as defined in section 57(4) of the Fair Trading Act 1973 [by Command] [Cm. 1772] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

7 Treaty Series (No. 82, 1991),—Agreement, done at London on 20th June 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic concerning the development of economic, industrial, scientific and technical co-operation [by Command] [Cm. 1749] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

8 Treaty Series (No. 83, 1991),—Amendment to Annexes II and III to the European Interim Agreement on Social Security other than schemes for Old Age, Invalidity and Survivors, signed at Paris on 11th December 1953 [by Command] [Cm. 1750] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

9 Treaty Series (No. 84, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Port of Spain on 9th October 1990, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

and the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Trinidad and Tobago Debt Agreement No. 2 (1990)) [by Command] [Cm. 1751] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

- 10 Treaty Series (No. 85, 1991),—Agreement, done at London on 25th May 1989, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the People's Republic of the Congo for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 1752] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991, viz.: Mr Jim Cousins, Mr John Cummings, Mr Stephen Dorrell, Mr Frank Field, Mrs Sylvia Heal, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Charles Kennedy, Mr Michael Shersby, Mr Roger Sims, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr Chris Smith, Mr Andy Stewart, Sir Ian Stewart, Mr Hugo Summerson, Mr Ian Taylor, Mr Peter Temple-Morris, Mr Donald Thompson, Audrey Wise and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 2 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Peter Archer, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr John Patten, Mr Stuart Randall, Mr Cyril D. Townsend, Mr Richard Tracey, Mr David Tredinnick, Mr Neville Trotter, Mr Peter Viggers, Sir Dennis Walters, Mr John Ward, Mr Ray Whitney and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 3 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Frank Dobson, Sir Patrick Duffy, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Greg Knight, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mr Colin Moynihan, Mr Gordon Oakes, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Lewis Stevens, Sir Peter Tapsell, Sir Teddy Taylor, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mr Neil Thorne, Mr Peter Thurnham, Mr John Townend, Mr George Walden, Mr Gary Waller and Mr David Young.
- 4 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Joe Ashton, Mr John Battle, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Tony Benn, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mildred Gordon, Dr John Marek, Sir Michael Marshall, Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr Anthony Nelson, Mr Patrick Nicholls, Mr Steve Norris, Sir Geoffrey Pattie, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr Barry Porter, Mr Tim Rathbone, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 5 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Joe Benton, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Max Madden, Mr David Marshall, Mr Chris Mullin, Mr Dave Nellist, Mr David Porter, Mr William Powell, Sir David Price, Ms Joyce Quin, Mrs Marion Roe, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr David Shaw, Sir William Shelton, Mr Colin Shepherd and Mr Richard Shepherd.
- 6 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Hugh Dykes and Mr George Howarth (nominated in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mr Clive Soley and Sir John Wheeler.
- 7 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr David Evans (nominated in respect of the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991); and had appointed in substitution Mrs Ann Winterton.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—(1) First Report from the Defence Committee [Anglo/French Defence Co-operation], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 91]; and  
(2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 45-ii]  
[Mr Michael Mates].
  - 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 93] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
  - 3 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 92-i]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee  
[Mr Ron Leighton].
  - 4 Energy,—First Report from the Energy Committee [Privatisation of Northern Ireland Electricity], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 25] [Dr Michael Clark].
  - 5 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 55-ii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
  - 6 European Legislation,—Third Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-iii] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
  - 7 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 21-ii] [Mr David Howell].
  - 8 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 29-iv] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
  - 9 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 94-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
  - 10 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 27th November; to be printed [No. 44-ii] [Sir Antony Buck].
  - 11 Public Accounts,—(1) Sixth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Ministry of Defence: Collaborative Projects]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 95]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 27th November; to be printed [No. 96-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].
  - 12 Trade and Industry,—First Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Takeovers and Mergers], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 90] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
  - 13 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 87-i] [Mr David Marshall].
  - 14 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 58-iv] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
  - 15 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 27th November; to be printed [No. 89-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].
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## MEMORANDA

Wednesday 27th November 1991

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—

(1) the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee;

(2) the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(3) the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(4) the Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(5) the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(6) the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill;

(2) Mr James Lamond an additional Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill;

(3) Mr James Hill Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Papua New Guinea), (Morocco), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and Denmark) Orders 1991;

(4) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991;

(5) Mr Geraint Howells Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991;

(6) Mr Michael Latham Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991;

(7) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991;

(8) Sir Robert Rhodes James Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991;

(9) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991;

(10) Sir Giles Shaw Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991; and

(11) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 6762/89, relating to completion of the internal market and approximation of indirect taxes, 6641/90, relating to a common system of Value Added Tax, 6642/90, relating to administrative co-operation in the field of indirect taxation and 9670/90, relating to arrangements for products subject to excise duty and the holding, movement and control of such products.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Documents Nos. 7816/91, relating to speed limitation devices for certain categories of motor vehicles, 8046/91, relating to installation and use of speed limitation devices for certain categories of motor vehicles, 8950/91 and 9136/91, relating to amendments to the legal framework of the Common Agricultural Policy, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture,

Fisheries and Food on 20th November 1991, relating to fisheries guide and other prices for 1992, to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 25th November 1991, relating to the dignity of women and men at work, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 21.]

Thursday 28th November 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Royal Assent,—Mr Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Act, agreed upon by both Houses:

London Underground (Safety Measures) Act 1991.

- 2 British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Monday 2nd December at Seven o'clock.

- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

- 5 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

- 6 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Testing in Primary Schools (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1682), referred to a Committee on 7th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 101].

- 7 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords concur with the Commons in their Message [25th November] relating to the King's Cross Railways Bill.

- 8 Private Bills,—The Orders [25th November] relating to the King's Cross Railways Bill being read;

King's Cross Railways Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board and London Underground Limited to construct works and to purchase or use land at King's Cross in the London Boroughs of Camden and Islington; to confer further powers on the Board and the Company; and for other and related purposes, was read the first and second time, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

- 9 Broadcasting,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 10 Welsh Development Agency Bill,—The Welsh Development Agency Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

Further proceedings on the Bill stood postponed, pursuant to Order [22nd November].

- 11 Welsh Development Agency Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Welsh Development Agency Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Welsh Development Agency Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament or out of the National Loans Fund or charged on and issued out of the Consolidated Fund; and

(b) any increase in the sums payable into either of those Funds,

which is attributable to increasing the limit in section 18(3) of the Welsh Development Agency Act 1975 from £700 million to £950 million.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

12 Welsh Development Agency Bill,—The House, pursuant to Order [22nd November], immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Welsh Development Agency Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

13 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from members of the congregation of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Portswood, Southampton, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Thursday 28th November 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Housing (Scotland),—Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991, dated 19th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

2 Local Government,—North Yorkshire and West Yorkshire (County and District Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2651), dated 19th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

3 Sea Fisheries,—Conservation of Seals (Common Seals) (Shetland Islands Area) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2638), dated 21st November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

4 Development of Tourism,—Statement of appointment of a part-time member of the English Tourist Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

5 Indemnities,—Office of Arts and Libraries Minute concerning indemnities given to owners of objects on loan to the British Museum [by Command] [Mr Tim Renton].

6 Local Government,—Welsh Local Government Financial Statistics, No. 15, 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

7 Prisons (Northern Ireland),—Report on the work of the Northern Ireland Prison Service for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 46] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

First Scottish Standing Committee,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated twenty-five Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Robert Banks, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr Tam Dalyell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Michael Forsyth, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Mr Robert Hughes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr John Marshall, Sir Hector

Monro, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Andrew Rowe, Mr Nicholas Soames, Mr Nicol Stephen, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker, Mr Charles Wardle, Mr Mike Watson and Mr Tony Worthington.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—First Report from the Agriculture Committee [Commodity Markets in the 1990s – Cereals]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 98] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Sitings of the House,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sitings of the House Committee on 28th November; to be printed [No. 20-iii] [Mr Michael Jopling].

[No. 22.]

*Friday 29th November 1991.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee, and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Employment,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Employment Committee on 20th November be printed [No. 103].
- 4 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from the Reverend P. J. Kearney and others for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 5 Employment Policies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the great progress that has been made in employment and the reduction of strikes since 1979 and condemns the employment policies of the Labour Party, particularly its proposals to encourage strikes, to accept every aspect of the European Commission's Social Action Programme and to impose a national statutory minimum wage, all of which would significantly increase burdens on British employers, undermine competitiveness and destroy jobs—(*Mr Derek Conway*);  
And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
- 6 European Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That European Community Documents Nos. 8356/90, relating to agricultural production methods, COM(91)258, relating to the development and future of the Common Agricultural Policy, 8886/91, relating to reform of the Common Agricultural Policy, and 8950/91 and 9136/91, relating to amendments to the legal framework of the Common Agricultural Policy, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee A.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 7 Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill,—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 8 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr David Davis*.)  
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 2nd December.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

### APPENDIX I

*Friday 29th November 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

#### *Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Ancient Monuments,—Ancient Monuments (Claims for Compensation) (Wales) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2647), dated 18th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

- 2 Mental Health,—Amendment to the Mental Health Act 1983 Code of Practice [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 3 Public Procurement,—(1) Public Supply Contracts Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2679), and  
(2) Public Works Contracts Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2680),  
dated 28th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Industrial Organisation and Development,—Reports and Accounts of the Apple and Pear Research Council for the period 11th December 1989 to 31st March 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 5 Inland Revenue,—Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue for 1990-91 [by Command] [Cm. 1767] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 6 Police (Northern Ireland),—Accounts of the Police Authority for Northern Ireland, the Royal Ulster Constabulary Fund and the Police Property Fund for 1990-91; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 69] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 87, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Wellington on 12th February 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of New Zealand amending the Agreement concerning Air Services signed at London on 4th October 1982 [by Command] [Cm. 1754] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 88, 1991),—Treaty, done at Moscow on 12th September 1990, on the Final Settlement with respect to Germany; with Declaration suspending the Operation of Quadripartite Rights and Responsibilities, done at New York on 1st October 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 1756] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 89, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Budapest on 22nd March and 25th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Hungary amending the Agreement concerning the Establishment of the International Peto Institute in Budapest signed at Budapest on 12th February 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1755] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 10 Treaty Series (No. 90, 1991),—Films Co-Production Agreement, done at Canberra on 12th June 1990, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Australia [by Command] [Cm. 1758] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Reports from Select Committees*

Statutory Instruments,—Second Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 15-ii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

## MEMORANDUM

*Friday 29th November 1991*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Michael Latham Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Morocco), (Papua New Guinea), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and (Denmark) Orders 1991, in place of Mr James Hill; and

(2) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991, in place of Mr Michael Latham.



[No. 23.]

Monday 2nd December 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 European Standing Committee B,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 6762/89 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H.M. Customs and Excise on 15th July 1991, relating to completion of the Internal Market and approximation of indirect taxes, 6641/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memoranda submitted by H.M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1990, 17th May 1991, 15th October 1991 and 25th November 1991, relating to the common system of Value Added Tax, 6642/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H.M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1991, relating to administrative co-operation in the field of indirect taxation, and 9670/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H.M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1991, relating to the general arrangements for the holding, movement and control of products subject to excise duty; and congratulates the Government on negotiating an agreement on indirect tax rates, which in particular safeguards the Government's right to continue its existing zero rates for VAT and an agreement on the VAT technical system which provides for the effective operation of the intra-Community VAT system after 1992, and includes provision for the continuation of intra-Community tax-free shopping for a transitional period, together with an agreement on enhanced administrative co-operation arrangements which will help to combat fraud; supports the proposals on the movement and control of excise goods, which in particular include provision for the continuation of intra-Community duty-free shopping for a transitional period, and for minimum indicative limits to distinguish between commercial and private cross-border transactions in alcohol and tobacco; and welcomes the significant progress which these agreements and proposals represent toward the abolition of fiscal frontiers and the creation of the single market.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 4 Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):— It was agreed to.
- 5 Transport and Works Bill,—The Transport and Works Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 6 Transport and Works Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Transport and Works Bill [Money];
 

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Transport and Works Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

  - (a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under the Act, and
  - (b) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)
- 7 British Railways Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways Bill.
 

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 8 Employment and Training,—*Resolved*, That the draft Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 13th November, be approved.—(*Mr Eric Forth*.)
- 9 Judges,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 14th November, be approved.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):— It was agreed to.

- 10 Child Care,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7485/91, relating to child care; and supports the Government's view that the terms of the Recommendation are welcome in principle, subject to detailed changes to improve the text to ensure adequate recognition of the principle of parental choice and the involvement of the private and voluntary sectors, and to ensure that the wide range of developments in child care services, leave and other arrangements for employed parents are not adversely affected by the imposition of statutory arrangements—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):—It was agreed to.
- 11 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Mr Michael Crosley, D.S.C. and bar, for justice in relation to his disability pension was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);
- And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 13 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Monday 2nd December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Parliament,—Draft Ministerial and other Salaries Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Supreme Court of England and Wales,—Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment No. 4) 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2671), dated 21st November 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 3 Tribunals and Inquiries,—Tribunals and Inquiries (Specified Tribunals) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2699), dated 2nd December 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Judicature (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of Funds in Court of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of the County Courts in Northern Ireland for 1989-90; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 104] [Clerk of the House].
- 5 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the Petition [13th November] from Mrs Janet Burke against export of live horses for slaughter [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 2nd December; to be printed [No. 106-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 24.]

Tuesday 3rd December 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 King's Cross Railways Bill,—*Ordered*, That the King's Cross Railways Bill be considered on Thursday.
- 2 City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill.  
Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.
- 3 Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill.  
Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.
- 4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 5 Liaison,—Mr Terence L. Higgins reported, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That the Liaison Committee had directed him to report the following recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on allotted days (being the first allotted day in the present Session):  
That a day not later than 6th February be allotted for the consideration of the following Supplementary Estimates for the financial year 1991-92:
  1. Class XIV, Vote 1, Central government administered social security benefits and other payments, in so far as it relates to the financing of private residential and nursing home fees; and
  2. Class V, Vote 9, Privatisation of the coal industry, in so far as it relates to the future of the coal industry;
 and that debate on the first of these Estimates be concluded not later than three hours after its commencement.  
Report to lie upon the Table.
- 6 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 7 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Bathing Waters (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1609), referred to a Committee on 7th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 108].
- 8 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Robert Rhodes James reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 11th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 107].
- 9 Liaison,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 3rd December be printed [No. 110].
- 10 Housing (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 11 Prison Security Bill,—The Prison Security Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 12 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
  - (1) Joan M. Gibbons and
  - (2) members of the congregation of St. Austin's Church, Wakefield

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

- 14 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 3rd December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Social Security,—Social Security (Graduated Retirement Benefit) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2707), dated 3rd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Health Service Commissioner,—First Report of the Health Service Commissioner for Session 1991–92 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 74] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Fifth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 3rd December; to be printed [Nos. 14-v and vi] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 2 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 3rd December; to be printed [No. 86-ii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 25.]

*Wednesday 4th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.
- 2 Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 4 Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed her to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill to be read the third time.
- 5 Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*],—The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained

in the Preamble to the Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill to be read the third time.

- 6 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 7 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 8 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Michael Latham reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man), (Papua New Guinea), (Morocco), (Czechoslovakia), (Iceland), (Finland) and (Denmark) Orders 1991, referred to a Committee on 19th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 118].
- 9 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 21st November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No.116].
- 10 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Students' Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1522), referred to a Committee on 7th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 114].
- 11 National Lottery Bill,—Mr Ivan Lawrence, supported by Sir Bernard Braine, Sir Richard Luce, Mr John Moore, Mr Denis Howell, Mr John Lee, Mr Richard Tracey, Mr Ken Hargreaves, Kate Hoey and Sir Cyril Smith, presented a Bill to establish a national lottery for the benefit of the arts, sport and heritage; to make provision for its regulation, licensing and conduct; to provide for the allocation by trustees of the proceeds of the lottery, save for a proportion to be paid into the Consolidated Fund; to provide that any residue shall be applied to such charitable purposes as those trustees may determine; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 16].
- 12 Traffic Calming Bill,—Mr Keith Mans, supported by Mr David Amess, Mr John Bowis, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Kenneth Hind, Mr Gerald Howarth, Dr Kim Howells, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr John Lee, Emma Nicholson, Mr David Alton and Mr Tony Banks, presented a Bill to make provision about the carrying out on highways of works affecting the movement of vehicular and other traffic for the purposes of promoting safety and of preserving or improving the environment; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th January and to be printed [Bill 17].
- 13 Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill,—Mr Roger Sims, supported by Mr Sam Galbraith, Sir David Price, Hilary Armstrong, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Dudley Fishburn, Mr John Butterfill, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Jack Ashley and Emma Nicholson, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to medicinal products prescribed or otherwise ordered by registered nurses, midwives and health visitors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 18].
- 14 Timeshare Bill,—Mr Andrew Hunter, supported by Mr Michael Brown, Mr John Carlisle, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Michael Lord, Mr Humfrey Malins, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr Ian Taylor and Mr John Watts, presented a Bill to provide for rights to cancel certain agreements about timeshare accommodation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 19].
- 15 Wild Mammals (Protection) Bill,—Mr Kevin McNamara, supported by Mr Terry Lewis, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Ron Davies, Mr Alan Williams, Mr Andrew Welsh, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Simon Hughes, Sir Teddy Taylor, Dame Janet Fookes, Mr Elliot Morley and Mr Tony Banks, presented a Bill to make provision for the protection of wild mammals from cruelty; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th February and to be printed [Bill 20].
- 16 Referendum Bill,—Mr Richard Shepherd presented a Bill to require a national referendum as a precondition of the ratification of certain treaties: And the same was read the first

time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st February and to be printed [Bill 21].

- 17 Freedom of Information Bill,—Mr Archy Kirkwood, supported by Mr Robert MacLennan, Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Chris Smith, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr Jeff Rooker, Emma Nicholson, Mr Jonathan Aitken, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr James Wallace, Sir Teddy Taylor and Mr Dafydd Wigley, presented a Bill to establish a general right of access to official records for members of the public subject to certain exemptions; to provide for the correction of inaccurate records; to require the publication of certain information; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th January and to be printed [Bill 22].
- 18 Home Rule (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Menzies Campbell, supported by Mr Paddy Ashdown, Sir Russell Johnston, Sir David Steel, Mr James Wallace, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mrs Ray Michie, Mr Robert MacLennan, Mr Charles Kennedy, Mr Nicol Stephen, Mr Richard Livsey and Mr Archy Kirkwood, presented a Bill to establish and entrench a Scottish Parliament elected by a system of proportional representation, with revenue-raising powers, to assume legislative authority on all matters of public policy relating to Scotland, under reservation of matters relating to defence, international and macro-economic affairs which shall remain the preserve of the United Kingdom Parliament; to provide for changes in the constitution and functions of certain public bodies; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 23].
- 19 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—Mr Alfred Morris, supported by Mr Jack Ashley, Sir Richard Body, Sir David Steel, the Reverend Martin Smyth, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr John Hannam, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Richard Shepherd, Mr Dafydd Wigley and Mr Robert N. Wareing, presented a Bill to prohibit discrimination against disabled people on the ground of their disability; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 24].
- 20 Still-Birth (Definition) Bill,—Mrs Rosie Barnes, supported by Dr David Owen, Mr John Cartwright, Mr Nicholas Winterton, Mr Simon Hughes, Mrs Ann Winterton, Mr David Hinchliffe, Sir David Price, Mrs Sylvia Heal, Mr Roger Sims, Kate Hoey and Mr Peter Thurnham, presented a Bill to amend the law in respect of the definition of still-birth; to make certain consequential amendments of the law; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 25].
- 21 Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Harry Ewing, supported by Mr David Marshall, Mr Alex Eadie, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr William McKelvey, Mr John McAllion, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Jimmy Wray and Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, presented a Bill to provide for a period during which the parties in a timeshare purchase may withdraw; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th February and to be printed [Bill 26].
- 22 Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill,—Mr Jeff Rooker, supported by Mr Dafydd Wigley, Dr Norman A. Godman, Sir Richard Body, Mr John Garrett, Mr Seamus Mallon, Mr Nigel Forman, the Reverend Martin Smyth, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Jo Richardson, Emma Nicholson and Mrs Sylvia Heal, presented a Bill to amend the Companies Act 1985 with respect to the disclosure of information in the directors' report; to permit regulations to be made requiring the publication of certain information by public authorities and nationalised industries; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 27].
- 23 Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill,—Mr Keith Raffan, supported by Mr Gareth Wardell, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Ian Grist, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Richard Livsey, Mr Geraint Howells, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Dr Dafydd Elis Thomas and Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, presented a Bill to enable the Wales Tourist Board to carry on abroad activities to promote tourism to and within Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 28].
- 24 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—Mr Rhodri Morgan, supported by Mr Win Griffiths, Mr William O'Brien, Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Alan W. Williams and Mr Dennis Turner, presented a Bill to clarify the law relating to the supply of medical equipment to National Health Service patients: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th January and to be printed [Bill 29].
- 25 Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo, supported by Mr Andy Stewart, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Jim Lester, Mrs Llin Golding,

Mr Michael Knowles, Mr Terry Davis, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Norman Hogg, Mr Richard Alexander and Mr Jacques Arnold, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to anonymity in connection with allegations of, and criminal proceedings relating to, certain sexual offences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 30].

- 26 Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Merlyn Rees, supported by Mr Derek Fatchett, Mr John Battle, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Jim Marshall and Mr Alun Michael, presented a Bill to amend the Housing Act 1985, so as to add the criteria of internal arrangement and thermal efficiency to the fitness standard; to provide for the enforcement of the fitness standard where only part of a unit of accommodation fails this standard; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th February and to be printed [Bill 31].
- 27 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Michael Lord, supported by Mr Andrew Hunter, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr Humfrey Malins, Sir Michael Marshall, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Patrick Thompson, Sir Hal Miller, Mr Richard Page and Mr Ian Taylor, presented a Bill to empower the Secretary of State to extend the period for which firearm and shot gun certificates are granted or renewed: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 32].
- 28 Impact of Disasters Bill,—Mr Keith Vaz presented a Bill to provide that persons involved with and in a disaster receive psychological assessment and, as required, psychological treatment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 33].
- 29 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill,—Mr Phillip Oppenheim, supported by Dame Janet Fookes, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Geraint Howells, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr Tony Speller, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Richard Alexander and Mr Robert B. Jones, presented a Bill to require appropriate Ministers and relevant bodies to have regard to the conservation of flora and fauna in the discharge of their functions under the Sea Fisheries Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 34].
- 30 Education (School Premises) Bill,—Mrs Edwina Currie, supported by Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Peter Viggers, Mr Gerald Howarth, Mr Roger King, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Denis Howell, Kate Hoey, Mr Tom Pendry, Mr Kevin Barron and Mr Menzies Campbell, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the agreements which may be entered into by the governors of a voluntary school, or the governing body of a county or maintained special school, concerning the use of school premises outside school hours: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th January and to be printed [Bill 35].
- 31 Welsh Affairs,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98 (Welsh Grand Committee), That the Matter of the urban and rural regeneration of Wales, being a Matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for its consideration—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.
- 32 Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8356/90, relating to agricultural production methods, 7570/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 13th November 1991, relating to the development and future of the Common Agricultural Policy, and 8886/91 + COR 1, 8950/91 and 9136/91, relating to amendments to the legal framework of the Common Agricultural Policy; and supports the Government's intention to seek reform of the Common Agricultural Policy which will make Community agriculture more market-orientated and efficient, will put more emphasis on environmental care, will reduce the cost of that Policy and will apply fairly throughout the Community—(*Mr John Selwyn Gummer*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 7, to leave out from the word 'and' to the end of the Question and add the words 'believes the Government should make every effort to restore the confidence, stability and profitability of the British agricultural industry by introducing a ten-year plan for farmers, giving them the opportunity to compete on equal terms with their European counterparts and introducing measures to

safeguard the future of the family farm in the United Kingdom', instead thereof.—(*Mr Geraint Howells.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Alex Carlile: 28.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 152.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8356/90, relating to agricultural production methods, 7570/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 13th November 1991, relating to the development and future of the Common Agricultural Policy, and 8886/91 + COR 1, 8950/91 and 9136/91, relating to amendments to the legal framework of the Common Agricultural Policy; and supports the Government's intention to seek reform of the Common Agricultural Policy which will make Community agriculture more market-orientated and efficient, will put more emphasis on environmental care, will reduce the cost of that Policy and will apply fairly throughout the Community.

33 Housing.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Area and Constitution) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 18th October, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

34 Welsh Grand Committee.—*Ordered*, That, during the proceedings on the Matter of the urban and rural regeneration of Wales, the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it shall meet; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after the Committee has considered the Matter for two hours at that sitting.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

35 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Wolverhampton against Government proposals for adult education was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

36 Adjournment.—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.16 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 4th December 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Draft Ports Act 1991 (Levy on Disposals of Land, etc.) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 2 Pensions,—Draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase (No. 2) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 3 Representation of the People,—Draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 4 Social Security,—(1) Draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating (No. 2) Order 1991, and (2) draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating) (No. 2) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 5 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft Statutory Sick Pay (Rate of Payment) (No. 2) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 6 Consumer Protection,—Heating Appliances (Fireguards) (Safety) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2693), dated 28th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].



- 7 Defence,—Armed Forces (Compensation Limits) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2720), dated 3rd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary King].
- 8 Monopolies and Mergers,—Merger Reference (Medicopharma NV and AAH Holdings plc) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2702), dated 2nd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

*Other Papers:*

- 9 Boundary Commission,—Report of the Boundary Commission for England with respect to the areas comprised in the European Parliamentary constituencies of Bedfordshire South and Oxford and Buckinghamshire [by Act]; to be printed [No. 39] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 10 Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Statements by the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales concerning the separation of younger from older patients in hospital [by Act]; to be printed [No. 81] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 11 European Communities (No. 45, 1991),—Agreement in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 27th April 1990 relating to the 1981 Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on trade in the sheepmeat and goatmeat sector [by Command] [Cm. 1727] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 12 Forestry,—(1) Financial Statements and Accounts of the Forestry Authority and Forestry Enterprise for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 36] [Mr Francis Maude]; and  
(2) Report and Accounts of the Forestry Commission for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 36] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 13 Industrial Training,—Report and Accounts of the Road Transport Industry Training Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 14 Law Commissions,—Report of the Scottish Law Commission for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 33] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 15 Social Security,—Report by the Government Actuary on the drafts of the Social Security Benefits Up-rating (No. 2) Order 1991 and the Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating) (No. 2) Order 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1779] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 16 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy was laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:  
Merger Reference (Medicopharma NV and AAH Holdings plc) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2702)  
[by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].
- 17 Treaty Series (No. 91, 1991),—Agreement, done at Tunis on 2nd May 1990, between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and India, and the Government of the Tunisian Republic concerning Commonwealth war cemeteries, graves and memorials in Tunisia [by Command] [Cm. 1721] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 18 Treaty Series (No. 92, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Oslo on 10th and 12th June 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway concerning the export from the United Kingdom to the Kingdom of Norway of thirty-six irradiated fuel pins [by Command] [Cm. 1722] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 19 Treaty Series (No. 93, 1991),—Amendment to Article 16, Paragraph 1 of the Statute of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law, Rome 15th March 1940, adopted at the Thirty-seventh Session of the General Assembly on 9th November 1984 [by Command] [Cm. 1728] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Transport and Works Bill, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Michael Carttiss, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Bob Dunn, Mr David Evennett, Mr Ronnie Fearn, Mr Barry Field, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr

Patrick McLoughlin, Mr Roger Moate, Sir Michael Neubert, Mr Peter Snape, Mr Nigel Spearing, Mr Neil Thorne and Joan Walley.

- 2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Prison Security Bill, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Peter Archer, Mr David Ashby, Mr Matthew Carrington, Mr William Cash, Sir John Farr, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mr Greg Knight, Mr Robert Litherland, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Richard Page, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mrs Angela Rumbold, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Roger Sims, Mr David Trimble, Mr Keith Vaz and Mr Robert N. Wareing.
- 3 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991, viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr David Clelland, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Den Dover, Mr John Fraser, Mr James Hill, Mr Michael Irvine, Mr Greville Janner, Sir Nicholas Lyell, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr Irvine Patnick, Sir Timothy Raison, Mr Tim Smith, Mr Tony Speller, Mr Michael Stern and Mr Alan Williams.
- 4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991, viz.: Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Hugh Dykes, Mr Michael Fallon, Mr Derek Fatchett, Mr Andrew Faulds, Mr Terry Fields, Mildred Gordon, Mr Peter Hain, Kate Hoey, Mr Doug Hoyle, Mr Andrew Hunter, Mr Tim Janman, Sir Peter Morrison, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Tom Sackville, Sir Dudley Smith, Mr Keith Speed and Mr Matthew Taylor.
- 5 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr Tam Dalyell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr George Galloway, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Ralph Howell, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr John Maxton, Sir Hector Monro, Sir Charles Morrison, Mr Michael Spicer, Mr Ivor Stanbrook, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr Bill Walker and Mr Jimmy Wray.
- 6 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Alan Amos, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr John Bowis, Mr Richard Caborn, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Robin Corbett, Mr Lawrence Cunliffe, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Sir Geoffrey Finsberg, Mr Bruce George, Mr Gerald Howarth, Mr John Hughes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Toby Jessel, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Austin Mitchell, Sir Michael Neubert, Mr James Pawsey and Mr Nicholas Soames.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 112-i] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Defence,—Second Report from the Defence Committee [Procurement of Advanced Air-to-Air Missiles], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 115] [Mr Michael Mates].
- 3 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 71-ii]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee  
[Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 113-i] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 55-iii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 6 European Legislation,—Fourth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-iv] [Mr Nigel Spearing].

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- 7 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 21-iii] [Mr David Howell].
  - 8 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 29-v] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
  - 9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 4th December; to be printed [No. 44-iii] [Sir Antony Buck].
  - 10 Procedure,—First Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [Review of European Standing Committees], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 31] [Sir Peter Emery].
  - 11 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 4th December; to be printed [No. 117-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
  - 12 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 86-iii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
  - 13 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 4th December; to be printed [No. 111-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].
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#### MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 4th December 1991*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Transport and Works Bill to Standing Committee A;
  - (2) the Prison Security Bill to Standing Committee D;
  - (3) the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (4) the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (5) the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (6) the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Mr Michael Latham Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Transport and Works Bill;

(2) Sir Anthony Meyer an additional Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Asylum Bill;

(3) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991;

(4) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991;

(5) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991;

(6) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991;

(7) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991;

(8) Sir Giles Shaw Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 7816/91 and 8046/91, relating to speed limitation devices; and

(9) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of urban and rural regeneration of Wales.

- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 8122/91, relating to encouraging audio-visual production, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 29th November 1991, relating to Association Agreements between the Community and Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 26.]

*Thursday 5th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the King's Cross Railways Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 12th December.
- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 4 Local Government Finance Bill,—Sir Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Local Government Finance Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 36].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 123].
- 5 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 26th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 119].
- 6 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Giles Shaw reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2583), referred to a Committee on 26th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 120].

- 7 Opposition day [2nd allotted day].—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

The Economy and the Recession.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the Government's economic policies, which have caused the severe and continuing recession and which are damaging all parts of the economy and all areas of the nation; and calls upon the Government to initiate without delay an investment-based recovery including financial incentives for investment in manufacturing, tax credits for the enhancement of technology, assistance for regional economic development and a major programme of education and training to tackle Britain's continuing skills crisis—(*Mr John Smith*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'welcomes Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer's Autumn Statement, which reaffirmed the Government's forecast of a modest recovery in the second half of 1991, with growth gathering pace in 1992; notes that the total output of the British economy rose in the third quarter of 1991, providing further confirmation of this forecast; and congratulates the Government on its sound and prudent economic policies, which have reduced inflation from nearly 11 per cent. to under 4 per cent., have allowed interest rates to be reduced from 15 per cent. to 10½ per cent., and have laid the foundations for sustained non-inflationary growth', instead thereof.—(*Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question; Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ken Eastham: 204.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 312.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House welcomes Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer's Autumn Statement, which reaffirmed the Government's forecast of a modest recovery in the second half of 1991, with growth gathering pace in 1992; notes that the total output of the British economy rose in the third quarter of 1991, providing further confirmation of this forecast; and congratulates the Government on its sound and prudent economic policies, which have reduced inflation from nearly 11 per cent. to under 4 per cent., have allowed interest rates to be reduced from 15 per cent. to 10½ per cent., and have laid the foundations for sustained non-inflationary growth.

- 8 Estimates.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That this House agrees with the Report [3rd December] of the Liaison Committee—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 9 Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills.—*Ordered*, That Mr Graham Allen and Mr Frank Cook be discharged from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords as the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills and Mr Derek Enright and Dr Ashok Kumar be added to the Committee.—(*Mr David Davis.*)
- 10 Procedure.—*Ordered*, That Mr Graham Allen and Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours be discharged from the Select Committee on Procedure and Mr Eric Illsley and Mr Gordon McMaster be added to the Committee.—(*Mr David Davis.*)
- 11 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Stockton-on-Tees for a review of the beer supply orders was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 12 Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from members of the congregation of St. Mary of the Annunciation, Littleborough, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 13 Adjournment.—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr David Davis.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.47 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Thursday 5th December 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Draft Ports Act 1991 (Levy on Disposals of Land, etc.) Order 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 2 Northern Ireland,—Draft Tourism (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Banks and Banking,—Banking Act 1987 (Exempt Persons) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2734), dated 27th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 4 Social Security,—(1) Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance (Consequential Provisions) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2742),  
(2) Social Security (Attendance Allowance) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2740),  
and  
(3) Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2741),  
dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Agriculture,—Government Reply to the Fourth Report from the Agriculture Committee, Session 1990-91, on disposal of fallen livestock [by Command] [Cm. 1778] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 6 Broadcasting,—Account of additional payments to the Independent Television Commission by programme contractors and of the sums paid into the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom and the Consolidated Fund of Northern Ireland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 121] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on classification of defence research and development expenditure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 105] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Sex Discrimination,—Report and Accounts of the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 9 Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Draft Ports Act 1991 (Levy on Disposals of Land, etc.) Order 1991 [laid 4th December].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 4th and 5th December; to be printed [Nos. 12-iv, -v and -vi] [Mr David Marshall].

## MEMORANDUM

*Thursday 5th December 1991*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—

- (1) Mr James Lamond an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Transport and Works Bill; and
- (2) Mr Geraint Howells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill.

[No. 27.]

Friday 6th December 1991.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Ealing and other places for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Regional Government in England,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the excessive centralisation of government in the United Kingdom since 1979 and the failure to decentralise and devolve power to the nations and regions of the United Kingdom; notes that this is in direct contrast to the general trend towards decentralisation evident elsewhere in Europe; furthermore deplores the severe cuts in the regional assistance budget since 1979 together with the failure to enact dynamic and effective regional economic policies which would have promoted balanced economic growth and prosperity; expresses alarm at the regional divisions which continue to characterise the United Kingdom economy; and considers that the creation of a regional tier of government in the English regions as well as national devolution to Scotland and Wales is now vital to the United Kingdom's future economic and political well-being—(*Ms Joyce Quin*);  

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
- 4 Access (Former Members and United Kingdom Members of the European Parliament),—*Resolved*, That this House approves the Resolution of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), in the last session of Parliament, relating to access to the House by former honourable and Right honourable Members of the House and by United Kingdom Members of the European Parliament, as set out in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Tuesday 16th July 1991 (HC 209-iv).—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 5 Travel by Members to European Community Institutions,—*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this House, provision should be made as from 1st January 1992 for reimbursing Members in respect of the cost of travelling on parliamentary duties between the United Kingdom and any European Community institution in Brussels, Luxembourg or Strasbourg and any additional expenses necessarily incurred in such travelling, subject to the limit that the amount payable to a Member in any year, beginning with 1st April, shall not exceed the aggregate of—
  - (a) the cost of a return Business Class airfare for the journey on the assumption that the journey begins and ends at a London airport and that the destination is Brussels, Luxembourg or Strasbourg; and
  - (b) twice the corresponding Civil Service Class A standard subsistence rate for the time being in operation.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 6 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 11th December, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Orders Nos. 14 (Exempted business) and 15 (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (negative procedure)), Mr Speaker shall—
  - (1) not more than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Newton and Mr Neil Kinnock relating to Social Security, Pensions, and Terms and Conditions of Employment put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Newton; and
  - (2) put the Question or Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to Fisheries not more than three hours after their commencement;

and the above proceedings may continue after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 7 European Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 20th November, relating to the fisheries guide and other prices, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee A.—(*Mr David Davis*.)

- 8 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);

And the Motion having been made at half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday 9th December.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

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APPENDIX

Friday 6th December 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Defence,—Naval Courts-Martial General Orders (Royal Navy) 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2737), dated 2nd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary King].
- 2 Local Government,—Mid Devon, Torridge and West Devon (District Boundaries) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2701), dated 29th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Police,—Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (Tape-recording of Interviews) (No. 1) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2687), dated 29th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 4 Protection of Wrecks,—Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 2) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2746), dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 5 Social Security,—Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2695), dated 28th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Belgium (No. 1, 1991),—Agreement, done at Brussels on 29th May 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two countries, with exchange of letters [by Command] [Cm. 1735] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
  - 7 Children,—Report by the Secretaries of State for Health and for Wales on particulars of the number of children in care of local authorities under the Children and Young Persons Act 1969, the Children Act 1989 and other legislation, the manner of their accommodation and the estimated costs of maintenance; and the number of children in registered voluntary homes or placed in foster homes by voluntary organisations [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
  - 8 Education, Science and Arts,—Government Response to the First Report of the Education, Science and Arts Committee, Session 1990-91, on science policy and the European dimension [by Command] [Cm. 1780] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
  - 9 France (No. 1, 1991),—Agreement, done at London on 23rd July 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the French Republic relating to the completion of the delimitation of the continental shelf in the southern North Sea, with notes exchanged at Paris on 21st and 27th March 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 1732] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
  - 10 Treaty Series (No. 94, 1991),—International Wheat Agreement, 1986, incorporating the Wheat Trade Convention and the Food Aid Convention (opened for signature at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 1st May to 30th June 1986) [by Command] [Cm. 1734] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
  - 11 Treaty Series (No. 95, 1991),—Amendments, done at Geneva on 14th November 1975, to Article 18 and Annexes 1 and 2 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) [by Command] [Cm. 1736] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
  - 12 Treaty Series (No. 102, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Yaoundé on 10th April 1990 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Central African Republic concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Central African Republic Debt Agreement No. 4 (1988)) [by Command] [Cm. 1738] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
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[No. 28.]

*Monday 9th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
 

The Lords have agreed to the London Docklands Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee),—The Lords communicate that they have appointed a Select Committee of seven Lords to join with a Committee appointed by the Commons as the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, with the same orders of reference as were communicated to this House on 7th July 1987, in Session 1987-88; and that they have ordered that the Committee do meet with the Committee appointed by the Commons to-morrow at half-past Four o'clock.
- 5 Commonwealth of Europe Bill,—Mr Tony Benn presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a Commonwealth of Europe; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 37].
- 6 Cheques Bill,—Mr Conal Gregory, supported by Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Douglas French, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Sir Richard Luce, Mrs Marion Roe, Sir Gerard Vaughan, Mr Alan Williams and Mr Robert N. Wareing, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to cheques: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 38].
- 7 Rating and Valuation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.
- 8 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.
- 9 Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill,—The Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (New offence of aggravated vehicle-taking).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 22, after the word 'place', to insert the words 'by the accused or by another person incited by the accused'.—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 40.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Tim Boswell: 149.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 1, line 23, after the first word 'the', to insert the word 'reckless'.—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Obligatory disqualification).

Amendment (No. 9) proposed, in page 4, line 21, to leave out the first word 'Obligatory' and insert the word 'Discretionary'.—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed, in page 4, line 26, to leave out subsection (2).—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Timothy Kirkhope reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

10 Education,—*Resolved*, That the draft Teachers' Pay and Conditions Act 1987 (Continuation) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 20th November, be approved.—(*Mr Michael Fallon.*)

11 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 4th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

12 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Morocco) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 4th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

13 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Papua New Guinea) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 4th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

- 14 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 4th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

- 15 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Iceland) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 12th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

- 16 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Finland) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 12th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

- 17 Income Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1991 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 12th November—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

Address to be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

- 18 Value Added Tax,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Value Added Tax (Buildings and Land) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2569), dated 13th November 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th November, be approved—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

- 19 Customs and Excise,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 6) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2583), dated 15th November 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

- 20 Criminal Law,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Designated Countries and Territories) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 25th November, be approved—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

- 21 Indirect Taxation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 6762/89 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H. M. Customs and Excise on 15th July 1991, relating to completion of the Internal Market and approximation of indirect taxes, 6641/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memoranda submitted by H. M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1990, 17th May 1991, 15th October 1991 and 25th November 1991, relating to the common system of Value Added Tax, 6642/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H. M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1991, relating to administrative co-operation in the field of indirect taxation, and 9670/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by H. M. Customs and Excise on 12th November 1991, relating to the general arrangements for the holding, movement and control of products subject to excise duty; and congratulates the Government on negotiating an agreement on indirect tax rates, which in particular safeguards the Government's right to continue its existing zero rates for VAT and an agreement on the VAT technical system which provides for the effective operation of the intra-Community VAT system after 1992, and includes provision for the continuation of intra-Community tax-free shopping for a transitional period, together with an agreement on enhanced administrative co-operation arrangements which will help to combat fraud; supports the proposals on the movement and control of excise goods, which in particular include provision for the continuation of intra-Community duty-free

shopping for a transitional period, and for minimum indicative limits to distinguish between commercial and private cross-border transactions in alcohol and tobacco; and welcomes the significant progress which these agreements and proposals represent toward the abolition of fiscal frontiers and the creation of the single market—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.

22 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1) members of the congregation of St. Leo's Church, Whiston, and
- (2) residents of Epping,

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

23 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.41 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

*Monday 9th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Acquisition of Land,—(1) Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2732), and  
(2) Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2733),  
dated 3rd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr David Mellor].
- 2 Health and Safety,—(1) Electrically, Hydraulically and Oil-Electrically Operated Lifts (Components) (EEC Requirements) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2748), and  
(2) Simple Pressure Vessels (Safety) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2749),  
dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 3 Housing,—Housing (Change of Landlord) (Payment of Disposal Cost by Instalments) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2685), dated 28th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2681), dated 27th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 5 Sea Fisheries,—Haddock (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2767), dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr David Evennett and Mr Barry Field (nominated in respect of the Transport and Works Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr Michael Knowles and Mr Michael Lord.
- 2 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. Mr James Pawsey (nominated in respect of the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991); and had appointed in substitution Dr Ian Twinn.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

Public Accounts,—(1) Seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Privatisation of Harland and Wolff]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 126];

(2) Eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Promoting Value for Money in Provincial Police Forces]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 127]; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 9th December; to be printed [No. 128-i]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 29.]

*Tuesday 10th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

1 Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*],—A Verbal Amendment was made to the Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*].

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

2 Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*],—The Torquay Market Bill [*Lords*] was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Dennis Turner reported from the Committee on the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday 12th December at half-past Ten o'clock.

5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

6 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1979; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Commercial and Private Bank Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

7 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—The Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 41].

8 Amusement Machines (Protection of Children) Bill,—Mr Patrick Thompson presented a Bill to empower local authorities to prohibit in their areas the use by children of amusement machines: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 40].

9 Established Church Bill,—Mr Michael Latham presented a Bill to abolish the General Synod of the Church of England on a date to be appointed; to provide for the creation of a Church of England Assembly, consisting of a house of all diocesan, suffragan and assistant bishops, and a joint house of clergy and laity, to be directly elected by all Church of England clergy and lay persons on parochial electoral rolls; to make provision for the Diocese of Sodor and Man; to empower the Assembly to decide on all appropriate matters, except those within the legal responsibilities of the Church Commissioners, without further reference to Parliament; to provide for the election of new bishops by members of the house of bishops, saving the right of final approval of the chosen candidate by the Crown; to abolish the Ecclesiastical Committee; to abolish the automatic places of bishops in the House of Lords; to permit ordained clergy of the Church of England, with the consent of a diocesan bishop, to seek election to the House

of Commons; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 39].

- 10 Representation of the People, — A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. — (*Mr Timothy Wood*): — It was agreed to.
- 11 Estimates [1st allotted day], — The House proceeded, pursuant to the Resolution [5th December], to consider the Estimates appointed for consideration under Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class XIV, Vote 1), — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a further sum not exceeding £1,680,076,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Department of Social Security on non-contributory retirement pensions, Christmas bonus payments to pensioners, pensions etc., for disablement or death arising out of war or service in the armed forces after 2nd September 1939 and on sundry other services, on attendance allowances, invalid care allowance, severe disablement allowance, mobility allowance; on pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; on income support, transitional payment, child benefit, one parent benefit, family credit, and on the vaccine damage payment scheme — (*Ann Widdecombe*);

The Debate was concluded, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class V, Vote 9), — A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a further sum not exceeding £4,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Department of Energy in connection with the privatisation of the coal industry — (*Mr David Heathcoat-Amory*);

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker interrupted the proceedings, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).

Mr Speaker, pursuant to paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates), put the deferred Questions on Supplementary Estimates 1991-92 (Class XIV, Vote 1 and Class V, Vote 9).

#### Class XIV, Vote 1

*Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £1,680,076,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Department of Social Security on non-contributory retirement pensions, Christmas bonus payments to pensioners, pensions etc., for disablement or death arising out of war or service in the armed forces after 2nd September 1939 and on sundry other services, on attendance allowances, invalid care allowance, severe disablement allowance, mobility allowance; on pensions, gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; on income support, transitional payment, child benefit, one parent benefit, family credit, and on the vaccine damage payment scheme.

#### Class V, Vote 9

*Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £4,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Department of Energy in connection with the privatisation of the coal industry.

- 12 Estimates, — Mr Speaker then put forthwith the Questions which he was directed to put pursuant to paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.).

#### Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92

*Resolved*, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £1,743,208,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges for civil services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 6.

## Estimates, 1992-93 (Vote on Account)

*Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £75,069,116,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for defence and civil services for the year ending on 31st March 1993, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 7, 8 and 9.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

- 13 Consolidated Fund Bill,—Mr Francis Maude accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1992 and 1993: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 11].
- 14 Parliament,—*Resolved*, That the draft Ministerial and other Salaries Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 2nd December, be approved.—(Mr John MacGregor.)
- 15 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir resident in Bradford for assistance to the people of Kashmir was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 16 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) members of the University of Liverpool Pro-Life Society, and
  - (2) residents of North West London
- for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 17 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr Greg Knight);
- And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seven minutes to Eleven o'clock, till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.53 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Tuesday 10th December 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Building and Buildings,—Building Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2768), dated 6th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 2 Defence,—(1) Rules of Procedure (Air Force) (Amendment) Rules 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2786), dated 9th December 1991,  
(2) Rules of Procedure (Army) (Amendment) Rules 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2787), dated 9th December 1991, and  
(3) Standing Civilian Courts (Areas) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2788), dated 10th December 1991  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary King].
- 3 Education,—Education (London Residuary Body) (Property Transfer) (No. 4) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2778), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 4 Income Tax,—Personal Equity Plan (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2774), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 5 Insurance,—Insurance Companies (Accounts and Statements) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2736), dated 14th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 6 Local Government,—Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (Leeds City Council) (Refuse Collection) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2711), dated 3rd December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

- 7 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2793), dated 10th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and  
 (2) Non-Domestic Rating Contributions (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2781), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 8 Road Traffic,—(1) Goods Vehicles (Authorisation of International Journeys) (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2694), dated 29th November 1991,  
 (2) Goods Vehicles (Operators' Licences) (Temporary Use in Great Britain) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2696), dated 21st November 1991,  
 (3) Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2791), dated 9th December 1991, and  
 (4) Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2710), dated 3rd December 1991  
 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 9 Statistics of Trade,—Provision of Confidential Statistical Information to the Statistical Office of the European Communities (Restriction on Disclosure) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2779), dated 7th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

*Other Papers:*

- 10 Agricultural Marketing,—Report on agricultural marketing schemes for 1989-90 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 11 Industrial Organisation and Development,—Accounts prepared pursuant to the Industrial Organisation and Development Act 1947 of the sums recovered by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 129] [Clerk of the House].
- 12 Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks),—Account of the Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks) Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 130] [Clerk of the House].
- 13 Public Health,—(1) Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Radioactivity in Sheep) Partial Revocation Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2766), dated 6th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang];  
 (2) Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Radioactivity in Sheep) (England) (Partial Revocation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2776), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer]; and  
 (3) Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Radioactivity in Sheep) (Wales) (Partial Revocation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2780), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 14 Science and Technology,—Report of the Medical Research Council for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 15 Tribunals and Inquiries,—Report of the Council on Tribunals for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 97] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Memorandum laid before the Committee of Public Accounts [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 10th December; to be printed [No. 61-iii] [Mr Frank Field].
- 3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Sixth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;  
 (2) Third Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and  
 (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments on 10th December;  
 to be printed [Nos. 14-vii, 15-iii and 15-iv] [Mr Bob Cryer].



[No. 30.]

Wednesday 11th December 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Gary Waller reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] and the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, were referred, That it had gone through the Bills, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 27th November and 4th and 11th December.  
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 140-I].  
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 140-II].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 140-II].
- 3 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 5 Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr Roy Hughes reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of the urban and rural regeneration of Wales, referred to it on 4th December, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 134].
- 6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr James Hill reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 1680), referred to a Committee on 26th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 133].
- 7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991, referred to a Committee on 2nd December.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 132].
- 8 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Geraint Howells reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Electricity (Non-Fossil Fuel Sources) (England and Wales) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 26th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 139].
- 9 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 3rd December.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 137].
- 10 Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 28th November.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 131].

- 11 European Standing Committee A,—Sir Giles Shaw reported from European Standing Committee A, That the Committee had come to no Resolution in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 7816/91, relating to speed limitation devices for certain categories of motor vehicles, and 8046/91, relating to installation and use of such devices.  
Report to lie upon the Table.
- 12 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating (No. 2) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 13 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Contributions) (Re-rating) (No. 2) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 14 Pensions,—*Resolved*, That the draft Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase (No. 2) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 15 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—*Resolved*, That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Rate of Payment) (No. 2) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 16 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Introduction of Disability Living Allowance) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 17 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 18 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 19 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Adjudication) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)
- 20 Fisheries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9134/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 27th November 1991, relating to guide prices for fishery products for 1992, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 10th December 1991, relating to total allowable catches and quotas for 1992, the reciprocal Fisheries Agreement between the Community and Norway for 1992 and duties on certain fish imports for 1992, and of the Government's intention to negotiate the best possible fishing opportunities for the United Kingdom fishing industry for 1992 consistent with the requirement for conservation of fishing stocks—(*Mr David Curry*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 8 to leave out from the second word 'and' to the end of the Question and add the words 'condemns the Government for its failure to produce policies to bring stability to the United Kingdom fishing industry, including a decommissioning scheme to reduce fishing effort in order to conserve fishing stocks and guarantee a sustainable fishing industry', instead thereof.—(*Mr Elliot Morley*.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Allen McKay: 136.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 186.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9134/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 27th November 1991, relating to guide prices for fishery products for 1992, the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 10th December 1991, relating to total allowable catches and quotas for 1992, the reciprocal Fisheries Agreement between the Community and Norway for 1992 and duties on certain fish imports for 1992, and of the Government's intention to negotiate the best possible

fishing opportunities for the United Kingdom fishing industry for 1992 consistent with the requirement for conservation of fishing stocks.

21 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Birmingham against the refusal of the Department of Education to allocate funds for rebuilding St. Joseph's School, King's Norton;

(2) residents of Orpington for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(3) residents of the United Kingdom for justice in the case of Mr Lorrain Osman were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

23 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr Sydney Chapman.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.17 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 11th December 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

1 Civil Aviation,—(1) Civil Aviation (Joint Financing) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2792), dated 10th December 1991, and

(2) Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2739), dated 4th December 1991

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

2 Criminal Damage,—Criminal Damage (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 505), dated 26th November 1991 [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

3 Customs and Excise,—(1) Customs Controls on Importation of Goods Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2724),

(2) Customs Warehousing Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2725),

(3) Customs Warehousing (Victualling) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2726), and

(4) Free Zone Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2727),

dated 4th December 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].

4 Legal Aid and Advice,—Civil Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2784), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

5 Legal Profession,—Solicitors' Incorporated Practices Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2684), dated 28th November 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

6 Local Government,—(1) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Competition) (England) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2782), and

(2) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemptions) (England) (No. 3) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2783),

dated 10th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

7 Pensions,—Judicial Pensions (Widowers' and Children's Benefits) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2731), dated 3rd December 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

8 Road Traffic,—(1) Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2708), and

(2) Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2709),

dated 20th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

- 9 Road Traffic,—Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2714), dated 25th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 10 Water,—Private Water Supplies Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2790), dated 10th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 11 Civil Service,—Office of the Minister of the Civil Service Minute, dated 11th December 1991, on a contingent liability in respect of loans to the Prime Minister's Office [by Command] [Mr Tim Renton].
- 12 Prisons,—Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons for the period 1st January 1990 to 31st March 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 54] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 13 Treaty Series (No. 96, 1991),—Fifth Protocol, done at Strasbourg on 18th June 1990, to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe [by Command] [Cm. 1764] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 14 Treaty Series (No. 97, 1991),—European Convention on Extradition, done at Paris on 13th December 1957 [by Command] [Cm. 1762] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 15 Treaty Series (No. 98, 1991),—Amendments, done at Geneva on 14th November 1975, to Annexes 2 and 7 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) [by Command] [Cm. 1765] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 16 Treaty Series (No. 99, 1991),—Amendments, done at Geneva on 14th November 1991, to Annex 6 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) [by Command] [Cm. 1766] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 17 Treaty Series (No. 100, 1991),—Amendments, done at Geneva on 14th November 1975, to Annexes 2, 6 and 7 of the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention) [by Command] [Cm. 1763] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 18 Treaty Series (No. 104, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Antananarivo on 11th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Madagascar concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Madagascar Debt Agreement No. 7 (1990) [by Command] [Cm. 1768] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Peter Archer, Mr Joe Ashton, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Nicholas Bennett, Mr Gerald Birmingham, Mr John Biffen, Mr Paul Channon, Mr David Davis, Mr David Evans, Mr Bernie Grant, Dr Kim Howells, Mr Robert Key, Mr Terry Lewis, Mr William O'Brien, Sir Julian Ridsdale, Sir James Spicer, Sir John Stanley, Mr Michael Stern and Sir Gerard Vaughan.
- 2 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 and the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr Jonathan Aitken, Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Dr John G. Blackburn, Sir Richard Body, Mr John Cummings, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Terry Davis, Mr Stephen Day, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr John McAllion, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr John Maxton, Sir Hector Monro and Mr Bill Walker.
- 3 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated three Members to serve on the Select Committee on the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, viz.: Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr Simon Coombs and Mr Michael Welsh.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 11th December; to be printed [No. 71-iii] [Mr Greville Janner].
- 2 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 11th December; to be printed [No. 43-iii] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 3 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 11th December; to be printed [No. 55-iv] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 4 European Legislation,—Fifth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-v] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 5 Foreign Affairs,—(1) First Special Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Informal meetings undertaken by the Committee in Session 1990-91]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 78]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 11th December; to be printed [Nos. 21-iii and -iv]  
[Mr David Howell].
- 6 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 11th December; to be printed [No. 29-vi] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 7 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 11th December; to be printed [No. 138-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 8 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 11th December; to be printed [No. 44-iv] [Sir Antony Buck].
- 9 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 11th December; to be printed [No. 141-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 10 Transport,—(1) First Special Report from the Transport Committee [Government Observations on the Fifth Report from the Committee, Session 1990-91, on the Government's Expenditure Plans for Transport 1991-92 to 1993-94];  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 11th December; to be printed [Nos. 102 and 12-vii] [Mr David Marshall].
- 11 Treasury and Civil Service,—First Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [The 1991 Autumn Statement], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 58] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 11th December 1991*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (2) the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 and the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse and Sir Giles Shaw Chairmen of Standing Committee D in respect of the Prison Security Bill;

(2) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991;

(3) Mr James Hill Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991 and the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991; and

(4) Mr Geraint Howells Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 25th November 1991, relating to the dignity of women and men at work.

3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:

(1) European Community Document No. 7857/91, relating to the permissible sound level and the exhaust system of motor vehicles, to European Standing Committee A; and

(2) European Community Document No. 8918/91, relating to a Community Strategy to limit carbon dioxide emissions and to improve energy efficiency, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 10th December 1991, relating to interim Agreements between the Community and Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 31.]

*Thursday 12th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 London Docklands Railway Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the London Docklands Railway Bill, and the same were agreed to.

2 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the King's Cross Railways Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Thursday 19th December.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

4 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Dennis Turner reported from the Committee on the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 17th December at half-past Ten o'clock.

5 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Paul Flynn reported from the Committee on the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 17th December at Ten o'clock.

6 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

7 Coal Industry Bill,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Coal Industry Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 143].

8 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 27th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 142].

9 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*].—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the application of Part I of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974; to increase the penalties for certain offences under that Part; to confer powers for preserving the security of supplies of petroleum and petroleum products; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

10 Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*].—The Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 43].

11 Protection of Pension Funds and Investments Bill,—Mr Kenneth Hind presented a Bill to require that trustees of pension funds and investments shall be independent of the employer company concerned; to require trustees to furnish annual reports and accounts to contributors and beneficiaries; to give contributors and beneficiaries additional rights in respect of the control and ownership of pension fund assets; to limit pension fund investment in the employer company; to afford other protection to pension fund contributors and beneficiaries; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 42].

12 Adjournment (Christmas).—*Resolved*, That this House, at its rising on Friday 20th December, do adjourn until Monday 13th January.—(*Mr John MacGregor.*)

13 Consolidated Fund Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill;

Mr Deputy Speaker put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

14 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Lightbown*);

*Friday 13th December 1991*

And it being Eight o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

15 Environment.—*Ordered*, That Mr Barry Field be added to the Environment Committee.—(*Mr Don Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

16 Education, Science and Arts.—*Ordered*, That Mrs Sylvia Heal be discharged from the Education, Science and Arts Committee and Mildred Gordon and Mr Edward O'Hara be added to the Committee.—(*Mr Don Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.*)

17 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) students undergoing adult education and training against Government proposals for adult education; and

(2) (i) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Peter, South Bank, Middlesbrough, Cleveland, and

(ii) residents of Normanton and Altofts

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment.—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tom Sackville.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes past Eight o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 8.23 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Thursday 12th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Income Tax.—Income Tax (Purchased Life Annuities) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2808), dated 11th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

- 2 Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Roads (Speed Limit) (No. 7) Order (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 504), dated 26th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Sea Fisheries,—Sole (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2806), dated 11th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 4 Town and Country Planning,—(1) Town and Country Planning (Enforcement Notices and Appeals) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2804), and  
(2) Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) (No. 3) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2805),  
dated 11th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Statements by the Secretary of State for Health and the Secretary of State for Wales concerning the provision of residential accommodation for disabled persons under the age of 65, for 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 82] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 6 Health and Safety,—Report of the Health and Safety Commission for 1990–91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 7 Overseas Pensions,—Overseas Superannuation (Defunded) Scheme 1991, dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mrs Lynda Chalker].
- 8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [8th November] from residents of Stockwood, Eastville, Brislington and Whitchurch, in Bristol, against the policy and actions of Avon Council in regard to camp sites for travellers and for the abolition of the Council [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

Sittings of the House,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sittings of the House Committee on 12th December; to be printed [No. 20-iv] [Mr Michael Jopling].

## MR SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

Mr Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 32.]

*Friday 13th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Little Stoke, Stoke Gifford, Stoke Lodge and Patchway, in Bristol, against the actions of Avon Council in regard to camp sites for travellers was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Implications of Socialism,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the success of Government policies over the past 12 months; congratulates the Government for protecting the interests of this country abroad, reducing inflation and interest rates, strengthening the public services of the country, ultimately making them more responsive to the people who pay for them, having the foresight to initiate reforms which will improve the National Health Service and the education system and for improving social security payments; contrasts all of these Conservative achievements with the abject failure of the Labour Party, despite 12 years in Opposition, to respond with any practical or credible alternative policies; further contends that this is not surprising given that socialism, whether it is espoused by extremist politicians or served up by advertising executives, is a hangover of history; believes that the electorate will reject the Labour Party at the next election because it will not swallow its charade of moderation and that, despite its failure to come clean about its true convictions, it is still



abundantly clear that Labour clings to an outdated ideology that stifles individual initiative, blights economic growth and fails adequately to deliver even the most basic of public services; and therefore concludes that a party which is without direction itself has no place leading the country—(*Mr David Evans*);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

4 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 18th December, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to the European Community: The European Council at Maastricht may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Two o'clock on Thursday morning.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

5 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 16th December.

[Adjourned at 2.54 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

*Friday 13th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Civil Aviation,—Stansted Airport London (Cargo Area Designation) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2750), dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 2 Community Charges,—Personal Community Charge (Reduction Scheme) (England) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2807), dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Rating and Valuation,—Domestic Property (Valuation) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2815), dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Broadcasting,—Account of additional payments to the Radio Authority by programme contractors and licensees for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 144] [Clerk of the House].
- 5 Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe,—(1) Document of the meeting held at Moscow from 10th September to 4th October 1991 of the Conference on the Human Dimension of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, and  
(2) Report on the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe meeting of experts on national minorities held at Geneva from 1st to 19th July 1991  
[by Command] [Cm. 1771 and 1770] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 6 Development of Rural Wales,—Accounts of the Development Board for Rural Wales for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 135] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Social Fund,—Account of the Social Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 136] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 101, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Madrid on 1st February 1991, constituting an agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of Spain to extend the Extradition Treaty of 22nd July 1985 to Gibraltar [by Command] [Cm. 1739] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 103, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Rome on 18th October 1988 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Italian Republic terminating Article 28 and amending Article 29 of the Consular Convention signed at Rome on 1st June 1954 [by Command] [Cm. 1769] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 10 Income Tax,—Income Tax (Purchased Life Annuities) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2808) [laid 12th December].

[No. 33.]

*Monday 16th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Private Bills,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That, in accordance with Standing Order 81 relating to Private Business (Division of bills between this House and the House of Lords), he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

Croydon Tramlink  
Durham Markets Company  
Humber Bridge  
Llanelli Borough Council (River Lliedi)  
London Local Authorities  
Price's Patent Candle Company Limited  
River Humber (Upper Burcom Cooling Works)  
River Humber (Upper Pyewipe Outfall)  
River Usk Barrage  
South West Water (St. Ives)  
South Yorkshire Light Rail Transit  
Ulster Bank

and that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Commons, viz.:

Alliance & Leicester (Girobank)  
British Railways (No. 4)  
Crossrail  
East Coast Main Line (Safety)  
Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit  
King's Cross Railways (No. 2)  
Leeds Supertram  
London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2)  
London Underground (Green Park)  
London Underground (Jubilee)  
Midland Metro (No. 3).

- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee, and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Local Government Finance Bill [1st allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Government Finance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Transitory exemption for school leavers)—(*Mr Michael Portillo*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Community charge in Scotland)—(*Mr Donald Dewar*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 218.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 315.

Another Clause (Ability to pay)—(*Mr James Wallace*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr David Bellotti: 21.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 306.

Another Clause (Valuation bands)—(*Mr David Blunkett*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Allen McKay: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 329.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be further considered to-morrow.

5 Broadcasting.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Broadcasting (Programme Contractors' Additional Payments) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 21st November, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.

6 Housing (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Clackmannan District Council (Vesting of Central Regional Council Land) (Scotland) Order 1991, dated 19th November 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 28th November, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.

7 Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Education Support Grants (Amendment) Regulations 1991, which were laid before this House on 12th November, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.

8 Legal Profession.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Registered Foreign Lawyers Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 18th November, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.

9 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of senior citizens' clubs and residents of aged persons' dwellings in Halifax for an improved deal for pensioners; and

(2) residents of Cambuslang and Rutherglen for a local council covering that area, were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of West Street Christian Centre, Dunstable,

(2) members of the congregation of Faversham Community Church, and

(3) residents of—

(i) Bourne End and other places, and

(ii) Warwickshire

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 11 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fourteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.46 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Monday 16th December 1991

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Food,—Food Premises (Registration) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2825), dated 13th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 2 Health and Safety,—Electrical Equipment for Explosive Atmospheres (Certification) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2826), dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 3 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2830), dated 13th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration,—Second Supplement to the Twenty-first Report of the Review Body on Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration [by Command] [Cm. 1759] [The Prime Minister].
- 5 Mental Health,—Report of the Mental Health Act Commission for 1989-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 6 Radioactive Substances (Consolidation of Enactments),—Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain enactments relating to radioactive substances [by Act]; to be printed [No. 148] [Clerk of the House].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 16th December; to be printed [No. 149-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Treasury and Civil Service,—Second Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Banking Supervision and BCCI: The Rôle of Local Authorities and Money Brokers], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 26] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

[No. 34.]

Tuesday 17th December 1991.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*],—Mr Dennis Turner reported from the Committee on the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and directed him to report the same; and had

considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Bill, as amended, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

- 3 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—Mr Paul Flynn reported from the Committee on the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and directed him to report the same; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Bill, as amended, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

- 4 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

- 5 Asylum Bill,—Dame Janet Fookes reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Asylum Bill, and had directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 157].

- 6 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill,—Mr David Knox reported from Standing Committee E, That it had gone through the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 44].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 150].

- 7 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 154].

- 8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Welsh Development Agency Bill, without Amendment.

- 9 Armed Forces (Liability for Injury),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that, in an action for liability in tort in a case involving the armed forces, a plaintiff need not in all cases show negligence on the part of the Crown: And that Mr John Browne, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr Jack Ashley, Sir Russell Johnston, Mr John Hannam, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Ivan Lawrence, Mr Merlyn Rees, Sir Marcus Fox, Sir Patrick Duffy, Mr Michael Colvin and Mr Churchill do prepare and bring it in.

- 10 Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill,—Mr John Browne accordingly presented a Bill to provide that, in an action for liability in tort in a case involving the armed forces, a plaintiff need not in all cases show negligence on the part of the Crown: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 45].

- 11 Local Government Finance Bill [2nd allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Local Government Finance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 62) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 10, after the word 'beginning' to insert the words 'in 1992, the Secretary of State shall by order provide that 100 per cent.

of liability for personal community charge shall be eligible for community charge benefit and in the year beginning in'.—(*Mr David Blunkett.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 235.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 320.

Another Amendment (No. 110) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 2, to leave out from the word 'dwelling' to the end of line 4.—(*Mr Bryan Gould.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

And it being Eight o'clock, Mr Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order [12th November], put the Question already proposed from the Chair.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Jack Thompson: 207.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 343.

Mr Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the remaining Questions which he was directed to put at that hour.

Question put, That the Amendments moved by a member of the Government be made to the Bill:—It was agreed to.

Amendments (Nos. 125, 126, 117 to 121 and 127 to 142) accordingly made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Secretary Heseltine, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 335.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Eric Illsley: 237.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

12 European Legislation,—*Ordered*, That Mr Alan Williams be added to the Select Committee on European Legislation.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman.*)

13 Public Accounts,—*Ordered*, That Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and Mr Denzil Davies be added to the Committee.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman.*)

14 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from users and lovers of Greenwich Park against the contracting-out of the services supporting the Royal Parks was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

15 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregations of—

- (i) the Church of St. James, the Scores, St. Andrews,
- (ii) the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Rochdale, and
- (iii) St. Wulstan's Presbytery, Fleetwood; and

(2) residents of—

- (i) Liverpool, and
- (ii) Weymouth and elsewhere

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

16 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 17th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Housing (Scotland),—Draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Environmental Protection,—Environmental Protection (Duty of Care) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2839), dated 16th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Housing (Scotland),—Housing Revenue Account General Fund Contribution Limits (Scotland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2775), dated 5th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Social Security,—Social Security (Crédits) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2772), dated 9th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Criminal Injuries Compensation,—Report and Accounts of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Command] [Cm. 1782] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 6 Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation),—Report prepared pursuant to section 11 of the Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation) Act 1986 on development of services for people with learning disabilities (mental handicap) or mental illness in England [by Act]; to be printed [No. 109] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 7 Environmental Protection,—Code of Practice on the duty of care as respects waste [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 8 Housing (Scotland),—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the Housing Support Grants for 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 145] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 9 Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—(1) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Hong Kong Locally Engaged Ratings' Service Pensions Increase) Order 1991,  
(2) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Ratings' Service Pensions Increase) Order 1991,  
(3) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Non-Effective Benefits and Family Pensions) (No. 2) Order 1991, and  
(4) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pay and Allowances) Order 1991,  
dated 19th November 1991 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 10 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the Thirty-seventh to Fortieth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1990-91 [by Command] [Cm. 1784] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 11 Royal Hospital, Chelsea,—Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for services other than those voted by Parliament) for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 155] [Clerk of the House].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 17th December; to be printed [No. 29-vii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 2 Home Affairs,—First Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Fire Safety and Policing of the Channel Tunnel], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 23] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 3 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 17th December; to be printed [No. 61-iv] [Mr Frank Field].

- 4 Statutory Instruments,—Seventh Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14–viii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 35.]

*Wednesday 18th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Income Tax,—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That its Addresses of 9th December relating to Income Tax had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Addresses praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Isle of Man) Order 1991, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Morocco) Order 1991, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Papua New Guinea) Order 1991, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Czechoslovakia) Order 1991, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Iceland) Order 1991, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Finland) Order 1991 and the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1991 be made in the form of drafts laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

- 2 Private Bill Petitions,—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills, the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:

Alliance & Leicester (Girobank)  
 British Railways (No. 4)  
 Croydon Tramlink  
 Durham Markets Company  
 East Coast Main Line (Safety)  
 Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit  
 Humber Bridge  
 King's Cross Railways (No. 2)  
 Leeds Supertram  
 Llanelli Borough Council (River Lledi)  
 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2)  
 London Local Authorities  
 London Underground (Green Park)  
 London Underground (Jubilee)  
 Midland Metro (No. 3)  
 Price's Patent Candle Company Limited  
 River Humber (Upper Burcom Cooling Works)  
 River Humber (Upper Pyewipe Outfall)  
 River Usk Barrage  
 South West Water (St. Ives)  
 South Yorkshire Light Rail Transit  
 Ulster Bank.

- 3 Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with),—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the Crossrail Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.



- 4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 9th December, and the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 10th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 159].

- 7 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Geraint Howells reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 25th November 1991, relating to the protection of the dignity of women and men at work; believes that policies to combat sexual harassment at work are for development and implementation of member states acting individually; agrees that the Recommendation and Code of Practice provide a basis for such policy developments; welcomes the Government's support for the need to spread awareness; and approves of the Government's support for the Declaration.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

- 9 Homicide (Amendment),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Homicide Act 1957 in respect of the defence of provocation: And that Mr Jack Ashley, Mr Merlyn Rees, Jo Richardson, Mr Nicholas Winterton, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Neil Thorne, Mr Bruce Grocott, Mr Barry Field, Mrs Teresa Gorman and Mr Archy Kirkwood do prepare and bring it in.
- 10 Homicide (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Jack Ashley accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Homicide Act 1957 in respect of the defence of provocation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 46].

- 11 European Community: The European Council at Maastricht,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House congratulates the Prime Minister on achieving all the negotiating objectives set out in the Motion that was supported by the House on 21st November; and warmly endorses the agreement secured by the Government at Maastricht—(*The Prime Minister*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'whilst welcoming the fact that the United Kingdom became a signatory at Maastricht to an agreement which represents an historic step towards a federal Europe, regrets that the Prime Minister, by insisting on opt-out arrangements for the United Kingdom on Economic and Monetary Union and the Social Chapter, rather than negotiating improvements, has left Britain semi-detached from Europe, obliged every citizen to pay a price for the divisions within the Conservative Party and damaged the prospects for Britain's long-term economic and political success', instead thereof.—(*Mr Paddy Ashdown*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made;

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And it being Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Order [13th December].

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed this day.

- 12 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregations of—

(i) Sacred Heart Church, Barrow-in-Furness, and

- (ii) West Park Church, Wolverhampton, and  
(2) residents of Kendal

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

13 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.28 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 18th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Northern Ireland,—(1) Draft Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendment) Order 1992, and  
(2) draft Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Education,—Education (School Government) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2845), dated 17th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].  
3 Food,—Animals, Meat and Meat Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2843), dated 16th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].  
4 Sea Fisheries,—Mackerel (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2849), dated 17th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].  
5 Town and Country Planning,—Town and Country Planning (Development Plan) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2794), dated 10th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation),—Report prepared pursuant to section 11 of the Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation) Act 1986 on development of services for mental illness sufferers and people with a mental handicap in Wales [by Act]; to be printed [No. 125] [Mr Secretary Hunt].  
7 Friendly Societies,—Report of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies for 1990-91; with the Report of the Industrial Insurance Commissioner [by Act] [Mr John Maples].  
8 Miscellaneous (No. 22, 1991),—Proposed Amendments, adopted by the Inland Transport Committee at its fifty-third session on 1st February 1991, to the European Agreement Concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR) done at Geneva on 1st July 1970 [by Command] [Cm. 1776] [Mr Secretary Hurd].  
9 National Loans,—(1) Accounts of the Consolidated Fund and the National Loans Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 99] [Clerk of the House]; and  
(2) Supplementary Statements of the Accounts of the Consolidated Fund and the National Loans Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 100] [Mr Francis Maude].  
10 Pensions,—Paper, entitled Options for Equality in State Pension Age [by Command] [Cm. 1723] [Mr Secretary Newton].  
11 Prisons (Scotland),—Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons for Scotland for 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 1658] [Mr Secretary Lang].  
12 Science and Technology,—Report of the Natural Environment Research Council for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].

- 13 Supreme Court (Northern Ireland),—Land Purchase Account of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Northern Ireland, for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 161] [Clerk of the House].
- 14 Treaty Series (No. 105, 1991),—Notes exchanged at Amman on 29th August 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Jordan Debt Agreement No. 1 (1989)) [by Command] [Cm. 1777] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 163] [Mr Michael Mates].
- 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 164-i] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 3 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 71-iv]; and  
(2) Memorandum laid before the Employment Committee  
[Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 113-ii] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 European Legislation,—Sixth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-vi] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 6 Home Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Fire Services]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 94];  
(2) Third Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Electoral Counting Methods], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 49]; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Home Affairs Committee  
[Sir John Wheeler].
- 7 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 18th December; to be printed [No. 158-i] [Sir Antony Buck].
- 8 Sitings of the House,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sitings of the House Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 20-v] [Mr Michael Jopling].
- 9 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 162-i] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 10 Transport,—(1) First Report from the Transport Committee [Developments in European Community Air Transport Policy], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 147]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Transport Committee  
[Mr David Marshall].
- 11 Welsh Affairs,—(1) First Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [Roads in Wales], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 89];  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 18th December; to be printed [No. 160-i]; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee  
[Mr Gareth Wardell].

## MEMORANDUM

*Wednesday 18th December 1991*

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 7469/91, relating to civil liability for damage caused by waste, has been referred to European Standing Committee A.

[No. 36.]

*Thursday 19th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the King's Cross Railways Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Monday 13th January at Seven o'clock.

- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

- 3 Prison Security Bill,—Sir Giles Shaw reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Prison Security Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 48].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 165].

- 4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund Bill, without Amendment.

*Avon Weir Bill [Lords]*,—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Bristol Development Corporation to construct a weir in and across the river Avon (Bristol) and to execute other works; to authorise the Corporation to acquire lands; to provide for the regulation, control and development of part of the river Avon and adjacent land and waterways for purposes including amenity and recreation; to confer further powers on the Corporation; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

- 5 Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*],—The Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

- 6 Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Bill Walker, supported by Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mrs Margaret Ewing and Sir Hector Monro, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 relating to the transfer of licences; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 17th January and to be printed [Bill 47].

- 7 Royal Assent,—Mr Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:

Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Act 1991

Welsh Development Agency Act 1991

City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Act 1991

Strathclyde Regional Council Order Confirmation Act 1991

Torquay Market Act 1991

Commercial and Private Bank Act 1991

London Docklands Railway Act 1991.

- 8 European Community: The European Council at Maastricht,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Question proposed yesterday, That this House congratulates the Prime Minister on achieving all the negotiating objectives set out in the Motion that was supported by the House on 21st

November; and warmly endorses the agreement secured by the Government at Maastricht;

Which Amendment was, in line 3, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'whilst welcoming the fact that the United Kingdom became a signatory at Maastricht to an agreement which represents an historic step towards a federal Europe, regrets that the Prime Minister, by insisting on opt-out arrangements for the United Kingdom on Economic and Monetary Union and the Social Chapter, rather than negotiating improvements, has left Britain semi-detached from Europe, obliged every citizen to pay a price for the divisions within the Conservative Party and damaged the prospects for Britain's long-term economic and political success', instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

Mr Tim Boswell rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Wallace, Mr Archy Kirkwood: 18.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 364.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 339.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ken Eastham: 253.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House congratulates the Prime Minister on achieving all the negotiating objectives set out in the Motion that was supported by the House on 21st November; and warmly endorses the agreement secured by the Government at Maastricht.

- 9 Rating and Valuation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Appropriate Fraction and Rateable Values) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.
- 10 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 25th July, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.
- 11 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Constituencies (England) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Dignity of Women and Men at Work,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Employment on 25th November 1991, relating to the protection of the dignity of women and men at work; believes that policies to combat sexual harassment at work are for development and implementation of Member States acting individually; agrees that the Recommendation and Code of Practice provide a basis for such policy developments; welcomes the Government's support for the need to spread awareness; and approves of the Government's support for the Declaration—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*):—It was agreed to.
- 13 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—*Ordered*, That Mr Keith Mans, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Stuart Bell and Mr James Callaghan be members of the Select Committee on the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*.)
- 14 Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee),—*Ordered*, That Mrs Rosie Barnes be discharged from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords as the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments and Mr William Ross be added to the Committee.—(*Mr Sydney Chapman*.)

## 15 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1) supporters of the campaign for inter-country adoption for measures to ease the process of inter-country adoption,
  - (2) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir,
  - (3) residents of Lewisham and parents of children in Lewisham schools resident in neighbouring boroughs for increased funding for schools in Lewisham, and
  - (4) members of the Preston Life Group for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs
- were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

## 16 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir resident in—
    - (i) Bedfordshire, and
    - (ii) London
 for assistance to the people of Kashmir;
  - (2)(i) members of the congregations of—
    - (a) Hope Hall Evangelical Church,
    - (b) St. Columba's Church, Barrow-in-Furness,
    - (c) St. Gabriel's Church, South Harrow, and
    - (d) St. Ignatius's Church, Enfield, and
 (ii) residents of—
    - (a) Altrincham and Sale, and elsewhere,
    - (b) Carmarthen and elsewhere,
    - (c) Mirfield and elsewhere, and
    - (d) Normanton and elsewhere,
 for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and
  - (3) members of Women's Institutes in Dyfed against government proposals for education and training
- were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Greg Knight*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.02 p.m.]

## APPENDIX

*Thursday 19th December 1991*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Companies,—Draft Uncertificated Securities Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 2 Local Government (Scotland),—Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991, dated 17th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—(1) Draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992, and  
(2) draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 4 Transport,—Draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 5 Consumer Credit,—Consumer Credit (Exempt Agreements) (Amendment) (No. 3) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2844), dated 16th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 6 Sea Fisheries,—Saithe (Specified Sea Areas) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2863), dated 17th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 7 Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Class VIII (Environment) for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 4-VI] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 8 Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation),—Statement concerning the care of persons with a mental handicap or mental illness in Scotland [by Act]; to be printed [No. 122] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 9 Employment Protection (Consolidation),—Report by the Secretary of State for Employment on limits on guarantee payments [by Act]; to be printed [No. 124] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 10 Local Government (Scotland),—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 146] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 11 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the Third Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1990-91, on arrangements for handling serious outbreaks of food poisoning in the light of the salmonella outbreak in July and August 1989 in North Wales [by Command] [Cm. 1789] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

[No. 37.]

*Friday 20th December 1991.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
  - (1) friends of the Fourth (Volunteer) Battalion Royal Regiment of Wales against the disbandment of the Battalion; and
  - (2) Shaftesbury Life Group for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs
 were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from members of the congregation of Carey Baptist Church, Reading, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 4 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Alastair Goodlad*);
 

And it being Eleven o'clock, Mr Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).

And the Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 5 Broadcasting,—*Ordered*, That Mr Nicholas Baker, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr Bruce Grocott, Mr David Harris, Kate Hoey, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Charles Kennedy, Mr John MacGregor, Mr Humfrey Malins, Mr Merlyn Rees and Mr John P. Smith be members of the Select Committee on Broadcasting.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*.)
- 6 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*);
 

And the Motion having been made at half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday 13th January, pursuant to the Resolution [12th December].

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

## APPENDIX

*Friday 20th December 1991**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Education,—(1) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Mathematics) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2896), and  
(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Science) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2897),  
dated 19th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 2 Marriage,—Marriage Fees (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2816), dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages, etc.,—(1) Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2818), and  
(2) Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2817),  
dated 12th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Community Service by Offenders (Scotland),—Report of Working of Community Service Schemes in Scotland for 1990 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 5 Deer (Scotland),—Report of the Red Deer Commission for 1990 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on helicopter maintenance [by Act]; to be printed [No. 156] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 106, 1991),—Amended Appendix I, adopted by the Standing Committee on 11th January 1991, to the Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats done at Berne on 19th September 1979 [by Command] [Cm. 1774] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 107, 1991),—Convention, done at United Nations Headquarters, New York, on 4th February 1985, against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment [by Command] [Cm. 1775] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 108, 1991),—Notes exchanged at London on 25th July 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt amending the United Kingdom/Egypt Loan (No. 1) 1982 (The United Kingdom/Egypt Retrospective Terms Agreement (1991)) [by Command] [Cm. 1781] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 10 Treaty Series (No. 109, 1991),—Letters exchanged at London on 4th September 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Canada concerning the training of British armed forces in Canada [by Command] [Cm. 1783] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 11 Treaty Series (No. 111, 1991),—Agreement on a Comprehensive Political Settlement of the Cambodia Conflict, together with Agreement, done at Paris on 23rd October 1991, concerning the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and inviolability, neutrality and national unity of Cambodia, with a Declaration on the Rehabilitation and Reconstruction of Cambodia and the Final Act of the Paris Conference on Cambodia [by Command] [Cm. 1786] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 12 Water,—Report and Accounts of the National Rivers Authority for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 13 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1990-91, on rail services in Wales [by Command] [Cm. 1785] [Mr Secretary Hunt].



[No. 38.]

Monday 13th January 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Local Government Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make new provision, by giving effect to proposals in Cm. 1599 (The Citizen's Charter) relating to publicity and competition, for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the manner in which local authorities carry on certain activities; and to make new provision in relation to local government in England for effecting structural, boundary and electoral changes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

- 4 Local Government Bill [*Lords*],—The Local Government Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 49].
- 5 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—The Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 6 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in consequence of any provision of the Act.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

- 7 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the King's Cross Railways Bill.

A Clause (Protection of neighbouring properties)—(*Mr Chris Smith*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Tony Banks: 7.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Donald Thompson, Mr John Greenway: 191.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be further considered on Thursday.

- 8 Northern Ireland,—*Resolved*, That the draft Tourism (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.—(*Mr Richard Needham*.)

- 9 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregations of—

(i) St. Barnabas Church, Gravesham, and

(ii) St. John the Evangelist Church, Horsham;

(2) members of the Polish Roman Catholic Community in Nottingham; and

(3) residents of Eastleigh

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tim Boswell*);

*Tuesday 14th January 1992*

And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes past Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.8 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 20th December 1991 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Public Health,—(1) Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2901), and  
(2) Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2902),  
dated 20th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Rating and Valuation,—Domestic Property (Valuation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2895), dated 19th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 137 (Presentation of command papers):*

- 3 European Communities (No. 1, 1992),—Agreement, done at Brussels on 21st September 1990, between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cape Verde on fishing off the coast of Cape Verde, with Protocol [Cm. 1790] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 4 Local Government Finance,—Report of the Audit Commission on The Citizen's Charter: Local Authority Performance Indicators [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 Treaty Series (No. 1, 1992),—Protocol, opened for signature at Sofia from 1st to 4th November 1988 then at the Headquarters of the United Nations at New York until 5th May 1989, to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution concerning the control of emissions of nitrogen oxides or their transboundary fluxes [Cm. 1787] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 6 Treaty Series (No. 3, 1992),—Agreement, done at London on 6th April 1989, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for the promotion and reciprocal protection of investments [Cm. 1791] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

*23rd December 1991*

- 7 Food,—Milk and Dairies and Milk (Special Designation) (Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2900), dated 19th December 1991 [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 8 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rating (Ports of London and Tilbury) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2906), dated 20th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 9 Sex Discrimination,—Sex Discrimination Act 1975 (Exemption of Special Treatment for Lone Parents) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2813), dated 12th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Howard].

*30th December 1991*

- 10 Agriculture,—Fertilisers (Sampling and Analysis) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2824), dated 12th December 1991 [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 11 Education (Scotland),—Teachers (Education, Training and Registration) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2921), dated 17th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Lang].

## 31st December 1991

12 Agriculture,—Feeding Stuffs Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2840), dated 13th December 1991 [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

13 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and other Reliefs) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2925), dated 31st December 1991 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

## 3rd January 1992

14 Housing,—North Hull Housing Action Trust (Transfer of Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 1), dated 2nd January 1992 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

15 Police,—Police (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2869), dated 18th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Baker].

## 6th January 1992

16 Clean Air,—Smoke Control Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2892), dated 17th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

17 Water,—Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2912), dated 12th December 1991 [Mr Secretary Hunt].

## 7th January 1992

18 Northern Ireland,—Children and Young Persons (Protection from Tobacco) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2872), dated 19th December 1991 [Mr John MacGregor].

## 8th January 1992

19 Agriculture,—Imported Food and Feedingstuffs (Safeguards against Cholera) (Amendment) Regulations 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2934), dated 23rd December 1991 [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

## 9th January 1992

20 British Technology,—British Technology Group Act 1991 (Modification and Saving) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 8), dated 7th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

21 Income Tax,—(1) Income Tax (Building Societies) (Audit Powers) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 10),

(2) Income Tax (Building Societies) (Dividends and Interest) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 11),

(3) Income Tax (Deposit-takers) (Audit Powers) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 12),

(4) Income Tax (Deposit-takers) (Interest Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 13),

(5) Income Tax (Deposit-takers) (Non-residents) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 14), and

(6) Income Tax (Interest Payments) (Information Powers) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 15),

dated 8th January 1992 [Mr Francis Maude].

## 10th January 1992

22 Consumer Protection,—Oil Lamps (Safety) (Revocation) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 23), dated 9th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Lilley].

23 Local Government,—Local Government Act 1988 (Competition) (South Wight Borough Council) (Sports and Leisure) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 9), dated 8th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

24 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Radio Installations) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 3), dated 6th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

25 National Health Service,—National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 24), dated 9th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

26 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 16), dated 9th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 27 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Type Approval for Goods Vehicles) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 25), dated 10th January 1992 [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

7th January 1992

- 28 Caribbean and North Atlantic Territories,—Virgin Islands (Constitution) (Amendment) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2871), dated 19th December 1991 [Mr John MacGregor].
- 29 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (Guernsey) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2875), dated 19th December 1991 [Mr John MacGregor].

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 13th January 1992:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 30 Overseas Development and Co-operation,—(1) Draft African Development Fund (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1992, and  
(2) draft Caribbean Development Bank (Further Payments) Order 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 31 Insolvency,—Insolvency Fees (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 34), dated 13th January 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 32 Medicines,—(1) Medicines (Medicated Animal Feeding Stuffs) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 32), and  
(2) Medicines (Veterinary Drugs) (Pharmacy and Merchants' List) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 33),  
dated 9th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 33 Covent Garden Market,—Report and Accounts of the Covent Garden Market Authority for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 34 Insolvency,—Statements of the sums received and paid by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under the Insolvency Act 1986 and of the sums credited and debited to the Investment Account by the National Debt Commissioners, for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 171] [Clerk of the House].
- 35 Isle of Man,—Account of Her Majesty's Commissioners of Customs and Excise with the Government of the Isle of Man for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].
- 36 Law Commissions,—Report by the Law Commission on Criminal Law: Rape within Marriage [by Act]; to be printed [No. 167] [Clerk of the House].
- 37 National Heritage (Scotland),—Report of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh, for the period 1st April 1986 to 31st March 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 38 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Report of the English National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 39 Public Petitions,—Observations by—  
(1) the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Petitions from—  
(i) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir resident in Bradford [10th December],  
and  
(ii) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir [11th December]  
[19th December]  
for assistance to the people of Kashmir; and

- (2) the Secretary of State for Health on the Petitions from—
- (i) members of the University of Liverpool Catechumenate Group [12th November],
  - (ii) students of Liverpool University [12th November],
  - (iii) Mr W. Fee and others [13th November],
  - (iv) the Abbot and Monks of the Monastery of Our Lady and St. Benedict, Speen [13th November],
  - (v) members of the Southgate Christian Fellowship [19th November],
  - (vi) residents of North-East Cambridgeshire [21st November],
  - (vii) members of the congregation of the Star of the Sea, Leith [21st November],
  - (viii) residents of the West Midlands [21st November],
  - (ix) A. Callard [25th November],
  - (x) delegates attending the LIFE National Conference in September 1991 [26th November],
  - (xi) members of the congregation of Union Chapel, Bath [27th November],
  - (xii) Mr Michael Lester [27th November],
  - (xiii) members of the congregation of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Portswood, Southampton [28th November],
  - (xiv) the Reverend P. J. Kearney and others [29th November],
  - (xv) Joan M. Gibbons [3rd December],
  - (xvi) members of the congregation of St. Austin's Church, Wakefield [3rd December],
  - (xvii) members of the congregation of St. Mary of the Annunciation, Littleborough [5th December],
  - (xviii) residents of Ealing and other places [6th December],
  - (xix) residents of Epping [9th December],
  - (xx) members of the congregation of St. Leo's Church, Whiston [9th December],
  - (xxi) members of the University of Liverpool Pro-Life Society [10th December],
  - (xxii) residents of North West London [10th December],
  - (xxiii) residents of Orpington [11th December],
  - (xxiv) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Peter, South Bank, Middlesbrough, Cleveland [12th December], and
  - (xxv) residents of Normanton and Altofts [12th December]

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs  
[by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

## APPENDIX II

### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 13th January; to be printed [No. 172-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 13th January; to be printed [No. 61-v] [Mr Frank Field].

[No. 39.]

*Tuesday 14th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

### PRAYERS.

- 1 Contingencies Fund, 1990-91,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House Accounts of the Contingencies Fund, 1990-91, showing
  - (1) the receipts and payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1991,
  - (2) the distribution of the capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year;
 with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 4 Public Health,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2901) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 5 Public Health,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2902) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 6 Local Government (Scotland),—A Motion was made and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 7 Health Benefits,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend exemption from prescription charges to, and to make further provision for, persons in receipt of certain categories of benefit; to exempt from prescription charges the chronically ill and those over 60; and to exempt those over 60 from certain dental and optical charges: And that Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr John Battle, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Max Madden, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Harry Barnes, Audrey Wise, Mr Dennis Skinner and Mr David Winnick do prepare and bring it in.
- 8 Health Benefits Bill,—Alice Mahon accordingly presented a Bill to extend exemption from prescription charges to, and to make further provision for, persons in receipt of certain categories of benefit; to exempt from prescription charges the chronically ill and those over 60; and to exempt those over 60 from certain dental and optical charges: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 50].
- 9 Nuclear Defence,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House supports unequivocally the concept of nuclear deterrence and the retention of a credible United Kingdom nuclear deterrent, while other countries have, or seek to acquire, nuclear weapons; notes the great dangers apparent in the increase in the number of countries gaining, or seeking to gain, access to nuclear weapons; understands that the country's nuclear deterrent remains essential for the defence of the United Kingdom and NATO; recognises the vital contribution to world peace which the United Kingdom's nuclear forces have made, and will continue to make, through deterrence; and supports NATO's policy of also maintaining an up-to-date, sub-strategic nuclear capability based in Europe—(*Mr Secretary King*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and to add the words 'calls on Her Majesty's Government, taking into account the perils, problems and uncertainties of the world situation following the dissolution of the Soviet Union and while providing an effective defence for the United Kingdom based on the necessary level of forces provided with the appropriate equipment and weaponry, to formulate a policy based on arms control and reduction negotiations involving the eight nuclear powers, a strengthened and extended nuclear non-proliferation treaty backed by sanctions, a comprehensive test-ban treaty, and a new round of conventional forces negotiations involving the participation of the post-Soviet republics to promote an internationally structured aid programme for the post-Communist countries of central and eastern Europe under the auspices of the G7 countries and to implement a diversification programme within the United Kingdom to

assist the defence industries to maintain employment and continue their contribution to the national economy', instead thereof.—(*Mr Gerald Kaufman.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made;

Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 199.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 345.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 320.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Bob Cryer: 49.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House supports unequivocally the concept of nuclear deterrence and the retention of a credible United Kingdom nuclear deterrent, while other countries have, or seek to acquire, nuclear weapons; notes the great dangers apparent in the increase in the number of countries gaining, or seeking to gain, access to nuclear weapons; understands that the country's nuclear deterrent remains essential for the defence of the United Kingdom and NATO; recognises the vital contribution to world peace which the United Kingdom's nuclear forces have made, and will continue to make, through deterrence; and supports NATO's policy of also maintaining an up-to-date, sub-strategic nuclear capability based in Europe.

- 10 Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Ports Act 1991 (Levy on Disposals of Land, etc.) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*);

*Wednesday 15th January 1992*

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Neil Hamilton: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Martyn Jones: 136.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Ports Act 1991 (Levy on Disposals of Land, etc.) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.

- 11 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 15th January, the Ways and Means Motions in the name of Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to Stamp Duty may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

- 12 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) Michelle Parker and others, and

(ii) residents of—

(a) Surrey and elsewhere, and

(b) Torbay and elsewhere

against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs,

(2) residents of Hazel Grove and elsewhere against the re-licensing of the South Manchester Clinic; and

(3) David Rundle—

(i) for re-assessment of his tax liability, and

(ii) for the revocation of the appointment of a trustee of estate

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

13 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.42 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Tuesday 14th January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Northern Ireland,—Draft Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Environmental Protection,—Environmental Protection (Controls on Injurious Substances) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 31), dated 9th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Health and Safety,—Classification and Labelling of Explosives Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 (S.R. (N.I.), 1991, No. 516), dated 26th November 1991 [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 4 Taxes,—Taxes (Relief for Gifts) (Designated Educational Establishments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 42), dated 10th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 5 Water,—(1) Eastbourne Water Company (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 17),  
(2) Mid-Sussex Water Company (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 18), and  
(3) West Kent Water Company (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 19),  
dated 8th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—
  - (1) cotton and silk industries,
  - (2) domestic-type electric appliances,
  - (3) machinery for printing, paper, wood, leather, rubber, glass and related industries; laundry and dry cleaning machinery,
  - (4) processing of fruit and vegetables,
  - (5) production of man-made fibres,
  - (6) steel tubes, and
  - (7) sugar and sugar by-products
 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 7 Contingencies Fund, 1990-91,—Accounts of the Contingencies Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [pursuant to Order this day]; to be printed [No. 176] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 8 Highlands and Islands Development (Scotland),—Accounts of the Highlands and Islands Development Board for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 173] [Clerk of the House].
- 9 Home Affairs,—Government Reply to the Seventh Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1990-91, on the Tote [by Command] [Cm. 1792] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 10 Members' Interests,—Register of Members' Interests at 13th January 1992 [pursuant to the Resolutions of 22nd May 1974 and 12th June 1975]; to be printed [No. 170] [Clerk of the House].



- 11 Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—(1) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Disablement Awards) Order 1991, dated 31st October 1990,  
 (2) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Locally Engaged Ratings' Widows' Attributable Pensions) Order 1991, dated 19th December 1991,  
 (3) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel Disablement Awards) Order 1991, dated 19th December 1991,  
 (4) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel Widows' Attributable Pensions) Order 1991, dated 19th December 1991, and  
 (5) Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Widows' Attributable Pensions) Order 1991, dated 19th December 1991  
 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 14th January; to be printed [No. 21–vi] [Mr David Howell].  
 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 14th January; to be printed [No. 61–vi] [Mr Frank Field].  
 3 Statutory Instruments,—Eighth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14–ix] [Mr Bob Cryer].  
 4 Treasury and Civil Service,—Memoranda laid before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee; to be printed [No. 177–i] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

[No. 40.]

*Wednesday 15th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*],—The House proceeded to consider the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Committee.  
 Bill to be read the third time.
- 2 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill, as amended in the Committee.  
 Bill to be read the third time.
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Standing Orders,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee a Resolution, as follows:  
 That, in the case of the Crossrail Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:  
 That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.  
 The Resolution was agreed to.
- 6 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 7 Local Authorities etc. (Notices of Decease),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to oblige local authorities and the providers of public utilities to communicate to one another the notice received by any one of them of the decease of a chargepayer or customer: And that Mr Colin Shepherd, Mr Kenneth Hind, Mr Michael J. Martin, Mr James Kilfedder, Mr Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Geraint Howells and Mr Charles Wardle do prepare and bring it in.

8 Local Authorities etc. (Notices of Decease) Bill,—Mr Colin Shepherd accordingly presented a Bill to oblige local authorities and the providers of public utilities to communicate to one another the notice received by any one of them of the decease of a chargepayer or customer: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 24th January and to be printed [Bill 51].

9 Coal Industry Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Coal Industry Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

10 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Coal Industry Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.

11 Coal Industry Bill,—The Question being again proposed, That the Coal Industry Bill be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 307.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Eric Illsley: 209.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

12 Ways and Means,—Stamp Duty (relief),—*Resolved*, That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 16th January 1992 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of the Finance Act 1973—

(1) In relation to instruments to which this Resolution applies, section 55 of the Finance Act 1963 (rate of stamp duty on conveyance or transfer on sale) and section 4 of the Finance Act (Northern Ireland) 1963 (equivalent provision for Northern Ireland) shall have effect as if—

(a) each reference to £30,000 in subsection (1) of each of those sections were to £250,000, and

(b) the reference to £300 in subsection (2) of each of those sections were to £2,500.

(2) This Resolution applies to—

(a) instruments executed on or after 20th December 1991 and before 16th January 1992 and not stamped before 16th January 1992;

(b) instruments executed on or after 16th January 1992 and before 20th August 1992.

(3) For the purposes of section 14(4) of the Stamp Act 1891 (instruments not to be given in evidence etc. unless stamped in accordance with the law in force at the time of first execution) the law in force at the time of execution of an instrument falling within paragraph (2)(a) above shall be deemed to be that as varied in accordance with paragraph (1) above.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973.—(*Mr Francis Maude.*)

Mr Deputy Speaker then proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 50 (Ways and means motions), to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the further Motion which was made by Mr Francis Maude.

## 2. Stamped instruments (payments)

*Resolved*, That provision may be made about payments by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in respect of instruments executed on or after 20th December 1991 and before 16th January 1992 and stamped before 16th January 1992.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

- 13 Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill,—Mr Francis Maude accordingly presented a Bill to make provision conferring temporary relief from stamp duty and provision for payments by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in respect of instruments already stamped: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 52].
- 14 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) Life Group, Durham University, and
  - (2) members of the congregations of—
    - (i) St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Ponders End, Enfield, and
    - (ii) St. Peter's Church with St. John's Church, Horbury, Wakefield
 for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and
  - (3) Ann Walters against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons
- were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 15 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr David Lightbown.)
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.55 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 15th January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Agriculture,—(1) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Pennine Dales) Designation Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 55),
  - (2) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Somerset Levels and Moors) Designation Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 53),
  - (3) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (South Downs) Designation Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 52),
  - (4) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (The Broads) Designation Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 54), and
  - (5) Environmentally Sensitive Areas (West Penwith) Designation (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 51),
 dated 15th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 2 Clean Air,—Clean Air (Units of Measurement) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 36), dated 10th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Rating and Valuation,—Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 35), dated 10th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Health and Personal Social Services,—Summary of Health and Personal Social Services Accounts for Northern Ireland for 1989–90; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Command] [Cm. 1773] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 5 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Planning for Lifecycle Costs [by Act]; to be printed [No. 174] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Treaty Series (No. 2, 1992),—Convention, done at Rome on 19th June 1980, on the law applicable to contractual obligations, with Protocol and Joint Declarations [by Command] [Cm. 1794] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee B,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], viz.: Mrs Virginia Bottomley, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr James Couchman, Mr Stephen Day, Maria

- Fyfe, Mr Ken Hargreaves, Mr Frank Haynes, Mrs Sylvia Heal, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Keith Mans, Mr Malcolm Moss, Mr Tom Pendry, Mr Roger Sims, Mr Ian Taylor, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mrs Ann Winterton and Mr Timothy Wood.
- 2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991, viz.: Mr Jack Aspinwall, Mr Spencer Batiste, Mr Vivian Bendall, Mr John Carlisle, Mr Michael Colvin, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Geoffrey Dickens, Mr Frank Doran, Sir Anthony Durant, Mr Michael Forsyth, Mr Cecil Franks, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Austin Mitchell, Mr Bill Walker, Mr James Wallace and Mr Brian Wilson.
  - 3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated eighteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991, viz.: Mrs Irene Adams, Mr W. Benyon, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Tom Clarke, Mr Derek Conway, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr Barry Field, Mr George Galloway, Mr John Gorst, Mr Jimmy Hood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr John Maxton, Mrs Ray Michie, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker, Mr John Watts and Mr Mark Wolfson.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 112-ii] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Second Special Report from the Education, Science and Arts Committee [Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Committee, Session 1990–91 (Sport in Schools)]; to be printed [No. 166] [Sir Michael McNair-Wilson].
- 3 Energy,—(1) Second Special Report from the Energy Committee [Government Observations on the First Report from the Committee, Session 1991–92, on Privatisation of Northern Ireland Electricity]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 15th January; to be printed [Nos. 178 and 113-iii] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 4 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 17-iii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 5 European Legislation,—Seventh Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-vii] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 6 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 21-vii] [Mr David Howell].
- 7 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 180-i] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 8 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 179-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 9 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 15th January; to be printed [No. 181-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 10 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 86-iv] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 12-viii] [Mr David Marshall].
- 12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 177-ii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
- 13 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 15th January; to be printed [No. 111-ii] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 15th January 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*] to Standing Committee B;
  - (2) the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (3) the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
  
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Mr James Hill Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991; and
  - (2) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991.
  
- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:
  - (1) European Community Documents Nos. 9997/91, relating to the common market organisation in milk and milk products, and 8910/91, relating to the common organisation of the market in the sugar and isoglucose sector, to European Standing Committee A; and
  - (2) European Community Documents Nos. 9490/91, relating to procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products, and 10157/91, relating to the adoption of standards for satellite broadcasting of television signals, and the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 30th December 1991, relating to the establishment of a European Economic Area, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 41.]

*Thursday 16th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the King's Cross Railways Bill;
 

*Ordered*, That the Bill be further considered on Thursday 23rd January.
  
- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
  
- 3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
  
- 4 Education (Schools) Bill,—Mr Michael Shersby reported from Standing Committee F, That it had gone through the Education (Schools) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
 

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 53].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 184].

5 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Preliminary investigation of disputes by Gas Consumers' Council)—(*Mr John Redwood*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (The domestic supply duty)—(*Mr John Redwood*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Transitional provision with respect to replacement appointments)—(*Mr John Redwood*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Conditions for connections with water mains and for supplies of water)—(*Mr John Redwood*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Price régime)—(*Mr Doug Henderson*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Ken Eastham: 124.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Irvine Patnick: 204.

Another Clause (Elderly and disabled customers)—(*Mr Doug Henderson*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (General obligations of undertakers)—(*Mr Win Griffiths*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Restrictions on diversification)—(*Mr Alex Carlile*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Exercising of any telecommunications dispute resolution function)—(*Mr Peter Hain*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Competitive pipeline construction)—(*Mr Tim Smith*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 14, at the end, to insert the words 'including household penetration services for the disabled, and the balance of regional infrastructure development'.—(*Mr Doug Henderson*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 45.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Tim Boswell: 145.

Amendments (Nos. 12 to 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 21, line 6, at the end, to insert the words—

'(6) In arranging for the publication of an information under subsection (4) above, the Director shall have regard to the need to include, so far as practicable, any matter which relates to—

(a) the health or physical well-being of consumers of water supplied by the undertaker concerned; and

(b) (in consultation with the NRA) the well-being of the environment, flora or fauna, or any amenity'.—(*Mr Win Griffiths*.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 21, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

'(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) above, each water undertaker shall include on each annual bill issued to customers a statement of whether drinking

water supplied by the undertaker to the customer concerned has on every day during the previous twelve months fulfilled quality standards presented by or on behalf of the European Community and in force on the day concerned.

(3) Where on any day to which subsection (2) above is applicable such quality standards as are therein referred to have not been fulfilled the undertaker shall include in the statement made under that subsection details of—

- (a) the dates on which the standards were not fulfilled;
- (b) the substances and amounts of such substances in respect of which the standards were not fulfilled;
- (c) the principal health effects of the substances referred to in paragraph (b) above;
- (d) the reasons which in the view of the undertaker caused the failure to fulfil standards; and
- (e) the steps which it proposes to take to improve drinking water quality in the area concerned'.—(*Mr Win Griffiths.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 36.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Tim Boswell: 138.

Other Amendments (Nos. 46, 16 to 21, 53, 22 to 24, 47, 25 to 28, 31, 54, 52, 30, 33, 55, 35, 36, 56, 57, 37 to 43, 48, 44, 45 and 49) made to the Bill.

Title accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to make provision with respect to standards of performance and service to customers in relation to the telecommunications, gas supply, electricity supply, water supply and sewerage service industries; to make provision with respect to complaints by, and disputes with, customers in those industries; to make provision with respect to the powers of the regulators of those industries and with respect to related matters; to make provision with respect to the payment of deposits by customers of certain telecommunications operators; to make further provision for facilitating effective competition in certain of those industries; to make provision with respect to mergers of water or sewerage undertakers; to make provision with respect to compliance orders against public gas suppliers; to make a minor correction in section 98 of the Water Industry Act 1991; and for connected purposes.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

6 Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill,—*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the intervals between stages of Bills brought in upon Ways and Means Resolutions, more than one stage of the Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill may be taken at any sitting of the House.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

7 Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill,—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

8 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

9 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1) Catherine Downes and others,
- (2) Mrs Margaret Neale and others,
- (3) members of the congregation of College Park Baptist Chapel, and
- (4) residents of—
  - (i) Elmbridge,
  - (ii) the constituency of Mid Kent, and
  - (iii) Norwich

against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Wood*);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Thursday 16th January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government (Scotland),—Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992, dated 16th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Gene Therapy,—Report of the Committee on the Ethics of Gene Therapy [by Command] [Cm. 1788] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 3 Industrial Training,—Report and Accounts of the Construction Industry Training Board for 1990–91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 4 Local Government (Scotland),—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 185] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 5 Nature Conservancy Council,—Report of the Nature Conservancy Council for the period 1st April to 20th December 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 16th January; to be printed [No. 29-viii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].

#### MEMORANDUM

*Thursday 16th January 1992*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 7573/91 and 10157/91, relating to the adoption of standards for satellite broadcasting of television signals, and 8122/91, relating to encouraging audio-visual production.

[No. 42.]

*Friday 17th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Order not previously enquired into applicable),—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz:

Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*].

Bill to be read a second time.

- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

- 3 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) Mr Richard Jackson for legislation to prohibit the importation, manufacture and use of asbestos;

(2) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir; and



(3) the Friends of Compton First School and the Gurnell Middle School Home School Association, Ealing, for an immediate decision on the merger of the schools were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 4 National Lottery Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Lottery Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr Ivan Lawrence rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John Bowis, Mr John Lee: 84.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr David Alton: 35.

Whereupon Madam Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 36 (Majority for closure or for the proposal of question).

And it being after half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 24th January.

- 5 Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th January.

- 6 Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill,—The Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 7 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th January.

- 8 Cheques Bill,—The Cheques Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 9 Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 24th January.

- 10 Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill,—The Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 11 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 20th January.

[Adjourned at 3.6 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

*Friday 17th January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

##### *Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Education,—Education (School Information) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 70), dated 15th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 2 Plant Health,—Watermark Disease (Local Authorities) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 44), dated 10th January 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 3 Social Security,—Income-related Benefits Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 50), dated 13th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

##### *Other Papers:*

- 4 Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 18th November 1991 on borrowing by the British Waterways Board [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

[No. 43.]

Monday 20th January 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Transport,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):— It was agreed to.
- 4 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):— It was agreed to.
- 5 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):— It was agreed to.
- 6 Local Government Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Bill [*Lords*];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 276.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Allen McKay: 221.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 7 Local Government Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Local Government Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Local Government Bill [*Lords*], it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any sums required by the Secretary of State for—

- (i) paying to the Local Government Commission for England established under that Act amounts required by that Commission for carrying out its functions;
- (ii) paying compensation to persons who cease, under that Act, to hold office as members of the Local Government Boundary Commission for England; or
- (iii) meeting expenses incurred by a staff commission established by an order under that Act; and

(b) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick.*)

- 8 Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Temporary relief from stamp duty).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 10, to leave out '£250,000' and insert '£240,000'.—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 1, line 14, to leave out the word '20th' and insert the word '30th'.—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed, in page 1, line 18, to leave out subsection (3).—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Payments in respect of stamped instruments).

Amendment (No. 8) proposed, in page 2, line 7, to leave out the words 'one year' and insert the words 'six months'.—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed, in page 2, line 9, to leave out paragraph (d).—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed, in page 2, line 13, at the end, to insert the words 'and within three months of the claim being made'.—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 21.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 115.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed, in page 2, line 17, to leave out subsection (4).—(*Dr John Marek*.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Greg Knight reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

9 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregation of St. Pius V Church, Downham Market, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(2) residents of the United Kingdom against the Asylum Bill were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Monday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes to Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.33 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Monday 20th January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government Finance (Wales),—(1) Distribution of Non-Domestic Rates (Relevant Population) Report for Wales (No. 3),  
(2) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Distribution Report (No. 3), and  
(3) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Report 1992-93  
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 153, 152 and 151] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Fees and Charges,—(1) Agricultural or Forestry Tractors and Tractor Components (Type Approval) (Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 83), dated 20th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind]; and  
(2) Agricultural or Forestry Tractors and Tractor Components (Type Approval) (Fees) (Revocation) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 56), dated 15th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 3 Government Trading Funds,—Central Office of Information Trading Fund (Variation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 43), dated 13th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 4 Tractors,—Agricultural or Forestry Tractors and Tractor Components (Type Approval) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 80), dated 10th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Census of Production,—Report of the Census of Production, 1990, on cement, lime and plaster [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 6 Aviation and Maritime Security,—Report by the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to section 44 of the Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 7 Aviation Security,—Report by the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to section 23 of the Aviation Security Act 1982, as amended by the Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 20th January; to be printed [No. 192-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 20th January; to be printed [No. 61-vii] [Mr Frank Field].

#### MEMORANDUM

*Monday 20th January 1992*

Public Bills (Scotland),—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 93 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr Speaker certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 44.]

Tuesday 21st January 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Representation of the People (Amendment),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law to provide that each parliamentary constituency shall be represented by a woman and by a man; to make a consequential reorganisation of constituency boundaries; and for connected purposes—*(Mrs Teresa Gorman)*;

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business):—It was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law to provide that each parliamentary constituency shall be represented by a woman and by a man; to make a consequential reorganisation of constituency boundaries; and for connected purposes: And that Mrs Teresa Gorman, Mrs Edwina Currie, Clare Short and Mr David Amess do prepare and bring it in.

- 4 Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill,—Mrs Teresa Gorman accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law to provide that each parliamentary constituency shall be represented by a woman and by a man; to make a consequential reorganisation of constituency boundaries; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 31st January and to be printed [Bill 55].
- 5 Asylum Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Asylum Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Representation and advice)—*(Mr Roy Hattersley)*—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 301.

Another Clause (International obligations)—*(Mr Alistair Darling)*—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Procedure on rules relating to asylum)—*(Mr Alistair Darling)*—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Allen McKay: 213.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Nicholas Baker: 287.

Another Clause (The right to be heard)—*(Mr John Fraser)*—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 25 to 27) made to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 21) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 3, to leave out from the word 'and' to the end of line 4 and insert the words 'informs the housing authority dealing with his application'.—(*Mr John Fraser.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 28) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 31) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 25, after the word 'person', to insert the words 'other than a student on a recognised course'.—(*Sir Timothy Raison.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 29, 30 and 19) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

6 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Asylum Bill, may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.

7 Asylum Bill,—The Question being again proposed, That the Asylum Bill be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Nicholas Baker: 298.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 216.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

8 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from residents of—

(1) Birmingham and elsewhere,

(2) the constituencies of Ludlow, North Shropshire and The Wrekin and elsewhere,

(3) Newcastle-upon-Tyne and elsewhere, and

(4) the constituency of Wealden and elsewhere

against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

9 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tom Sackville.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.7 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Tuesday 21st January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

1 Coal Industry,—Opencast Coal (Rate of Interest on Compensation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 46), dated 13th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr David Mellor].

2 Immigration,—Statement of changes in Immigration Rules [by Act]; to be printed [No. 175] [Mr Secretary Baker].

3 Local Government,—Revenue Support Grant (Specified Bodies) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 89), dated 17th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Home Affairs,—Government Reply to the Eighth Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1990–91, on the Home Office Annual Report [by Command] [Cm. 1799] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 5 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
  - (1) Department for National Savings, and
  - (2) Department of Transport: Ship Safety
 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 187 and 186] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the Forty-first to Forty-third Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1990–91 [by Command] [Cm. 1798] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 7 Social Work (Training),—Accounts of the Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work for 1990–91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 194] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Supply Estimates, 1991–92,—Estimates for Class XX (Net Contributions to European Community Institutions) for 1991–92 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 182] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 9 Supply Estimates, 1992–93,—Supplementary Estimates for Classes I to XX for which a Vote on Account is required for 1992–93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 183] [Mr Francis Maude].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Ninth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and
  - (2) Fourth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;
 to be printed [Nos. 14-x and 15-v] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 2 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 21st January; to be printed [No. 86-v] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

## MR SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

Mr Speaker certified that the Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 45.]

*Wednesday 22nd January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—A Bill to provide for the vesting in Alliance & Leicester Building Society of part of the undertaking of Girobank plc; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 2 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire land; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 3 Crossrail Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited and the British Railways Board to construct works and to purchase or use land; to confer further powers on the Company and the Board; and for other and related purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 4 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to stop up certain level crossings on their East Coast Main Line railway or adjacent thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

- 5 Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill,—A Bill to confer on Nottinghamshire County Council and on Nottingham City Council powers for the development and operation of a light rail system of rapid passenger transport in the City of Nottingham and elsewhere in the County of Nottinghamshire; to authorise the construction of works and the acquisition of lands for those purposes; to authorise the said Councils to transfer the undertaking established by this Act or any part thereof to Greater Nottingham Rapid Transit Limited or any other person; to confer further powers on the said Councils; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 6 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works in the London boroughs of Camden and Islington and to purchase or use land in the last mentioned borough; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 7 Leeds Supertram Bill,—A Bill to empower the West Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive in conjunction with Leeds City Council to develop and operate a light rail or supertram system of passenger transport in the City of Leeds; to authorise the construction of works; to confer powers upon the Executive and the City Council for the acquisition of lands for that purpose; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 8 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to provide for the transfer of the functions of London Regional Transport in respect of the extension of the Docklands Railway to Lewisham, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 9 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited, for safety purposes and the relief of passenger congestion, to construct works to improve the underground station at Green Park and to acquire lands; and for connected purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 10 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—A Bill to empower London Underground Limited to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on London Underground Limited; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 11 Midland Metro (No. 3) Bill,—A Bill to empower the West Midlands Passenger Transport Executive to construct additional works for extension of their light rail rapid passenger transport system and substituted works for parts of that system; to authorise the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to confer further powers upon the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
- 12 British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*],—The British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
- 13 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Title of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill being read;

The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
- 14 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 15 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 16 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).



- 17 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2901) and the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2902), referred to a Committee on 14th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 196].

- 18 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the British Railways (No. 3) Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

- 19 Shops (Amendment),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for certain descriptions of shops in England and Wales to be open for trade on Sunday, subject to their being registered with the local authority; to impose a general prohibition on the opening on Sunday of other shops, extending this prohibition to certain business premises which on week-days are open for the service of customers; to provide protection for persons employed in or for the purposes of a shop which is, or is to be, registered for Sunday opening, where they have conscientious or other objections to working on Sunday; to make consequential and other repeals in the Shops Act 1950; and for connected purposes—(*Mr Ray Powell*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 224.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Dennis Turner: 4.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for certain descriptions of shops in England and Wales to be open for trade on Sunday, subject to their being registered with the local authority; to impose a general prohibition on the opening on Sunday of other shops, extending this prohibition to certain business premises which on week-days are open for the service of customers; to provide protection for persons employed in or for the purposes of a shop which is, or is to be, registered for Sunday opening, where they have conscientious or other objections to working on Sunday; to make consequential and other repeals in the Shops Act 1950; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Ray Powell, Mrs Ann Winterton, Sir Bernard Braine, Sir Patrick Duffy, Mr Patrick Cormack, Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Ivor Stanbrook, Mr Michael Alison, Mr A. J. Beith, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones and Mr James Wallace do prepare and bring it in.

- 20 Shops (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Ray Powell accordingly presented a Bill to provide for certain descriptions of shops in England and Wales to be open for trade on Sunday, subject to their being registered with the local authority; to impose a general prohibition on the opening on Sunday of other shops, extending this prohibition to certain business premises which on week-days are open for the service of customers; to provide protection for persons employed in or for the purposes of a shop which is, or is to be, registered for Sunday opening, where they have conscientious or other objections to working on Sunday; to make consequential and other repeals in the Shops Act 1950; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st February and to be printed [Bill 56].

- 21 Autumn Statement,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the Autumn Statement presented by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer on 6th November 1991; notes that the Government has continued to maintain firm control over public expenditure, while honouring its commitments in full and increasing spending in priority areas; and congratulates the Government on its sound and prudent economic policies, which have led to a substantial reduction in inflation and have laid the foundations for sustainable recovery—(*Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'declines to approve the Autumn Statement; deplores the continued mismanagement of the economy, which has plunged all parts of the nation into a deep and damaging recession, causing unprecedented and avoidable levels of business failures and rapidly rising unemployment; regrets the errors that are already apparent in the Government's forecasts for the economy made in the Autumn Statement; condemns the failure of the Government to invest in the economic infrastructure and vital public services; and calls upon the Government to promote an investment-led recovery including financial incentives for investment in manufacturing, tax credits for the enhancement of technology, assistance for regional economic

development and a major programme of education and training to tackle Britain's continuing skills crisis', instead thereof.—(*Mr John Smith.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 320.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 317.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 227.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House approves the Autumn Statement presented by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer on 6th November 1991; notes that the Government has continued to maintain firm control over public expenditure, while honouring its commitments in full and increasing spending in priority areas; and congratulates the Government on its sound and prudent economic policies, which have led to a substantial reduction in inflation and have laid the foundations for sustainable recovery.

- 22 Housing (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 17th December, be approved—(*Lord James Douglas-Hamilton*);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House proceeded to a Division.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Davis, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 175.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 138.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 17th December, be approved.

- 23 Local Government (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992, dated 16th January 1992, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th January, be approved—(*Mr Allan Stewart*);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Tim Boswell: 150.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 107.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the Revenue Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1992, dated 16th January 1992, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th January, be approved.

- 24 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of the constituency of Harrow West for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 25 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregations of—

- (i) Ayr Free Church of Scotland,
- (ii) Forest Fold Baptist Chapel, Crowborough, and
- (iii) St. Marie's Church, Rugby;

(2) residents of—

- (i) Leicestershire, and
- (ii) Thornton Heath, Surrey; and

(3) Rosamund M. Davison and others

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(4) Miss Eileen Woollacott against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

26 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.15 a.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 22nd January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

### *Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Community Charges,—Community Charges and Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 96), dated 20th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 2 Local Government,—(1) Cheshire, Derbyshire, Hereford and Worcester and Staffordshire (County Boundaries) (Variation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 48), dated 13th January 1992, and  
(2) Local Government (Publication of Information About Unused and Underused Land) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 73), dated 16th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

### *Other Papers:*

- 3 Atomic Energy,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Energy with the consent of the Treasury, dated 17th January 1992, on borrowing by British Nuclear Fuels plc [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 4 Barbados (No. 1, 1992),—Convention, done at London on 7th January 1992, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Barbados on social security, with Protocol concerning health care [by Command] [Cm. 1796] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 5 Law Commissions,—Report of the Scottish Law Commission on statutory fees for arrestees [by Act]; to be printed [No. 168] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 6 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—First Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1991-92 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 195] [Clerk of the House].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill, viz.: Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Ian Grist, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Richard Livsey, Dr John Marek, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Keith Raffan, Sir Wyn Roberts, Mr Ted Rowlands, Mr Colin Shepherd, Mr Anthony Steen, Mr Peter Temple-Morris, Mr David Tredinnick, Mr Gareth Wardell and Mr Dafydd Wigley.
- 2 Standing Committee D,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-five Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Local Government Bill [*Lords*], viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr Alan Amos, Mr David Atkinson, Mr David Bellotti, Mr David Blunkett, Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo, Mr David Davis, Mr Douglas French, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Robert B. Jones, Mr Robert Key, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr John Maxton, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Anthony Nelson, Mr William O'Brien, Mr James Paice, Mr Michael Portillo, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Allan Stewart and Mr David Wilshire.
- 3 Second Scottish Standing Committee,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr John Browne, Mr Menzies Campbell, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Alex Eadie, Mr

Harry Ewing, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Sir Nicholas Fairbairn, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr John McAllion, Mr William McKelvey, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr David Marshall, Sir Hector Monro, Mr Ernie Ross, Mr Allan Stewart, Mr Bill Walker, Mr Charles Wardle, Mr Mike Watson and Mr George Younger.

- 4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Robert Adley, Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr Robert Banks, Mr David Gilroy Bevan, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Jim Callaghan, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Christopher Chope, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Quentin Davies, Mr Tim Devlin, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr Tony Favell, Mr Ronnie Fearn, Mr Nigel Forman, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr Peter Snape and Mr Gareth Wardell.
- 5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992 and the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Eric Forth, Mr Peter Fry, Sir George Gardiner, Mr Peter Griffiths, Mr Neil Hamilton, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Andrew Hargreaves, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Robert Hicks, Mr Tim Janman, Mr Roger King, Mr Tony Lloyd, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Alan Meale, Mr James Wallace and Mr Mike Watson.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 163-ii] [Mr Michael Mates].
- 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 164-ii] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 3 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 22nd January; and  
(2) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 27th November;  
to be printed [Nos. 71-v and 92-i] [Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 113-iv] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 17-iv] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 6 European Legislation,—Eighth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-viii] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 7 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 198-i] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 8 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 179-ii] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 9 Procedure,—Second Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [The Chair's Discretion to Extend the Time Allowed for a Division], together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 200] [Sir Peter Emery].
- 10 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 201-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 11 Trade and Industry,—Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 86-vi] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 197-i] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
- 13 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 111-iii] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 22nd January 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill and the Cheques Bill to Standing Committee C;
  - (2) the Local Government Bill [*Lords*] to Standing Committee D;
  - (3) the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill to the Second Scottish Standing Committee;
  - (4) the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (5) the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992 and the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
  
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Sir John Hunt Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*];
  - (2) Sir Giles Shaw Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill;
  - (3) Mr Michael Morris Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Local Government Bill [*Lords*];
  - (4) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill;
  - (5) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992; and
  - (6) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992 and the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992.
  
- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the following referrals have been made:
  - (1) European Community Documents Nos. 8207/91, relating to completion of the civil aviation policy in the European Communities towards single market conditions, 8090/91, relating to an Agreement between the European Economic Community, Norway and Sweden on civil aviation, and 8051/91, relating to the application of rules of competition, agreements and concerted practices in the air transport sector, to European Standing Committee A; and
  - (2) European Community Documents Nos. 9752/91, relating to the freedom of management and investment of funds held by institutions for retirement provision, and 10212/91, relating to the Commission's Annual Economic Report 1991-92, to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 46.]

*Thursday 23rd January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 30th January.
- 2 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for further consideration of the King's Cross Railways Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be further considered on Tuesday 28th January at Seven o'clock.

3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

4 Transport and Works Bill,—Mr Michael Latham reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Transport and Works Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 54].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 204].

5 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill,—Mr Secretary Newton, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr Nicholas Scott and Ann Widdecombe, presented a Bill to make provision for requiring, in certain cases where interest on a loan secured on land is payable by a person who is entitled, or whose partner, former partner or qualifying associate is entitled, to income support, the applicable amount in respect of which includes a sum in respect of that interest, that a part of the benefits to which any of those persons is entitled under the enactments relating to social security shall be paid directly to the lender and applied towards the discharge of the liability in respect of the interest; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 57].

6 Opposition day [3rd allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Poverty,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, noting that the ten million people today living on or below the income support level of less than £40 a week for an adult represent the greatest numbers in poverty in Britain since the war, and that the Government has as a deliberate policy over twelve years further impoverished the poorest one third of the nation to make the rich richer, calls on the Government to reverse its policies of increasing poverty and unemployment and to give priority to the growing millions excluded from the rights and opportunities of real citizenship by increasing pensions by £5 per week for a single pensioner and by £8 a week for a married couple, by re-instituting the pension link with earnings which the Government broke twelve years ago, and by restoring to families the losses in child benefit from three years of government freeze—(*Mr Michael Meacher*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'warmly endorses the Government's policies for focusing considerable extra help on the most vulnerable in society; welcomes the further real increases in benefits shortly to take place for many older less well off pensioners and hundreds of thousands of disabled people; notes the Social Security Select Committee's conclusion that real disposable incomes grew by 30 per cent. between 1979 and 1988 with increases in real income being seen at all levels of the income scale; believes that policies which provide more choice and greater opportunities are the best way of helping people to create a better life for themselves and their families; and recognises that, if implemented, Her Majesty's Opposition's confused tax and spending plans would impoverish the whole nation, increase unemployment and destroy opportunities', instead thereof.—(*Mr Secretary Newton*.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Ken Eastham: 208.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Neil Hamilton: 246.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House warmly endorses the Government's policies for focusing considerable extra help on the most vulnerable in society; welcomes the further real increases in benefits shortly to take place for many older less well off pensioners and hundreds of thousands of disabled people; notes the Social Security Select Committee's conclusion that real disposable incomes grew by 30 per cent. between 1979 and 1988 with increases in real income being seen at all levels of the income scale; believes that policies which provide more choice and greater opportunities are the best way of helping people to create a better life for themselves and their families; and recognises that, if

implemented, Her Majesty's Opposition's confused tax and spending plans would impoverish the whole nation, increase unemployment and destroy opportunities.

Ravenscraig.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the repeated failure of British Steel to support and invest in its Scottish plants, culminating in the announcement that Ravenscraig is to close in defiance of guarantees given by the company; calls for British Steel to honour these guarantees and for the Government to explore with determination every possible means of saving the steel industry in Scotland, including the search for a new owner and the use of new technology; deplores the inadequate response from Ministers to the present crisis; and demands a co-ordinated and determined drive to rebuild the Lanarkshire economy which has been cruelly damaged by the policies of both the Government and British Steel—(*Mr Donald Dewar*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'commends the Government's response to the announcement by British Steel of its decision to close Ravenscraig; acknowledges the extensive and effective nature of the measures already being undertaken by the Government as part of its continuing commitment to improve the economy and infrastructure in Lanarkshire, in partnership with Scottish Enterprise, the Lanarkshire Development Agency, and a range of other public and private bodies; welcomes the Government's commitment of some £120 million since the beginning of March 1991 for economic development and training in Lanarkshire; and supports the proposal by Her Majesty's Government that an enterprise zone be established in North Lanarkshire', instead thereof.—(*Mr Secretary Lang*.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 212.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 242.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Tim Boswell: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 195.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House commends the Government's response to the announcement by British Steel of its decision to close Ravenscraig; acknowledges the extensive and effective nature of the measures already being undertaken by the Government as part of its continuing commitment to improve the economy and infrastructure in Lanarkshire, in partnership with Scottish Enterprise, the Lanarkshire Development Agency, and a range of other public and private bodies; welcomes the Government's commitment of some £120 million since the beginning of March 1991 for economic development and training in Lanarkshire; and supports the proposal by Her Majesty's Government that an enterprise zone be established in North Lanarkshire.

7 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Woolmer Green against the closure of their village shop was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

8 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from

(1)(a) Deborah Wilson and others,

(b) members of the congregations of—

(i) Ayr Free Church of Scotland, and

(ii) English Martyrs Roman Catholic Church, Mexborough, and

(c) residents of the constituency of Dartford

against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(2) residents of the North of England for legislation to promote workplace nurseries and childcare facilities

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

9 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.53 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

*Thursday 23rd January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Employment,—Draft revised Code of Practice on picketing [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

2 Clean Air,—Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 72), dated 14th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

3 Agricultural Training Board,—Report and Financial Statements of the Agricultural Training Board for 1989–90 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

4 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—

(1) machinery for the food, chemical and related industries; process engineering contractors,

(2) metal doors, windows etc, and

(3) structural clay products

[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].

5 Government Trading Funds,—Accounts of the Crown Suppliers Trading Fund for the period 1st January to 31st March 1991; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 202] [Clerk of the House].

6 Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation,—Accounts of Greenwich Hospital and the Foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire, for 1990–91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 203] [Mr Secretary King].

7 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13 Partial Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 109), dated 22nd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [15th October, in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of and visitors to the Yorkshire Dales National Park for a review of the powers and policies of the Yorkshire Dales National Park [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

9 Welsh Affairs,—Government's Response to the Fifth Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1990–91, on affordable housing [by Command] [Cm. 1793] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

[No. 47.]

*Friday 24th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).

4 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition against the contracting out of the maintenance of the Royal Parks was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.



- 5 Traffic Calming Bill,—The Traffic Calming Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 6 Freedom of Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom of Information Bill;  
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 7th February.
- 7 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 31st January.
- 8 Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 31st January.
- 9 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—The Firearms (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 10 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 27th January, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Brooke relating to Northern Ireland not later than Ten o'clock; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)
- 11 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Thursday 30th January, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business)—  
(1) Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to Local Government Finance not later than Ten o'clock;  
(2) the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hunt relating to Local Government Finance (Wales) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or the end of a period of one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, at which time Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of them; and  
(3) the aforesaid Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)
- 12 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 3rd February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hurd relating to Overseas Development and Co-operation not later than Ten o'clock; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)
- 13 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)  
And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then four minutes past Three o'clock, till Monday 27th January.

[Adjourned at 3.4 p.m.]

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#### APPENDIX I

Friday 24th January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government Finance,—(1) Population Report (England) (No. 3),  
(2) Revenue Support Grant Distribution (Amendment) (No. 2) Report (England),  
(3) Revenue Support Grant Report (England) 1992-93, and  
(4) Special Grant Report (No. 3)

[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 189, 190, 188 and 191] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Criminal Injuries,—Criminal Injuries (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1988 (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 8), dated 7th January 1992 [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Criminal Law,—Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) Act 1990 (Enforcement Officers) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 77), dated 16th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 4 Local Government,—Relevant Population (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 108), dated 22nd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages, Etc.,—Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 99), dated 22nd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 6 Social Security,—Social Security (Contributions) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 97), dated 21st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 7 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14 Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 111), dated 23rd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 8 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy was laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:  
  
Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13 Partial Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 109)  
  
[by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 5, 1992),—Agreement, done at New York on 1st October 1980, establishing the Common Fund for Commodities [by Command] [Cm. 1797] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Cheques Bill, viz.: Mr Alan Amos, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Douglas French, Mr Conal Gregory, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr John Maples, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr Martin Redmond, Mrs Marion Roe, Mr Robin Squire, Mr Hugo Summerson, Mr Patrick Thompson, Mr Robert N. Wareing and Mr Alan Williams.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

Trade and Industry,—Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 22nd January; to be printed [No. 86-vii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

## MEMORANDUM

*Friday 24th January 1992*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 9997/91, relating to the common market organisation in milk and milk products.

[No. 48.]

*Monday 27th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Education (School Premises) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Education (School Premises) Bill be read a second time on Friday.
- 5 Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill be read a second time on Friday.
- 6 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved—(*Mr Richard Needham*);

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion, pursuant to Order [24th January].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Neil Hamilton: 198.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 121.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.

Mr Speaker then put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the other Motion relating to Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland,—*Resolved*, That the draft Electricity (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1991, which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

- 7 Public Health,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13) Order 1991 (S.I., 1991, No. 2901), dated 20th December 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 20th December, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.
- 8 Fitment of Speed Limiters to HGVs and PCVs,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7816/91 and 8046/91, relating to the fitment of speed limiters to certain classes of heavy goods vehicle and passenger carrying vehicles; and agrees with the Government's view that limiters will bring worthwhile casualty savings and environmental benefits subject to there being adequate arrangements to ensure that the terms of the proposal are properly complied with—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.
- 9 Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill [Money];
 

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums so payable under the provisions of the Development of Tourism Act 1969.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)
- 10 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
  - (1) residents of the constituency of Oxford West and Abingdon, and
  - (2) residents of Nottingham

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(3) residents of Erith and elsewhere for improved train services between London and Abbey Wood, Belvedere, Erith, Slade Green and Crayford

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

11 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.38 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Monday 27th January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 82), dated 16th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Civil Aviation,—Statement of determination of pension arrangements for the Chairman of the Civil Aviation Authority [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 3 Civil Defence,—Scottish Office Minute, dated 24th January 1992, concerning a contingent liability consequent on the indemnification of those other than qualified medical personnel distributing iodine tablets to the general public in the event of a nuclear emergency [by Command] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Food,—Account of the Home Grown Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 206] [Clerk of the House].
- 5 Statutory Instruments,—Report to the Lord Chancellor and Mr Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee—  

That it has been notified in accordance with Regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 that the Department of Employment has certified, under Regulation 6 of the said Regulations, that the printing and sale, in accordance with the requirements of section 2(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, of the Offshore Installations (Safety Zones) (No. 5) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 22) is unnecessary, having regard to the brevity of the period during which it will remain in force and to the other steps taken or to be taken for bringing its substance to the notice of the public;

That the Committee is satisfied that the certificate is justified and has taken no further action in the matter [Mr Speaker].
- 6 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy was laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:  

Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 14 Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 111)

[by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].
- 7 Transport,—Statement of determination of salaries, fees and allowances of the Chairman and members of the British Railways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr James Arbuthnot and Mr Nigel Forman (nominated in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr Lewis Stevens and Mr Alistair Burt.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—(1) Ninth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Northern Ireland Audit Office Estimate 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 83];
  - (2) Tenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [National Audit Office Estimates 1992-93]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 207];
  - (3) Eleventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [National Insurance Contributions]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 73];
  - (4) Twelfth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [H.M. Customs and Excise: Account Matters]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 106]; and
  - (5) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 27th January; to be printed [No. 208-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 27th January; to be printed [No. 61-viii] [Mr Frank Field].

## MEMORANDUM

*Monday 27th January 1992*

Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated the Traffic Calming Bill and the Firearms (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C.

[No. 49.]

*Tuesday 28th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*],—The Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*] was read a second time and committed.
- 2 Crossrail Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Crossrail Bill be read a second time on Thursday.
- 3 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill be read a second time on Thursday.
- 4 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 5 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 6 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 7 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That it had gone through the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 58].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 209].
- 8 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991, referred to a Committee on 14th January.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 211].
- 9 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the use of animals in the development and testing of cosmetics; And that Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Don Dixon, Sir Teddy Taylor, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Phillip

Oppenheim, Mr Jimmy Wray, Mr Gordon McMaster, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr James Pawsey, Mr Archy Kirkwood and Mr Norman Hogg do prepare and bring it in.

- 10 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill,—Mr Jimmy Dunnachie accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the use of animals in the development and testing of cosmetics: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th February and to be printed [Bill 59].

- 11 Prison Security Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Prison Security Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 8, to leave out the word 'two' and insert the word 'six'.—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, to leave out from the word 'prison' to the end of line 14 and insert the words 'together use or threaten violence for the common purpose of overthrowing lawful authority in that prison'.—(*Mr Barry Sheerman.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ken Eastham: 157.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 211.

Amendments (Nos. 7 and 9) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 3, at the end, to insert the words 'or the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland under the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953'.—(*Mr David Trimble.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 22, at the end, to insert the words—

'(4) In section 33 of the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 (offence of assisting escape by conveying things into prisons) after the word "prisoner", in the second place where it occurs, there shall be inserted the words "sends anything (by post or otherwise) into a prison or to a prisoner" and for the words "seven years" there shall be substituted the words "ten years".'

(5) In section 30 of the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 (offence of rescue or assisting other prisoners) for the words "five years" there shall be substituted the words "ten years"'.—(*Mr David Trimble.*)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr James Molyneaux, Mr Roy Beggs: 5.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Neil Hamilton: 211.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 12 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the King's Cross Railways Bill.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 25, to leave out Clause No. 7.—(*Mr Chris Smith.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, to leave out lines 10 and 11.—(*Mr Chris Smith.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 14, to leave out Clause No. 28.—(*Mr Chris Smith.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7 and 8) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And it being Ten o'clock the Debate stood adjourned.

- 13 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the King's Cross Railways Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—*(Mr Irvine Patnick)*:—It was agreed to.
- 14 King's Cross Railways Bill,—The Question being again proposed, That the King's Cross Railways Bill be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.  
And the Question being put;  
The House divided.  
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Alistair Burt: 162.  
Tellers for the Noes, Mr Chris Smith, Mr Jeremy Corbyn: 5.  
So the Question was agreed to.  
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
- 15 Companies,—*Resolved*, That the draft Uncertificated Securities Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 19th December, be approved.—*(Mr John Redwood.)*
- 16 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Mr C. F. Chantler for a review of the tax status of volunteer drivers for charitable organisations was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 17 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—*(Mr John M. Taylor)*;

*Wednesday 29th January 1992*

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then one minute past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.1 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 28th January 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 93), and  
(2) Lotteries (Gaming Board Fees) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 94),  
dated 20th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Indicative Amounts) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 81), dated 15th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Cambridge, on 15th November 1991, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Census of Production,—(1) Report on the Census of Production, 1990: Introductory notes; and  
(2) Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—  
(i) extraction of mineral oil and natural gas, and  
(ii) tobacco industry  
[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 5 Environment,—Paper, entitled The Government's proposals for the implementation in UK law of the EC Directive on the freedom of access to information on the environment [by Command] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

- 6 Food Safety,—(1) Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice No. 11: Enforcement of the Food Premises (Registration) Regulations, and  
(2) Food Safety Act 1990 Code of Practice No. 12: Division of Enforcement Responsibilities for the Quick Frozen Foodstuffs Regulations 1990  
[by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 7 Industrial Training,—Financial Statements of the Clothing and Allied Products Industry Training Board for the period 1st April to 7th October 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 8 Transport,—Report and Accounts of the Scottish Transport Group for the period 1st January 1990 to 31st March 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr David Gilroy Bevan (nominated in respect of the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr Barry Porter.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 28th January; to be printed [No. 61-ix] [Mr Frank Field].
- 2 Statutory Instruments,—Tenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-xi] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 3 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 28th January; to be printed [No. 86-viii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 50.]

*Wednesday 29th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 2 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the British Railways (No. 4) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 3 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 4 Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill,—The Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Bill was read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
- 5 Leeds Supertram Bill,—The Leeds Supertram Bill was read a second time and committed.
- 6 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 7 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the London Underground (Green Park) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 8 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
- 9 Midland Metro (No. 3) Bill,—The Midland Metro (No. 3) Bill was read a second time and committed.
- 10 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).



- 11 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 12 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 13 Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Second Scottish Standing Committee, That it had gone through the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
- Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.
- Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 212].
- 14 Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill,—Sir Giles Shaw reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
- Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.
- Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 213].
- 15 European Standing Committee B,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:
- That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 7573/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 6th November and 11th December 1991, and European Community Document No. 10157/91, relating to standards for satellite broadcasting of television signals, and European Community Document No. 8122/91, relating to audio-visual production in the context of the strategy for high definition television; and endorses the Government's approach which is to aim for the correct balance between promoting new broadcasting technologies, protecting the rights of satellite broadcasters and serving the best interests of consumers.
- Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.
- 16 Impact of Disasters Bill,—The Order for reading the Impact of Disasters Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.
- Bill to be read a second time on Friday 7th February.
- 17 Pre-Wired Plugs,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Plugs and Sockets Etc. (Safety) Regulations 1987 to require pre-wired plugs to be fitted to all domestic appliances by the manufacturer: And that Mr Ken Hargreaves, Mr David Alton, Mr David Amess, Mr John Bowis, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Lawrence Cunliffe, Sir Patrick Duffy, Mr David Evennett, Mr Conal Gregory, Mr David Sumberg and Mr Andrew Welsh do prepare and bring it in.
- 18 Pre-Wired Plugs Bill,—Mr Ken Hargreaves accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Plugs and Sockets Etc. (Safety) Regulations 1987 to require pre-wired plugs to be fitted to all domestic appliances by the manufacturer: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 7th February and to be printed [Bill 61].
- 19 Education (Schools) Bill [Ways and Means],—*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Education (Schools) Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of sums received by the Chief Inspector of Schools in England or the Chief Inspector of Schools in Wales under the Act.—(*Mr Secretary Clarke.*)

20 Education (Schools) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Education (Schools) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Provision of information about complaints procedures)—(*Hilary Armstrong*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Functions of the Chief Inspector with regard to the curriculum)—(*Mr Derek Fatchett*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 203.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Tom Sackville: 285.

Another Clause (Power of Chief Inspector for England to promote studies for improving efficiency, etc.)—(*Mr Jack Straw*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Additional provisions with regard to inspection teams)—(*Hilary Armstrong*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

21 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) Ronald Hull S J;

(2) Members of the congregations of—

(i) St. John the Baptist Church of England and St. Joseph the Worker Roman Catholic Church, Coventry, and

(ii) Snizort Free Church of Scotland; and

(3) residents of the constituency of Crawley

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

22 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.51 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 29th January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

1 Sea Fisheries,—Sea Fishing (Days in Port) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 130), dated 28th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

2 Duchies of Cornwall and Lancaster,—Revenue and Capital Accounts of the Duchy of Lancaster for the period 30th September 1990 to 29th September 1991 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

3 France (No. 1, 1992),—Protocol, done at Sangatte on 25th November 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the French Republic concerning frontier controls and policing, co-operation in criminal justice, public safety and mutual assistance relating to the Channel Tunnel fixed link [by Command] [Cm. 1802] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

4 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [16th December] from members of senior citizens' clubs and residents of aged persons' dwellings in Halifax for an improved deal for pensioners [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

- 5 Treaty Series (No. 6, 1992),—Notes exchanged at The Hague on 20th August and 13th September 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands concerning the implementation of the Treaty for the Mutual Surrender of Fugitive Criminals signed at London on 26th September 1898 with respect to Hong Kong [by Command] [Cm. 1801] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Traffic Calming Bill, viz.: Mr David Alton, Mr David Amess, Mr Tony Banks, Mr John Bowis, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Christopher Chope, Mr Stephen Day, Sir John Farr, Mr Ronnie Fearn, Mr Barry Field, Dr Kim Howells, Mr Keith Mans, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Joan Ruddock, Mr Ian Taylor and Mr Alan Williams.
- 2 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Frank Cook, Mr John Cummings, Mr Andrew Hunter, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Richard Livsey, Mr Peter Lloyd, Mr Michael Lord, Mr Humfrey Malins, Dr John Marek, Mr Richard Page, Mr William Powell, Mr George Robertson, Sir Trevor Skeet, Mr Ian Taylor and Mr Patrick Thompson.

## APPENDIX III

### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 29th January; to be printed [Nos. 112-iii and -iv] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Education, Science and Arts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 164-iii] [Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 3 Energy,—(1) Third Special Report from the Energy Committee [Further Government Observations on the Fifth Report from the Committee (Session 1990-91) on Clean Coal Technology and the Coal Market after 1993]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 29th January; to be printed [Nos. 210 and 43-iv] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 4 Environment,—(1) First Report from the Environment Committee [The Government's Proposals for an Environment Agency], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 55];  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee; and  
(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 17-v]  
[Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 5 European Legislation,—Ninth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-ix] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 6 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 198-ii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 7 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 214-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 8 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 29th January; to be printed [No. 44-v] [Sir Antony Buck].
- 9 Public Accounts,—(1) Thirteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Ministry of Defence: Support Information Technology]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 96]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 29th January; to be printed [No. 216-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

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- 10 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 86-ix] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
  - 11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 87-ii] [Mr David Marshall].
  - 12 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 29th January; to be printed [No. 177-iii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
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## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 29th January 1992*

- 1 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
    - (1) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Cheques Bill; and
    - (2) Sir Michael Shaw Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Document No. 6748/91, relating to advertising of tobacco products.
  - 2 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 8918/91, relating to a Community Strategy to limit carbon dioxide emissions and to improve energy efficiency [*transferred from European Standing Committee B*], 9482/91, relating to health and safety on board fishing vessels, and 10229/91, relating to the Common Fisheries Policy, have been referred to European Standing Committee A.
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[No. 51.]

*Thursday 30th January 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 6th February.
- 2 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 3 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 4 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 5 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 6 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 7 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.
- 8 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.

- 9 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 6th February.

- 10 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

- 11 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—Sir John Hunt reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 62].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 220].

- 12 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 20th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 219].

- 13 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992 and the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 20th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 217].

- 14 Education (Schools) Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Education (Schools) Bill:—

*Report and Third Reading*

1.—(1) The proceedings on consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in one allotted day and shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o'clock.

(2) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) shall not apply to this Order.

*Order of proceedings*

2. No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings on consideration of the Bill are taken.

*Dilatory Motions*

3. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be made on the allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Private business*

4. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on the allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time elapsing between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

*Conclusion of proceedings*

5.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 above and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);

(c) the Question on any Amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member, if that Amendment is moved or Motion is made by a member of the Government;

(d) the Question that all remaining Amendments standing in the name of a member of the Government be made to the Bill;

(e) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;

and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, Mr Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If the allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o'clock, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

(4) If the allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which under this Order are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

#### *Supplemental orders*

6.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(2) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time, no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

#### *Saving*

7. Nothing in this Order shall—

- (a) prevent any proceedings to which the Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by the Order; or
- (b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

#### *Recommittal*

8.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) On the allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any Amendment moved to the Question.

#### *Interpretation*

9. In this Order—

“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as first Government Order of the day, provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;

“the Bill” means the Education (Schools) Bill—(*Mr John MacGregor*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Irvine Patnick: 271.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 183.

So the Question was agreed to.

Education (Schools) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, That the Clause (Additional provisions with regard to inspection teams) be read a second time.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Frank Haynes: 143.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Irvine Patnick: 229.

Another Clause (Additional duties with regard to school inspections)—(*Hilary Armstrong*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Financial Report to Parliament)—(*Hilary Armstrong*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker, pursuant to the Order this day, put the Question already proposed from the Chair.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Eric Illsley: 137.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 269.

Mr Speaker then put forthwith the remaining Questions which he was directed to put at that hour.

Question put, That all remaining Amendments standing in the name of a Member of the Government be made to the Bill;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 270.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Eric Illsley: 134.

Amendments (Nos. 22 to 29, 48 to 52 and 30 to 47) accordingly made to the Bill.

Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 266.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Eric Illsley: 132.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

16 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Mansfield and elsewhere for legislation to abolish standing charges for pensioners in respect of utilities was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) members of the congregation of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, East Ilsley, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(2) residents of Walsall and elsewhere in favour of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.6 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

Thursday 30th January 1992

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

1 Education,—Education (Financial Delegation for Primary Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 110), dated 13th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

- 2 Food,—Food Safety Act 1990 (Consequential Modifications) (Local Enactments) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 117), dated 23rd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 3 National Health Service,—(1) National Health Service (Determination of Districts) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 120), and  
(2) National Health Service (District Health Authorities) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 119),  
dated 24th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Development of Rural Wales,—Report and Accounts of the Development Board for Rural Wales for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 5 Export Credits Guarantee Department,—Trading Account and Associated Financial Statements of the Export Credits Guarantee Department for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 199] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 6 Government Trading Funds,—Treasury Minute, dated 30th January 1992, determining the financial objectives desirable of achievement by Her Majesty's Stationery Office for 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 7, 1992),—Convention, done at Strasbourg on 20th April 1989, on insider trading, with Protocol, done at Strasbourg on 11th September 1989 [by Command] [Cm. 1803] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

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[No. 52.]

Friday 31st January 1992.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

**PRAYERS.**

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from the Ealing Chapter of Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill,—The Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 4 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill;  
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
Mr Alfred Morris rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr Deputy Speaker withheld his Assent and declined then to put that Question.  
And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 21st February.
- 5 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 7th February.
- 6 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 7th February.
- 7 Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Safety and Environmental Information Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 7th February.



- 8 Education (School Premises) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (School Premises) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 7th February.
- 9 Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Armed Forces (Liability for Injury) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 7th February.
- 10 Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.  
The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 11 Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.  
The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);  
And the Motion having been made after half-past Two o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes past Three o'clock, till Monday 3rd February.

[Adjourned at 3.13 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 31st January 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Agriculture,—Draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Education,—(1) Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions from Science at Key Stage 4) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 157),  
(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions in History and Geography at Key Stage 4) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 156), and  
(3) Education (National Curriculum) (Exceptions) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 155),  
dated 30th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 3 Government Trading Funds,—Buying Agency Trading Fund (Variation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 123), dated 22nd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 4 Local Government,—New Towns (Defects Grants) (Payments to District Councils) (Extensions of Time) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 78), dated 14th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 Water,—(1) Lee Valley Water Plc (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 124), and  
(2) Rickmansworth Water Plc (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 125),  
dated 22nd January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 National Heritage (Scotland),—Accounts of the National Galleries of Scotland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 221] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Public Expenditure,—Paper, entitled Public Expenditure Analyses to 1994-95: statistical supplement to the 1991 Autumn Statement [by Command] [Cm. 1920] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on the Petition [5th December] from residents of Stockton-on-Tees for a review of the beer supply orders [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

[No. 53.]

*Monday 3rd February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from several Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Museums and Galleries Bill,—Mr John MacGregor, supported by Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lang, Mr David Mellor and Mr Tim Renton, presented a Bill to establish Boards of Trustees of the National Gallery, the Tate Gallery, the National Portrait Gallery and the Wallace Collection; to transfer property to them and confer functions on them; to make new provision as to transfers to and between the collections of certain museums, galleries and libraries; to make provision for and in connection with the vesting of land in the governing bodies of such institutions; to make provision for the financing of such institutions and of the Museums and Galleries Commission; to make further provision with respect to the giving of indemnities against the loss of, or damage to, objects on loan to certain institutions; to change the name of, and to make further provision with respect to, the British Museum (Natural History); and to amend certain enactments relating to museums, galleries and libraries; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 63].
- 4 Nuclear Proliferation,—*Resolved*, That this House, recognising the potential dangers of the rapidly changing world order, welcomes the recent proposals for substantial reductions in nuclear weaponry, the growing support for the non-proliferation treaty and progress in the implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions concerning the dismantling of Iraqi nuclear, chemical and biological capabilities; urges the Government to play their full part in helping the relevant authorities in the Commonwealth of Independent States to dismantle their nuclear devices, to safeguard their nuclear components and to discourage the proliferation of nuclear expertise; and believes it is of the first importance that Britain retains an effective and credible minimum nuclear deterrent as security in a world where there remain many sources of instability.—(*Sir Michael Neubert.*)
- 5 Overseas Development and Co-operation,—*Resolved*, That the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Further Payments) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 13th January, be approved.—(*Mr Mark Lennox-Boyd.*)
- 6 Overseas Development and Co-operation,—*Resolved*, That the draft African Development Fund (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 13th January, be approved.—(*Mr Mark Lennox-Boyd.*)
- 7 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 19th December, be approved—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 8 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Unfair Dismissal (Increase of Limits of Basic and Special Awards) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 19th December, be approved—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 9 Transport,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft International Transport Conventions Act 1983 (Amendment) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 19th December, be approved—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 10 Local Government (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1991, dated 17th December 1991, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th December, be approved—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.

- 11 Satellite Broadcasting Standards,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7573/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 6th November and 11th December 1991, and European Community Document No. 10157/91, relating to standards for satellite broadcasting of television signals, and European Community Document No. 8122/91, relating to audio-visual production in the context of the strategy for high definition television; and endorses the Government's approach which is to aim for the correct balance between promoting new broadcasting technologies, protecting the rights of satellite broadcasters and serving the best interests of consumers—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill,—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 13 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill,—*Ordered*, That if the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed and that as soon as any proceedings on any Resolution come to by the House on Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill [Money] have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 14 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at to-morrow's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Heseltine relating to Local Government Finance not later than Ten o'clock; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 15 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at to-morrow's sitting, the Motions in the name of Mr Francis Maude relating to Supplementary Estimates 1991-92 and Estimates 1992-93 (Vote on Account) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or for one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, at which time Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of them.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 16 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 5th February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hunt relating to Local Government Finance (Wales) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or the end of a period of one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, at which time Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of them; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 17 Traffic Calming Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Traffic Calming Bill [Money];
- Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Traffic Calming Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(*Mr David Davis*.)
- 18 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) Sylvia Winifred Millard against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and
- (2) residents of the constituency of Warrington South for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs
- were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

19 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr David Davis*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes to Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.56 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Monday 3rd February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 National Health Service,—(1) Chester and Halton Community National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 131),  
(2) Epsom Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 132),  
(3) North Middlesex Hospital National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 133), and  
(4) Royal London Hospital and Associated Community Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 134),  
dated 28th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Public Health,—Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13 Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 167), dated 31st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 3rd February; to be printed [No. 228-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 3rd February; to be printed [No. 61-x] [Mr Frank Field].

[No. 54.]

*Tuesday 4th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Cheques Bill,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Cheques Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 230].
- 4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
The Lords have agreed to the Severn Bridges Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make new provision about further and higher education; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 5 Severn Bridges Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Severn Bridges Bill to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 66].

- 6 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*],—The Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 65].
- 7 Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill be read a second time on Friday.
- 8 Welsh Affairs,—*Ordered*, That the Matter of education in Wales, being a Matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for its consideration.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)
- 9 Caravan Sites (Amendment),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend Part II of the Caravan Sites Act 1968; to make further provision in respect of encampments of travelling people; and for connected purposes: And that Sir Michael McNair-Wilson, Sir Anthony Durant, Sir Patrick McNair-Wilson, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Mark Wolfson, Mr Tim Smith and Mr John Watts do prepare and bring it in.
- 10 Caravan Sites (Amendment) Bill,—Sir Michael McNair-Wilson accordingly presented a Bill to amend Part II of the Caravan Sites Act 1968; to make further provision in respect of encampments of travelling people; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 14th February and to be printed [Bill 64].
- 11 Local Government Finance,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Revenue Support Grant Report (England) 1992-93 (House of Commons Paper No. 188), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved—(*Mr Secretary Heseltine*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 295.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Ken Eastham: 198.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the Revenue Support Grant Report (England) 1992-93 (House of Commons Paper No. 188), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved.

And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the other Motions relating to Local Government Finance, pursuant to the Order yesterday.

Local Government Finance,—*Resolved*, That the Revenue Support Grant Distribution (Amendment) (No. 2) Report (England) (House of Commons Paper No. 190), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Heseltine*.)

Local Government Finance,—*Resolved*, That the Population Report (England) (No. 3) (House of Commons Paper No. 189), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Heseltine*.)

Local Government Finance,—*Resolved*, That the Special Grant Report (No. 3) (House of Commons Paper No. 191), a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th January, be approved.—(*Mr Secretary Heseltine*.)

- 12 Estimates, 1991-92 (Class XX, Vote 1),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a further sum not exceeding £450,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund for expenditure by Her Majesty's Treasury on contributions to the budget of the European Communities not covered by direct charges on the Consolidated Fund under Section 2(3) of the European Communities Act 1972 which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 182—(*Mr Francis Maude*);

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Class XX, Vote 1 be reduced by £100,000—(*Sir Teddy Taylor*);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary to dispose of the Motions relating to Estimates 1991-92 and Estimates 1992-93, pursuant to the Order yesterday.

And the Question being put, That Class XX, Vote I be reduced by £100,000;

The House proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Sir Teddy Taylor, Mr Jonathan Aitken: 27.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 220.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Neil Hamilton: 223.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 16.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £450,000,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund for expenditure by Her Majesty's Treasury on contributions to the budget of the European Communities not covered by direct charges on the Consolidated Fund under Section 2(3) of the European Communities Act 1972 which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 182.

Estimates, 1992-93 (Vote on Account),—*Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for defence and civil services for the year ending on 31st March 1993, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 183.—(*Mr Francis Maude*.)

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill,—*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

13 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Francis Maude accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1992 and 1993: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day and to be printed [Bill 60].

14 Welsh Grand Committee,—*Ordered*, That, during the proceedings on the Matter of education in Wales, the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which it shall meet; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after the Committee has considered the Matter for two hours at that sitting.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

15 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from M. A. Jones against a proposed link road from the A6 to the A47 was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and be printed.

16 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1)(i) S. I. Bawd,
- (ii) Mrs D. Brixey,
- (iii) E. J. Brixey,
- (iv) Mr I. R. Fowler,
- (v) M. S. Hicks,
- (vi) Margaret Jones,
- (vii) P. J. Lacey,
- (viii) Ms C. I. McCarthy,
- (ix) Mrs Stella Peck,
- (x) Miss Elspeth H. Robertson,
- (xi) Miss D. E. Smith, and
- (xii) Mrs J. Starkins

against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) residents of the constituency of Canterbury for the addition of wild mammals to the category of animals protected under the Protection of Animals Act 1911

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House

without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fourteen minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.46 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 4th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Employment,—Draft revised Code of Practice on picketing [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 2 Social Security,—Draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Education,—Education (Application of Financing Schemes to Special Schools) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 164), dated 30th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 4 Income Tax,—Finance Act 1991, section 58, (Commencement No. 1) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 173), dated 4th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 5 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Cargo Ship Construction and Survey) Regulations 1984 (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 135), dated 28th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Ministry of Defence: Management and Control of Army Training Land [by Act]; to be printed [No. 218] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 National Loans Fund,—Accounts relating to issues from the National Loans Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 229] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [11th November] from residents of parishes in Chichester and East Hampshire for action to annul the Dorset, Hampshire, West Sussex and Wiltshire (County Boundaries) Order 1991 [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 9 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy was laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:
 

Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning) (No. 13 Revocation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 167)

[by Standing Order] [Mr Speaker].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 10 Employment,—Draft revised Code of Practice on picketing [laid 23rd January].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 4th February; to be printed [No. 223-i] [Mr David Howell].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 4th February; to be printed [No. 61-xi] [Mr Frank Field].
- 3 Statutory Instruments,—(1) Eleventh Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with a Memorandum laid before the Committee; and
 

(2) Fifth Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee;

to be printed [Nos. 14-xii and 15-vi] [Mr Bob Cryer].

- 4 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 4th February; to be printed [No. 231-i] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

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MEMORANDUM

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr Geraint Howells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Local Government Bill [*Lords*].

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[No. 55.]

*Wednesday 5th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Peter Temple-Morris reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 22nd and 29th January and 5th February.
  - Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 237-I].
  - Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 237-II].
  - Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 237-II].
- 3 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Spencer Batiste reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Radioactive Substances Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made an Amendment thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 5th February.
  - Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 238-I].
  - Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 238-II].
  - Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 238-II].
- 4 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Spencer Batiste reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Tribunals and Inquiries Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 5th February.
  - Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 239-I].
  - Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 239-II].
  - Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 239-II].
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 6 European Standing Committee A,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:
  - That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 9997/91, relating to additional rules on the common market organisation in milk and milk products in respect of drinking milk; and supports the Government in its intention to secure fair terms of competition for United Kingdom milk processors as well as a wider choice of available products for consumers.
  - Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.



- 7 European Standing Committee B,—Sir Michael Shaw reported from European Standing Committee B, That the Committee had come to no Resolution in respect of European Community Document No. 6748/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Department of Health on 14th October and 30th November 1991, relating to advertising for tobacco products.

Report to lie upon the Table.

- 8 Criminal Instruction,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to impose restrictions upon the publication of information which may facilitate or encourage the commission of certain offences; to make further provision about the sale of items which may assist the commission of certain offences; and for connected purposes: And that Mr John P. Smith, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Stephen Day, Mr David Clelland, Mr Chris Butler, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones and Mr Ray Powell do prepare and bring it in.
- 9 Criminal Instruction Bill,—Mr John P. Smith accordingly presented a Bill to impose restrictions upon the publication of information which may facilitate or encourage the commission of certain offences; to make further provision about the sale of items which may assist the commission of certain offences; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st February and to be printed [Bill 67].
- 10 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Scottish Further Education Funding Council)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment (*a*) proposed to the proposed Clause, in line 1, at the beginning, to insert the words 'with effect from 1st April 1994'.—(*Mr Tony Worthington*.)

Question put, That the Amendment to the proposed Clause be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Eric Illsley: 178.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Timothy Wood, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 254.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Advisory functions of the Funding Council)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Power of Secretary of State as regards functions of the Funding Council)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (College development plans)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Duty of boards of management as regards recorded children)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Payment of grants, etc. to Funding Council (No. 2))—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Study of the history, languages and culture of Scotland)—(*Mrs Margaret Ewing*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dick Douglas, Mr Andrew Welsh: 174.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Timothy Wood: 261.

Another Clause (Reports on the welfare of students)—(*Mr Nicol Stephen*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr James Wallace: 108.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Neil Hamilton: 235.

Another Clause (Quality assessment in respect of institutions without degree-awarding powers)—(*Mr Ernie Ross*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Inspection)—(*Mrs Margaret Ewing*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Dick Douglas, Mr Andrew Welsh: 131.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Timothy Wood: 248.

Amendments (Nos. 61, 16 to 28, 83, 29 to 48, 2 and 79) made to the Bill.

And it being Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

11 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill and the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.

12 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 87) proposed to the Bill, in page 25, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

'(c) establish a further committee, to be known as the "Medical Standards Committee", with the function of giving them advice on the quality of medical education and research'.—(*Mr Tam Dalyell*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 3 to 5) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 9, to leave out subsection (2) and insert the words—

'(2) The terms and conditions referred to in subsection (1) above shall not be expressed so as to affect the provision of financial support by the Council in respect of activities carried on by any particular institution.

(2A) Such terms and conditions may, in particular, impose requirements to be complied with by all institutions or all institutions falling within such class or description of institutions as is specified in the terms and conditions and, notwithstanding subsection (2) above, may be such as to require that, before financial support of any amount or description or any part of such financial support so specified is provided by the Council in respect of activities carried on by any particular institution, the institution shall have complied with such requirements', instead thereof.—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Amendment (a) proposed to the proposed Amendment, in line 5, to leave out subsection (2A).—(*Mr Tony Worthington*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment to the proposed Amendment be made:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 89) proposed to the Bill, in page 29, line 4, to leave out from the word 'functions' to the end of line 7.—(*Mr Tam Dalyell*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 80, 8, 81, 9 and 10) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (The Scottish Further Education Funding Council)—(*Mr Michael Forsyth*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 71) proposed to the Bill, in page 37, line 12, to leave out the words 'ten nor more than sixteen' and insert the words 'fourteen nor more than twenty', instead thereof.—(*Mr Tony Worthington*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 49 to 55, 62, 56 and 11 to 15) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 77) proposed to the Bill, in page 59, line 22, after the word 'Act', to insert the words 'in section 51 of this Act'.—(*Mr Tony Worthington.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 82 and 57) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Secretary Lang, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

13 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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And the Question being put:— It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):— It was agreed to.

Further proceedings on the Bill stood postponed, pursuant to Order [3rd February].

14 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill it is expedient to authorise—

- (a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any administrative expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown in consequence of that Act; and
- (b) the making of payments into the Consolidated Fund.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

15 Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill,—The House, pursuant to Order [3rd February] immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Reports to Parliament)—(*Mr Keith Bradley*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Nicholas Baker reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

16 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) E. M. Brush and others, (ii) Michael W. Burdon, (iii) Peter Burton, (iv) S. E. Clayforth, (v) Mrs P. J. Isaac, (vi) Camilla Knight, (vii) Miss K. MacNally, (viii) Myra E. Machin, (ix) Francesca Morley, (x) Roger Peters, (xi) Margaret E. Sheraton, (xii) M. Slater, (xiii) Sheena C. Stalker and others, (xiv) Joanne Stonier, (xv) Mrs V. Watson, (xvi) E. Allen, (xvii) Mrs T. Bennett, (xviii) Phillip Kettle, (xix) T. D. Simcock and (xx) Mary Small against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) the University of Liverpool Guild of Undergraduates for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

17 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter past One o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.15 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 5th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Land Registration,—Land Registration (Open Register) Rules 1991 (S.I., 1992, No. 122), dated 18th December 1991 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 2 Magistrates' Courts,—Draft Magistrates' Courts Fees (Amendment) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Public Health,—Lawnmowers (Harmonization of Noise Emission Standards) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 168), dated 3rd February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Countryside (Scotland),—Account of the Countryside Commission for Scotland for 1990–91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 233] [Clerk of the House].
- 5 Environment,—Government Response to the Seventh Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1990–91, on the EC Draft Directive on the landfill of waste [by Command] [Cm. 1821] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Monopolies and Mergers,—Reports by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on—
  - (1) the supply of new motor cars within the United Kingdom, and
  - (2) the wholesale supply of motor car parts within the United Kingdom
 [by Command] [Cm. 1808 and 1818] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 8, 1992),—Agreement, done at Accra on 22nd March 1989, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Ghana for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cm. 1804] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 10, 1992),—Notes exchanged at Geneva on 30th March 1979 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the World Health Organisation concerning exemption of WHO officials from social security contributions [by Command] [Cm. 1809] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

#### APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 112-v] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 235]; and
  - (2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee
 [Mr Ron Leighton].
- 3 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 43-v] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 4 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 17-vi] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 5 European Legislation,—Tenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-x] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 6 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 223-ii] [Mr David Howell].

- 7 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 198-iii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 8 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 215-i] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Second Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [The Implications of the Citizen's Charter for the Work of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration], together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 158] [Sir Antony Buck].
- 10 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 5th February; to be printed [No. 240-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 11 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 86-x] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 12 Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 5th February; and  
(2) Memorandum laid before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee; to be printed [No. 177-iv] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
- 13 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [Provision of Cardiac Services], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 160]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 5th February; to be printed [No. 111-iv]  
[Mr Gareth Wardell].

## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 5th February 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill to Standing Committee C.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—  
(1) Mr James Hill Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Traffic Calming Bill;  
(2) Sir Anthony Meyer an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Local Government Bill [*Lords*];  
(3) Mr Roy Hughes Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of education in Wales; and  
(4) Mr James Hill Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 4496/91, relating to common rules for the allocation of slots at Community airports.
- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 8810/91, relating to the right of asylum, and 8811/91, relating to immigration, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 56.]

*Thursday 6th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 13th February.

- 2 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 3 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 4 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 5 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 6 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 7 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 8 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 9 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 13th February.
- 10 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 11 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 12 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 13 Army Bill,—Mr Secretary King, supported by Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Archie Hamilton, Mr Alan Clark, Dr Brian Mawhinney and Mr Kenneth Carlisle, presented a Bill to provide for members of the Ulster Defence Regiment to cease to be members of that Regiment at the end of June 1992; to provide for the amendment of section 2 of the Armed Forces Act 1966 in relation to service in Northern Ireland; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 68].
- 14 Scottish Grand Committee,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 97 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Matter of the proposals of the Scottish Constitutional Convention, being a Matter relating exclusively to Scotland, be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee for its consideration—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):—It was agreed to.
- 15 Opposition day [4th allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

Government policies and the recession in British industries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the Government's economic mismanagement which has caused a second recession bringing unacceptably high levels of bankruptcies, closures and job losses in every sector of industry, and the fastest rising unemployment in Europe, hitting every occupation, industry and area of the United Kingdom; condemns the Government's neglect of the needs of the unemployed and training generally and the deliberate rundown of regional policies in Scotland, Wales and the regions of England; and calls urgently for policies that take seriously the needs of industry in order to halt the huge decline in investment, to create jobs, and to improve skills—(*Mr Gordon Brown*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question, and add the words 'congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in bringing down inflation; recognises the importance of maintaining the fight against inflation to maintain competitiveness; acknowledges the success of British manufacturing industry in reaching record figures for exports despite

depressed world markets; rejects the high tax, high spending policies of the Opposition which City forecasters predict would cause an increase in interest rates and inflation and would be an impediment to recovery; condemns their anti-industry policies of nationalisation, state control, a national minimum wage, renewed union power and unqualified support for the social charter which would have damaging consequences for jobs and industry; and notes that all these policies have been rejected by business', instead thereof.—(*Mr Secretary Lilley.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question;

Mr Derek Foster rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ken Eastham: 187.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 292.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in bringing down inflation; recognises the importance of maintaining the fight against inflation to maintain competitiveness; acknowledges the success of British manufacturing industry in reaching record figures for exports despite depressed world markets; rejects the high tax, high spending policies of the Opposition which City forecasters predict would cause an increase in interest rates and inflation and would be an impediment to recovery; condemns their anti-industry policies of nationalisation, state control, a national minimum wage, renewed union power and unqualified support for the social charter which would have damaging consequences for jobs and industry; and notes that all these policies have been rejected by business.

16 Employment,—*Ordered*, That the provisions of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 86 (Nomination of standing committees), and Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) shall apply to the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing as if it were a draft statutory instrument; and that the said draft revised Code be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

17 Scottish Grand Committee,—*Ordered*, That in the course of its consideration of the Matter of the proposals of the Scottish Constitutional Convention, the Scottish Grand Committee may meet in Edinburgh on Monday 24th February at half-past Ten o'clock, and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 88 (Meetings of standing committees), the Committee shall have leave, at that sitting, to sit until half-past Three o'clock, and that sitting shall constitute consideration on two days for the purposes of Standing Order No. 97 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland).—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

18 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) Mrs Rosemary Archer, (ii) Mrs P. Bretherton, (iii) Mrs Linda Bunyan, (iv) Helen Crowley, (v) B. B. Dutton, (vi) Mr C. King, (vii) Marion E. King, (viii) David E. Moore, (ix) G. H. Moore, (x) Mrs Elaine K. Nunn, (xi) Denis O'Donoghue, (xii) B. G. Pearce, (xiii) F. Pickett, (xiv) A. Price, (xv) D. A. Sawko, (xvi) Carol A. Shillings, (xvii) Mrs A. C. Stones, (xviii) K. A. Storey, and (xix) Mr M. R. Woods against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2)(i) members of the congregation of Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Coventry,

(ii) residents of the constituency of Oxford West and Abingdon and others, and

(iii) John Twisleton and others

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

19 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Thursday 6th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 166), dated 31st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on the Department of the Environment: Structural Maintenance of Roads [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 205] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Biological Standards,—Account of the National Biological Standards Board for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 242] [Clerk of the House].
- 4 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
  - (1) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Departmental Report by the Ministry of Defence [by Command] [Cm. 1901] [Mr Secretary King];
  - (2) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Department of Education and Science [by Command] [Cm. 1911] [Mr Secretary Clarke]; and
  - (3) The Government's Expenditure Plans within the Energy Sector 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1905] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 5 National Health Service,—Account of the Public Health Laboratory Service Board for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 243] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [13th November] from Mr Reg Neal for restoration of the link between pension calculations and average earnings increases [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill, viz.: Mrs Virginia Bottomley, Mr John Butterfill, Mr James Couchman, Mr Stephen Day, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Dudley Fishburn, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr David Hinchliffe, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Alice Mahon, Mr Keith Mans, Sir David Price, Mr Roger Sims, Mr Michael Stern and Audrey Wise.

#### APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Foreign Affairs,—First Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Central and Eastern Europe: Problems of the Post-Communist Era], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 21] [Mr David Howell].
- 2 Social Security,—Memoranda laid before the Social Security Committee [Mr Frank Field].

#### MEMORANDUM

*Thursday 6th February 1992*

Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr Michael J. Martin and Mr Norman Hogg Chairmen of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of the proposals of the Scottish Constitutional Convention.



[No. 57.]

*Friday 7th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to the administration of social security and related matters with amendments to give effect to recommendations of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to social security contributions and benefits with amendments to give effect to recommendations of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for repeals, consequential amendments, transitional and transitory matters and savings in connection with the consolidation of enactments in the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1991 and the Social Security Administration Act 1991 (including provisions to give effect to recommendations of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission); to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate for Northern Ireland certain enactments relating to the administration of social security and related matters, with corrections and minor improvements under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate for Northern Ireland certain enactments relating to social security contributions and benefits, with corrections and minor improvements under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for repeals, consequential amendments, transitional and transitory matters and savings in connection with the consolidation of enactments in the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 and the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 with corrections and minor improvements under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

- 4 Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 70].
- 5 Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 71].
- 6 Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 72].
- 7 Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 73].

- 8 Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 74].
- 9 Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 75].
- 10 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Mrs Joan Shayers and (2) B. A. Watkins against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented ; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 11 Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill,—Mr John MacGregor, supported by Mr Secretary Heseltine, Mr A. J. Beith, Dr John Cunningham, Sir Barney Hayhoe and Mr Peter Shore, presented a Bill to establish corporate bodies to hold land and perform other functions for the benefit of the Houses of Parliament; to make provision for and in connection with the transfer of certain property, rights and liabilities to those corporate bodies; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 10th February and to be printed [Bill 69].
- 12 Timeshare Bill,—The Timeshare Bill was, according to order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 13 Home Rule (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Home Rule (Scotland) Bill;  
And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
Mr Nicholas Scott acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interest, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.  
And the Question being proposed;  
And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 14th February.
- 14 Still-Birth (Definition) Bill,—The Still-Birth (Definition) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.  
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mrs Rosie Barnes*):—It was agreed to.  
Committee on Friday 14th February.
- 15 Amusement Machines (Protection of Children) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Amusement Machines (Protection of Children) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 20th March.
- 16 Established Church Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Established Church Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 14th February.
- 17 Freedom of Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 24th January, That the Freedom of Information Bill be now read a second time;  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 14th February.
- 18 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill,—The Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 19 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 14th February.
- 20 Education (School Premises) Bill,—The Education (School Premises) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 21 Cheques Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Cheques Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 22 Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill,—The Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 23 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 10th February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Brooke relating to Northern Ireland (Industrial Relations) and Northern Ireland (Industrial Relations Consequential Amendment) not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first of them; and those Motions may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope.*)

- 24 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Wednesday 12th February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Hunt relating to Local Government Finance (Wales) at Ten o'clock or not more than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first of them, whichever is the later; and those Motions may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope.*)

- 25 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 10th February.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Friday 7th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Fees and Charges,—Draft Department of Trade and Industry (Fees) (Amendment) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Fire Services,—Firemen's Pension Scheme Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 129), dated 28th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Land Charges,—Local Land Charges (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 194), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 4 Local Government,—Public Airport Companies (Capital Finance) (Second Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 196), dated 5th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 5 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 191), dated 4th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 6 Pensions,—Local Government Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 172), dated 3rd February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 7 Rating and Valuation,—City of London (Non-Domestic Rating Multiplier) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 188), dated 5th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 8 Road Traffic,—Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 200), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 9 Sea Fisheries,—Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Quota Measures) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 190), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 10 Social Security,—Housing Benefit (General) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 201), dated 7th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 11 Taxes,—Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax (Definition of Unit Trust Scheme) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 197), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

*Other Papers:*

- 12 Human Fertilisation and Embryology,—Account of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 245] [Clerk of the House].
- 13 National Heritage (Scotland),—Accounts of the National Museums of Scotland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 244] [Clerk of the House].
- 14 Nature Conservancy Council,—Account of the Nature Conservancy Council for the period 1st April to 20th December 1991; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 246] [Clerk of the House].
- 15 Treaty Series (No. 9, 1992),—Protocol, done at Ottawa on 5th July 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Canada amending the Films Co-production Agreement done at London on 12th September 1975 as amended on 9th July 1985 [by Command] [Cm. 1807] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 16 Treaty Series (No. 11, 1992),—Notes exchanged at San José on 12th November 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Costa Rica Debt Agreement No. 4 (1991)) [by Command] [Cm. 1814] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Medicinal Products: Prescriptions by Nurses etc. Bill to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C).
- 2 Standing Committee B,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C).

## MEMORANDA

*Friday 7th February 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
- (1) the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill to Standing Committee A (transferred from Standing Committee C); and
- (2) the Firearms (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee C).
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
- (1) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill; and
- (2) Mr Patrick Cormack Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill.

[No. 58.]

*Monday 10th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
 

European Communities,—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to Richard Arthur Lambert, Esquire, a Clerk in their House, to attend to be examined as a witness before Sub-Committee A of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on the European Communities.
- 4 European Communities,—*Ordered*, That the Lords Message this day be now considered.
 

Lords Message considered accordingly.

*Resolved*, That Richard Arthur Lambert, Esquire, a Clerk in this House, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
- 5 Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 6 Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*],—The Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 7 Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*];
 

*Resolved*, That for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*.)
- 8 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 18th December, be approved—(*Mr Richard Needham*);
 

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Timothy Wood: 90.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 87.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 18th December, be approved.
- 9 Northern Ireland,—*Resolved*, That the draft Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendment) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 18th December, be approved.—(*Mr Richard Needham*.)
- 10 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 14th January, be approved—(*Mr Richard Needham*);
 

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Tim Boswell: 105.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr William Ross, Mr Clifford Forsythe: 43.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 14th January, be approved.

- 11 Milk,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9997/91, relating to additional rules on the common market organisation in milk and milk products in respect of drinking milk; and supports the Government in its intention to secure fair terms of competition for United Kingdom milk processors as well as a wider choice of available products for consumers—*(Mr Timothy Kirkhope)*:—It was agreed to.
- 12 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*], the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*] and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bills have been read a second time.—*(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)*
- 13 Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill [Money];
- Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums so payable under any other Act.—*(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)*
- 14 Health,—*Ordered*, That Mr Jerry Hayes be discharged from the Health Committee and Sir Anthony Durant be added to the Committee.—*(Mr Don Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 15 Agriculture,—*Ordered*, That Mr Keith Bradley be discharged from the Agriculture Committee and Mr Gavin Strang be added to the Committee.—*(Mr Don Dixon, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)*
- 16 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Mr M. Abbott, (2) Reg and Mary Barton, (3) W. R. Couch, (4) Peter T. Ferguson, (5) L. D. Graham, (6) Mrs K. M. Haley, (7) B. J. Hanks, (8) Daniel J. Hanks, (9) Miss Jane Hulbert, (10) Diane Jenkins, (11) Barry Langley, (12) Anthony Male, (13) Brian Male, (14) D. C. Milton, (15) M. J. Milton, (16) Mrs J. Parry, (17) Lynne Patterson, (18) E. J. Symonds, (19) Mrs S. Harrison and (20) D. Smith against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 17 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—*(Mr Timothy Kirkhope.)*
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.59 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Monday 10th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government Finance (Wales),—(1) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Distribution Report (No. 4), and
- (2) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Report 1992-93 (Revised)
- [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 241 and 247] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Community Charges,—(1) Community Charges and Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (City of London) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 209), and
- (2) Community Charges and Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 208),
- dated 10th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Community Charges,—Personal Community Charge (Relief) (Wales) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 210), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Armed Forces,—Twenty-first Report of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay [by Command] [Cm. 1815] [The Prime Minister].
- 5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—
  - (1) basic electrical equipment,
  - (2) foundries,
  - (3) grain milling, and
  - (4) miscellaneous wooden articles
 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 6 Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration,—Twenty-second Report of the Review Body on Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration [by Command] [Cm. 1813] [The Prime Minister].
- 7 Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine,—Ninth Report of the Review Body for Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine on—
  - (1) nursing staff, midwives and health visitors, and
  - (2) professions allied to medicine
 [by Command] [Cm. 1811 and 1812] [The Prime Minister].
- 8 Piers and Harbours,—Report by the Secretary of State for Transport of the proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Act 1861 for the period 1st February 1991 to 31st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Education and Science on the Petition [12th December] from students undergoing adult education and training against Government proposals for adult education [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 10 School Teachers,—First Report of the School Teachers' Review Body [by Command] [Cm. 1806] [The Prime Minister].

*Papers withdrawn:*

- 11 Local Government Finance (Wales),—(1) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Distribution Report (No. 3) (House of Commons Paper No. 152), and
  - (2) Welsh Revenue Support Grant Report 1992-93 (House of Commons Paper No. 151)
 [laid 20th January].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—(1) Fourteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Upkeep of Historic Buildings on the Civil Estate]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 141]; and
  - (2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 10th February; to be printed [No. 252-i]
 [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 10th February; to be printed [No. 61-xii] [Mr Frank Field].

[No. 59.]

*Tuesday 11th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Traffic Calming Bill,—Mr James Hill reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Traffic Calming Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 255].

4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Bill, without Amendment.

5 Established Church Bill,—The Order for reading the Established Church Bill a second time on Friday was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time on Friday 20th March.

6 Electoral Reform,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the law on elections in the United Kingdom; to base the electoral system for such elections on proportional representation; and for connected purposes—(*Mr James Wallace*);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 19 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at the commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ronnie Fearn, Mr David Bellotti: 27.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Conal Gregory: 151.

So the Question was negatived.

7 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 307.

Tellers for the Noes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Eric Illsley: 206.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

8 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] (Allocation of Time) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

9 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] [Money];

*Resolved*,—That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*], it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by a Minister of the Crown—

(a) for making grants to any of the following bodies established by the Act, that is, the Further Education Funding Council for England, the Further Education Funding Council for Wales, the Higher Education Funding Council for England and the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales, and

(b) for defraying his administrative expenses under the Act, and

(2) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)



10 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] (Allocation of time),— A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Bill:—

*Committee*

1.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated shall report the Bill to the House on or before 26th February 1992.

(2) Proceedings on the Bill at a sitting of the Standing Committee on 26th February may continue until 9.30 p.m., whether or not the House is adjourned before that time, and if the House is adjourned before those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion the Standing Committee shall report the Bill to the House on 27th February.

2.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated—

(a) shall meet on 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th and 26th February; and

(b) on each of those days shall sit at half-past Ten o'clock and half-past Four o'clock.

(2) The proceedings to be taken on each of those sittings shall be as shown in the second column, and shall be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column, of the following Table:—

TABLE		
<i>Sitting</i>	<i>Proceedings</i>	<i>Time for conclusion of proceedings</i>
1st	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2	—
2nd	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
3rd	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
4th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
5th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
6th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
7th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	—
8th	Clauses Nos. 1 to 14 and Schedule No. 2 so far as not disposed of	Midnight
9th	Remaining proceedings	—
10th	Remaining proceedings so far as not disposed of	9.30 p.m.

*Report and Third Reading*

3. The proceedings on consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in one allotted day and shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o'clock.

*Procedure in Standing Committee*

4.—(1) At a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the proceedings have been brought to a conclusion.

(2) No Motion shall be made in the Standing Committee relating to the sitting of the Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves, and from a Member who opposes the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

5. No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which Clauses, Schedules, new Clauses and new Schedules are taken in the Standing Committee.

*Conclusion of proceedings in Committee*

6. On the conclusion of the proceedings in any Committee on the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

*Dilatory Motions*

7. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be moved in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Extra time on allotted days*

8. If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day, paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings on the Bill for a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Private Business*

9. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

*Conclusion of proceedings*

10.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

- (a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);
- (c) the Question on any amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member, if that amendment is moved or that Motion is made by a member of the Government;
- (d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;

and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If an allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o'clock—

- (a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time;
- (b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

(4) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which under this Order are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Supplemental orders*

11.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made in the House by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(2) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

*Saving*

12. Nothing in this Order shall—

- (a) prevent any proceedings to which this Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by this Order; or
- (b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

*Recommittal*

13.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) On an allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the Question.

*Interpretation etc.*

14.—(1) In this Order—

“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as first Government Order of the day, provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;

“the Bill” means the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*].

(2) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) and Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees) shall not apply to this Order—(*Mr John MacGregor*);

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 182.

So the Question was agreed to.

11 Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [Money],—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Still-Birth (Definition) Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Still-Birth (Definition) Bill, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other enactment, being an increase which is attributable to provisions of that Act altering the meaning of “confinement” for the purposes of statutory maternity pay.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*.)

12 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Leicester and elsewhere for investigation of the claim for compensation of Christmas Island nuclear test veterans was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

13 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) John E. Abbott, (ii) Mrs Judith E. Abbott, (iii) Mr D. M. Allen, (iv) Mrs G. Allen, (v) Mrs Stephanie Allerton, (vi) K. G. Avard, (vii) Mrs Mary Avard, (viii) Myra Ann Benbow, (ix) W. J. Benbow, (x) Mrs Margaret Buck, (xi) Mrs Freda Coldicott, (xii) Mrs S. M. Dean, (xiii) Sheila Stephanie Edwards, (xiv) Jean Emmeline Harding, (xv) Mrs J. Hales, (xvi) Mr A. C. Howell-Thomas, (xvii) G. M. Hynes, (xviii) Mrs Diana M. King, (xix) Mr Gerald King, (xx) D. M. Lancaster, (xxi) G. S. Langton, (xxii) David Brian Mitchell, (xxiii) Mrs Caroline MacGregor, (xxiv) Derek Pullen and (xxv) A. Swales against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies’ tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) members of the congregation of the Strict Baptist Chapel, New Street, St. Neots, Cambridgeshire, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o’clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then four minutes to Two o’clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.56 a.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 11th February 1992**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Government Trading Funds,—Draft Fire Service College Trading Fund Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 Northern Ireland,—Draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Draft British Alcan Primary and Recycling Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (2) draft British Gas plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (3) draft British Railways Board (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (4) draft British Telecommunications plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (5) draft Electricity Generators (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (6) draft Glasgow Underground (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (7) draft Industrial and Freight Transport (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (8) draft Lochaber Power Company (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (9) draft Mercury Communications Ltd. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (10) draft Mines and Quarries (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (11) draft Scottish Hydro-Electric plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (12) draft Scottish Nuclear Limited (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992,
  - (13) draft Scottish Power plc. (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992, and
  - (14) draft Water Undertakings (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Employment and Training,—Paper, entitled People, Jobs and Opportunity [by Command] [Cm. 1810] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 5 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
  - (1) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Department of Health and Office of Population Censuses and Surveys—Departmental Report [by Command] [Cm. 1913] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave]; and
  - (2) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 for the Home Office and the Charity Commission [by Command] [Cm. 1909] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 6 Gas,—Report of the Director General of Gas Supply for 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 193] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 7 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—
  - (1) Cervical and Breast Screening in England,
  - (2) Financial control over payments by the Ministry of Defence, and
  - (3) The Vehicle Inspectorate: Progress as the first Executive Agency[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 236, 250 and 249] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 National Heritage (Scotland),—Accounts of the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh, for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 253] [Clerk of the House].
- 9 National Library of Scotland,—Accounts of the National Library of Scotland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 254] [Clerk of the House].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Social Security,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 11th February; to be printed [No. 61–xiii]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Social Security Committee  
[Mr Frank Field].
- 2 Statutory Instruments,— (1) Twelfth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 11th February;  
to be printed [Nos. 14–xiii and –xiv] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 60.]

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Spencer Batiste reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Protection of Badgers Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 12th February.  
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 260-I].  
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 260-II].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 260-II].
- 3 Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr Spencer Batiste reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills to which the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill [*Lords*], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That it had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto; and had agreed to a Report, which it had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before it on 12th February.  
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 261-I].  
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 261-II].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 261-II].
- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 6 Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr Roy Hughes reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of education in Wales, referred to it on 4th February, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 267].
- 7 Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 257].

- 8 European Standing Committee A,—Mr James Hill reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4496/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Transport on 3rd February 1992, relating to the allocation of slots at Community airports; notes that the principle of efficient, neutral and transparent airport coordination is in line with the Government's aims; notes the strengths of the existing worldwide system of slot allocation; and endorses the Government's intention to respond to the draft Regulation on the premise that any change to the system should benefit users without creating practical difficulties for the civil aviation industry, and without substantially extending the role of governments in slot allocation.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 9 Protection of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure to every person within the United Kingdom the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the European Convention of Human Rights and its protocols, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and certain other rights and freedoms; to ensure that there are effective remedies before the courts and tribunals of the United Kingdom for breaches of these fundamental rights and freedoms; to give such fundamental rights and freedoms the same precedence and priority within the legal systems of the United Kingdom as are given to enforceable Community rights under section 2(1) and (4) of the European Communities Act 1972; to establish a United Kingdom Human Rights Commission with power to initiate legal proceedings for the protection of these fundamental rights and freedoms and to give advice and assistance concerning the protection of these rights; to enable the Human Rights Commission to challenge the validity of any provision of any Act of Parliament that in its opinion is in contravention of the guarantees of the fundamental rights and freedoms secured by this Act by instituting legal proceedings in the High Court, the Court of Session or the High Court of Northern Ireland as the case requires; to enable the Human Rights Commission to examine legislation or proposed legislation for the purpose of ascertaining whether it is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act and to report any such inconsistency to Parliament; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr James Wallace, Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Richard Livsey, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Menzies Campbell and Sir David Steel do prepare and bring it in.

- 10 Protection of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms Bill,—Mr Robert Maclennan accordingly presented a Bill to secure to every person within the United Kingdom the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the European Convention of Human Rights and its protocols, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and certain other rights and freedoms; to ensure that there are effective remedies before the courts and tribunals of the United Kingdom for breaches of these fundamental rights and freedoms; to give such fundamental rights and freedoms the same precedence and priority within the legal systems of the United Kingdom as are given to enforceable Community rights under section 2(1) and (4) of the European Communities Act 1972; to establish a United Kingdom Human Rights Commission with power to initiate legal proceedings for the protection of these fundamental rights and freedoms and to give advice and assistance concerning the protection of these rights; to enable the Human Rights Commission to challenge the validity of any provision of any Act of Parliament that in its opinion is in contravention of the guarantees of the fundamental rights and freedoms secured by this Act by instituting legal proceedings in the High Court, the Court of Session or the High Court of Northern Ireland as the case requires; to enable the Human Rights Commission to examine legislation or proposed legislation for the purpose of ascertaining whether it is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act and to report any such inconsistency to Parliament; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 28th February and to be printed [Bill 76].

- 11 Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill;

Mr Speaker put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr David Davis: 186.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Richard Body, Mr Bob Cryer: 56.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

- 12 Severn Bridges Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Severn Bridges Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 6 were agreed to.

- 13 Museums and Galleries Bill,—The Museums and Galleries Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

- 14 Museums and Galleries Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Museums and Galleries Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Museums and Galleries Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

- (a) any sums required by a Minister of the Crown for making payments under or by virtue of the Act;
- (b) any administrative expenses of a Minister of the Crown which are attributable to the Act; and
- (c) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable under or by virtue of any other enactment out of money so provided.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

- 15 Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Administration Bill [*Lords*] was, according to order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 192 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 10 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 16 Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Contributions and Benefits Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 177 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 13 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 17 Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—  
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 18 Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—  
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 168 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 19 Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—  
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 173 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 13 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 20 Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*],—The Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—  
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 21 Local Government Finance (Wales).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Welsh Revenue Support Grant Report 1992–93 (Revised) (House of Commons Paper No. 247), a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved—(*Mr Secretary Hunt*);

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [7th February].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Tom Sackville: 188.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Ken Eastham: 132.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the Welsh Revenue Support Grant Report 1992–93 (Revised) (House of Commons Paper No. 247), a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.

Mr Deputy Speaker then put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the remaining Motions relating to Local Government Finance (Wales).

Local Government Finance (Wales).—*Resolved*, That the Welsh Revenue Support Grant Distribution Report (No. 4) (House of Commons Paper No. 241), a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th February, be approved.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

Local Government Finance (Wales).—*Resolved*, That the Distribution of Non-Domestic Rates (Relevant Population) Report for Wales (No. 3) (House of Commons Paper No. 153), a copy of which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

- 22 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from (1) R. J. Andrews, (2) Patricia Ann Bastin, (3) Barry Blinks, (4) David Chindley, (5) K. Chindley, (6) Chris Crozier, (7) Mrs H. Jacewicz, (8) W. H. Lee, (9) J. McCulloch, (10) Mrs Karen McCulloch, (11) Sheila A. Minnery, (12) Warwick C. Minnery, (13) S. Muddle, (14) Mrs L. Norton, (15) A. Price, (16) Mrs Sheila Prop, (17) P. Silvester, (18) Mrs H. Wilson (19) Margaret Backhouse, (20) Jeffrey Backhouse and (21) Mr Melvin Jacques against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 23 Adjournment.—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.6 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 12th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Commonwealth Development Corporation.—Draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 2 Northern Ireland.—Draft Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism.—Draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 4 Social Security.—Draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 5 Community Charges.—Community Charges (Administration and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 219), dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Fire Services.—Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 187), dated 4th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Other Papers:*

## 7 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—

(1) Departmental Report of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's Departments and Net Payments to European Community Institutions: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1918] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer];

(2) Department of the Environment Annual Report 1992: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1908] [Mr Secretary Heseltine];

(3) Foreign and Commonwealth Office including Overseas Development Administration: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1902] [Mr Secretary Hurd]; and

(4) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Department of Trade and Industry, Export Credits Guarantee Department, Office of Fair Trading, Office of Telecommunications [by Command] [Cm. 1904] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

## 8 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the existence or possible existence of a monopoly situation in relation to the supply of ferry services between the Isle of Wight and the mainland of England [by Command] [Cm. 1825] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

## 9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Health on the Petitions from—

(1) residents of Bourne End and other places [16th December],

(2) members of the congregation of Faversham Community Church [16th December],

(3) residents of Warwickshire [16th December],

(4) members of West Street Christian Centre, Dunstable [16th December],

(5) members of the congregation of the Church of St. James, the Scores, St. Andrews [17th December],

(6) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Vincent de Paul, Rochdale, Lancashire [17th December],

(7) members of the congregation of St. Wulstan's Presbytery, Fleetwood, Lancashire [17th December],

(8) residents of Liverpool [17th December],

(9) residents of Weymouth and elsewhere [17th December],

(10) members of the congregation of Sacred Heart Church, Barrow-in-Furness [18th December],

(11) members of the congregation of West Park Church, Wolverhampton [18th December],

(12) residents of Kendal [18th December],

(13) members of the Preston Life Group [19th December],

(14) members of the congregation of Hope Hall Evangelical Church [19th December],

(15) members of the congregation of St. Columba's Church, Barrow-in-Furness [19th December],

(16) members of the congregation of St. Gabriel's Church, South Harrow [19th December],

(17) members of the congregation of St. Ignatius's Church, Enfield [19th December],

(18) residents of Altrincham and Sale [19th December],

(19) residents of Carmarthen and elsewhere [19th December],

(20) residents of Mirfield and elsewhere [19th December],

(21) residents of Normanton and elsewhere [19th December],

(22) Shaftesbury Life Group [20th December],

(23) members of the congregation of Carey Baptist Church, Reading [20th December],

(24) members of the congregation of St. Barnabas Church, Gravesham [13th January],

(25) members of the congregation of St. John the Evangelist Church, Horsham [13th January],

(26) members of the Polish Roman Catholic community in Nottingham [13th January],

(27) residents of Eastleigh [13th January],

(28) Michelle Parker and others [14th January],

(29) residents of Surrey and elsewhere [14th January],

- (30) residents of Torbay and elsewhere [14th January],
  - (31) Life Group, Durham University [15th January],
  - (32) members of the congregation of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Ponders End, Enfield [15th January],
  - (33) members of the congregation of St. Peter's Church, with St. John's Church, Horbury, Wakefield [15th January],
  - (34) Catherine Downes and others [16th January],
  - (35) Mrs Margaret Neale and others [16th January],
  - (36) members of the congregation of College Park Baptist Chapel [16th January],
  - (37) residents of Elmbridge [16th January],
  - (38) residents of the constituency of Mid Kent [16th January],
  - (39) residents of Norwich [16th January],
  - (40) members of the congregation of St. Pius V Church, Downham Market [20th January],
  - (41) residents of Birmingham and elsewhere [21st January],
  - (42) residents of the constituencies of Ludlow, North Shropshire, and The Wrekin and elsewhere [21st January],
  - (43) residents of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and elsewhere [21st January],
  - (44) residents of the constituency of Wealden and elsewhere [21st January],
  - (45) residents of the constituency of Harrow West [22nd January],
  - (46) members of the congregation of Ayr Free Church of Scotland [22nd January],
  - (47) members of the congregation of Forest Fold Baptist Chapel, Crowborough [22nd January],
  - (48) members of the congregation of St. Marie's Church, Rugby [22nd January],
  - (49) residents of Leicestershire [22nd January],
  - (50) residents of Thornton Heath, Surrey [22nd January],
  - (51) Rosamund M. Davison and others [22nd January],
  - (52) Deborah Wilson and others [23rd January],
  - (53) members of the congregation of Ayr Free Church of Scotland [23rd January],
  - (54) members of the congregation of English Martyrs Roman Catholic Church, Mexborough [23rd January],
  - (55) residents of the constituency of Dartford [23rd January],
  - (56) residents of the constituency of Oxford West and Abingdon [27th January],
  - (57) residents of Nottingham [27th January],
  - (58) Ronald Hull SJ [29th January],
  - (59) members of the congregation of St. John the Baptist Church of England and St. Joseph the Worker Roman Catholic Church, Coventry [29th January],
  - (60) members of the congregation of Snizort Free Church of Scotland [29th January],
  - (61) residents of the constituency of Crawley [29th January], and
  - (62) members of the congregation of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, East Ilsley [30th January],
- for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

10 Race Relations.—Account of the Commission for Racial Equality for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 258] [Clerk of the House].

11 Superannuation.—Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme (Amendment) Scheme 1992 (No. 1) [by Act] [Mr John Maples].

12 Transport (Scotland).—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 6th February 1992 on borrowing by Caledonian MacBrayne Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee B.—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr George Robertson (nominated in

- respect of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Dr Kim Howells.
- 2 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Timeshare Bill, viz.: Mr Michael Brown, Mr Nigel Griffiths, Mr Win Griffiths, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Andrew Hunter, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Edward Leigh, Mr Michael Lord, Mr Humfrey Malins, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Andrew Smith, Mr Hugo Summerson, Mr Ian Taylor, Mr David Trimble and Mr John Watts.
  - 3 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Martin Brandon-Bravo, Mr Robin Corbett, Mr Terry Davis, Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Robert Hayward, Mrs Sylvia Heal, Mr Norman Hogg, Mr Michael Knowles, Mr Jim Lester, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr John Patten and Mr Andy Stewart.
  - 4 Standing Committee F,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated twenty-six Members to serve on Standing Committee F in respect of the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*], viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Spencer Batiste, Mr Henry Bellingham, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Richard Caborn, Mr Michael Carr, Mr Tim Eggar, Mr Derek Enright, Mr Derek Fatchett, Mr Andrew Hargreaves, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Alan Howarth, Mr Andrew Hunter, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Paul Murphy, Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr James Pawsey, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Jonathan Sayeed, Mr Andrew Smith, Dr Dafydd Elis Thomas, Dr Ian Twinn and Mr John Watts.
  - 5 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing, viz.: Mr Richard Caborn, Mr Ronnie Campbell, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr David Evans, Mr Nigel Forman, Mr Eric Forth, Mr Roger Gale, Sir Philip Goodhart, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Alan Haselhurst, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr John Lee, Sir Ian Lloyd, Mr Tony Lloyd, Mr Ian McCartney, Mr Andrew MacKay, Mr Gordon McMaster, Alice Mahon and Mr James Wallace.
  - 6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992, viz.: Mr James Arbuthnot, Mr David Ashby, Mr David Gilroy Bevan, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr William Cash, Mr Bob Clay, Mr James Cran, Mr David Curry, Mr Ron Davies, Mr Terry Dicks, Mr John Greenway, Mr John Home Robertson, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Timothy Kirkhope, Mr Richard Livsey, Mr Calum Macdonald, Mr Eric Martlew, Mr Elliot Morley and Mr James Paice.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 112-vi] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Defence,—(1) Third Report from the Defence Committee [Options for Change: Army—Review of the White Paper 'Britain's Army for the 90s' (Cm. 1595)], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 45]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Defence Committee  
[Mr Michael Mates].
- 3 Employment,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 263]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Employment Committee  
[Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 43-vi] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 17-vii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 6 European Legislation,—Eleventh Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-xi] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 7 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 198-iv] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].

- 8 Home Affairs,—Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 215-ii] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 9 Public Accounts,—(1) Fifteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Excess Votes]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 266]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 12th February; to be printed [No. 265-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 10 Trade and Industry,—(1) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 12th February; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Trade and Industry Committee; to be printed [Nos. 86-xi and 262] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 11 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 197-ii] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].

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MEMORANDA

Wednesday 12th February 1992

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
- (1) the Timeshare Bill, the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill, the Education (School Premises) Bill and the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C;
- (2) the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*] to Standing Committee E;
- (3) the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] to Standing Committee F;
- (4) the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
- (5) the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
- (1) Sir Michael Shaw Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Timeshare Bill;
- (2) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*];
- (3) Sir Giles Shaw and Mr James Lamond Chairmen of Standing Committee F in respect of the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*];
- (4) Mr James Hill Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing;
- (5) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992;
- (6) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 8918/91, relating to a Community Strategy to limit carbon dioxide emissions and to improve energy efficiency; and
- (7) Mr Geraint Howells Chairman of European Standing Committee B in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 10089/90, relating to free movement of medicinal products in the Community, and 9490/91, relating to procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products.

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[No. 61.]

Thursday 13th February 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 20th February.

- 2 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 3 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 4 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 5 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 6 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 7 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 8 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 9 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 20th February.
- 10 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 11 Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr Hugh Dykes reported from the Committee on the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 18th February at half-past Ten o'clock.
- 12 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 13 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 14 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Patrick Cormack reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
 Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.  
 Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 268].
- 15 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
 The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.  
 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to the taxation of chargeable gains; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
 Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower Folkestone Property Limited to reclaim land and construct works at Folkestone Harbour; to make provision with respect to dredging and moorings; and for connected or other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 16 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*],—The Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 78].
- 17 Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time.  
 Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
- 18 Royal Assent,—Mr Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses:  
 Consolidated Fund Act 1992  
 Stamp Duty (Temporary Provisions) Act 1992

Severn Bridges Act 1992

Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992

Social Security Administration Act 1992

Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992

Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

British Railways Act 1992.

19 Cold Weather Credits Bill,—Mr John McFall, supported by Mr Edward O'Hara, Mr Nicol Stephen, Mr William McKelvey, Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Mrs Margaret Ewing, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr John Battle, Mr Dennis Turner, Mr Malcolm Bruce and Mrs Irene Adams presented a Bill to provide for credits to be paid from the National Insurance Fund to low income households during winter months to compensate for additional fuel consumption as a result of climatic conditions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st February and to be printed [Bill 77].

20 Army Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Timothy Kirkhope: 127.

Tellers for the Noes, The Reverend William McCrea, Mr Peter Robinson: 5.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.

21 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 17th February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Question or Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to the European Economic Area not later than three hours after their commencement; and that Motion may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(Mr Tim Boswell.)

22 European Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That the unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 29th November and 10th December 1991, relating to Agreements between the Community and Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, and by the Department of Trade and Industry on 30th December 1991, relating to the establishment of a European Economic Area, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee B.—(Mr Tim Boswell.)

23 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Richard Bowden, (2) M. Brain, (3) F. K. Butler, (4) D. Franks, (5) J. Franks, (6) Catherine Morris, (7) D. J. Phoenix and (8) E. Roberts against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

24 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn —(Mr Tim Boswell);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nineteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.41 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Thursday 13th February 1992

Papers presented or laid upon the Table:

1 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on the management of information technology in Government departments in Northern Ireland [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 222] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

2 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—

(1) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Departmental Report by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and Intervention Board [by Command] [Cm. 1903] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer];

- (2) The Government's Expenditure Plans for Transport 1992-93 to 1994-95: Department of Transport Report 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 1907] [Mr Secretary Rifkind];
- (3) Office of Arts and Libraries Report 1992: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1912] [Mr Tim Renton]; and
- (4) Social Security: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1914] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 3 Highlands and Islands Development (Scotland),—Report and Accounts of the Highlands and Islands Development Board for the period 1st January to 31st March 1991; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Merchant Shipping,—Report by the Department of Transport of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906 for 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 5 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on local pay additions [by Act]; to be printed [No. 259] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Pensions,—Pensions Increase (Review) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 198), dated 6th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 7 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the First to Sixth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1991-92 [by Command] [Cm. 1819] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 8 Public Libraries and Museums,—Report by the Secretary of State for Wales on public libraries for 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 9 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Petition [19th December] from former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 10 Social Security,—Government Response to the First Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1991-92, on public expenditure on social security [by Command] [Cm. 1822] [Mr Secretary Newton].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee E,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*], viz.: Mr Malcolm Bruce, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mr Frank Doran, Mr Den Dover, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Eric Forth, Dr Norman A. Godman, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Robert Hughes, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr Tony Lloyd, Mr John McAllion, Mr David Porter, Mr Tim Rathbone, Mr Tony Speller, Mr Peter Viggers, Mr Ray Whitney, Mr John Wilkinson and Mr Mark Wolfson.
- 2 Standing Committee F,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from Standing Committee F, Mr Derek Enright (nominated in respect of the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Joe Benton.
- 3 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Sir Philip Goodhart and Mr Roger Knapman (nominated in respect of the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing); and had appointed in substitution Mr Barry Porter and Mr Harry Greenway.
- 4 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr John Greenway (nominated in respect of the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr Paul Marland.



## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

Health,—Second Report from the Health Committee [Maternity Services], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 29] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].

## MR SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

Mr Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 62.]

Friday 14th February 1992.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from another Select Committee, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) J. W. Bassett, (2) Miss J. Brooks, (3) A. K. Carter, (4) Mr and Mrs P. W. Esling, (5) P. Fearn, (6) Mrs D. Jones, (7) M. Jones, (8) P. E. Jones, (9) R. L. G. Jones, (10) Barry Lawson, (11) Mrs D. D. McKelvie, (12) G. W. McKelvie, (13) B. Peters, (14) Mrs P. Peters, (15) B. J. Redfern, (16) Mrs C. M. Redfern, (17) S. Warwick, (18) Mrs P. M. Withers, (19) L. Wodley and (20) Len Ammess against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 5 Right to Information Bill,—Mr Robin Corbett, supported by Mr Neil Kinnock, Mr Roy Hattersley, Mr Barry Sheerman, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Stuart Randall, Joan Lestor, Mr Eric Illsley and Mr Andrew F. Bennett, presented a Bill to establish a general right of access to official records for members of the public subject to certain exemptions; to provide for the correction of inaccurate records; to provide for individuals to be notified of the availability of benefits in certain circumstances; to provide for the enforcement of these provisions; to repeal the Official Secrets Act 1989 and replace it by new provisions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 21st February and to be printed [Bill 79].
- 6 Wild Mammals (Protection) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Mammals (Protection) Bill;
 

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr Kevin McNamara rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jerry Hayes, Mr Tony Banks: 175.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Paul Marland, Mr Nicholas Soames: 3.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Jerry Hayes: 175.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr W. Benyon, Sir Charles Morrison: 187.

So the Question was negatived.

- 7 Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st February.
- 8 Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st February.
- 9 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st February.
- 10 Home Rule (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 7th February, That the Home Rule (Scotland) Bill be now read a second time;  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 13th March.
- 11 Still-Birth (Definition) Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Still-Birth (Definition) Bill.  
 (In the Committee)  
 Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported.
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- Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
 The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 12 Freedom of Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 24th January, That the Freedom of Information Bill be now read a second time;  
*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 13th March.
- 13 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 21st February.
- 14 Traffic Calming Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Traffic Calming Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.  
 The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 15 Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.  
 The Bill was read the third time, and passed.
- 16 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Friday 21st February.
- 17 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)  
 And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 17th February.

[Adjourned at 3.17 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Friday 14th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Representation of the People,—(1) Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992, and  
 (2) draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992  
 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 Acquisition of Land,—Lancashire County Council (New Shard Bridge) Compulsory Purchase Order 1988, dated 16th January 1992; with a certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2(2) of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 3 Income Tax,—Taxes (Interest Rate) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 265), dated 13th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 4 Sea Fisheries,—Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Conservation Measures) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 263), dated 13th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Financial Reporting to Parliament,—Papers, entitled—
  - (1) Departments of the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Forestry Commission: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1915] [Mr Secretary Lang];
  - (2) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Cabinet Office, Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and Health Service Commissioners, Privy Council Office, House of Lords, House of Commons and National Audit Office [by Command] [Cm. 1919] [Mr Tim Renton];
  - (3) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Departmental Report by the Welsh Office [by Command] [Cm. 1916] [Mr Secretary Hunt];
  - (4) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: Employment Department Group [by Command] [Cm. 1906] [Mr Secretary Howard];
  - (5) The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95: The Lord Chancellor's and Law Officers' Departments [by Command] [Cm. 1910] [Clerk of the House]; and
  - (6) Northern Ireland Expenditure Plans and Priorities: The Government's Expenditure Plans 1992-93 to 1994-95 [by Command] [Cm. 1917] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 6 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Department of Environment: Sale of the Water Authorities in England and Wales [by Act]; to be printed [No. 256] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Treaty Series (No. 50, 1991),—Second supplementary list of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1816] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 12, 1992),—Notes exchanged at La Paz on 19th March 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Bolivia concerning certain commercial debts (The United Kingdom/Bolivia Debt Agreement No. 3 (1990)) [by Command] [Cm. 1817] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 9 Treaty Series (No. 13, 1992),—Notes exchanged at Paris on 30th November 1990 and 16th April 1991 between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the French Republic further amending the Air Transport Agreement signed at London on 28th February 1946 [by Command] [Cm. 1820] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr David Evans and Mr Roger Gale (nominated in respect of the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing); and had appointed in substitution Sir Marcus Fox and Mr Tim Rathbone.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

Accommodation and Works,—(1) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Works Committee on 15th January and 12th February and Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee on 22nd and 29th January and 5th February; to be printed [Nos. 269-i to -v]; and

(2) Memoranda laid before the Accommodation and Works Committee [Mr Ray Powell].

[No. 63.]

*Monday 17th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 European Economic Area,—*Resolved*, That this House takes note of the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Trade and Industry on 30th December 1991, relating to the draft Agreement on the establishment of a European Economic Area; and supports the Government's view that the Agreement should be entered into by the Community and its Member States subject to agreement on amendments to the draft necessary to deal with incompatibilities between the draft and the Treaty of Rome identified by the Court of Justice in its Opinion 1/91.—(*Mr Tim Sainsbury.*)
- 5 Local Government Bill [*Lords*] (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Local Government Bill [*Lords*]:—

*Committee*

1.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill has been allocated shall report the Bill to the House on 18th February.

(2) Proceedings on the Bill at a sitting of the Standing Committee on that day may continue until Midnight whether or not the House is adjourned before that time, and if the House is adjourned before those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion the Standing Committee shall report the Bill to the House on 19th February.

*Report and Third Reading*

2. The proceedings on consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in one allotted day and shall be brought to a conclusion at Ten o'clock.

*Proceedings in Standing Committee*

3.—(1) No Motion shall be made in the Standing Committee relating to the sitting of the Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves, and from a Member who opposes, the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

(2) On the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill in the Standing Committee the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

*Order of proceedings*

4. No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings in the Standing Committee or on consideration of the Bill are taken, except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Dilatory motions*

5. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be made in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Extra time*

6. If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day, paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings on the Bill for a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Private business*

7. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time elapsing between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

*Conclusion of proceedings*

8.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings on the Bill which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

- (a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including, in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);
- (c) the Question on any amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member, if that amendment is moved or Motion is made by a member of the Government; and
- (d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;

and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If the allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which under this Order are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

*Supplemental orders*

9.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to those proceedings.

(2) If on the allotted day the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before Ten o'clock, no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

*Saving*

10. Nothing in this Order shall—

- (a) prevent any proceedings to which the Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by the Order; or
- (b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

*Recommittal*

11.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) On the allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the Question.

*Business Committee and Business Sub-Committee*

12. Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) and Standing Order No. 103 (Business sub-committees) shall not apply to this Order.

*Interpretation*

13. In this Order—

“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as first Government Order of the day, provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;

“the Bill” means the Local Government Bill [*Lords*]*—(Mr John MacGregor)*;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 292.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 203.

So the Question was agreed to.

- 6 Association Agreements with Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia,—*Resolved*, That this House takes note of the proposals described in the unnumbered Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on 29th November 1991, relating to Association Agreements between the Community and its Member States and Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, and European Community Document No. 10561/91, relating to interim agreements between the Community and Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia; welcomes the principle of Association Agreements between the European Community and the reforming democracies of Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia; recognises that these Agreements will offer them substantial benefits by encouraging trade with the Community, enhancing political co-operation, and strengthening links with the European Community to which these countries have expressed a wish to accede; and looks forward to early ratification of the Agreements.—  
(*Mr Tristan Garel-Jones*.)
- 7 Allocation of Slots at Community Airports,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4496/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Transport on 3rd February 1992, relating to the allocation of slots at Community airports; notes that the principle of efficient, neutral and transparent airport co-ordination is in line with the Government's aims; notes the strengths of the existing worldwide system of slot allocation; and endorses the Government's intention to respond to the draft Regulation on the premise that any change to the system should benefit users without creating practical difficulties for the civil aviation industry, and without substantially extending the role of governments in slot allocation—(*Mr David Davis*):— It was agreed to.
- 8 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Sean McConnor, (2) H. M. Rooke, (3) J. Rooke, (4) Rita M. Smith, and (5) Alec Waters against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 9 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);

*Tuesday 18th February 1992*

And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes past Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.21 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Monday 17th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Financial Services,—(1) Draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992, and  
(2) Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 273), dated 17th February 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 2 Local Government Finance,—Additional Grant Report (England) 1992-93 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 264] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Representation of the People,—Draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Urban Development,—Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992, dated 12th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 5 Agriculture,—(1) Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 269), and  
(2) Suckler Cow Premium (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 270), dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 6 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Gaming and Gaming Machine (Variation of Monetary Limits and Charges) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 43), dated 3rd February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

- 7 Financial Services,—Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemptions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 274), dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 8 Food,—Bovine Offal (Prohibition) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 158), dated 30th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 9 Health and Safety,—Lifting Plant and Equipment (Records of Test and Examination etc.) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 195), dated 5th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 10 Pensions,—Occupational Pension Schemes (Investment of Scheme's Resources) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 246), dated 12th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 11 Social Security,—Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 247), dated 12th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Others Papers:*

- 12 Pensions,—Report of the Occupational Pensions Board, preceded by a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Security, on the Occupational Pension Schemes (Investment of Scheme's Resources) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 246) [by Command] [Cm. 1805] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 13 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on the Petition [14th January] from David Rundle for the revocation of the appointment of a trustee of estate [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill, viz.: Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Graham Allen, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Simon Burns, Mr David Curry, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Andrew Faulds, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Harry Greenway, Mr Geraint Howells, Mr Ted Leadbitter, Mr Andrew Mitchell, Mr Elliot Morley, Mr Phillip Oppenheim, Mr Tom Pendry and Mr Tony Speller.
- 2 Standing Committee E,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from Standing Committee E Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman (nominated in respect of the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*]); and had appointed in substitution Mr Peter Thurnham.

APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Public Accounts,—Sixteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Control and Monitoring of Pollution: Review of the Pollution Inspectorate]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 50] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 2 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 17th February; to be printed [No. 61-xiv] [Mr Frank Field].

[No. 64.]

*Tuesday 18th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—Mr Hugh Dykes reported from the Committee on the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*], That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill to be read the third time.

3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

4 Local Government Bill [*Lords*],—Mr Michael Morris reported from Standing Committee D, pursuant to Order [yesterday], That it had gone through the Local Government Bill [*Lords*], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 80].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 276].

5 Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*],—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from Standing Committee E, That it had gone through the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*], and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 82].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 272].

6 Criminal Justice (Amendment),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to impose limits upon, and to make other provision in respect of, the admissibility of an uncorroborated confession in evidence before a court; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Chris Mullin, Mr Chris Smith, Mr Harry Cohen, Ms Harriet Harman, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Martin Redmond, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Richard Caborn and Mr Brian Sedgemore do prepare and bring it in.

7 Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Andrew F. Bennett accordingly presented a Bill to impose limits upon, and to make other provision in respect of, the admissibility of an uncorroborated confession in evidence before a court; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th March and to be printed [Bill 81].

8 Industrial Relations,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in reforming industrial relations; recognises the importance of these reforms to the improvement in the underlying strength of the British economy; notes that the number of working days lost last year is provisionally estimated to have been the lowest total since records began in 1891; welcomes the Government's proposals to prevent abuse of union 'check-off' procedures and to give members of the public the right to seek protection of the law against unlawful industrial action in the public services; notes that the main Opposition party has refused to indicate whether it supports or opposes these proposals, despite frequent invitations to do so; recalls that it has opposed every stage of the Government's highly successful industrial reforms, and remains committed to reversing them; notes that it would put trade unions in a uniquely privileged legal position, giving them rights they did not have even in the mid-1970s; notes that it would allow the return of secondary action and flying pickets; notes that its other policies, particularly the minimum wage, would encourage industrial unrest; believes that its proposals would wreck the competitiveness of British industry by making it impossible for many British firms to deliver goods and provide services to their customers at the time when they are required; and further believes that its policies would destroy employment opportunities, threaten public services, and cause inward investors to take their investment and jobs elsewhere—(*Mr Secretary Howard*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question, and add the words 'condemns the Government for the depth of the recession, rising unemployment and the nation's skills crisis; and calls on the Government to cease its irrelevant attacks on trade unions and instead adopt a modern agenda for industrial relations which should include action on jobs, training, equal



opportunities and fair treatment for people at the workplace, and support for the European Social Charter', instead thereof.—(*Mr Tony Blair.*)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 218.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Tim Boswell: 317.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Tim Boswell: 314.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 215.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in reforming industrial relations; recognises the importance of these reforms to the improvement in the underlying strength of the British economy; notes that the number of working days lost last year is provisionally estimated to have been the lowest total since records began in 1891; welcomes the Government's proposals to prevent abuse of union 'check-off' procedures and to give members of the public the right to seek protection of the law against unlawful industrial action in the public services; notes that the main Opposition party has refused to indicate whether it supports or opposes these proposals, despite frequent invitations to do so; recalls that it has opposed every stage of the Government's highly successful industrial reforms, and remains committed to reversing them; notes that it would put trade unions in a uniquely privileged legal position, giving them rights they did not have even in the mid-1970s; notes that it would allow the return of secondary action and flying pickets; notes that its other policies, particularly the minimum wage, would encourage industrial unrest; believes that its proposals would wreck the competitiveness of British industry by making it impossible for many British firms to deliver goods and provide services to their customers at the time when they are required; and further believes that its policies would destroy employment opportunities, threaten public services, and cause inward investors to take their investment and jobs elsewhere.

- 9 Local Government Finance,—A Motion was made, and Question being proposed, That the Additional Grant Report (England) 1992–93 (House of Commons Paper No. 264), a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(*Mr Michael Fallon*);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.

- 10 Army Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Army Bill [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Army Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*);

*Wednesday 19th February 1992*

And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Army Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other enactment.

- 11 Timeshare Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Timeshare Bill [Money];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Timeshare Bill, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to provisions for the enforcement of the Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

- 12 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of South Wales against opencast coalmining and for more adequate safeguarding of the environment, development needs and cultural heritage of the coalfield community of South Wales was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 13 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from

(1) (i) Mrs S. V. Cox, (ii) P. M. Grimshaw, (iii) Norman Haines, and (iv) Mrs Margaret Pratt against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) (i) members of the congregations of the churches of (a) Holy Cross, Walmly, Sutton Coldfield, (b) Our Lady of the Assumption, Tooting, London, and (c) St. Joseph, Portishead, Avon, and (ii) residents of the constituency of Hereford against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

14 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.36 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 18th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Food,—Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 165), dated 30th January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 2 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 18th February 1992, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 3 Defence (Votes A) 1991-92,—Supplementary estimates of the maximum numbers of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces for 1991-92 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 225] [Mr Secretary King].
- 4 Defence (Votes A) 1992-93,—Estimates of the maximum numbers of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 227] [Mr Secretary King].
- 5 Health,—Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Health Committee, Session 1990-91, on Maternity Services: Preconception [by Command] [Cm. 1826] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 6 Local Government Finance,—Community Charge Reduction Scheme Report (England) 1992 [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 251] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 7 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Reducing Crime in London: A study of the partnership and other methods used by five Metropolitan Police Divisions [by Act]; to be printed [No. 270] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Research and Development,—Government Response to the Independent Review of LINK by Segal Quince Wicksteed Limited [by Command] [Cm. 1833] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 9 Sessional Returns, 1990-91,—Returns to Orders [21st November] for Returns relating to—
  - (i) Business of the House,
  - (ii) Closure of Debate and Allocation of Time,
  - (iii) Delegated Legislation,
  - (iv) Private Bills and Private Business,
  - (v) Public Bills,
  - (vi) Sittings of the House,
  - (vii) Special Procedure Orders,
  - (viii) Standing Committees, and
  - (ix) Select Committees
 in Session 1990-91; to be printed [No. 271] [Clerk of the House].
- 10 Supply Estimates, 1990-91,—Statements of the sums required to be voted in order to make good excesses on certain grants for 1990-91 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 224] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 11 Supply Estimates, 1991-92,—Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 226] [Mr Francis Maude].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 *Sittings of the House*,—Report from the *Sittings of the House Committee*, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 20] [Mr Michael Jopling].
- 2 *Social Security*,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 18th February; to be printed [No. 61-xv] [Mr Frank Field].
- 3 *Statutory Instruments*,—Thirteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-xv] [Mr Bob Cryer].
- 4 *Trade and Industry*,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 18th February; to be printed [No. 231-ii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

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[No. 65.]

*Wednesday 19th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 *Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill*,—Mr Secretary Lang presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Aberdeen Harbour: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered on Tuesday 25th February and to be printed [Bill 83].
- 2 *Accounts and Papers*,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 3 *Selection*,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 4 *Select Committees*,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 5 *Timeshare Bill*,—Sir Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Timeshare Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 282].
- 6 *First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.*,—Mr James Hill reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing, referred to a Committee on 6th February.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 277].
- 7 *Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.*,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992, referred to a Committee on 10th February.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 279].
- 8 *European Standing Committee A*,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:  
That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 8918/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of the Environment on behalf of HM Treasury, the Department of the Environment and the Department of Energy on 11th February 1992, relating to a Community Strategy to limit carbon dioxide emissions and to improve energy efficiency; welcomes the conclusions of the joint Energy/Environment Council of Ministers on 13th December and of ECOFIN on 16th December as a positive step forward in agreeing a coherent and co-ordinated approach across the Community to limiting carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Government's view that further analytical work on the likely effects of any Community-wide energy/carbon tax is required before any decision on such a tax can be taken; and supports the Government's intention to continue to work towards its conditional target of returning United Kingdom carbon dioxide emissions to 1990 levels by 2005, as part of the international efforts to combat the threat of climate change.  
Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 9 European Standing Committee B,—Mr Geraint Howells reported from European Standing Committee B the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10089/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Health on 30th April 1991, relating to free movement of medicinal products in the Community, and 9490/91, relating to procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products; and supports the Government's view that the proposals are acceptable in principle, subject to detailed improvements to the text primarily to ensure that the health and safety of the United Kingdom human and animal populations are fully protected.

Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

- 10 Blasphemy Bill,—Mr Harry Greenway presented a Bill to make provision for the punishment of persons who blaspheme against certain religions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 84].
- 11 Prisons (Rehabilitation of Drug Addicts),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the treatment of prisoners who are addicted to drugs, and for consequential organisational changes; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Tony Favell, Mr James Cran, Mr Christopher Gill and Mr Chris Butler do prepare and bring it in.
- 12 Prisons (Rehabilitation of Drug Addicts) Bill,—Mr Tony Favell accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the treatment of prisoners who are addicted to drugs, and for consequential organisational changes; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 85].
- 13 Opposition day [5th allotted day],—It being an allotted day at the disposal of the Leader of the Opposition in pursuance of Standing Order No. 13 (Arrangement of public business), the House proceeded to consider opposition business.

The Government and the Recession and Unemployment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the continuing recession which has caused the longest period of continuously falling output since the Second World War; notes that Government promises of recovery from recession have been totally unfounded; condemns the record level of business failures and house repossessions, the damaging decline in manufacturing investment and manufacturing output, and the accelerating rate of unemployment which has risen for 22 months in succession; and calls upon the Government to adopt policies which promote investment, reduce unemployment, and tackle Britain's major training and skills crisis—(*Mr John Smith*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in winning the battle against inflation and in bringing interest rates down; welcomes the recent reduction in the balance of payments deficit and the fact that exports are at record levels; notes that the United Kingdom has some of the most competitive tax rates in the world, including the lowest level of corporation tax in either the G7 or the European Community and that Government spending on training has increased by two and a half times over and above the rate of inflation since 1979; recognises that the foundations for economic recovery are now firmly laid; and rejects totally the policies of the Opposition, which would lead to soaring inflation, greater public sector borrowing, higher taxation, increased unemployment, rising interest rates, declining investment and a spiralling cycle of higher wages and prices which would destroy any prospect of recovery and plunge Britain into perpetual recession', instead thereof.—(*Mr Secretary Heseltine*.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 211.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (Questions on amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ken Eastham, Mr Thomas McAvoy: 208.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House congratulates Her Majesty's Government on its success in winning the battle against inflation and in bringing interest rates down; welcomes the recent reduction in the balance of payments deficit and the fact that exports are at record levels; notes that the United Kingdom has some of the most competitive tax rates in the world, including the lowest level of corporation tax in either the G7 or the European Community and that Government spending on training has increased by two and a half times over and above the rate of inflation since 1979; recognises that the foundations for economic recovery are now firmly laid; and rejects totally the policies of the Opposition, which would lead to soaring inflation, greater public sector borrowing, higher taxation, increased unemployment, rising interest rates, declining investment and a spiralling cycle of higher wages and prices which would destroy any prospect of recovery and plunge Britain into perpetual recession.

- 14 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 24th February, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of Mr Secretary Baker relating to Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism not later than Seven o'clock.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick.*)
- 15 Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill,—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick.*)
- 16 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Penarth and other places for the enforcement of the law on Sunday trading was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 17 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury, Woodbridge, against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and
- (2)(i) Gillian Averis, (ii) Mrs Doreen Bradley, (iii) Pamela A. Broughton and others, (iv) T. M. Dunsdon, (v) Nancy M. Grimshaw, (vi) P. R. Grimshaw, (vii) Andrew Hale, (viii) Mrs M. M. Hilsdon, (ix) R. A. Linnett, (x) Mrs M. Magness, (xi) S. J. Magness, (xii) Mrs P. Rhodes, (xiii) B. W. Wade, and (xiv) W. J. J. Winder against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons
- were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 18 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Irvine Patnick.*)
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.56 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Wednesday 19th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 284] [Clerk of the House].
- 2 Northern Ireland,—Draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 3 Representation of the People,—(1) Draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, and  
(2) draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 4 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 5 Community Charges,—Community Charges and Non-Domestic Rating (Miscellaneous Provisions) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 286), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

- 6 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 283), dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 7 Environmental Protection,—Environmental Protection (Stray Dogs) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 288), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 8 Foreign Compensation,—Foreign Compensation (Financial Provisions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 228), dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 9 Local Government,—Local Government Finance (Additional Grant) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 287), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 10 Northern Ireland,—Radioactive Material (Road Transport) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 234), dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].

*Other Papers:*

- 11 Caribbean and North Atlantic Territories,—Cayman Islands (Constitution) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 226), dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 12 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee upon the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 288] [Clerk of the House].
- 13 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Confirmation of Legislation) (Cayman Islands) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 229), dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 14 Prisons,—Prison Statistics for England and Wales for 1990 [by Command] [Cm. 1800] [Mr Secretary Baker].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Museums and Galleries Bill, viz.: Mr Tony Banks, Dr John G. Blackburn, Mr Gerald Bowden, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Alistair Darling, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr Derek Fatchett, Mr Mark Fisher, Mrs Llin Golding, Dr Charles Goodson-Wickes, Dr Keith Hampson, Mr Toby Jessel, Mr Robert MacIennan, Mr Iain Mills, Mr Martin Redmond, Mr Tim Renton, Mr David Shaw, Mr John M. Taylor and Mr Patrick Thompson.
- 2 Standing Committee C,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Education (School Premises) Bill, viz.: Mr Robert Atkins, Mr Kevin Barron, Mr Vivian Bendall, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Alistair Burt, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mrs Edwina Currie, Mr Alan Haselhurst, Mr Robert Hayward, Kate Hoey, Mr Gerald Howarth, Mr Denis Howell, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Roger King, Mr Tom Pendry and Mr Peter Viggers.
- 3 Standing Committee D,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Army Bill, viz.: Mr Rupert Allason, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Robert Boscawen, Sir Antony Buck, Mr Menzies Campbell, Mr Michael Colvin, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr Peter Griffiths, Mr Archie Hamilton, Mr Kenneth Hind, Mr Roger King, Mr Roger Knapman, Mr Ken Maginnis, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Irvine Patnick, Dr John Reid, Mr John P. Smith and Mr Cyril D. Townsend.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Accommodation and Works,—(1) First Report from the Accommodation and Works Committee [New Parliamentary Building (Phase 2) The Sketch Plan], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 269]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Accommodation and Works Committee  
[Mr Ray Powell].
- 2 Agriculture,—(1) First Special Report from the Agriculture Committee [Government Response to the First Report from the Committee on Commodity Markets in the 1990s—Cereals]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 19th February; to be printed [Nos. 278 and 112-vii] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].

- 3 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 281] [Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Energy,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Energy Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 113-v] [Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 17-viii] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 6 European Legislation,—Twelfth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-xii] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 7 Foreign Affairs,—(1) Second Special Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Recent Developments in the Horn of Africa]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 19th February; to be printed [Nos. 283 and 223-iii] [Mr David Howell].
- 8 Health,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 198-v] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 9 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—(1) Third Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration [Reports of the Health Service Commissioner for 1990-91], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 44]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration  
[Sir Antony Buck].
- 10 Procedure,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Procedure on 19th February; to be printed [No. 286-i] [Sir Peter Emery].
- 11 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 19th February; to be printed [No. 287-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 12 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 86-xii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].
- 13 Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee on 19th February; to be printed [No. 285] [Mr Terence L. Higgins].
- 14 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Third Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [The Transfer of British Coal Corporation Records from Tredomen], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 66];  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 19th February; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee; to be printed [No. 111-v] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

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MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 19th February 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Museums and Galleries Bill to Standing Committee A; and
  - (2) the Army Bill to Standing Committee D.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Mr Nicholas Winterton and Mr Norman Hogg Chairmen of Standing Committee A in respect of the Museums and Galleries Bill;
  - (2) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Army Bill; and
  - (3) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill.

- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), the Annual Report of the European Court of Auditors concerning the financial year 1990 together with replies of the Institutions has been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 66.]

Thursday 20th February 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Order not previously enquired into applicable),—Mr Speaker laid upon the Table a Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously enquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:
- Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*].
- Bill to be read a second time.
- 2 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday 24th February at Seven o'clock.
- 3 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday 24th February at Seven o'clock.
- 4 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday 24th February at Seven o'clock.
- 5 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 6 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 7 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 8 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 9 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 10 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;
- Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 27th February.
- 11 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 12 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 13 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).



- 14 Commonwealth Development Corporation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 15 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 16 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 17 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*):—It was agreed to.
- 18 Transport and Works Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Transport and Works Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered in the following order, namely, new Clauses, Amendments relating to Clauses Nos. 1 to 5, Schedule No. 1, Clauses Nos. 6 to 47, Schedule No. 2, Clauses Nos. 48 to 59, Schedule No. 3, Clauses Nos. 60 to 67, new Schedules, Amendments relating to Schedule No. 4.—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*.)

A Clause (Maintenance of footpaths and bridleways)—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Footpaths and bridleways over railways)—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of Level Crossings Act 1983)—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Orders under Transport Act 1968)—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Exclusion of hackney carriage legislation)—(*Mr Patrick McLoughlin*)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Procedure where Secretary of State overrules result of inquiry)—(*Mr Andrew F. Bennett*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Andrew F. Bennett: 41.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Sydney Chapman: 173.

Another Clause (Local order-making power)—(*Mr Peter Snape*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment (No. 65) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 17, at the end, to insert the words—

‘(3) In exercising his power under this section the Secretary of State shall have no regard to the exercise of any power he may have to make any grant towards the cost of the construction or operation of the transport system proposed’.—(*Mr Peter Snape*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 18 and 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 95) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 13, at the end, to insert the words ‘or Part VII of the Transport Act 1968’.—(*Joan Walley*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 15, at the end, to insert the words ‘; and any such statutory instrument shall list all those bodies which have been consulted about its content’.—(*Mr Andrew F. Bennett.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 19 to 24 and 86) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 113) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 19, after the word ‘heard’, to insert the words ‘subject to section 11(7) below’.—(*Mr Simon Hughes.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 66) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 25, after the word ‘shall’, to insert the words ‘without unreasonable delay’.—(*Mr Peter Snape.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 26) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 70) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 14, at the end, to insert the words—

‘(5) Where the Secretary of State determining the application has for the time being general responsibility for transport matters he shall, in appropriate circumstances, consult the Secretary of State for the time being having general responsibility for planning matters before doing so.

(6) The circumstances referred to in subsection (5) above relate in particular to the environmental and land use implications of the proposals’.—(*Mr Peter Snape.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 27 and 28) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 29) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, to leave out lines 29 to 33 and insert the words—

‘(2A) Subject to subsections (2B) and (2C), planning permission shall be deemed to be granted for development for which provision is made by an order under section 1 or 3 of the Transport and Works Act 1992.

(2B) Development is not permitted by subsection (2A) if it consists of or includes—

- (a) the erection, construction, alteration or extension of any building, bridge, aqueduct, pier or dam, or
- (b) the formation, laying out or alteration of a means of access to any highway used by vehicular traffic,

unless the prior approval of the detailed plans and specifications of the appropriate authority is first obtained.

(2C) The prior approval referred to in subsection (2B) is not to be refused by the appropriate authority nor are conditions to be imposed unless they are satisfied that—

- (a) the development (other than the provision of or works carried out to a dam) ought to be and could reasonably be carried out elsewhere on the land, or
- (b) the design or external appearance of any building, bridge, aqueduct, pier or dam would injure the amenity of the neighbourhood and is reasonably capable of modification to avoid such injury.

(2D) In subsections (2B) and (2C) “appropriate authority” means—

- (a) in Greater London or a metropolitan county, the local planning authority,
- (b) in a National Park, outside a metropolitan county, the county planning authority, and
- (c) in any other case, the district planning authority’, instead thereof.—(*Mr Roger Moate.*)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 30, 32 to 34, 87 and 38 to 40) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 34, line 44, to leave out from the word 'railway' to the end of line 46 and insert the words 'does not include tramway', instead thereof.—(*Mr Andrew F. Bennett.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 41 to 45, 71 to 73 and 46) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 122) proposed to the Bill, in page 38, to leave out lines 32 and 33.—(*Mr Nigel Spearing.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 123) proposed to the Bill, in page 38, to leave out lines 41 to 43.—(*Mr Nigel Spearing.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

It being Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be further considered to-morrow.

19 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Standing Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

20 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) (i) Mrs A. Adams, (ii) Mr J. Barlow, (iii) A. S. Culverhouse, (iv) Mrs J. M. Dorricott, (v) B. P. Elliot, (vi) Henry Franks, (vii) Mr A. Mare, (viii) P. J. Martin, (ix) Mrs Ann Norman, (x) Elaine Quigley, and (xi) Mrs C. Vaughan against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) residents of Waldron, East Sussex, against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

21 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.32 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Thursday 20th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Acquisition of Land,—Land Compensation (Additional Development) (Forms) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 271), dated 12th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 2 Food,—Bovine Offal (Prohibition) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 306), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 3 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on Department of Health and Social Services: The Purchase of X-ray Equipment in Northern Ireland [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 234] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 4 Judicature (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of Funds in Court of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of the County Courts in Northern Ireland for 1989-90; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 104] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

- 5 Social Security and Health,—Government Response to the Fourth Report from the Social Security Committee, Session 1990-91, and to the First Report from the Health Committee, Session 1991-92, on the financing of private and voluntary residential care [by Command] [Cm. 1828] [Mr Secretary Newton].

## APPENDIX II

### *Committee of Selection*

Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr Derek Fatchett (nominated in respect of the Museums and Galleries Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr Terry Patchett.

## APPENDIX III

### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Environment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Environment Committee on 20th February; to be printed [No. 17-ix] [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 2 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 20th February; to be printed [No. 86-xiii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 67.]

*Friday 21st February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—  
 (1) residents of Skye and Lochalsh against the imposition of tolls; and  
 (2) residents of Bangor, County Down, and elsewhere against the closure of Balligan House (a residential home for mentally handicapped persons)  
 were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Nigel Vessey for justice was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 4 Friendly Societies Bill,—Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr Secretary Baker, Mr Secretary Brooke, Mr Secretary Hunt, Mr Secretary Lilley, Mr Secretary Lang and Mr John Maples, presented a Bill to make further provision for friendly societies; to provide for the cessation of registration under the Friendly Societies Act 1974; to make provision about disputes involving friendly societies or other bodies registered under the Friendly Societies Act 1974 and about the functions of the Chief Registrar of friendly societies; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 24th February and to be printed [Bill 86].
- 5 Referendum Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Referendum Bill;  
 And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a second time;  
 Mr Tristan Garel-Jones acquainted the House, That he had it in command from the Counsellors of State, acting on Her Majesty's behalf during Her absence from the United Kingdom, to acquaint the House that they, on behalf of Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, were content to place Her prerogative and interest, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.  
 And the Question being proposed;  
 Sir Teddy Taylor rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.  
 And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Humfrey Malins, Mr Toby Jessel: 46.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Robert G. Hughes: 3.

Whereupon Mr Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 36 (Majority for closure or for the proposal of question).

And it being after half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 28th February.

- 6 Shops (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 7 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 31st January, That the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill be now read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 28th February.

- 8 Cold Weather Credits Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cold Weather Credits Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 9 Right to Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Right to Information Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 10 Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 11 Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 12 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 13 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 28th February.

- 14 Firearms (Amendment) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 15 Timeshare Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Timeshare Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 16 European Standing Committees,—*Ordered*, That European Community Documents Nos. 8810/91, relating to the right of asylum, and 8811/91, relating to immigration, shall not stand referred to European Standing Committee B.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

- 17 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 2nd March, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister relating to Asylum and Immigration not later than Seven o'clock.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

18 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 24th February.

[Adjourned at 3.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

*Friday 21st February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Prisons,—Draft Criminal Justice Act 1991 (Contracted Out Prisons) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 Representation of the People,—Draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Housing (Scotland),—Housing (Preservation of Right to Buy) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 325), dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—(1) Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 224), and  
(2) Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 223),  
dated 11th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—
  - (1) manufacture of semi-finished wood products and further processing and treatment of wood,
  - (2) throwing, texturing, etc. of continuous filament yarn, and
  - (3) woollen and worsted industry
 [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 6 Falkland Islands,—Paper, entitled *The Falkland Islands: Recent Declarations and Bilateral Arrangements and Agreements between the United Kingdom and Argentina* [by Command] [Cm. 1824] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 7 Public Petitions,—Observations by—
  - (1) the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Employment on the Petition [17th January] from Mr Richard Jackson for legislation to prohibit the importation, manufacture and use of asbestos; and
  - (2) the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on the Petition [17th January] from former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir
 [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Treaty Series (No. 14, 1992),—Convention, done at The Hague on 1st July 1985, on the law applicable to trusts and on their recognition [by Command] [Cm. 1823] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 9 Judicature (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of Funds in Court of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of the County Courts in Northern Ireland for 1989-90 (House of Commons Paper No. 104) [laid 20th February].

[No. 68.]

*Monday 24th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Liaison,—Mr Terence L. Higgins reported, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That the Liaison Committee had directed him to report the following recommendation for the allocation of time for the consideration of Estimates on allotted days (being the second allotted day (first part) in the present Session):  
  
That a half day not later than 18th March be allotted for the consideration of the following Supplementary Estimate for the financial year 1991–92:  
  
Class II, Vote 2, Foreign and Commonwealth Office: other external relations, in so far as it relates to Yugoslavia.  
  
Report to lie upon the Table.
- 3 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 4 Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of the proposals of the Scottish Constitutional Convention, referred to it on 6th February, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.  
  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 291].
- 5 Liaison,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee on 20th and 24th February be printed [Nos. 292 and 293].
- 6 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.
- 7 Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 12th February, be approved—(*Mr Secretary Baker*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 300.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mrs Llin Golding: 115.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (Continuance) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 12th February, be approved.

- 8 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Neil Thorne rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;  
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;  
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Christopher Gill: 123.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner: 29.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read the third time;  
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Peter Bottomley, Mr Christopher Gill: 127.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Martin Redmond, Mr Harry Barnes: 19.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

- 9 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

- 10 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday.

- 11 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.

- 12 Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr John MacGregor acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interest, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.

The Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of a corporation to be known as “the Corporate Officer of the House of Lords”).

Amendments (Nos. 1 and 2) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Establishment of a corporation to be known as “the Corporate Officer of the House of Commons”).

Amendments (Nos. 3 and 4) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3 to 8 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 13 Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Farm Woodland Premium Scheme 1992, which was laid before this House on 31st January, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.



- 14 Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) and Order [6th February], That the draft revised Code of Practice on picketing, which was laid before this House on 4th February, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.
- 15 Carbon Dioxide Emissions and Energy Efficiency,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 8918/91 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of the Environment on behalf of HM Treasury, the Department of the Environment and the Department of Energy on 11th February 1992, relating to a Community Strategy to limit carbon dioxide emissions and to improve energy efficiency; welcomes the conclusions of the joint Energy/Environment Council of Ministers on 13th December and of ECOFIN on 16th December as a positive step forward in agreeing a coherent and co-ordinated approach across the Community to limiting carbon dioxide emissions; endorses the Government's view that further analytical work on the likely effects of any Community-wide energy/carbon tax is required before any decision on such a tax can be taken; and supports the Government's intention to continue to work towards its conditional target of returning United Kingdom carbon dioxide emissions to 1990 levels by 2005, as part of the international efforts to combat the threat of climate change—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.
- 16 Free Movement of Medicinal Products,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10089/90 and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Department of Health on 30th April 1991, relating to free movement of medicinal products in the Community, and 9490/91, relating to procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products; and supports the Government's view that the proposals are acceptable in principle, subject to detailed improvements to the text primarily to ensure that the health and safety of the United Kingdom human and animal populations are fully protected—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.
- 17 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir;
  - (2) D. Smith and R. Smith against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and
  - (3) Barrie Price and others against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs
- were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 18 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Balcombe, Sussex, against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 19 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*)
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.17 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Monday 24th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Social Security,—Draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 2 Urban Development,—Black Country Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Borough of Sandwell) Order 1992, dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Agriculture,—Environmentally Sensitive Areas (Pennine Dales) Designation (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 301), dated 20th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

- 4 Police,—(1) Police (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 275), and  
(2) Police Cadets (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 276),  
dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Other Papers:*

- 5 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Health on the Petitions from—  
(1) residents of the constituency of Warrington South [3rd February],  
(2) University of Liverpool Guild of Undergraduates [5th February], and  
(3) John Twisleton and others [6th February]  
for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs [by Standing  
Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- Public Accounts,—(1) Seventeenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Control  
of Tax Reliefs on Occupational Pension Schemes]; to be printed, with the Minutes of  
Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 149]; and  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 24th  
February; to be printed [No. 294-i]  
[Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 69.]

*Tuesday 25th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*] be read the third time on Thursday.
- 2 Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 4 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 5 Museums and Galleries Bill,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from Standing Committee A, That it had gone through the Museums and Galleries Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 89].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 297].
- 6 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 296].
- 7 Army Bill,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from Standing Committee D, That it had gone through the Army Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 295].
- 8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
Bingo Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Gaming Act 1968 with respect to bingo; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 9 Bingo Bill [*Lords*],—The Bingo Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 91].

- 10 Young Persons' Rights Bill,—Mr Terry Fields, supported by Mr Dave Nellist, Mr Tony Benn, Mr Eddie Loyden, Mr Robert Parry, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Max Madden, Mr Jimmy Wray and Mr Ronnie Campbell, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the conditions regulating Government training schemes; to make further provision from the National Insurance Fund with respect to social security benefits for young persons; to make further provision with respect to income support and housing benefit; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 87].
- 11 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Urban Development,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 13 Social Security,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr David Davis*):—It was agreed to.
- 14 Offences Against the Person (Amendment),—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Offences Against the Person Act 1861 to provide for increased penalties for assaults upon members of the emergency services on duty; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Ian Taylor, Maureen Hicks, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, Mr John Bowis, Mr Simon Burns, Mr Dudley Fishburn, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Michael Irvine, Mr Tim Janman, Mr Roger King and Mr Graham Riddick do prepare and bring it in.
- 15 Offences Against the Person (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Ian Taylor accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Offences Against the Person Act 1861 to provide for increased penalties for assaults upon members of the emergency services on duty; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 13th March and to be printed [Bill 88].
- 16 Local Government Bill [*Lords*] [Allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Government Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Standing Committee.
- A Clause (Duties of Local Government Commission)—(*Mr David Blunkett*)—brought up, and read the first time.
- Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
- The House divided.
- Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Allen McKay: 191.
- Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr David Davis: 276.
- Another Clause (Establishment of Staff Commission)—(*Mr David Blunkett*)—brought up, and read the first time.
- Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
- The House divided.
- Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs Llin Golding, Mr Jack Thompson: 181.
- Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 247.
- Another Clause (Public information)—(*Mr William O'Brien*)—brought up, and read the first time.
- Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.
- Another Clause (Public involvement in delivery of local services)—(*Mr David Bellotti*)—brought up, and read the first time.
- Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
- The House divided.
- Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr James Wallace: 119.
- Tellers for the Noes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Irvine Patnick: 241.

Another Clause (Charter trustees)—(*Mr Anthony Coombs*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Criteria for a new tendering regime (No. 2))—(*Mr William O'Brien*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker, pursuant to Order [17th February], put the Question already proposed from the Chair.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Eric Illsley: 203.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 275.

Mr Speaker then put forthwith the remaining Questions which he was directed to put at that hour.

Question put, That the remaining Amendment standing in the name of a member of the Government be made to the Bill.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Sydney Chapman: 275.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Eric Illsley: 202.

Amendment (No. 5) accordingly made to the Bill.

Mr Secretary Heseltine, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Eric Illsley: 201.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

- 17 Social Security,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Pneumoconiosis etc. (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 4th February, be approved—(*Mr Eric Forth*);

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

- 18 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from members of the Rail not Road Co-ordinating Committee, Wensleydale, North Yorkshire, against the transfer of limestone shipments from rail to road and in favour of the use of the railway from Northallerton to Redmire for both freight and passenger traffic was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 19 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Daventry against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(2) (i) Robert J. Smith and (ii) Mrs Cyrilla Vale against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 20 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-three minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.37 a.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 25th February 1992**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Building Societies,—Draft Building Societies (Member States) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 2 Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 3 Social Security,—Draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 4 Broadcasting,—Broadcasting (Investment Limit in Nominated Company) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 281), dated 18th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 5 Consumer Protection,—Price Indications (Bureaux de Change) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 316), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 6 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Cambridge, on 28th November 1991, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 7 Wildlife,—Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (Variation of Schedule) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 320), dated 20th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 8 Census of Production,—Report on the Census of Production, 1990, on sawmilling, planing, etc. of wood [by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 9 Gift of Public Property,—Departmental Minute, dated 25th February 1992, concerning the proposed gifting of office machinery and other materials by Her Majesty's Stationery Office to the Houses of Parliament [by Command] [Mr John Maples].
- 10 National Audit,—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on Lord Chancellor's Department: probate—service to the public [by Act]; to be printed [No. 290] [Clerk of the House].
- 11 New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 19th February 1992 on borrowing by—
  - (1) Cumbernauld Development Corporation, and
  - (2) Irvine Development Corporation
 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 12 Social Security,—Draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 [laid 24th February].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Social Security,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Social Security Committee on 25th February; to be printed [No. 61-xvi] [Mr Frank Field].
- 2 Statutory Instruments,—Fourteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-xvi] [Mr Andrew F. Bennett].
- 3 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 25th February; to be printed [No. 231-iii] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 70.]

Wednesday 26th February 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*] was read a second time and committed.
- 2 Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.  
Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.
- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—Sir Nicholas Bonsor reported from the Select Committee on the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, That it had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.  
*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House; and be printed [Bill 94].  
Committee to-morrow.
- 6 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 7 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*],—Sir Giles Shaw reported from Standing Committee F, pursuant to Order [11th February], That it had gone through the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*], and made an Amendment thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 90].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 305].
- 8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
Charities Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Charities Act 1960 and make other provision with respect to charities; to regulate fund-raising activities carried on in connection with charities and other institutions; to make fresh provision with respect to public charitable collections; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 9 Charities Bill [*Lords*],—The Charities Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 95].
- 10 Hare Coursing Bill,—Mr Harry Cohen, supported by Mr Tony Banks, Mr Harry Barnes, Mrs Rosie Barnes, Mr Gerald Bermingham, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Peter Griffiths, Mr Doug Hoyle, Mr Simon Hughes, Mr Steve Norris, Mr Robin Squire and Mr Andrew Welsh, presented a Bill to make hare coursing illegal: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 92].
- 11 Scottish Grand Committee,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 97 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Matter of the constitutional implications for Scotland of a Scottish Parliament, being a Matter relating exclusively to Scotland, be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee for its consideration—(*Mr John M. Taylor*):—It was agreed to.
- 12 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require local authorities and health authorities to monitor the condition of their retired population; to eliminate standing charges on gas, electricity and water; to exempt pensioners from licence charges and telephone rental; to extend pensioners' concessionary fare schemes; to make provision for the calculation of old age pensions by reference to average earnings; and to appoint a Minister with responsibility for retired people: And that Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr David Winnick, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Tony Benn, Mr Dave Nellist, Audrey Wise, Alice Mahon, Dawn Primarolo, Mr Tony Banks and Mr Bernie Grant do prepare and bring it in.
- 13 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill,—Mr Jeremy Corbyn accordingly presented a Bill to require local authorities and health authorities to monitor the condition of their retired population; to eliminate standing charges on gas, electricity and water; to exempt pensioners from licence charges and telephone rental; to extend pensioners'

concessionary fare schemes; to make provision for the calculation of old age pensions by reference to average earnings; and to appoint a Minister with responsibility for retired people: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 93].

- 14 Inflation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House congratulates the Government on its prudent economic policies, which have led to a substantial reduction in inflation; notes that the level of inflation in the United Kingdom has been half that under the previous Government, is now below the average for the European Community and close to the level in Germany; notes further that low inflation is essential to a sustained recovery in output and employment; and draws attention to the policies of Her Majesty's Opposition, which would inevitably lead to higher inflation, higher interest rates and higher unemployment—(*Mr David Mellor*);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word 'House' to the end of the Question and add the words 'believes that inflation, though reduced from levels to which Government policy raised it, has not been conquered, but merely suppressed by high interest rates and the recession they have created, at a cost of rising business failures, mortgage repossessions, and soaring unemployment; and recognising that low inflation is a necessary, but not a sufficient, condition for recovery, calls upon the Government to introduce measures which include support for investment in manufacturing industry and in training, since without such measures inflationary pressures will simply re-emerge', instead thereof.—(*Margaret Beckett*.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 188.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Tom Sackville: 324.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Tom Sackville: 304.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Eric Illsley: 201.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House congratulates the Government on its prudent economic policies, which have led to a substantial reduction in inflation; notes that the level of inflation in the United Kingdom has been half that under the previous Government, is now below the average for the European Community and close to the level in Germany; notes further that low inflation is essential to a sustained recovery in output and employment; and draws attention to the policies of Her Majesty's Opposition, which would inevitably lead to higher inflation, higher interest rates and higher unemployment.

- 15 Government Trading Funds.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Fire Service College Trading Fund Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved—(*Mr John Patten*);

The House proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Irvine Patnick: 80.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Allen McKay: 68.

So the Question was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That the draft Fire Service College Trading Fund Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.

- 16 Estimates.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee), That this House agrees with the Report [24th February] of the Liaison Committee—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):—It was agreed to.

- 17 Public Petitions.—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) Angela M. Bridges and (ii) Thomas E. Huxley against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2) residents of Avon Court, Warwick, and Fawsley House, Rugby, (residential establishments for the elderly) against their proposed closure

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

18 Adjournment, — *Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn. — (*Mr Timothy Wood*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes to One o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.35 a.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 26th February 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Local Government, — Local Authorities (Capital Finance) (Rate of Discount for 1992/93) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 302), dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 2 Public Health, — Gipsy Encampments (City of Cambridge) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 303), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Social Security, — Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 300), dated 18th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 4 Civil Defence, — Welsh Office Minute, dated 26th February 1992, concerning a contingent liability consequent on the indemnification of those other than qualified medical personnel distributing iodine tablets to the general public in the event of a nuclear emergency [by Command] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 5 Magistrates' Courts, — Paper, entitled A New Framework for Local Justice [by Command] [Cm. 1829] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 6 Merchant Shipping, — Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 232] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 7 Monopolies and Mergers, — Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed mergers between UniChem PLC and Macarthy PLC and between Lloyds Chemists plc and Macarthy PLC [by Command] [Cm. 1845] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

#### APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee B, — Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C).
- 2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992, viz.: Mr David Amess, Mr Alan Amos, Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Peter Archer, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Tony Benn, Sir Peter Blaker, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Andrew Bowden, Mr Richard Caborn, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Michael Carttiss, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Mr Paul Channon, Mr Den Dover, Mr David Evans, Mr Malcolm Moss and Sir David Steel.
- 3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Alan Amos, Mr John Battle, Mr David Bellotti, Mr Andrew F. Bennett, Mr Joe Benton, Mr Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr David Davis, Mr Harry Ewing, Mr Dudley Fishburn, Mr Douglas French, Mr Roger Gale, Mr Christopher Gill, Sir Philip Goodhart, Mildred Gordon, Mrs Teresa Gorman, Sir John Hannam, Mr Ken Hargreaves, Mr Robert Key and Mr William O'Brien.
- 4 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Jacques Arnold, Mr John Bowis, Sir Rhodes Boyson, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Churchill, Mr Anthony Coombs, Mr James Couchman, Sir Peter Emery, Mr David Evennett, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr Ken Livingstone, Mr Kevin McNamara, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Richard Needham, Mr



Robert Parry, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr Jonathan Sayeed, Mr Roger Stott and Mr David Trimble.

- 5 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992, viz.: Ms Diane Abbott, Mr Graham Allen, Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Ron Brown, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Gerald Howarth, Mr Ralph Howell, Mr Robert G. Hughes, Mr Michael Jack, Mr Robert B. Jones, Dame Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr Archy Kirkwood, Mr Michael Knowles, Mr Ivan Lawrence, Mr Jim Lester, Mr Timothy Wood and Mr Jimmy Wray.
- 6 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992, the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Joe Ashton, Mr Nicholas Baker, Mr Gerald Birmingham, Mr Alistair Darling, Mr Bernie Grant, Mr Jimmy Hood, Sir Richard Luce, Mr Robert Maclennan, Mr Max Madden, Mr David Madel, Mr John Marshall, Mr David Martin, Mr Alan Meale, Mr Roger Moate, Sir Hector Monro, Sir Charles Morrison, Mr David Nicholson, Mrs Elizabeth Peacock and Mrs Angela Rumbold.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Agriculture,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Agriculture Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 112-viii] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 2 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill on 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 28th, 29th and 30th January and 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 18th and 20th February; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 303] [Sir Nicholas Bonsor].
- 3 Defence,—(1) Fourth Report from the Defence Committee [Options for Change: Reserve Forces], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 163];  
(2) Part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 299]; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Defence Committee  
[Mr Michael Mates].
- 4 Energy,—(1) Second Report from the Energy Committee [Consequences of Electricity Privatisation], together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 113]; and  
(2) Memoranda laid before the Energy Committee  
[Dr Michael Clark].
- 5 Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 223-iv] [Mr David Howell].
- 6 Home Affairs,—(1) Fourth Report from the Home Affairs Committee [Police Complaints Procedures], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 179];  
(2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 215-iii]; and  
(3) Memoranda laid before the Home Affairs Committee; to be printed [No. 215-iv]  
[Sir John Wheeler].
- 7 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 26th February; to be printed [No. 304-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
- 8 Trade and Industry,—(1) First Special Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Government Observations on the First Report from the Committee, on Takeovers and Mergers], together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 300];

(2) Second Special Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Past Reports and Recommendations]; to be printed [No. 262]; and

(3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 86-xiv]

[Mr Kenneth Warren].

9 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 12-ix] [Mr David Marshall].

10 Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) Third Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Banking Codes of Practice and Related Matters], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 197];

(2) Second Special Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Government Response to the First Report from the Committee, on the 1991 Autumn Statement]; to be printed [No. 301];

(3) Third Special Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Government Response to the Second Report from the Committee, on Banking Supervision and BCCI: the Role of Local Authorities and Money Brokers]; to be printed [No. 302]; and

(4) Memoranda laid before the Treasury and Civil Service Committee

[Mr Terence L. Higgins].

11 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 111-vi] [Mr Gareth Wardell].

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#### MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 26th February 1992*

1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—

(1) the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee C);

(2) the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(3) the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(4) the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;

(5) the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and

(6) the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992, the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—

(1) Mr Nicholas Winterton Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill;

(2) Mr Patrick Cormack Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Education (School Premises) Bill;

(3) Mr Michael J. Martin and Mr Norman Hogg Chairmen of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matter of the constitutional implications for Scotland of a Scottish Parliament;

(4) Mr James Hill Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992;

(5) Mr Michael J. Martin Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992;

(6) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992;

(7) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992;

(8) Mr Geraint Howells Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992, the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992; and

(9) Mr Norman Hogg Chairman of European Standing Committee A in respect of European Community Document No. 8910/91, relating to the common organisation of the market in the sugar and isoglucose sector.

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Thursday 27th February 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

1 Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*];

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 5th March.

2 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

3 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

4 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

5 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

6 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

7 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.

- 8 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.
- 9 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 5th March.
- 10 Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—The Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.
- 11 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 12 Committee of Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 13 Select Committees,—A Report was made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 14 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Finance Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
The Lords have agreed to the London Underground Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
Protection of Badgers Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Badgers Act 1973, the Badgers Act 1991 and the Badgers (Further Protection) Act 1991; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
Carriage of Goods by Sea Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to replace the Bills of Lading Act 1855 with new provision with respect to bills of lading and certain other shipping documents; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 15 Local Government Finance Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Local Government Finance Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 97].
- 16 Protection of Badgers Bill [*Lords*],—The Protection of Badgers Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 96].
- 17 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tom Sackville*);  
And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 18 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of the constituency of Twickenham for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 19 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—  
(1) S. J. Crowe against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and  
(2) residents of the constituency of Eltham and surrounding areas for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs  
were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 20 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Secretary Hunt*).  
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Thursday 27th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Employment and Training,—Draft Industrial Training Levy (Engineering Construction Board) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].

- 2 Pensions,—(1) Draft Social Security (Class 1 Contributions—Contracted-out Percentages) Order 1992, and  
 (2) draft State Scheme Premiums (Actuarial Tables) Regulations 1992  
 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Dangerous Drugs,—Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 315), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 4 Social Security,—(1) Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 318), and  
 (2) Workmen's Compensation (Supplementation) Amendment Scheme 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 319),  
 dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 5 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 362), dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Audit (Northern Ireland),—Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland on Department of Education for Northern Ireland: premature retirement of teachers [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 248] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 7 Employment and Training,—Employment Department Minute, dated 27th February 1992, concerning a contingent liability consequent on the privatisation of the Skills Training Agency [by Command] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 8 House of Commons Members' Fund,—Accounts of the House of Commons Members' Fund for the periods—  
 (1) 1st October 1988 to 30th September 1989, and  
 (2) 1st October 1989 to 30th September 1990;  
 with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 308 and 309] [Clerk of the House].
- 9 Local Government Finance,—Account of the pooling of non-domestic rates and redistribution to local authorities in England for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 307] [Clerk of the House].
- 10 Provisional Orders (Scotland),—Report by the Chairman of Committees in the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, That they have taken into consideration the Provisional Order for which a Petition, in accordance with the said Act and the General Orders thereunder, was presented to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State on or before 27th November 1991, namely the Church of Scotland (Properties and Investments) Order and are of the opinion that the Order should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the said Order [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 11 Social Security,—Reports by the Government Actuary and the Secretary of State for Social Security on the draft Social Security (Class 1 Contributions—Contracted-out Percentages) Order 1992 and the draft State Scheme Premiums (Actuarial Tables) Regulations 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 1850] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 12 Transport Series (No. 15, 1992),—Proposed Amendments to Annex 1 of the Agreement on the International Carriage of perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP) 1970 [by Command] [Cm. 1795] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee

on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Donald Anderson (nominated in respect of the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr D. N. Campbell-Savours.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 European Legislation,—(1) Thirteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-xiii]; and  
 (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on European Legislation on 27th February; to be printed [No. 310-i]  
 [Mr Nigel Spearing].
- 2 Trade and Industry,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Committee on 27th February; to be printed [No. 86-xv] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 72.]

*Friday 28th February 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).
- 2 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
 Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to collective labour relations, that is to say, to trade unions, employers' associations, industrial relations and industrial action; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 3 Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 2nd March and to be printed [Bill 98].
- 4 Social Security,—*Ordered*, That the Memoranda reported from the Social Security Committee on 11th February be printed [No. 61-I].
- 5 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Jennifer Vibert and the families of the victims of the 'Wilhelmina J' for protection of seamen and fishermen in coastal waters from unnecessary dangers was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 6 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Mary Brook and (2) W. N. and J. M. Crowe against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 7 Members' Interests,—A Motion was made;

And it being Eleven o'clock, Mr Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).

And the Question being proposed, That this House, believing that the concept of natural justice is paramount in trials before courts and all other tribunals, considers that the procedures of the House in relation to the registration of Members' interests are inadequate; believes that the rules for registration are vague, somewhat confusing and even meaningless both to honourable Members and outside observers; considers that proceedings before the Select Committee on Members' Interests deprive a Member whose conduct is in question of even the most basic human rights to natural justice, to which he or she would be entitled if the matter were being adjudicated in a court of law, including rights of appeal; is dissatisfied with the processes which take place after the Committee has made a Report; is deeply concerned that the House can too easily be confused and be led to a decision based not upon justice but upon party political or personal motives,

including the abuse of the party whipping system in what should be a matter for the individual conscience of all Right honourable and honourable Members attending the debate; believes that the case of the honourable Member for Winchester provides a classic illustration of the dangers of abuse inherent in the present procedures, which allowed even outside events to influence judgement; and calls for the appointment of a Select Committee urgently to re-examine all these issues and to make recommendations before similar great and deliberate injustices are done to other Right honourable and honourable Members and to their constituents—(*Mr John Browne*);

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

- 8 North West of England.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the successful effect that Government policies have had in the North West since 1979; draws attention to problems in the region which need to be addressed; and urges the Government to consider ways of so doing—(*Mr Ken Hargreaves*);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

- 9 Shops (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 31st January, That the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill be now read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 6th March.

- 11 Cold Weather Credits Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cold Weather Credits Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 12 Right to Information Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Right to Information Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 13 Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 14 Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 15 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 16 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

- 17 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Friday 6th March.

- 18 Bingo Bill [*Lords*].—The Bingo Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Peter Fry*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Neil Hamilton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

19 Hare Coursing Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hare Coursing Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

20 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 6th March.

21 Cardiff Bay Barrage (*re-committed*) Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the Cardiff Bay Barrage (*re-committed*) Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be discharged and that the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be re-committed to a Standing Committee.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

22 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

23 Estimates,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Thursday 5th March, Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.) shall apply as if the words 'for the coming financial year' in lines 5 and 21 were omitted.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

24 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 2nd March.

[Adjourned at 3.4 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

Friday 28th February 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

1 Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

2 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 352), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

3 Water,—(1) Surface Waters (Dangerous Substances) (Classification) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 337), and

(2) Trade Effluents (Prescribed Processes and Substances) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 339),

dated 20th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

4 Welsh Development Agency,—Welsh Office Minute, dated 28th February 1992, on a contingent liability consequent on an agreement between the Welsh Development Agency and a lending institution on the provision of loan facilities to company tenants of Welsh Development Agency industrial premises [by Command] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

*Paper withdrawn:*

Education,—Draft Education (National Curriculum) (Foundation Subjects at Key Stage 4) Order 1992 [laid 25th February].



[No. 73.]

Monday 2nd March 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 2 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
 

The Lords have agreed to the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 4 Firearms (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill,—Mr Michael Shersby, supported by Sir Bernard Braine, Sir Teddy Taylor, Mr Neville Trotter, Mr Ken Maginnis, Dr John G. Blackburn and Sir Anthony Durant, presented a Bill to amend the Firearms Act 1982 so as to apply certain provisions of the Firearms Act 1968 to imitation firearms which are capable of firing blank ammunition; to make provision for the issuing of permits for such weapons; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 99].
- 5 Newsprint Recycling Bill,—Mr Harry Cohen presented a Bill to provide for a minimum content of recycled paper in newsprint produced in or imported into the United Kingdom; to impose a duty on the publishers of newspapers to use newsprint with a minimum content of recycled paper; to empower the Secretary of State to provide financial assistance for the recycling of newsprint; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 100].
- 6 Financial Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 273) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):— It was agreed to.
- 7 Financial Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Timothy Wood*):— It was agreed to.
- 8 Asylum and Immigration,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8810/91, relating to the right of asylum, and 8811/91, relating to immigration, and the Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum submitted by the Home Office on 27th February 1992; endorses the Government's view that harmonisation of substantive immigration and asylum policies among the Member States of the European Community should be taken forward inter-governmentally outside the Treaty of Rome; and welcomes the wide recognition of this principle at Maastricht—(*Mr Secretary Baker*);
 

And it being Seven o'clock, Mr Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Order [21st February]:— It was agreed to.
- 9 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);
 

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 10 Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—*Resolved*, That the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure, passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, be presented to Her Majesty for Her Royal Assent in the form in which the said Measure was laid before Parliament.—(*Mr Michael Alison*.)

## 11 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

- (1) citizens of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the abolition of hare coursing;
- (2) citizens of the United Kingdom for the abolition of scientific experiments on animals; and
- (3) citizens of Newcastle-under-Lyme for better enforcement of law and order and greater help for the victims of crime

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

12 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.36 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 28th February 1992 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Agriculture,—Common Agricultural Policy (Protection of Community Arrangements) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 314), dated 18th February 1992 [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 2nd March 1992:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 2 Building Societies,—Draft Building Societies (Member States) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 3 Northern Ireland,—Draft Anatomy (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 4 Armorial Bearings, Ensigns and Flags,—Lyon Court and Office Fees (Variation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 305), dated 14th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 5 Criminal Law,—Costs in Criminal Cases (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 323), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 6 Criminal Law,—(1) Fixed Penalty Offences Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 345), and  
(2) Fixed Penalty Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 346),  
dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 7 Designs,—Design Right (Semiconductor Topographies) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 400), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 8 Education,—(1) Education (Mandatory Awards) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 423),  
(2) Education (Polytechnics and Colleges Funding Council) (Supplementary Functions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 428), and  
(3) Education (Universities Funding Council) (Supplementary Functions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 427),  
dated 28th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 9 National Health Service,—(1) National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 365), and  
(2) National Health Service (Dental Charges) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 369),  
dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 10 Probation,—Probation (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 349), dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

- 11 Protection of Wrecks,—Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 1) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 347), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 12 Transport,—British Transport Police Force Scheme 1963 (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 364), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].  
*Paper withdrawn:*
- 13 Building Societies,—Draft Building Societies (Member States) Order 1992 [laid 25th February].

APPENDIX II  
*Reports from Select Committees*

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 2nd March; to be printed [No. 317-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].

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[No. 74.]

*Tuesday 3rd March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill,—Mr Nicholas Winterton reported from Standing Committee B, That it had gone through the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.  
Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 318].
- 5 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
The Lords have agreed to the Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Bill, without Amendment.  
Access to Neighbouring Land Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable persons who desire to carry out works to any land which are reasonably necessary for the preservation of that land to obtain access to neighbouring land in order to do so; and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 6 Access to Neighbouring Land Bill [*Lords*],—The Access to Neighbouring Land Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 103].
- 7 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.
- 8 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.
- 9 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.

10 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(*Mr Greg Knight*):— It was agreed to.

11 Hydatidosis Control,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit dogs being fed on raw meat and offal derived from fallen or casualty livestock; and for connected purposes: And that Mr Alan Meale, Mr Don Dixon, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Allen McKay, Mr Tony Banks, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie, Mr Bob Cryer, Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Ray Powell, Mr Richard Caborn and Mr Terry Lewis do prepare and bring it in.

12 Hydatidosis Control Bill,—Mr Alan Meale accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit dogs being fed on raw meat and offal derived from fallen or casualty livestock; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday and to be printed [Bill 102].

13 Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*] [Allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Report on provision for adult education)—(*Mr Derek Fatchett*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Robert N. Wareing, Mr Jimmy Dunnachie: 192.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 291.

Another Clause (University pay review body)—(*Mr Jack Straw*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr Thomas McAvoy, Mr Allen McKay: 200.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Tom Sackville, Mr Nicholas Baker: 265.

Another Clause (Adult education funding for community colleges)—(*Sir Robin Maxwell-Hyslop*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time;

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr Speaker, pursuant to Order [11th February], put the Question already proposed from the Chair.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr Tony Speller: 218.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 300.

Mr Speaker then put forthwith the remaining Question which he was directed to put from the Chair.

Mr Secretary Clarke, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

Question put, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 305.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Frank Haynes: 210.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

14 Business of the House,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), That, at this day's sitting, the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

- 15 Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*],—The Taxation of Chargeable Gains Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 291 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 12 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Irvine Patnick reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 16 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 12th February, be approved—(*Dr Brian Mawhinney*);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Madam Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.

Wednesday 4th March 1992

- 17 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from residents of—

- (1) West Yorkshire for improved cold weather payments to old people;
- (2) Rochdale for adequate funding for education; and
- (3) New Cumnock for action against crime

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 18 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) Alice Eileen Batley, (ii) Mrs S. J. Betteridge, (iii) Mrs J. D. Callow, (iv) Mr and Mrs M. Chivers, (v) Mrs B. M. Higman, (vi) J. Hathaway, (vii) Mr and Mrs T. J. Jess, (viii) Miss Pamela Morrison-Bell, (ix) Marion D. Parsons, (x) Wendy Rahder, and (xi) Mrs J. Sallows against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons;

(2) members of the Yardley Conservation Society and others against approval of an extension of a garage within the Old Yardley Conservation Area; and

(3) residents of the constituencies of (i) Corby, (ii) Hampshire East, and (iii) Mid-Sussex and elsewhere against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 19 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Neil Hamilton*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.24 a.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Tuesday 3rd March 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Insurance,—Insurance Companies (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 445), dated 29th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 2 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1967 (Unregistered Ships) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 361), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

- 3 National Health Service,—(1) Mid Cheshire Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 387), dated 26th February 1992,  
 (2) National Health Service (Determination of Districts) (No. 2) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 367), dated 21st February 1992,  
 (3) National Health Service (District Health Authorities) (No. 2) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 366), dated 21st February 1992,  
 (4) Regional and District Health Authorities (Membership and Procedure) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 368), dated 21st February 1992,  
 (5) West Dorset Community Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 388), dated 26th February 1992,  
 (6) West Dorset General Hospitals National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 389), dated 26th February 1992, and  
 (7) West Dorset Mental Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 390), dated 26th February 1992  
 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 4 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 422), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 5 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy (Television Licence Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 353), dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Employment,—Government Reply to the First Report from the Employment Committee, Session 1991–92, on employment in prisons and for ex-offenders [by Command] [Cm. 1837] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 7 Local Government Finance,—Account of the pooling of non-domestic rates and redistribution to local authorities in Wales for 1990–91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 320] [Clerk of the House].
- 8 Piers and Harbours,—(1) Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of the proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts 1861–1915, for the year ended 31st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer]; and  
 (2) Report by the Secretary of State for Wales of the proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts 1861–1915, for the year ended 31st January 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 9 Probation Board (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of the Probation Board for Northern Ireland for 1990–91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 321] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated the Members appointed to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992 also to serve on the Committee in respect of the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992.

APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Broadcasting,—(1) First Report from the Select Committee on Broadcasting [The Provision in Members' Offices of Access to the Clean Feed]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 323]; and  
 (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Broadcasting on 3rd March; to be printed [No. 324-i]  
 [Mr John MacGregor].
- 2 Employment,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 3rd March; to be printed [No. 322] [Mr Ron Leighton].

- 3 Statutory Instruments,—Fifteenth Report from the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments, together with Memoranda laid before the Committee; to be printed [No. 14-xvii] [Mr Bob Cryer].

[No. 75.]

Wednesday 4th March 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 London Underground Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Lords Amendments to the London Underground Bill be considered to-morrow.
- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 3 Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.
- 4 Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That it had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.
- 5 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 6 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 7 Education (School Premises) Bill,—Mr Patrick Cormack reported from Standing Committee C, That it had gone through the Education (School Premises) Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.  
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday; and to be printed [Bill 105].  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 330].
- 8 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr James Hill reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 20th February.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 328].
- 9 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 25th February.  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 329].
- 10 European Standing Committee A,—Mr Norman Hogg reported from European Standing Committee A the following Resolution:  
That the Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 8910/91, relating to the operation of the common organisation of the market in the sugar and isoglucose sectors; and supports the Government's intention to seek, in the forthcoming review of the Common Agricultural Policy sugar regime, to maintain the viability of both the cane and beet sugar sectors in the United Kingdom, while making the regime more open to market forces and beneficial to consumers.  
Report, together with Resolution, to lie upon the Table.

11 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Further and Higher Education Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

12 Interest on Business Debts,—*Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that business debts should carry interest after a period of 28 days: And that Mr Richard Alexander, Mr Derek Conway, Mr Christopher Gill, Mr Michael Mates, Mr Andrew Rowe and Sir David Mitchell do prepare and bring it in.

13 Interest on Business Debts Bill,—Mr Richard Alexander accordingly presented a Bill to provide that business debts should carry interest after a period of 28 days: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 20th March and to be printed [Bill 104].

14 Local Government Finance Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the House [12th November] be supplemented as follows:—

*Lords Amendments*

1. The proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion two hours after the commencement of the proceedings on this Order.

2. For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 above—

(a) Mr Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any further Amendment of the said Lords Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the said Lords Amendment, or, as the case may be, in the said Lords Amendment as amended;

(b) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment, or, as the case may be, in their Amendment as amended;

(ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion moved by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in a Lords Amendment;

(iii) put forthwith with respect to the Amendments designated by Mr Speaker which have not been disposed of the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendments; and

(iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;

(c) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments Mr Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to that Lords Amendment.

*Stages subsequent to first consideration of Lords Amendments*

3. Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of any further Message from the Lords on the Bill.

4. The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of those proceedings.

5. For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

(a) Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining items in the Lords Message as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item;



(ii) in the case of each remaining item designated by Mr Speaker, put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Proposal; and

(iii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

*Supplemental*

6.—(1) Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons.

(2) Such a Committee shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which it is appointed.

7.—(1) In this paragraph “the proceedings” means proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and the Report of such a Committee.

(2) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(3) No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings shall be made except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

(4) If the proceedings are interrupted by a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 20 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on the Motion shall be added to the period at the end of which the proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion—(*Mr Michael Portillo*);

And it being one hour after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question necessary to dispose of them, pursuant to Order [12th November].

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Neil Hamilton: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Ken Eastham: 205.

So the Question was agreed to.

15 Local Government Finance Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Local Government Finance Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 29 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 20 to 22 and 24.

Lords Amendment No. 30.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 38, at the end, to insert the words ‘who can be made available to the court to testify to the proper and secure operation of the computer, and the accuracy of the record.’—(*Mr Harry Cohen*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment;

And it being two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion relating to Local Government Finance Bill (Allocation of Time), Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to the Order this day:—It was negatived.

Mr Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Lords Amendment:—It was agreed to.

Mr Deputy Speaker then designated Lords Amendments Nos. 68, 73 and 77 as appearing to him to involve questions of privilege.

Mr Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Question, with respect to the Lords Amendments designated by him which had not been disposed of, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendments:—It was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 68, 73 and 77 were accordingly agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Mr Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments:—It was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 31 to 67, 69 to 72 and 74 to 76 were accordingly agreed to.

- 16 Transport and Works Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Transport and Works Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Other Amendments (Nos. 74, 82, 76, 77, 98, 78, 79, 47, 48, 88, 89, 96, 49, 50, 90 to 94, 97, 51, 52, 80 and 53) made to the Bill.

Title accordingly amended, as follows: A Bill to provide for the making of orders relating to, or to matters ancillary to, the construction, or operation of railways, tramways, trolley vehicle systems, other guided transport systems and inland waterways, and orders relating to, or to matters ancillary to, works interfering with rights of navigation; to make further provision in relation to railways, tramways, trolley vehicle systems and other guided transport systems; to amend certain enactments relating to harbours; and for connected purposes.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Alastair Goodlad, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

Mr Alastair Goodlad, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

- 17 Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

- 18 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 30, at the end, to insert the words—

'(2A) In that subsection, at the end of paragraph (c) there shall be inserted—

“(ca) advise the Secretary of State on arrangements for monitoring the provision of courses of further training for nurses, midwives or health visitors already registered;”.—(*Mrs Sylvia Heal.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 37, at the end, to insert the words—

'(4A) After subsection (1) there shall be inserted—

“(1A) In approving an institution under subsection (1) above, National Boards shall pay special regard to the suitability of library facilities available to students of that institution.”.—(*Mrs Sylvia Heal.*)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

- 19 Social Security,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 25th February, be approved.—(*Ann Widdecombe.*)

- 20 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from members of the congregation of St. Mary Magdalen's Church, Ipswich, against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 21 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) G. R. Crawford, (2) A. D. Guthrie, (3) T. McCunnall, (4) Mrs C. P. Martin and R. W. Martin, (5) P. Robson, (6) V. Robson, and (7) J. E. B. Sills against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 22 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

- 23 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*);

And the Motion having been made at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 4th March 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Fees and Charges,—Electricity (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 64), dated 21st February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 2 Local Government,—(1) Passenger Transport Executives (Capital Finance) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 396), dated 26th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind]; and  
(2) Recreation Grounds (Revocation of Parish Council Byelaws) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 384), dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 3 Pensions,—Superannuation (Children's Pensions) (Earnings Limit) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 360), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 4 Road Traffic,—(1) Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles (Prescribed Sums and Charges, etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 385), and  
(2) Vehicles (Charges for Release from Immobilisation Devices) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 386),  
dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 5 Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 55), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Agriculture,—Accounts of the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce for the period 1st October 1989 to 30th September 1990; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 327] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 7 British Nationality,—Report of the Governor of Hong Kong to the Secretary of State for the Home Department under the British Nationality (Hong Kong) Act 1990 for the period 7th November 1990 to 6th November 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1838] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 8 Housing (Northern Ireland),—Accounts of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for 1990-91; with the Reports of the Local Government Auditor and the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Command] [Cm. 1843] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 9 Law Commissions,—Report of the Scottish Law Commission on the effect of death on damages [by Command] [Cm. 1848] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 10 Miscellaneous (No. 1, 1992),—Agreement, done at London on 4th December 1991, on the conservation of bats in Europe [by Command] [Cm. 1830] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 11 Prisons (Northern Ireland),—Report of an Inquiry by the Viscount Colville of Culross QC on the operational policy in Belfast Prison for the management of paramilitary prisoners from opposing factions [by Command] [Cm. 1860] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 12 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Transport on the Petition [27th January] from residents of Erith and elsewhere for improved train services between London and Abbey Wood, Belvedere, Erith, Slade Green and Crayford [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 13 Treaty Series (No. 15, 1992),—Treaty, done at Canterbury on 12th February 1986, between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the French Republic concerning the construction and operation by private concessionaires of a Channel fixed link, with letters exchanged relating to the arbitration rules [by Command] [Cm. 1827] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

- 14 Treaty Series (No. 16, 1992),—**Agreement**, done at Lisbon on 4th July 1990, in the form of notes exchanged between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Portuguese Republic concerning the termination of Article 19 of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation signed at Lisbon on 14th August 1914 [by **Command**] [Cm. 1831] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 15 Treaty Series (No. 17, 1992),—**Protocol**, done at Paris on 16th November 1982, to amend the Convention of 31st January 1963 Supplementary to the Paris Convention of 29th July 1960 on third party liability in the field of nuclear energy, as amended by the Additional Protocol of 28th January 1964 [by **Command**] [Cm. 1832] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

- 1 Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated nineteen **Members** to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, viz.: Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Nicholas Bennett, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr Jim Callaghan, Mr John Carlisle, Mr Simon Coombs, Mr Paul Flynn, Sir George Gardiner, Mr Neil Hamilton, Mr Robert Hayward, Mr Michael Irvine, Mr Gwilym Jones, Mr Richard Livsey, Mr Keith Mans, Mr Paul Murphy, Mr Ray Powell, Mr John P. Smith, Mr Richard Tracey and Mr Michael Welsh.
- 2 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen **Members** to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Harry Barnes, Mr Ian Bruce, Mr Nicholas Budgen, Mr Dennis Canavan, Mr Jeremy Corbyn, Mr Martin Flannery, Mr John Greenway, Sir Neil Macfarlane, Mr Kevin McNamara, Mr Jim Marshall, Mr Michael Mates, Dr Brian Mawhinney, Sir Gerrard Neale, Mr Patrick Nicholls, Mr Irvine Patnick, Mr William Ross, Mr Jonathan Sayeed, Mr Roger Stott and Mr Ian Taylor.
- 3 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had nominated nineteen **Members** to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 and the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992, viz.: Mr Stuart Bell, Mr Tim Boswell, Mr Julian Brazier, Mr Michael Brown, Mr Alex Carlile, Mr Harry Cohen, Mr Terry Davis, Mr David Evans, Mr Frank Field, Sir Anthony Grant, Mr Ian Grist, Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr Tony Marlow, Marjorie Mowlam, Mr Steve Norris, Mr John Redwood, Mr Terry Rooney, Mr Andrew Rowe and Mr David Young.
- 4 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee, That it had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Timothy Wood (nominated in respect of the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992 and the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr Tim Boswell.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Education, Science and Arts,—(1) Third Special Report from the Education, Science and Arts Committee [Inquiries into Information Technology in Schools and Music in Schools]; to be printed [No. 314];
- (2) Fourth Special Report from the Education, Science and Arts Committee [The Science and Technology Sub-Committee]; to be printed [No. 315];
- (3) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Education, Science and Arts Committee on 18th December, 22nd and 29th January; to be printed [No. 164-iv]; and
- (4) Memoranda laid before the Education, Science and Arts Committee  
[Mr Malcolm Thornton].
- 2 Employment,—(1) Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 22nd January; and
- (2) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 19th February;  
to be printed [Nos. 71-v and 281] [Mr Ron Leighton].

- 3 European Legislation,—Fourteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-xiv] [Mr Nigel Spearing].
  - 4 Foreign Affairs,—(1) Second Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Europe after Maastricht]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 223];
    - (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Foreign Affairs Committee on 4th March; to be printed [No. 223-v]; and
    - (3) Memoranda laid before the Foreign Affairs Committee[Mr David Howell].
  - 5 Health,—(1) Third Report from the Health Committee [The European Community and Health Policy], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 180]; and
    - (2) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Health Committee on 4th March; to be printed [No. 198-vi][Mr Nicholas Winterton].
  - 6 Information,—First Report from the Information Committee [Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology], together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 27th January and Appendices thereto; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 325] [Sir Fergus Montgomery].
  - 7 Members' Interests,—First Report from the Select Committee on Members' Interests [Registration and Declaration of Members' Financial Interests], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 326] [Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith].
  - 8 Procedure,—(1) Third Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [The Government's Response to the Procedure Committee's Review of European Standing Committees], together with an Appendix to the Report;
    - (2) Fourth Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [Public Petitions], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; and
    - (3) Fifth Report from the Select Committee on Procedure [The Work of the Committee during the 1987-92 Parliament];to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Reports [Nos. 331, 286 and 332] [Sir Peter Emery].
  - 9 Public Accounts,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on 4th March; to be printed [No. 333-i] [Mr Robert Sheldon].
  - 10 Social Security,—Second Report from Social Security Committee [The Operation of Pension Funds], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 61-II] [Mr Frank Field].
  - 11 Transport,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Transport Committee on 26th February; to be printed [No. 87-iii] [Mr David Marshall].
  - 12 Treasury and Civil Service,—(1) Fourth Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [Banking Supervision and BCCI: International and National Regulation], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 177]; and
    - (2) Fourth Special Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee [European Community Finances]; to be printed [No. 334][Mr Terence L. Higgins].
  - 13 Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 4th March; to be printed [No. 316-i] [Mr Gareth Wardell].
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## MEMORANDA

*Wednesday 4th March 1992*

- 1 Constitution of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 84 (Constitution of standing committees), Mr Speaker allocated—
  - (1) the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill to Standing Committee A;
  - (2) the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
  - (3) the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 and the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and
  - (4) the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
- 2 Chairmen of Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 85 (Chairmen of standing committees), Mr Speaker appointed—
  - (1) Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill;
  - (2) Sir Anthony Meyer Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992; and
  - (3) Sir John Hunt Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 and the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992.
- 3 European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Documents Nos. 10212/91 COR 2, relating to the Annual Economic Report 1991-92, and 4077/92, relating to the abolition of frontier controls, have been referred to European Standing Committee B.

[No. 76.]

*Thursday 5th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 London Underground Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Lords Amendments to the London Underground Bill;
 

*Ordered,* That the Lords Amendments be considered on Monday 9th March at Seven o'clock.
- 2 Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*];
 

*Ordered,* The the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 12th March.
- 3 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill;
 

*Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time on Monday 9th March at Seven o'clock.
- 4 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;
 

*Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 12th March.
- 5 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;
 

*Ordered,* That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 12th March.

- 6 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for **the** Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time **on** Thursday 12th March.
- 7 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of **the** day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time **on** Thursday 12th March.
- 8 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) **Bill**;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time **on** Thursday 12th March.
- 9 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green **Park**) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time **on** Thursday 12th March.
- 10 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) **Bill**;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time **on** Thursday 12th March.
- 11 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were **presented** or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 12 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were **reported** from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 13 Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr Michael J. Martin reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That it had considered the Matter of the constitutional implications for Scotland of a Scottish Parliament, referred to it on 26th February, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.  
  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to **be** printed [No. 336].
- 14 Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) **Regulations** 1992, referred to a Committee on 25th February, and the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992, referred to a Committee on 3rd March.  
  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to **be** printed [No. 339].
- 15 Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geraint Howells reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992, the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992, referred to a Committee on 20th February, and the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 25th February.  
  
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to **be** printed [No. 338].
- 16 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Local Government Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Offshore Safety Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Coal Industry Bill without Amendment.  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, without Amendment.  
  
The Lords have agreed to the Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.  
  
Community Care (Residential Accommodation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with respect to the making of arrangements under section 21 of the National Assistance Act 1948 for the provision of residential accommodation in premises managed by persons other than local authorities; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.  
  
Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to protect employees working on offshore installations

against victimisation when acting as safety representatives or members of safety committees; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

- 17 Community Care (Residential Accommodation) Bill [*Lords*].—The Community Care (Residential Accommodation) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 108].
- 18 Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Bill [*Lords*].—The Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 109].
- 19 European Union (Public Information) Bill.—Mr Nigel Spearing, supported by Mr John Biffen, Mr Peter Shore, Sir Richard Body, Mr Austin Mitchell and Mr Richard Shepherd, presented a Bill to require the preparation and distribution of a statement summarising the provisions and implications of the draft Treaty on European Union and its principal associated Treaties, and the consequent changes in the rights and powers of the citizens and Parliament of the United Kingdom; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 13th March and to be printed [Bill 106].
- 20 Political Party Financing Bill.—Mr David Winnick presented a Bill to require political parties represented in the House of Commons to publish detailed annual reports and accounts and to specify information to be contained therein; to provide that, where a donor makes to a political party a donation to which he has no title, the donation may not be retained by the party but shall be paid to such person as a court may direct; to impose a limit on expenditure by a political party during a general election; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 107].
- 21 Estimates [2nd allotted day] [1st part].—The House proceeded, pursuant to the Resolution [26th February], to consider the Estimates appointed for consideration under Standing Order No. 131 (Liaison Committee).
- Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class II, Vote 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a further sum not exceeding £27,939,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on grants and subscriptions etc. to certain international organisations, special payments and assistance, scholarships, military aid and sundry other grants and services—(*Mr Douglas Hogg*);
- The Debate was concluded, and the Question necessary to dispose of the proceedings was deferred, pursuant to paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates).
- 22 Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr David Davis*);
- And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
- 23 Estimates [2nd allotted day] [1st part].—Mr Speaker then, pursuant to paragraph (5) of Standing Order No. 52 (Consideration of estimates), put the deferred Question on Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class II, Vote 2).
- Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £27,939,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges that will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1992 for expenditure by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office on grants and subscriptions etc. to certain international organisations, special payments and assistance, scholarships, military aid and sundry other grants and services.
- 24 Estimates.—Mr Speaker then put the Questions which he was directed to put at that hour, pursuant to paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.) and Order [28th February].

Estimates, 1991-92 (Navy)

Vote A

*Resolved*, That during the year ending on 31st March 1992 an additional number not exceeding 75 all ranks be maintained for Naval Service.

Estimates, 1992-93 (Navy)

Vote A

*Resolved*, That during the year ending on 31st March 1993 a number not exceeding 65,400 all ranks be maintained for Naval Service.



## Estimates, 1992-93 (Army)

## Vote A

*Resolved*, That during the year ending on 31st March 1993 a number not exceeding 165,645 all ranks be maintained for Army Service, a number not exceeding 121,000 for the Individual Reserves, a number not exceeding 79,600 for the Territorial Army and a number not exceeding 6,970 for the Ulster Defence Regiment.

## Estimates, 1992-93 (Air)

## Vote A

*Resolved*, That during the year ending on 31st March 1993 a number not exceeding 88,620 all ranks be maintained for the Air Force Service, a number not exceeding 19,350 for the Royal Air Force Reserve and a number not exceeding 2,800 for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

## Estimates, Excesses, 1990-91

*Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £418,563,447.96 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to make good excesses of certain grants for Defence and Civil Services for the year ended on 31st March 1991, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 224.

## Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92

*Resolved*, That a further sum not exceeding £3,031,401,000 be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1992, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 226.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the three Resolutions this day relating to Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92, and Estimates, Excesses, 1990-91: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

25 Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill,—Mr Francis Maude accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1991 and 1992: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 101].

26 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) (i) Miss L. J. Carter-Leay, (ii) John Kelder, (iii) Donna Overton, (iv) Andrea Ridgway, and (v) Nigel Ridgway for legislation to empower courts to imprison drivers who kill or maim under the influence of drink or drugs;

(2) (i) Mrs V. Evans and (ii) Mrs Margaret Susan Netto against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(3) residents of the United Kingdom for a review of applications from the families of Turkish asylum seekers for entry to the United Kingdom

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

27 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Irvine Patnick*);

And the Motion having been made after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.31 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

Thursday 5th March 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

1 Community Charges (Scotland),—Personal Community Charge (Reduction for 1992-93) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 358), dated 20th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 2 Environmental Protection,—Litter (Statutory Undertakers) (Designation and Relevant Land) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 406), dated 28th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 National Health Service,—National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 404), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 4 Public Health,—Construction Plant and Equipment (Harmonisation of Noise Emission Standards) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 488), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 5 Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—(1) Town and Country Planning (Enforcement of Control) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 477), and  
(2) Town and Country Planning (Special Enforcement Notices) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 478),  
dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 6 Employment Protection,—Account of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service and of the Certification Officer and the Central Arbitration Committee for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 335] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Local Government Finance (Scotland),—Personal Community Charge (Reduction for 1992-93) (Scotland) Report [by Statutory Instrument] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 8 Monopolies and Mergers,—Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply for retail sale in the United Kingdom of matches and disposable lighters [by Command] [Cm. 1854] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 9 Sea Fisheries,—(1) Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer]; and  
(2) Report by the Secretary of State for Wales on the proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 10 Special Procedure Orders,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945, That no Petition has been presented against the Lancashire County Council (New Shard Bridge) Compulsory Purchase Order 1988 [by Act] [Chairman of Ways and Means].

## APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

Defence,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Defence Committee on 5th March; to be printed [No. 337] [Mr Michael Mates].

[No. 77.]

Friday 6th March 1992.

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).
- 2 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
  - (1) citizens of Coventry for legislation to facilitate human organ transplants; and
  - (2) Mrs Elizabeth Gertrude Pitman for more effective enforcement of the law to prevent violent crime in Cornwall
 were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 3 Human Organ Transplants (Amendment) Bill,—Mr John Hughes, supported by Alice Mahon and Mr Dave Nellist, presented a Bill to amend the Human Organ Transplants Act 1989 further to provide for the circumstances in which an organ may be retrieved from a dead person for the purposes of transplant; to require the anonymity of the donor and the recipient; to define death for the purposes of that Act of 1989 as the total and

irreversible loss of brain function; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Friday 13th March and to be printed [Bill 110].

- 4 Commonhold and Leasehold Reform,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House calls for the early introduction of commonhold as a means of effecting necessary reforms in leasehold and freehold tenure—(*Mr Gerald Bowden*);

And it being Eleven o'clock, Mr Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings).

- 5 Royal Assent,—Mr Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts, agreed upon by both Houses, and to the following Measure passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919:

Bingo Act 1992

Aggravated Vehicle-Taking Act 1992

Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992

Further and Higher Education Act 1992

Local Government Finance Act 1992

Offshore Safety Act 1992

Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1992

Coal Industry Act 1992

Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 1992

Local Government Act 1992

Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Act 1992.

Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 1992.

- 6 Commonhold and Leasehold Reform,—The Question being again proposed;

And the Question being put;

*Resolved*, That this House calls for the early introduction of commonhold as a means of effecting necessary reforms in leasehold and freehold tenure.

- 7 Quality in Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House warmly welcomes Government educational policies to bring back standards of learning in the three Rs in the infant school by an emphasis on phonics in reading, on number and tables in arithmetic and on writing in English, by subject teaching and learning by heart in the junior school and by a variety of secondary school provision providing for the varied interests, aptitudes and ability of pupils, by tests at the ages of 7, 11 and 14 to guarantee to parents that all schools are fulfilling their purposes, by the retention of 'A' level examinations before transfer to university and professional education at 18 while provision is made at the same age for craft and technological examinations which will lead to craft and technical qualifications and by the provision of maximum parental choice of school based on full public information on all schools, including their external examination results; and believes that such policies will ensure maximum advantage to the pupils, the parents and the whole country—(*Sir Rhodes Boyson*);

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

- 8 Health Benefits Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Health Benefits Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 9 Shops (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 10 Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 31st January, That the Civil Rights (Disabled Persons) Bill be now read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed on Friday 13th March.

- 11 Cold Weather Credits Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cold Weather Credits Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 12 Right to Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Right to Information Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 13 Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Timeshare Contracts (Time for Reconsideration) (Scotland) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 14 Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Fitness Standard) (Amendment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 15 Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Animal Experimentation (Cosmetics) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 16 National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service (Supply of Medical Equipment) Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 17 Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 18 Young Persons' Rights Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Young Persons' Rights Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 19 Hare Coursing Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hare Coursing Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 20 Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 21 Newsprint Recycling Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Newsprint Recycling Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 22 Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 23 Access to Neighbouring Land Bill [*Lords*],—The Access to Neighbouring Land Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr John Ward*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 9 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr David Davis reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

- 24 Hydatidosis Control Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hydatidosis Control Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

- 25 Education (School Premises) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Education (School Premises) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be considered on Friday 13th March.

26 Political Party Financing Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Party Financing Bill;

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday 13th March.

27 Community Care (Residential Accommodation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Community Care (Residential Accommodation) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Michael Lord*):— It was agreed to.

Committee on Friday 13th March.

28 Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Bill [*Lords*],—The Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Dave Nellist*):— It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr David Davis reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

29 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 9th March, Mr Speaker shall put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion relating to the First Report from the Accommodation and Works Committee not later than one and a half hours after their commencement; and those proceedings may be entered upon or continued after the expiry of the time for opposed business.—(*Mr David Davis*.)

30 Business of the House,—*Ordered*, That, at the sitting on Monday 9th March, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business), the Motions in the name of Mr Secretary Newton relating to Pensions may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or the end of a period of one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, at which time Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of them.—(*Mr David Davis*.)

31 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr David Davis*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 9th March.

[Adjourned at 3.9 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX

Friday 6th March 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Building Societies,—Building Societies (General Charge and Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 497), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 2 Community Charges,—Community Charges and Non-Domestic Rating (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 474), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Copyright,—Copyright Tribunal (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 467), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 4 Education,—Education (London Residuary Body) (Transfer of Functions and Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 437), dated 28th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 5 Friendly Societies,—Friendly Societies (Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 498), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].

- 6 Gas,—Gas (Metrication) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 450), dated 28th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 7 Income Tax,—Lloyd's Underwriters (Tax) (1989-90) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 511), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 8 Industrial and Provident Societies,—(1) Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 499), and  
(2) Industrial and Provident Societies (Credit Unions) (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 500),  
dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 9 Local Government,—Local Authorities (Capital Finance) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 502), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 10 National Health Service (Scotland),—National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 394), dated 24th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 11 Pipe-Lines,—Pipe-Lines (Metrication) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 449), dated 28th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 12 Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Road Traffic (Fixed Penalty) (Extension) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 56), dated 19th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 13 Water Supply (Scotland),—Water (Prevention of Pollution) (Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 395), dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 14 Census of Production,—Reports on the Census of Production, 1990, on—
    - (1) drawing, cold rolling and cold forming of steel,
    - (2) iron and steel industry,
    - (3) jewellery and coins,
    - (4) textile finishing, and
    - (5) working of stone and other non-metallic minerals[by Act] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
  - 15 Coal Industry,—Four Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 5th March 1992 on borrowing by British Coal [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
  - 16 Environmental Protection,—Local Authority Air Pollution Control Fees and Charges (Scotland) Scheme 1992, dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
  - 17 National Lottery,—Paper, entitled A National Lottery Raising Money for Good Causes [by Command] [Cm. 1861] [Mr Secretary Baker].
  - 18 Transport,—Statement of determination of the salary of a member of the British Waterways Board [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
  - 19 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the First Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1991-92, on roads in Wales [by Command] [Cm. 1851] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
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[No. 78.]

Monday 9th March 1992.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).
- 2 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 3 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from another Select Committee and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported and ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
 

The Lords have agreed to the Prison Security Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Midland Metro Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Midland Metro (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Radioactive Substances Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to radioactive substances with corrections and minor improvements made under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
- 5 Radioactive Substances Bill [*Lords*],—The Radioactive Substances Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 111].
- 6 Friendly Societies Bill,—The Friendly Societies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and stood committed to a Standing Committee.
- 7 Friendly Societies Bill [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Friendly Societies Bill [Money];
 

*Resolved*, That for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Friendly Societies Bill, it is expedient to authorise—

  - (1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—
    - (a) any expenses incurred by the Friendly Societies Commission established by that Act which are attributable to that Act;
    - (b) any expenses incurred by the Treasury—
      - (i) for the purposes of tribunals established in pursuance of that Act to hear appeals against decisions of that Commission; or
      - (ii) for the purposes of any person appointed under that Act to determine disputes under the National Savings Banks Act 1971 or the National Debt Act 1972;
    - (c) any expenses incurred by the Chief Registrar of friendly societies which are attributable to any functions of his or of the central office under the Act; and
  - (2) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums so payable under any other enactment.—(*Mr Greg Knight*.)
- 8 Friendly Societies Bill [Ways and Means],—*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Friendly Societies Bill, it is expedient to authorise—
  - (1) the levying of annual charges on friendly societies towards the expenses of the Friendly Societies Commission; and
  - (2) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(*Mr Greg Knight*.)
- 9 Accommodation and Works,—*Resolved*, That this House approves the First Report from the Accommodation and Works Committee in respect of the New Parliamentary Building (Phase 2) (HC 269-I).—(*Mr John MacGregor*.)
- 10 London Underground Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the London Underground Bill; and the same were agreed to.
- 11 London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill,—The London Docklands Railway (Lewisham, etc.) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

- 12 Pensions,—*Resolved*, That the draft Social Security (Class 1 Contributions—Contracted-out Percentages) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 27th February, be approved.—(*Ann Widdecombe*.)
- 13 Pensions,—*Resolved*, That the draft State Scheme Premiums (Actuarial Tables) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 27th February, be approved.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)
- 14 Commonwealth Development Corporation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Commonwealth Development Corporation (Raising of Limits on Borrowing and Advances) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 12th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 15 Urban Development,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1992, dated 12th February 1992, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 16 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 17 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 14th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 18 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 14th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 19 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 21st February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 20 Social Security,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 12th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 21 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Statutory Sick Pay (Small Employers' Relief) Amendment Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 19th February, be approved—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*):—It was agreed to.
- 22 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of Huddersfield and elsewhere for the creation of a local authority to be named Greater Huddersfield was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 23 Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from R. McIntosh against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 preventing unqualified persons from docking puppies' tails was presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 24 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Kirkhope*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes to Nine o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 8.44 p.m.]



## APPENDIX I

*Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 6th March 1992 pursuant to Standing Order No. 138 (Presentation of statutory instruments):*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Building Societies,—(1) Building Societies (Accounts and Related Provisions) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 359), dated 17th February 1992, and  
(2) Building Societies (Provision of Services) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 509), dated 5th March 1992  
[Mr John Maples].
- 2 Industrial Assurance,—Industrial Assurance (Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 508), dated 4th March 1992 [Mr John Maples].

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table on Monday 9th March 1992:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 3 Community Charges (Scotland),—Personal Community Charge (Exemption for the Severely Mentally Impaired) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 503), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 4 Education,—Education (Grant-maintained Schools) (Finance) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 555), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 5 Energy Conservation,—Home Energy Efficiency Grants Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 483), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 6 Fire Services,—Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 409), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 7 Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Dundee Port Authority Harbour Revision Order 1992, dated 24th February 1992; with a statement by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2(5) of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 8 Housing,—(1) Housing Benefit and Community Charge Benefits (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 432), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton]; and  
(2) Housing Defects (Expenditure Limits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 446), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 9 Income Tax,—(1) Income Tax (Dealers in Securities) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 568),  
(2) Income Tax (Definition of Unit Trust Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 571),  
(3) Income Tax (Dividend Manufacturing) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 569), and  
(4) Income Tax (Stock Lending) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 572), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 10 Insurance,—Insurance (Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 516), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 11 Landlord and Tenant,—Assured and Protected Tenancies (Lettings to Students) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 515), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 12 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—(1) Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 373),  
(2) Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 372),  
(3) Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 374), and  
(4) Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees in Civil Proceedings) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 371), dated 20th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 13 Local Government (Scotland),—Local Authorities Etc. (Allowances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 505), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 14 Public Health,—HIV Testing Kits and Services Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 460), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 15 Public Passenger Transport,—Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 565), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 16 Rates,—Rates (Regional Rate) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 66), dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 17 Road Traffic,—(1) Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 564), dated 9th March 1992,  
 (2) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 539), dated 9th March 1992,  
 (3) Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Large Goods and Passenger-Carrying Vehicles) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 538), dated 9th March 1992,  
 (4) Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 566), dated 9th March 1992, and  
 (5) Motor Vehicles (Type Approval and Approval Marks) (Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 489), dated 4th March 1992  
 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 18 Social Security,—Income Support (General) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 468), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 19 Taxes,—Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax (Investment Exchanges and Clearing Houses) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 570), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 20 Telegraphs,—Wireless Telegraphy Apparatus (Low Power Devices) (Exemption) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 484), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 21 Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Employment Code of Practice (Picketing) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 476), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 22 Trade Unions,—Certification Officer (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 461), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 23 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the University of Oxford, on 18th December 1991, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 24 Water,—Colne Valley Water Company plc (Constitution and Regulation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 424), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

*Other Papers:*

- 25 Electricity,—Report of the Director General of Electricity Supply for 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 289] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 26 European Communities (No. 2, 1992),—Paper, entitled Developments in the European Community July-December 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1857] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 27 Miscellaneous (No. 2, 1992),—Report on Hong Kong for 1991 [by Command] [Cm. 1858] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 28 Police (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of the Independent Commission for Police Complaints for Northern Ireland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 342] [Clerk of the House].

APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

Standing Committee A,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had nominated thirty-one further Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, viz.: Mr Donald Anderson, Mr Alex Carlile, Mrs Ann Clwyd, Mr Denzil Davies, Mr Ron Davies, Mr Huw Edwards, Mr Michael Foot, Mr Win Griffiths, Mr Ian Grist, Mr Peter Hain, Mr Geraint Howells, Dr Kim Howells, Mr

Roy Hughes, Mr Barry Jones, Mr Ieuan Wyn Jones, Mr Martyn Jones, Mr Neil Kinnock, Dr John Marek, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr Alun Michael, Mr Rhodri Morgan, Mr John Morris, Mr Keith Raffan, Sir Wyn Roberts, Mr Allan Rogers, Mr Ted Rowlands, Dr Dafydd Elis Thomas, Mr Gareth Wardell, Mr Dafydd Wigley, Mr Alan Williams and Mr Alan W. Williams.

### APPENDIX III

#### *Reports from Select Committees*

Public Accounts,—(1) Eighteenth Report from the Committee of Public Account [HIV and AIDS related health services]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 128];

(2) Nineteenth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Sale of the Skills Training Agency]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 117];

(3) Twentieth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Financial Control of the Employment Training and Youth Training Programmes]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 172];

(4) Twenty-first Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Expenditure on Criminal Legal Aid]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 192];

(5) Twenty-second Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [PSA Services Accounts 1990-91]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 208];

(6) Twenty-third Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Financial Management and Control in the National Rivers Authority]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 216];

(7) Twenty-fourth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts [Insolvency Services Account]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 240]; and

(8) Memoranda laid before the Committee of Public Accounts; to be printed [No. 287-ii]

[Mr Robert Sheldon].

[No. 79.]

*Tuesday 10th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

- 1 Aire and Calder Navigation Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill; and the same were agreed to, several with Amendments.
- 2 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix I).
- 3 Select Committees,—Minutes of Evidence were reported from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).
- 4 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:  
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Lords Amendments to the Aire and Calder Navigation Bill, without Amendment.  
The Lords have agreed to the Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Bill, without Amendment.
- 5 General Elections Bill,—Mr Tony Banks, supported by Mr Tom Clarke, Ms Diane Abbott and Mr Jeremy Corbyn, presented a Bill to make statutory provision for fixed term parliaments, compulsory attendance at polling stations, a public holiday on days set for general elections; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday 9th April and to be printed [Bill 112].
- 6 Financial Statement and Budget Report, 1992-93,—*Ordered*, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Financial Statement and Budget Report, as laid before the House

by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(*Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.*)

7 Ways and Means,—Provisional Collection of Taxes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 50 (Ways and means motions), That, pursuant to section 5 of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968, provisional statutory effect shall be given to the following Motions:—

- (a) Spirits (Motion No. 2);
- (b) Beer (Motion No. 3);
- (c) Wine and made-wine (Motion No. 4);
- (d) Cider (Motion No. 5);
- (e) Tobacco products (rates) (Motion No. 6);
- (f) Hydrocarbon oil (Motion No. 8);
- (g) Vehicles excise duty (rates: cars etc.) (Motion No. 9);
- (h) Vehicles excise duty (rates: tricycles) (Motion No. 10);
- (i) Value added tax (penalty for serious misdeclaration etc.) (Motion No. 18); and
- (j) Car tax (rates) (Motion No. 20)—(*Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer*):—It was agreed to.

8 Ways and Means,—Amendment of the law,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

- (a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
- (b) for refunding any amount of tax;
- (c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
- (d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description—(*Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer*);

*Ordered*, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

9 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) Peter Arthur and (ii) Josephine Royle against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons; and

(2)(i) Ms J. Gough, and (ii) members of the congregations of (a) St. James's Church, Landseer Road, Ipswich, (b) St. Joseph's Church, Birkfield, Ipswich, (c) St. Mark's Church, Hawthorne Place, Ipswich, (d) St. Mary's Church, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich, (e) St. Michael's Church, Tadley, and (f) St. Pancras's Church, Orwell Place, Ipswich, for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

10 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Timothy Wood*);

And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

11 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Timothy Wood.*)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.12 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Tuesday 10th March 1992**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 425),  
(2) Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 426),  
(3) Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) (No. 2) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 429),  
(4) Gaming (Bingo) Act (Fees) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 430), and  
(5) Gaming Clubs (Hours and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 431),  
dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 2 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 410), dated 27th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Broads Authority,—Norfolk and Suffolk Broads (Extension of Byelaws) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 517), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 4 Community Charges,—Personal Community Charge (Exemption for the Severely Mentally Impaired) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 494), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 5 Council Tax,—(1) Council Tax (Additional Provisions for Discount Disregards) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 552),  
(2) Council Tax (Chargeable Dwellings) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 549),  
(3) Council Tax (Contents of Valuation Lists) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 553),  
(4) Council Tax (Discount Disregards) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 548),  
(5) Council Tax (Exempt Dwellings) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 558),  
(6) Council Tax (Liability for Owners) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 551),  
(7) Council Tax (Reductions for Disabilities) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 554),  
and  
(8) Council Tax (Situation and Valuation of Dwellings) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 550),  
dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Court of Session (Scotland),—Court of Session etc. Fees Amendment Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 414), dated 26th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 7 Education,—(1) Education (London Residuary Body) (Property Transfer) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 587), dated 9th March 1992,  
(2) Education (London Residuary Body) (Transfer of Compensation Functions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 331), dated 21st February 1992,  
(3) Education (London Residuary Body) (Transfer of Loans) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 501), dated 4th March 1992,  
(4) Education (London Residuary Body) (Transitional and Supplementary Provisions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 586), dated 6th March 1992,  
(5) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Art) (England) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 598), dated 9th March 1992,  
(6) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Music) (England) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 597), dated 9th March 1992, and  
(7) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Target and Programmes of Study in Physical Education) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 603), dated 9th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 8 Education (Scotland),—Teachers' Superannuation (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 280), dated 17th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 9 Environmental Protection,—(1) Controlled Waste Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 588), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine]; and  
(2) Environmental Protection (Determination of Enforcing Authority Etc) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 530), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 10 Government Trading Funds,—Vehicle Inspectorate Trading Fund (Variation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 471), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 11 High Court of Justiciary (Scotland),—High Court of Justiciary Fees Amendment Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 412), dated 26th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 12 Highways,—Severn Bridges (Designation of Staff for Transfer) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 579), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 13 Housing,—Waltham Forest Housing Action Trust (Transfer of Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 581), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 14 Income Tax,—Personal Equity Plan (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 623), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 15 Local Government,—(1) Local Government Act 1988 (Defined Activities) (Exemption) (England) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 583), and  
(2) Local Government (Direct Labour Organisations) (Competition) (Exemption) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 582),  
dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 16 Local Government (Scotland),—City of Edinburgh and Midlothian Districts (Edinburgh City By-pass) (Boundaries) Amendment Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 526), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 17 Medicines,—(1) Medicines Act 1968 (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 604), and  
(2) Medicines Act 1968 (Application to Radiopharmaceutical-associated Products) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 605),  
dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 18 Merchant Shipping,—Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 472), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 19 National Health Service,—(1) Harrogate Health Care National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 492), dated 5th March 1992,  
(2) Norfolk Ambulance National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 493), dated 5th March 1992, and  
(3) North Tees Health National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 523), dated 6th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 20 National Health Service (Scotland),—(1) National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 411), dated 26th February 1992, and  
(2) National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 531), dated 5th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 21 Parliament,—(1) Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund (Exchequer Contribution) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 600), and  
(2) Parliamentary Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 599),  
dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 22 Prisons,—Prison (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 514), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 23 Public Passenger Transport,—Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 565), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].

- 24 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Non-Domestic Rating (Material Day for List Alterations) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 556), and  
(2) Non-Domestic Rating (Multiple Moorings) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 557), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 25 Road Traffic,—(1) Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 564), dated 9th March 1992,  
(2) Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 566), dated 9th March 1992, and  
(3) Retention of Registration Marks Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 510), dated 6th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 26 Scottish Land Court,—Scottish Land Court (Fees) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 401), dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 27 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Sheriff Court Fees Amendment Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 413), dated 26th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 28 Social Security,—Social Security (Invalidity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance) Miscellaneous Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 585), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 29 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of Newnham College, Cambridge, on 29th November 1991, amending the Statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 30 Value Added Tax,—(1) Value Added Tax (Cars) (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 627),  
(2) Value Added Tax (Charities and Aids for Handicapped Persons) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 628),  
(3) Value Added Tax (Increase of Registration Limits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 629), and  
(4) Value Added Tax (Treatment of Transactions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 630), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].
- 31 Young Offender Institutions,—Young Offender Institution (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 513), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Other Papers:*

- 32 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 10th March 1992, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Estimates for 1992-93 laid this day [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 33 Budget,—Paper, entitled Budgetary Reform [by Command] [Cm. 1867] [Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer].
- 34 Electricity,—Two Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 9th March 1992 on borrowing by Nuclear Electric plc [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 35 Financial Statement and Budget Report, 1992-93,—Financial Statement and Budget Report 1992-93 [pursuant to Order this day]; to be printed [No. 319] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 36 Home Affairs,—Government Reply to the First Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1991-92, on fire safety and policing of the Channel Tunnel [by Command] [Cm. 1853] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 37 Local Government (Scotland),—Report by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland on the review of the City of Edinburgh/Midlothian District Boundary at the City Bypass [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 38 New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 9th March 1992 on borrowing by—  
(1) East Kilbride Development Corporation, and  
(2) Glenrothes Development Corporation  
[by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].

- 39 Public Accounts,—Treasury Minute on the Eighth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1991-92, on promoting value for money in provincial police forces [by Command] [Cm. 1856] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 40 Supply Estimates, 1992-93,—(1) Estimates for Classes I to XX and Index for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 273-I to -XX and 273-Ind.] [Mr Francis Maude];
- (2) Estimates for Class XIX, A, Vote 1 (House of Commons: Administration) and Vote 2 (House of Commons: Accommodation Services) for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 274] [Mr Speaker];
- (3) Estimates for the National Audit Office (Class XIX, B, Vote 1) for 1992-93 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 275] [Sir Peter Hordern]; and
- (4) Summary and Guide to the Supply Estimates, 1992-93 [by Command] [Cm. 1844] [Mr David Mellor].

*Papers withdrawn:*

- 41 Public Passenger Transport,—Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 565) [laid 9th March].
- 42 Road Traffic,—(1) Goods Vehicles (Plating and Testing) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 564), and
- (2) Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 566) [laid 9th March].

APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

Agriculture,—Memoranda laid before the Agriculture Committee; to be printed [No. 112-ix] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].

[No. 80.]

*Wednesday 11th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*],—The House proceeded to consider the Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Committee.

A Motion was made, That Standing Order 205 (Notice of third reading) be suspended and that the Bill be now read the third time—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means*);

The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

- 2 Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The House proceeded to consider the Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*], as amended in the Committee.

A Motion was made, That Standing Order 205 (Notice of third reading) be suspended and that the Bill be now read the third time—(*The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means*);

The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as it shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

- 3 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).



- 4 Selection,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
- 5 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from other Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix III).
- 6 Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir John Hunt reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 273) and the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 2nd March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 345].

- 7 Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 24th February.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 346].

- 8 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Avon Weir Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Folkestone Harbour Bill [*Lords*], without Amendment.

- 9 Ways and Means,—Amendment of the law,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;

(b) for refunding any amount of tax;

(c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or

(d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

And the Question being again proposed, The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

*Ordered*, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

- 10 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1)(i) road users in Scotland and England, (ii) road users in North Northumberland and (iii) road users in Berwickshire for the improvement of the A1 to dual carriageway standard;

(2) residents of Swansea and elsewhere for the enforcement of the law on Sunday trading; and

(3) residents of the constituency of Orkney and Shetland against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs

were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 11 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from (1) Mrs Janessa E. Fairbairn, (2) Andrew Kyle and (3) Miss Sarah E. Taylor against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 12 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tim Boswell*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.35 p.m.]

## APPENDIX I

*Wednesday 11th March 1992**Papers presented or laid upon the Table:**Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Animals,—Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) (Fees for Licences) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 453), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 2 Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances,—Radioactive Substances (Substances of Low Activity) Exemption (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 647), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 3 Building Societies,—(1) Building Societies (Designation of Qualifying Bodies) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 649),  
(2) Building Societies (Designation of Qualifying Bodies) (No. 2) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 650),  
(3) Building Societies (Designation of Qualifying Bodies) (No. 3) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 651), and  
(4) Building Societies (Designation of Qualifying Bodies) (No. 4) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 652),  
dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 4 Civil Aviation,—Civil Aviation (Navigation Services Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 475), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 5 Community Charges,—(1) Community Charges (Administration and Enforcement) (Attachment of Earnings Order) (Wales) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 663), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt]; and  
(2) Community Charges (Notices) (Substitute Charges) (England) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 448), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Council Tax,—(1) Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 613), and  
(2) Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 612),  
dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 7 Criminal Law (Scotland),—Fixed Penalty (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 435), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 8 Designs,—(1) Design Right (Proceedings before Comptroller) (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 615), and  
(2) Registered Designs (Fees) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 617),  
dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 9 Education (Scotland),—Nursing and Midwifery Student Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 580), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 10 Environmental Protection,—(1) Environmental Protection (Prescribed Processes and Substances) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 614), dated 10th March 1992, and  
(2) Environmental Protection (Waste Recycling Payments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 462), dated 2nd March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 11 Environmental Protection,—Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (England and Wales) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 654), dated 6th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 12 Family Proceedings,—Family Proceedings (Amendment) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 456), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 13 Food,—(1) Tin in Food Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 496), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer]; and  
(2) Welfare Food Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 637), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].

14 Housing,—(1) Housing (Change of Landlord) (Payment of Disposal Cost by Instalments) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 542), dated 9th March 1992,

(2) Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Prescribed Forms and Particulars) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 562), dated 9th March 1992, and

(3) Registered Housing Associations (Accounting Requirements) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 512), dated 6th March 1992

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

15 Legal Aid and Advice,—(1) Civil Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 590), dated 9th March 1992,

(2) Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 591), dated 9th March 1992,

(3) Legal Advice and Assistance at Police Stations (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 594), dated 9th March 1992,

(4) Legal Advice and Assistance (Duty Solicitor) (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 639), dated 10th March 1992,

(5) Legal Aid in Contempt Proceedings (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 595), dated 9th March 1992,

(6) Legal Aid in Criminal and Care Proceedings (Costs) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 592), dated 9th March 1992, and

(7) Legal Aid in Family Proceedings (Remuneration) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 596), dated 9th March 1992

[by Act] [Clerk of the House].

16 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—(1) Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Prospective Cost) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 528), and

(2) Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 527),

dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

17 Local Government,—(1) Collection Fund (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 620), dated 10th March 1992,

(2) Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 540), dated 9th March 1992, and

(3) Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 618), dated 10th March 1992

[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

18 Local Government,—Collection Fund (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 653), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

19 Magistrates' Courts,—Magistrates' Courts (Maintenance Enforcement Act 1991) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 457), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

- 20 National Health Service,—(1) Dental Practice Board Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 655), dated 10th March 1992,  
(2) National Health Service (Appellate and Other Functions) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 660), dated 10th March 1992,  
(3) National Health Service Functions (Administration Arrangements and Amendment of Directions) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 659), dated 10th March 1992,  
(4) National Health Service (Fund-holding Practices) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 636), dated 10th March 1992,  
(5) National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 661), dated 10th March 1992,  
(6) National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 635), dated 10th March 1992,  
(7) National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 662), dated 10th March 1992,  
(8) National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 664), dated 10th March 1992,  
(9) Northallerton Health Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 601), dated 10th March 1992,  
(10) Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital and Community Services National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 560), dated 9th March 1992,  
(11) United Bristol Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 561), dated 9th March 1992, and  
(12) Weston Area National Health Service Trust (Transfer of Trust Property) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 541), dated 9th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 21 National Health Service (Scotland),—(1) National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 458), dated 3rd March 1992, and  
(2) National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 641), dated 10th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 22 Patents,—Patents (Fees) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 616), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 23 Plant Breeders' Rights,—(1) Plant Breeders' Rights (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 438), dated 2nd March 1992, and  
(2) Plant Breeders' Rights (Potatoes) (Variation) Scheme 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 454), dated 28th February 1992  
[by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 24 Police,—South Eastern Police (Amalgamation) Amendment (No. 2) Scheme Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 576), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 25 Public Health (Scotland),—Surface Waters (Dangerous Substances) (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 574), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 26 Race Relations,—Race Relations Code of Practice (Non-Rented Housing) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 619), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 27 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Non-Domestic Rates (Levy) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 642), and  
(2) Non-Domestic Rates (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 643), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 28 Rating and Valuation,—(1) Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 611), dated 10th March 1992, and  
(2) Non-Domestic Rating (Transitional Period) (Further Provision) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 559), dated 9th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

- 29 Roads and Bridges (Scotland),—Erskine Bridge Tolls Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 433), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 30 Road Traffic,—Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 646), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 31 Sea Fisheries,—Sea Fishing (Days in Port) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 670), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 32 Seeds,—Seeds (National Lists of Varieties) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 436), dated 2nd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 33 Social Security,—(1) Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 469), and  
(2) Social Security (Invalid Care Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 470),  
dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 34 Sugar,—Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 405), dated 25th February 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 35 Supreme Court of England and Wales,—Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment) 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 638), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 36 Telecommunications,—Telecommunications Act 1984 (Government Shareholding) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 631), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 37 Town and Country Planning,—(1) Planning (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 656), dated 11th March 1992,  
(2) Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 666), dated 11th March 1992,  
(3) Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 609), dated 10th March 1992, and  
(4) Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 658), dated 11th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 38 Trade Descriptions,—Motor Vehicles (Designation of Approval Marks) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 634), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 39 Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Statute made by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, on 19th December 1991, amending the Statutes of the College [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 40 Urban Development,—Birmingham Heartlands Development Corporation (Planning Functions) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 621), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 41 Value Added Tax,—(1) Value Added Tax (Cash Accounting) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 644), and  
(2) Value Added Tax (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 645),  
dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].
- 42 Water Supply (Scotland),—Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 575), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

*Other Papers:*

- 43 Appropriations in Aid,—Treasury Minute, dated 11th March 1992, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes specified in the Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 44 Civil List Pensions,—List of Pensions granted under the Civil List Act 1972 during 1990-91 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 45 Co-operative Development Agency,—Accounts of the Co-operative Development Agency for the period 1st April to 31st December 1990; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 348] [Clerk of the House].
- 46 County Courts,—Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 593), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].

- 47 Customs and Excise,—Report by the Department of Trade and Industry on the exercise of powers conferred by certain sections of the European Communities Act 1972 and the Customs and Excise Duties (General Reliefs) Act 1979, for 1990-91 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 311] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 48 Historical Manuscripts,—Twenty-seventh Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts for 1982-90 [by Command] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 49 Industrial Development,—Accounts of the Industrial Development Board for Northern Ireland for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland thereon [by Command] [Cm. 1855] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 50 Industrial Organisation and Development,—Account of the Apple and Pear Development Council for the period 1st October to 24th November 1989 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 51 Law Commissions,—Report of the Law Commission for 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 280] [Clerk of the House].
- 52 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Second Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1991-92, being the Annual Report for 1991 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 347] [Clerk of the House].
- 53 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [2nd December] from Michael Crosley, D.S.C. and bar, for justice in relation to his disability pension [by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].
- 54 Supply Estimates, 1991-92,—Spring Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 341] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 55 Welsh Affairs,—Government Response to the Sixth Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee, Session 1990-91, on elective surgery [by Command] [Cm. 1863] [Mr Secretary Hunt].

## APPENDIX II

*Committee of Selection*

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Marcus Fox reported from the Committee of Selection, That it had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr Ian Taylor (nominated in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992); and had appointed in substitution Mr John Butterfill.

## APPENDIX III

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Defence,—(1) Fifth Report from the Defence Committee [The Progress of the Trident Programme], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 337];
- (2) Sixth Report from the Defence Committee [European Fighter Aircraft], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 299];
- (3) Second Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Reply to the Second Report from the Committee, on the Procurement of Advanced Air to Air Missiles]; to be printed [No. 350];
- (4) Third Special Report from the Defence Committee [Government Reply to the First Report from the Committee, on Anglo/French Defence Co-operation]; to be printed [No. 351]; and
- (5) Memoranda laid before the Defence Committee
- [Mr Michael Mates].
- 2 Employment,—(1) Second Report from the Employment Committee [Industrial Change: Retraining and Redeployment], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 71]; and
- (2) Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 5th and 19th February and 3rd March; to be printed [Nos. 235, 281 and 322]

[Mr Ron Leighton].

- 3 Energy,—(1) Third Report from the Energy Committee [Information on Nuclear Costs]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 312];
- (2) Fourth Report from the Energy Committee [Renewable Energy], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 43];
- (3) Fifth Report from the Energy Committee [House of Commons Scrutiny of Energy Matters]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 313]; and
- (4) Memoranda laid before the Energy Committee

[Dr Michael Clark].

- 4 European Legislation,—(1) Fifteenth Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee [No. 24-xv]; and
- (2) First Special Report from the Select Committee on European Legislation [Conference of European Affairs Committee/Review of European Standing Committees]; to be printed [No. 352]

[Mr Nigel Spearing].

- 5 Health,—Memoranda laid before the Health Committee; to be printed [No. 198-vii] [Mr Nicholas Winterton].
- 6 Home Affairs,—Minutes of Evidence taken before the Home Affairs Committee on 11th March; to be printed [No. 214-ii] [Sir John Wheeler].
- 7 Social Security,—(1) First Special Report from the Social Security Committee [The Conduct of Mr Ian Maxwell and Mr Kevin Maxwell]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 353];
- (2) Second Special Report from the Social Security Committee [Work in Progress]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 354]; and
- (3) Memoranda laid before the Social Security Committee

[Mr Frank Field].

- 8 Transport,—(1) Second Report from the Transport Committee [Preparations for the Opening of the Channel Tunnel], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 12]; and
- (2) Memoranda laid before the Transport Committee

[Mr David Marshall].

- 9 Welsh Affairs,—(1) Fourth Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [Community Care: The Elderly], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 111];
- (2) Fifth Report from the Welsh Affairs Committee [The Social and Economic Consequences of the Closure of RNAD Trecwn], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 316];
- (3) Minutes of Evidence taken before the Welsh Affairs Committee on 11th March; to be printed [No. 344]; and
- (4) Memoranda laid before the Welsh Affairs Committee

[Mr Gareth Wardell].

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#### MEMORANDUM

*Wednesday 11th March 1992*

European Standing Committees,—In pursuance of Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), European Community Document No. 4527/92, relating to the implementation of measures for completing the internal market, has been referred to European Standing Committee B.

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[No. 81.]

*Thursday 12th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

- 1 Midland Metro Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Midland Metro Bill; and the same were agreed to.
- 2 Midland Metro (No. 2) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Midland Metro (No. 2) Bill; and the same were agreed to.
- 3 Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*],—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Bill [*Lords*];  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday 19th March.
- 4 Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 5 British Railways (No. 4) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 4) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 6 Crossrail Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crossrail Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 7 East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Coast Main Line (Safety) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 8 King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the King's Cross Railways (No. 2) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 9 London Underground (Green Park) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Green Park) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 10 London Underground (Jubilee) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Underground (Jubilee) Bill;  
*Ordered*, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 19th March.
- 11 Private Bills (Suspension),—*Ordered*, That—
  - (1) the Promoters of every Private Bill which has originated in this House or has been brought from the House of Lords in the present Session of Parliament shall have leave to suspend any further proceeding thereon in order to proceed with that Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session;
  - (2) the Agent for the Promoters of any such Bill intending to suspend any further proceeding thereon shall give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than Five o'clock on Monday next of their intention to suspend further proceeding thereon, or, if the Bill, having passed this House, is then pending in the House of Lords, of their intention to proceed with the same Bill in this House in the next Session: provided that all Fees due upon any such Bill up to that day be paid;
  - (3) a list of all such Bills, with a statement of the stage at which they have been suspended, shall be prepared by the Clerks in the Private Bill Office and printed;
  - (4) every such Bill which has originated in this House shall be presented to the House not later than the third day on which the House sits after the next meeting of Parliament;
  - (5) there shall be deposited with every Bill so presented a declaration signed by the Agent for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill with respect



to which proceedings have been suspended at the last stage of its proceeding in this House in the present Session;

(6) every Bill so presented shall be laid by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the Table of the House on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the causes of Her Majesty's calling the Parliament have been declared thereunto;

(7) every Bill so laid on the Table shall be deemed to have been read the first time and (if the Bill has been read a second time before its suspension) to have been read a second time and—

- (i) if such Bill has been referred to the Committee on Unopposed Bills in the present Session, it shall stand so referred;
- (ii) if such Bill has been referred to a Committee during the present Session and not reported by that Committee to the House, the Bill shall be committed and—
  - (a) all Petitions against the Bill which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next Session; and
  - (b) any minutes of evidence taken before the Committee on the Bill shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next Session;
- (iii) if such Bill has been reported by any Committee, it shall be ordered to be read the third time unless it has been reported with Amendments in the present Session and has not been considered as so amended, in which case it shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;
- (iv) if such Bill has been read the third time before its suspension, it shall be deemed to have been read the third time;

(8) paragraph (2) of Standing Order 166 relating to Private Business (First reading) shall not apply to any Bill brought from the House of Lords in the next Session and upon which the proceedings have been suspended in this House in the present Session;

(9) when any Bill which has been brought from the House of Lords in the present Session, and upon which the proceedings have been suspended in this House, is brought from the House of Lords in the next Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a declaration, signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the present Session and, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that such a declaration has been so deposited has been laid upon the Table of the House—

- (i) unless the Examiner has reported pursuant to Standing Order 74 relating to Private Business (Examination of bills brought from House of Lords, etc.), the Bill shall stand referred to the Examiners;
- (ii) if the Examiner has so reported, the Bill shall be ordered to be read a second time, or, if it has been read a second time, it shall be read a second time and committed; but
- (iii) if the Bill has been reported by a Committee with Amendments in the present Session it shall be committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means who shall make only such Amendments to the Bill as have been made thereto by the Committee in the present Session, and shall report the Bill to the House forthwith, and the Bill shall be ordered to lie upon the Table;

(10) where a Bill has been brought from the House of Lords in the present Session and the period prescribed by paragraph (1) of Standing Order 171A relating to Private Business (Petitions against private bills) has not elapsed before Monday next, any Petition presented during the present Session in pursuance of that Standing Order shall be void, and the period of time prescribed by that Standing Order shall apply to any Bill brought from the Lords in the next Session in pursuance of this Order;

(11) any Bill which under the provisions of this Order is deemed to have been read the first time, or the first and second time or the first, second and third time, shall be recorded in the Journal of the House as having been so read;

(12) without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph (7) of this Order, only those Petitions against any Bill which stood referred to the Committee on the Bill and which have not been withdrawn or have been deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business (Reference to committee of petitions against bill) shall stand referred to the Committee on the same Bill in the next Session;

(13) in relation to any Bill to which this Order applies Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business (Right of audience before committees on opposed bills) shall have effect as if the words "under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against bill)" were omitted;

(14) where any Standing Orders have been dispensed with in respect of any private Bill in the present Session or in the last Session, those Standing Orders shall be deemed to have

been ordered to be dispensed with in respect of any such Bill presented or brought from the Lords in pursuance of this Order;

(15) any Standing Orders complied with in respect of any Bill originating in the House of Lords upon which the proceedings have been suspended in that House shall be deemed to have been complied with in respect of such Bill if the same is brought from the House of Lords in the next Session, and any notices published or given and any deposits made in respect of such Bill for the present Session shall be held to have been published, given and made, respectively, for the Bill so brought from the House of Lords in the next Session;

(16) no further Fees shall be charged in respect of proceedings on a Bill in respect of which Fees have been incurred in the present Session.

That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(*The Chairman of Ways and Means.*)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

12 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

13 Select Committees,—Several Reports were made from Select Committees and ordered to be printed; and Minutes of Evidence were reported, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

14 First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Anthony Meyer reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992, referred to a Committee on 3rd March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 357].

15 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Still-Birth (Definition) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Traffic Calming Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Firearms (Amendment) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Cheques Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Education (Schools) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

British Waterways Bill [*Lords*],—The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the British Waterways Board to enter land and repair or maintain, or carry out other operations with respect to, the waterways owned or managed by them and other works; to confer further powers on the Board for the regulation and management of their waterways and in relation to their undertaking; to amend or repeal statutory provisions relating to the Board or their undertaking; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Private Bills (Suspension),—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.:

(1) That the Promoters of every Private Bill which is at present before the House of Lords have leave to introduce the Bill in the next Session of Parliament provided that notice of their intention to do so has been lodged in the Private Bill Office of the House of Lords not later than Five o'clock on Monday 16th March next;

(2) That a list of all such Bills, with a statement of the stages which they have reached, be prepared in the Private Bill Office of the House of Lords, and printed;

(3) That every such Bill be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Lords not later than Twelve noon on the third day on which the House of Lords sits after the next meeting of Parliament for business other than judicial business, with a declaration annexed thereto signed by the Agent stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as

the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in the House of Lords in the present Session;

(4) That the proceedings on any such Bill in the next Session of Parliament be *pro forma* only in regard to every stage through which the Bill has passed in the present Session;

(5) That no Petitioners be heard in the next Session before the Committee on any Bill introduced in the present Session unless their Petition was presented within the time limited in the present Session;

(6) That any Instruction to a Committee on a Bill in the present Session be an Instruction to the Committee on that Bill in the next Session.

16 Education (Schools) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Education (Schools) Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 114].

17 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 115].

18 Mr Speaker's Retirement,—Mr Speaker addressed the House, as follows:

I have a brief statement to make of a valedictory kind.

Now that the date for the general election is known, I hope that the House will allow me to end my Speakership by expressing, briefly, a word of appreciation and thanks. It goes first to all honourable Members for their consideration and kindness to me, and also for their support. I am well aware that a good Speaker is a Speaker who called you today; a bad Speaker is a Speaker who did not call you today; and a very bad Speaker is a Speaker who did not call you yesterday. When I was re-chosen as Speaker in 1987, the Leader of the Opposition came to my rescue by saying that, sadly, no honourable Member can be expected to be called on the day that he wants at the time that he wants and on the subject that he wants. I thank the Leader of the Opposition for that today.

I think that the public should know about it. They should also know that, given the arithmetic, no honourable Member can fairly expect to be called more than four times a year in a major debate. All I can say is that I have endeavoured to be even-handed and fair. Some honourable Members will know that, if I feel that I have not been entirely just, I have sent them a little note saying, "What about a free kick on the next debate or during Prime Minister's Question Time?", and that happened today.

The Speaker carries a heavy burden and I shall always be in debt to my admirable deputies—the Chairman of Ways and Means, Harold Walker, Sir Paul Dean and Betty Boothroyd—for their loyalty, dedication and friendship. The House should know that Sir Paul Dean has served as Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker for longer than any of his predecessors since the post was created in 1902.

I must also thank my personal staff—Mr Bill Beaumont, who was my first secretary and Mr Peter Kitcatt, who is my secretary now—and all who serve so loyally in the Speaker's House, I thank them all for their support and assistance throughout the nine years that I have been privileged to occupy the Chair.

My thanks go also to the Clerks of the House, especially to Sir Charles Gordon for his kindness and advice when I first stepped into the Chair in 1983, to Sir Kenneth Bradshaw and now to Sir Clifford Boulton, who I believe history will record as one of the great Clerks of the House. The Clerks serve not only Mr Speaker, but every Member of the House. I thank them all for their help to me and to us all.

I am sure that the House would wish me to express also our gratitude to those who serve us here so faithfully. About 4,800 people work in the Palace of Westminster daily. On behalf of the whole House, I send my thanks to them all: to the Serjeant at Arms and his staff, to the police and custodians, to the Library, to the Vote Office, to Hansard—as I have often said in the House, Hansard makes our speeches seem perhaps even better in print than they sound in the Chamber—to the Finance and Administration Department, to the Fees Office, to the Parliamentary Works Office, and not least to the Refreshment Department, whose members arrive early in the morning to give us breakfast and leave late at night long after we have departed.

Finally, I hope that I may be allowed to express my deep gratitude to my wife, Lyn. The House will know that she is the first "Mrs Speaker" for 20 years. Without her support and assistance in my duties, I could not have carried the burdens of the Speakership, which are not confined to the Chamber. Together we have endeavoured to make the neutral territory of Speaker's House a place where party controversy is put aside and friendship is encouraged. In achieving that we owe a great debt of gratitude to Mr Speaker's Chaplain, the admirable Donald Gray, who in a very real sense has made the Palace of Westminster his parish.

I hope that all of us who are leaving the House at this election will reflect that, however modest our achievements may have been, it has been an immense privilege to be a Member of Parliament. I firmly believe that Mr Speaker should always be elected for a

constituency as other honourable Members are. In that way, he is kept in day-to-day touch with the people who really matter, those who put us here to represent their interests. I am deeply grateful to my constituents in Croydon North East, who have elected me to serve them in Parliament on eight occasions since 1964. After the general election, others will take our places and we shall soon be forgotten, but I hope that no Government in future will ever forget or resent the fact that, although they may have a right to get their business, if they have a majority, they must submit their policies to a group of elected representatives, many of whom will not agree with them. It is and will be the Speaker's first duty in that process to ensure fair play. It has not always been easy, but it is an historic role on which rests the very foundations of our Parliamentary democracy.

So I take my leave. In doing so, I express again my thanks to the whole House and to the staff of the House for nine busy and happy years, years during which I have consistently endeavoured to uphold the dignity of Parliament and the rights and the privileges of Members to represent the interests of their constituents here in the forum of the nation.

*Resolved, nemine contradicente,* That this House tenders its warmest thanks to the Right honourable Bernard Weatherill for the skill and distinction with which he has maintained the traditions of the Speakership through momentous changes in the practices of this House; thanks him for the genial and wise exercise of his authority; records its appreciation of his fairness and tolerance in dealing with all Members; and unites in wishing him a long and happy retirement upon his departure from the Chair and from this House.—(*The Prime Minister.*)

19 Business of the House,—*Ordered, That—*

(1) At this day's sitting, Mr Speaker shall put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion moved by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to "Ways and Means—Amendment of the law" not later than Ten o'clock.

(2) At the sitting on Friday 13th March—

- (a) notwithstanding the provisions of the Order [6th November] relating to Business of the House, Government business shall have precedence, and may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour;
- (b) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 53 (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.), Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion in the name of Mr Francis Maude relating to Estimates; and
- (c) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 133 (Time and manner of presenting petitions), no petition shall be read.

(3) At the sitting on Monday 16th March—

- (a) this House do meet at half-past Nine o'clock;
- (b) the time for private business shall end not later than a quarter to Ten o'clock;
- (c) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 17 (Time for taking questions), no Questions shall be taken, provided that at Eleven o'clock Mr Speaker may interrupt the proceedings in order to permit questions to be asked which are in his opinion of an urgent character and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business, statements to be made by Ministers, or personal explanations to be made by Members;
- (d) Standing Order No. 19A (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business (Budget day)) shall not apply;
- (e) Government business may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour; and
- (f) Mr Speaker shall not adjourn the House before a Message is received from the Lords Commissioners.—(*Mr John MacGregor.*)

20 Ways and Means,—Amendment of the law,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 10th March, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue and to make further provision in connection with finance; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

- (a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
- (b) for refunding any amount of tax;
- (c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
- (d) for relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 351.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Allen McKay: 208.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr Deputy Speaker then, pursuant to paragraph (3) of Standing Order No. 50 (Ways and means motions), put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the further Motions, which were made by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer.

## 2. Spirits

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, the rate of duty specified in section 5 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be increased from £18.96 per litre of alcohol in the spirits to £19.81 per litre of alcohol in the spirits.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 3. Beer

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, the rate of duty specified in section 36 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 as that section has effect apart from section 7(1) of the Finance Act 1991 shall be increased from £1.06 per hectolitre for every degree by which the original gravity of beer exceeds 1000 degrees to £1.108 per hectolitre for every such degree.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 4. Wine and made-wine

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, the rates of duty under sections 54 and 55 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be as follows—

Description of wine or made-wine	Rates of duty per hectolitre
	£
Wine or made-wine of a strength not exceeding 2 per cent.	12.60
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 2 per cent. but not exceeding 3 per cent.	20.99
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 3 per cent. but not exceeding 4 per cent.	29.39
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 4 per cent. but not exceeding 5 per cent.	37.80
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 5 per cent. but not exceeding 5.5 per cent.	46.19
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 5.5 per cent. but not exceeding 15 per cent. and not being sparkling	125.96
Sparkling wine or sparkling made-wine of a strength exceeding 5.5 per cent. but not exceeding 15 per cent.	208.00
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 15 per cent. but not exceeding 18 per cent.	217.25
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 18 per cent. but not exceeding 22 per cent.	250.59
Wine or made-wine of a strength exceeding 22 per cent.	250.59 plus £19.81 for every 1 per cent. or part of 1 per cent. in excess of 22 per cent.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 5. Cider

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, the rate of duty specified in section 62(1) of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be increased from £20.40 per hectolitre to £21.32 per hectolitre.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 6. Tobacco products (rates)

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, for the Table in Schedule 1 to the Tobacco Products Duty Act 1979 there shall be substituted—

## “TABLE

1. Cigarettes	An amount equal to 21 per cent. of the retail price plus £44.32 per thousand cigarettes.
2. Cigars	£67.89 per kilogram.
3. Hand-rolling tobacco	£71.63 per kilogram.
4. Other smoking tobacco and chewing tobacco	£29.98 per kilogram.”

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 8. Hydrocarbon oil

*Resolved*, That, as from 6 o'clock in the evening of 10th March 1992, the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 shall have effect with the following amendments—

- (1) In section 6(1) for “£0.2585” and “£0.2187” there shall be substituted “£0.2779” and “£0.2285” respectively.
- (2) In section 11(1) for “£0.0091” and “£0.0129” there shall be substituted “£0.0095” and “£0.0135” respectively.
- (3) In section 13A(1) for “£0.0344” there shall be substituted “£0.0437”.
- (4) In section 14(1) for “£0.0091” there shall be substituted “£0.0095”.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 9. Vehicles excise duty (rates: cars etc.)

*Resolved*, That—

- (1) The Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 2, in the second column of the Table set out in Part II, for “100” there shall be substituted “110”.
- (3) In Schedule 5, in the second column of the Table set out in Part II, for “100.00” there shall be substituted “110.00”.
- (4) This Resolution shall apply in relation to licences taken out after 10th March 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 10. Vehicles excise duty (rates: tricycles)

*Resolved*, That—

- (1) The Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In the Table set out in Part II of Schedule 1 for paragraph 4 there shall be substituted—

“4. Tricycles of which the cylinder capacity of the engine does not exceed 150 cubic centimetres	15.00
5. Tricycles not included above	50.00”.

- (3) This Resolution shall apply in relation to licences taken out after 10th March 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 13. General betting duty

*Resolved*, That, in relation to bets made on or after 1st April 1992, for "8 per cent." in section 1(2) of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981 there shall be substituted "7.75 per cent."

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 17. Value added tax (payments on account)

*Resolved*, That provision may be made about payments on account of value added tax.

## 18. Value added tax (penalty for serious misdeclaration etc.)

*Resolved*, That—

- (1) In section 14(1) of the Finance Act 1985, for "20 per cent." there shall be substituted "15 per cent."
- (2) Subject to paragraph (3) below, this Resolution shall apply where a penalty is assessed after 10th March 1992 in relation to a prescribed accounting period beginning on or after 1st April 1990.
- (3) This Resolution shall not apply in the case of a supplementary assessment if the original assessment was made on or before 10th March 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 19. Value added tax (default surcharge)

*Resolved*, That—

- (1) In section 19(5) of the Finance Act 1985, for the words from "and" at the end of paragraph (b) to the end of the subsection there shall be substituted—
  - (c) in relation to the third such period, the specified percentage is 15 per cent.; and
  - (d) in relation to each such period after the third, the specified percentage is 20 per cent."
- (2) This Resolution shall apply in relation to any liability to a surcharge arising on or after 1st April 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 20. Car tax (rates)

*Resolved*, That, in relation to vehicles on which car tax becomes due after 10th March 1992, for "10 per cent." in both places where the words occur in section 1(2) of the Car Tax Act 1983 there shall be substituted "5 per cent."

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 22. Income tax (lower rate)

*Resolved*, That—

- (1) Section 1 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2) the following paragraph shall be inserted before paragraph (a)—
  - (aa) in respect of so much of an individual's total income as does not exceed £2,000, at such rate as Parliament may determine to be the lower rate for that year;"
- (3) In paragraph (a) of subsection (2) after "within" there shall be inserted "paragraph (aa) above or".
- (4) This Resolution shall apply for the year 1992-93 and subsequent years of assessment.
- (5) This Resolution shall not require any change to be made in the amounts deductible or repayable under section 203 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 before 18th May 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 23. Income tax (charge and rates for 1992-93)

The Question being put, That—

(1) Income tax shall be charged for the year 1992-93, and for that year—

- (a) the lower rate shall be 20 per cent.,
- (b) the basic rate shall be 25 per cent., and
- (c) the higher rate shall be 40 per cent.

(2) For the year 1992-93 the basic rate limit shall be £23,700, and for that year—

- (a) section 1(4) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall not apply;
- (b) section 1(2)(b) of that Act shall apply as if the amount specified in it were £23,700.

(3) This Resolution shall not require any change to be made in the amounts deductible or repayable under section 203 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 before 18th May 1992.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 351.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Allen McKay: 206.

So the Question was agreed to.

## 24. Income tax (married couple's allowance)

*Resolved*, That—

(1) Section 257C(1) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988, so far as relating to section 257A(1) of that Act, shall not apply for the year 1992-93.

(2) Section 257A(1) of that Act shall apply for the year 1992-93 as if the amount specified in it were £1,720.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 25. Relief for interest (limit for 1992-93)

*Resolved*, That, for the year 1992-93, the qualifying maximum defined in section 367(5) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 shall be £30,000.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968.

## 40. Relief from tax (incidental and consequential charges)

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorise any incidental or consequential charges to any duty or tax (including charges having retrospective effect) which may arise from provisions designed in general to afford relief from taxation.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

21 Finance Bill,—Mr Francis Maude accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties, to alter other duties, and to amend the law relating to the National Debt and the Public Revenue, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 113].

22 Charities Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That, in respect of the Charities Bill [*Lords*], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

23 Charities Bill [*Lords*],—*Ordered*, That, if the Charities Bill [*Lords*] be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed and that, as soon as proceedings on any Resolutions come to by the House on Charities Bill [*Lords*] [Money] and Charities Bill [*Lords*] [Ways and Means] have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

24 Friendly Societies Bill,—*Ordered*, That the Friendly Societies Bill, now standing committed to a Standing Committee, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker.*)

Committee to-morrow



- 25 Financial Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Financial Services Act 1986 (Extension of Scope of Act) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 273), dated 17th February 1992, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):—It was agreed to.
- 26 Financial Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Financial Services Act 1986 (Investment Advertisements) (Exemption) (No. 2) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):—It was agreed to.
- 27 Sugar and Isoglucose,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 102 (European Standing Committees), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 8910/91, relating to the operation of the common organisation of the market in the sugar and isoglucose sectors; and supports the Government's intention to seek, in the forthcoming review of the Common Agricultural Policy sugar regime, to maintain the viability of both the cane and beet sugar sectors in the United Kingdom, to maintain the right of the ACP countries to export cane sugar to the Community as provided for in the Protocol to the Lomé Convention, and to the United Kingdom as expressed in the terms of the Resolution of this House of 11th November 1974, while making the regime more open to market forces and beneficial to consumers, and simultaneously recognising the need for the GATT negotiations to take proper account of the trade of developing countries—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*):—It was agreed to.
- 28 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir resident in Bradford for assistance to the people of Kashmir; and
  - (2) residents of Harston, Cambridgeshire, for the construction of a bypass for Harston
- were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 29 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—
- (1) Linda Badham and others for legislation on dog control;
  - (2)(i) Peter Bradley, (ii) Mrs S. A. Bradley, (iii) C. Brain, (iv) R. Brain, (v) Dr M. G. Budden, (vi) Mr P. Donovan, (vii) R. W. Donovan, (viii) B. M. Evans, (ix) Mara Lewis, (x) A. Mactaggart, (xi) Mrs Marjorie Stockdale Miller, (xii) Ann M. Petitpierre, (xiii) Paul D. Russell, and (xiv) Lady Clare Simonian against the amendment to the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons;
  - (3) members of the Polish Roman Catholic community in Huddersfield for the relaxation of visa requirements for Polish nationals visiting the United Kingdom;
  - (4) residents of Macduff and Banff for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and
  - (5) supporters of Careston Primary School, Angus, for support for the school
- were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.
- 30 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Nicholas Baker*.)
- And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.5 p.m.]

#### APPENDIX I

Thursday 12th March 1992

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Agriculture,—(1) Artificial Insemination of Cattle (Animal Health) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 671), dated 11th March 1992,  
(2) Burning of Crop Residues (Repeal of Byelaws) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 693), dated 12th March 1992, and  
(3) Common Agricultural Policy (Wine) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 672), dated 11th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 2 Consumer Protection,—Gas Appliances (Safety) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 711), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

- 3 Energy Conservation,—Home Energy Efficiency Grants Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 483), dated 4th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Wakeham].
- 4 Financial Services,—Financial Markets and Insolvency (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 716), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 5 Housing,—Housing Renovations etc. Grants (Reduction of Grant) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 705), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 6 Income Tax,—(1) Income Tax (Cash Equivalents of Car Benefits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 731),  
(2) Income Tax (Cash Equivalents of Car Fuel Benefits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 732), and  
(3) Vocational Training (Public Financial Assistance and Disentitlement to Tax Relief) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 734),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 7 Legal Aid and Advice,—(1) Civil Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 718), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act],  
(2) Civil Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 721), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act],  
(3) Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 719), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act],  
(4) Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 105), dated 11th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument],  
(5) Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 106), dated 11th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument],  
(6) Legal Advice and Assistance (Prospective Cost) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 104), dated 11th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument],  
(7) Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 108), dated 12th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument],  
(8) Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 107), dated 11th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument], and  
(9) Legal Aid in Criminal and Care Proceedings (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 720), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act]  
[Clerk of the House].
- 8 Local Government,—Levying Bodies (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 697), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 9 Magistrates' Courts,—Magistrates' Courts (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rules 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 729), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Clerk of the House].
- 10 National Assistance Services,—National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 563), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 11 Rating and Valuation,—Valuation for Rating (Former Enterprise Zones) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 698), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 12 Road Traffic,—(1) International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 714),  
(2) International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 715), and  
(3) Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Recording Equipment) (Approval of Fitters and Workshops) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 713),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 13 Social Security,—(1) Social Security (Credits) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 726), and  
(2) Social Security (Introduction of Disability Living Allowance) Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 728),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

- 14 Telecommunications,—Telecommunication Meters (Approval Fees) (British Approvals Board for Telecommunications) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 712), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 15 Value Added Tax,—Value Added Tax (Increase of Consideration for Fuel) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 733), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mrs Gillian Shephard].
- 16 Veterinary Surgeons,—Veterinary Surgery (Epidural Anaesthesia) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 696), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].

*Other Papers:*

- 17 Crown Agents,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 10th March 1992 on borrowing by the Crown Agents [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 18 Defence (Royal Air Force),—Regulations of the Defence Council amending Air Publication 3376, Trade Structure of the Royal Air Force [by Act] [Mr Secretary King].

*Paper withdrawn:*

- 19 Energy Conservation,—Home Energy Efficiency Grants Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 483) [laid 9th March].

APPENDIX II

*Reports from Select Committees*

- 1 Accommodation and Works,—Second Report from the Accommodation and Works Committee [New Parliamentary Building (Phase II): The Construction Programme], together with Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 11th March; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 358] [Mr Ray Powell].
- 2 Agriculture,—Second Report from the Agriculture Committee [The Trade Gap in Food and Drink]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 112-I] [Mr Jerry Wiggin].
- 3 Employment,—Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Employment Committee on 12th February; to be printed [No. 263] [Mr Ron Leighton].
- 4 Environment,—(1) Second Report from the Environment Committee [Coastal Zone Protection and Planning], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 17];  
 (2) Second Special Report from the Environment Committee [Review of the Committee's Work, 1983-92]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 340];  
 (3) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee; to be printed [No. 359]; and  
 (4) Memoranda laid before the Environment Committee  
 [Sir Hugh Rossi].
- 5 Foreign Affairs Committee,—(1) Third Special Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [Informal meetings undertaken by the Committee in Session 1991-92]; to be printed [No. 343];  
 (2) Fourth Special Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee [FCO/ODA Expenditure 1992]; to be printed [No. 349]; and  
 (3) Memoranda laid before the Foreign Affairs Committee  
 [Mr David Howell].
- 6 Trade and Industry,—Third Special Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Trade with Hong Kong, China and Taiwan]; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 231] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

[No. 82.]

*Friday 13th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

2 Select Committees,—A Report was made from a Select Committee and ordered to be printed (see Appendix II).

3 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Timeshare Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Transport and Works Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution in respect of the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill, viz.:

That, if the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill is brought from the House of Commons in the next Session of Parliament, the Standing Orders of the House of Lords applicable to the Bill, so far as complied with in the current Session, shall be deemed to have been complied with in the next Session.

4 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill to be considered on Monday 16th March and to be printed [Bill 116].

5 Transport and Works Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Transport and Works Bill to be considered on Monday 16th March and to be printed [Bill 117].

6 British Waterways Bill [*Lords*],—The British Waterways Bill [*Lords*] was read the first time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

7 Social Security,—*Ordered*, That the Memoranda reported from the Social Security Committee on 11th March be printed [No. 61-III].

8 Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill;

Mr Speaker put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

9 Finance Bill and Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the following provisions shall apply to the proceedings on the Finance Bill and the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill:—

*Second Reading, Committee, Report and Third Reading: Finance Bill*

1.—(1) The proceedings on Second Reading, in Committee and on consideration and Third Reading of the Finance Bill shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion four hours after the commencement of the proceedings on this Order.

(2) Any stage of the Finance Bill may be proceeded with at the conclusion of the preceding stage, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between stages of a Bill brought in on Ways and Means resolutions.

(3) On completion of Second Reading of the Finance Bill any Question necessary for the House immediately to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House shall be put forthwith.

(4) On the conclusion of the proceedings in Committee on the Finance Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question and, if he

reports the Bill with amendments, the House shall proceed to consider the Bill as amended without any Question being put.

(5) No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which proceedings in Committee or on consideration of the Finance Bill are taken.

(6) Standing Order No. 80 (Business Committee) shall not apply to this Order.

*Lords Amendments: Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill*

2. The proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments to the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of those proceedings.

*Conclusion of proceedings*

3.—(1) This paragraph applies in relation to any proceedings on the Finance Bill which are to be brought to a conclusion at this day's sitting in accordance with paragraph 1.

(2) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others)—

- (a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed;
- (c) the Question on any Amendment moved or Motion made by a Minister of the Crown;
- (d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded.

(3) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (2) shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

4.—(1) This paragraph applies in relation to any proceedings on the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill which are to be brought to a conclusion at this day's sitting in accordance with paragraph 2.

(2) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which have not previously been brought to a conclusion—

- (a) Mr Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any further Amendment of the Lords Amendment made by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the Lords Amendment or, as the case may be, in the Lords Amendment as amended;
- (b) if Mr Speaker is satisfied that any remaining Lords Amendment imposes a charge upon the public revenue such as is required to be authorised by resolution of the House under Standing Order No. 47 (Certain proceedings relating to public money) and that the charge has not been so authorised, he shall in accordance with Standing Order No. 76(3) (Lords amendments deemed to be disagreed to) declare he is so satisfied and shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to that Lords Amendment;
- (c) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—
  - (i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment, or as the case may be, in their Amendment as amended;
  - (ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in a Lords Amendment;
  - (iii) put forthwith, with respect to the Amendments designated by Mr Speaker which have not been disposed of, the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendments; and
  - (iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;
- (d) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments Mr Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to the Lords Amendment.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

*Dilatory Motions*

5. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings at this day's sitting on either of the Bills to which this Order applies shall be made except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

*Extra time*

6.—(1) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to proceedings at this day's sitting on both of the Bills to which this Order applies.

(2) If the proceedings on the Motion for this Order were interrupted, or the proceedings on the Finance Bill are interrupted, under paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings) the time at which proceedings on that Bill would otherwise be brought to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be extended by a period equal to the duration of the interruption.

(3) If the proceedings on the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill are interrupted under paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 11 (Friday sittings), the time at which proceedings on that Bill would otherwise be brought to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 2 shall be extended by a period equal to the duration of the interruption.

*Supplemental orders*

7.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced.

(2) If at this day's sitting the House is adjourned, or if this day's sitting is suspended, before the time at which any proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under this Order, no notice shall be required of a Motion moved at the next sitting by a Minister of the Crown for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

*Saving*

8. Nothing in this Order shall prevent any proceedings to which this Order applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by this Order.

*Recommittal*

9.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, recommittal.

(2) No debate shall be permitted on any Motion to recommit either of the Bills to which this Order applies (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any amendment moved to the Question.

*Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill**Stages subsequent to first consideration of Lords Amendments*

10. Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of any further Message from the Lords on the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill.

11. The proceedings on any such further Message from the Lords shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of those proceedings.

12. For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

- (a) Mr Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining items in the Lords Message as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—
  - (i) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item;
  - (ii) in the case of each remaining item designated by Mr Speaker, put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Proposal; and
  - (iii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

*Supplemental*

13.—(1) Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons.

(2) A Committee appointed to draw up Reasons shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which it is appointed.

14. In this Order “the proceedings”, in relation to the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill includes proceedings on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and on the Report of such a Committee—(*Mr John MacGregor*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr John M. Taylor, Mr Neil Hamilton: 321.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Eric Illsley, Mr Robert N. Wareing: 149.

So the Question was agreed to.

10 Finance Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And it being four hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion relating to Finance Bill and Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill (Allocation of Time), Mr Deputy Speaker put the Question already proposed from the Chair, pursuant to Order this day:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Greg Knight*):—It was agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Charge etc. for 1992-93).

Question put forthwith, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 325.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Jack Thompson, Mr Ken Eastham: 143.

Clause No. 11 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Greg Knight reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

11 Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 5 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendment No. 3.

12 Education (Schools) Bill (Allocation of Time),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Order of the House [30th January] be supplemented as follows:

*Lords Amendments*

1. The proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall be completed at this day's sitting and, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion two hours after the commencement of the proceedings on this Order.

2.—(1) For the purpose of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 above—

(a) Mr Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any

further Amendment of the Lords Amendment made by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the Lords Amendment or, as the case may be, in the Lords Amendment as amended;

- (b) if Mr Speaker is satisfied that any remaining Lords Amendment imposes a charge upon the public revenue such as is required to be authorised by resolution of the House under Standing Order No. 47 (Certain proceedings relating to public money) and that such charge has not been so authorised, he shall in accordance with Standing Order No. 76(3) (Lords amendments deemed to be disagreed to) declare he is so satisfied and shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to that Lords Amendment;
- (c) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—
  - (i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment, or as the case may be, in their Amendment as amended;
  - (ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in a Lords Amendment;
  - (iii) put forthwith with respect to the Amendments designated by Mr Speaker which have not been disposed of the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the Amendments; and
  - (iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;
- (d) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments Mr Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to the Lords Amendment.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

*Stages subsequent to first consideration of Lords Amendments*

3. Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of any further Message from the Lords on the Bill.

4. The proceedings on any such further Message from the Lords shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of those proceedings.

5. For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

- (a) Mr Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair;
- (b) Mr Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining items in the Lords Message as appear to him to involve questions of privilege and shall—
  - (i) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item;
  - (ii) in the case of each remaining item designated by Mr Speaker, put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Proposal; and
  - (iii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

*Supplemental*

6.—(1) Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons.

(2) A Committee appointed to draw up Reasons shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which it is appointed.

7.—(1) In this paragraph “the proceedings” means proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments or on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the



appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and on the Report of such a Committee.

(2) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 14 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(3) No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings shall be made except by a Minister of the Crown, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith—(*Mr Secretary Clarke*);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 302.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr Frank Haynes, Mr Ray Powell: 72.

So the Question was agreed to.

13 Education (Schools) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Education (Schools) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 4 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 5.

An Amendment ((a)) was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 4, at the end, to add the words ‘, including whether there is adequate finance available to ensure the provision of good quality education’.—(*Hilary Armstrong*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment;

And it being two hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion relating to Education (Schools) Bill (Allocation of Time), Madam Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Order [this day], put the Question already proposed from the Chair:—It was negatived.

Madam Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Question on a Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment:—It was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment was accordingly agreed to.

Madam Deputy Speaker then designated Lords Amendments Nos. 11, 12 and 32 as appearing to her to involve questions of privilege.

Question put forthwith, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendments.

Lords Amendments Nos. 11, 12 and 32 were accordingly agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Madam Deputy Speaker then put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments:—It was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 6 to 10 and 13 to 31 were accordingly agreed to.

14 Army Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Army Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr Alastair Goodlad rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr John M. Taylor: 250.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr John D. Taylor, Mr Peter Robinson: 13.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr David Lightbown, Mr Neil Hamilton: 254.

Tellers for the Noes, The Reverend Ian Paisley, Mr John D. Taylor: 3.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

15 Rating and Valuation,—*Resolved*, That the draft Industrial and Freight Transport (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.—(*Mr Allan Stewart*.)

- 16 Rating and Valuation,—*Resolved*, That the draft Mines and Quarries (Rateable Values) (Scotland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.—(*Mr Allan Stewart*.)
- 17 Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92, and Estimates, 1992-93,—Mr Speaker, pursuant to Order [yesterday], put forthwith the Questions on the Motions in the name of Mr Francis Maude relating to Estimates.

Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92

*Resolved*, That a further sum, not exceeding £241,460,000, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1992, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 341.

Estimates, 1992-93

*Resolved*, That a further sum, not exceeding £109,478,692,000, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1993, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 273, 274 and 275.

*Ordered*, That a Bill be brought in upon the two foregoing Resolutions, and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr David Mellor, Mr Francis Maude, Mrs Gillian Shephard and Mr John Maples do prepare and bring it in.

- 18 Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill,—Mrs Gillian Shephard accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1992 and 31st March 1993, to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament, and to repeal certain Consolidated Fund and Appropriation Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday 16th March and to be printed [Bill 15].

- 19 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) (i) Joyce Austerbury, (ii) D. Ormond, and (iii) Denis Willman against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons;

(2) campaigners for reduced speeds on roads in Wormley for appropriate action;

(3) D. Catley against scientific experiments on living animals; and

(4) residents of Bolsover for a public inquiry into the causes of dioxin-contaminated milk

were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

- 20 Adjournment,—*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.—(*Mr Tom Sackville*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes past Six o'clock, adjourned till Monday 16th March.

[Adjourned at 6.22 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

*Friday 13th March 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 1 Agriculture,—Oilseeds Producers (Support System) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 695), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 2 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—(1) Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Monetary Limits) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 749),  
(2) Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) (Scotland) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 751), and  
(3) Gaming Clubs (Hours and Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 750),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Building and Buildings,—(1) Building (Approved Inspectors etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 740), and  
(2) Building (Prescribed Fees etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 741),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].

- 4 Consumer Protection,—Price Indications (Bureaux de Change) (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 737), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 5 Education,—(1) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Art) (Wales) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 757), and  
(2) Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Music) (Wales) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 758),  
dated 13th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 6 Education,—Education (Student Loans) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 735), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Clarke].
- 7 European Communities,—European Communities (Designation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 707), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 8 Health and Safety,—(1) Road Traffic (Carriage of Dangerous Substances in Packages etc.) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 742),  
(2) Road Traffic (Carriage of Dangerous Substances in Road Tankers and Tank Containers) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 743), and  
(3) Road Traffic (Training of Drivers of Vehicles Carrying Dangerous Goods) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 744),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 9 Housing,—Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Prescribed Forms and Particulars) (Welsh Forms and Particulars) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 759), dated 13th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Hunt].
- 10 Income Tax,—Vocational Training (Tax Relief) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 746), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 11 Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—(1) Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 752), dated 11th March 1992, and  
(2) Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 753), dated 8th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 12 Local Government,—Local Authorities (Capital Finance) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 738), dated 13th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 13 Medicines,—(1) Medicines (Applications for Grant and Renewal of Licences) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 755), and  
(2) Medicines (Products for Human Use—Fees) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 756),  
dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 14 Medicines,—Medicines (Fees Relating to Medicinal Products for Animal Use) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 694), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 15 Ministers of the Crown,—Transfer of Functions (Magistrates' Courts and Family Law) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 709), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 16 National Assistance Services,—National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 700), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 17 National Health Service (Scotland),—(1) National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 434), dated 2nd March 1992, and  
(2) National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 754), dated 12th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 18 Pensions,—Pensions Increase (Judicial Pensions) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 736), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John Maples].
- 19 Prisons,—Criminal Justice Act 1991 (Suspension of Prisoner Custody Officer Certificate) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 727), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].
- 20 Rates,—Rates (Regional Rate) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 113), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].

- 21 Road Traffic,—Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 747), dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 22 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 748), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 23 Social Security,—(1) Family Credit (General) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 573), dated 9th March 1992,  
(2) Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 667), dated 10th March 1992,  
(3) Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 5) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 669), dated 10th March 1992,  
(4) Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Dependency) (Permitted Earnings Limits) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 524), dated 5th March 1992, and  
(5) Social Security (Overlapping Benefits) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 589), dated 9th March 1992  
[by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 24 Sports Grounds and Sporting Events,—(1) Football Spectators (Corresponding Offences in Sweden) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 708), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor]; and  
(2) Safety of Sports Grounds (Designation) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 607), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Baker].

*Other Papers:*

- 25 Atomic Energy Authority,—Four Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 12th March 1992 on borrowing by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 26 Electricity,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 12th March 1992 on borrowing by Scottish Nuclear Limited [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 27 Government Trading Funds,—Treasury Minute, dated 13th March 1992, indicating a further financial objective desirable of achievement by the Fire Service College Trading Fund [by Act] [Mr David Mellor].
- 28 National Audit,—Reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General on—  
(1) control of police manpower in Scotland,  
(2) HM Customs and Excise: custody and disposal of seized and detained goods, and  
(3) planning and management of the functions of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Schools in Scotland  
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 360, 356 and 355] [Clerk of the House].
- 29 Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors,—Account of the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting for 1990-91; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 306] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 30 Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine,—Report of the Review Body for Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and Professions Allied to Medicine on Senior Nurses and Midwives, 1992 [by Command] [Cm. 1862] [The Prime Minister].
- 31 Pensions,—Naval, Military and Air Forces etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Amendment Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 710), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr John MacGregor].
- 32 Public Petitions,—Observations by—  
(1) the Secretary of State for Health on the Petitions from—  
(i) the Ealing Chapter of Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International [31st January],  
(ii) members of the congregation of Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Coventry [6th February],  
(iii) residents of the constituency of Oxford West and Abingdon and others [6th February],  
(iv) members of the congregation of the Strict Baptist Chapel, New Street, St. Neots, Cambridgeshire [11th February],

- (v) members of the congregation of the Church of Holy Cross, Walmly, Sutton Coldfield [18th February],
- (vi) members of the congregation of the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Tooting, London [18th February],
- (vii) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Joseph, Portishead, Avon [18th February],
- (viii) residents of the constituency of Hereford [18th February],
- (ix) members of the congregation of the Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury, Woodbridge [19th February],
- (x) residents of Waldron, East Sussex [20th February],
- (xi) Barrie Price and others [24th February],
- (xii) residents of Balcombe, Sussex [24th February],
- (xiii) residents of Daventry [25th February],
- (xiv) residents of the constituency of Twickenham [27th February],
- (xv) residents of the constituency of Eltham and surrounding areas [27th February],
- (xvi) residents of the constituency of Corby [3rd March],
- (xvii) residents of the constituency of Hampshire East [3rd March],
- (xviii) residents of the constituency of Mid-Sussex and elsewhere [3rd March], and
- (xix) members of the congregation of St. Mary Magdalen's Church, Ipswich [4th March]

for the prevention of the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(2) the Secretary of State for Social Security on the Petition [30th January] from residents of Mansfield and elsewhere for legislation to abolish standing charges for pensioners in respect of utilities

[by Standing Order]; to be printed [Clerk of the House].

- 33 Sea Fisheries,—Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the proceedings under sections 1–5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 34 Transport,—Fourth Report of the British Railways Board pursuant to section 45(1) of the Transport Act 1968 on organisation [by Act] [Mr Secretary Rifkind].
- 35 Transport (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Scotland on 10th March 1992 on borrowing by Caledonian MacBrayne Limited [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 36 Treaty Series (No. 4, 1992),—Convention, done at Luxembourg on 10th April 1984, on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Convention on the law applicable to contractual obligations, opened for signature in Rome on 19th June 1980 [by Command] [Cm. 1834] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 37 Treaty Series (No. 18, 1992),—Convention, done at London on 17th September 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income [by Command] [Cm. 1835] [Mr Secretary Hurd].
- 38 Treaty Series (No. 19, 1992),—Convention, done at Reykjavik on 30th September 1991, between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Iceland for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains [by Command] [Cm. 1836] [Mr Secretary Hurd].

## APPENDIX II

### *Reports from Select Committees*

Trade and Industry,—Second Report from the Trade and Industry Committee [Exports to Iraq: Project Babylon and long range guns], together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee; to be printed, with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report [No. 86] [Mr Kenneth Warren].

## MR SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

Mr Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill and the Finance Bill are Money Bills within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

[No. 83.]

*Monday 16th March 1992.*

The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

## PRAYERS.

- 1 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
- 2 Accommodation and Works,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Accommodation and Works Committee be printed [No. 361].
- 3 Administration,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Administration Committee be printed [No. 362].
- 4 Agriculture,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Agriculture Committee be printed [No. 363].
- 5 Broadcasting,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Broadcasting be printed [No. 364].
- 6 Catering,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Catering Committee be printed [No. 365].
- 7 Defence,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Defence Committee be printed [No. 366].
- 8 Education, Science and Arts,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Education, Science and Arts Committee be printed [No. 367].
- 9 Employment,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Employment Committee be printed [No. 368].
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- 12 Foreign Affairs,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Foreign Affairs Committee be printed [No. 371].
- 13 Health,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Health Committee be printed [No. 372].
- 14 Home Affairs,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Home Affairs Committee be printed [No. 373].
- 15 Information,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Information Committee be printed [No. 374].
- 16 Members' Interests,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Members' Interests be printed [No. 375].
- 17 Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration be printed [No. 376].
- 18 Procedure,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Procedure be printed [No. 377].
- 19 Privileges,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Privileges be printed [No. 390].
- 20 Public Accounts,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Public Accounts be printed [No. 378].
- 21 Social Security,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Social Security Committee be printed [No. 379].
- 22 Statutory Instruments,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments be printed [No. 380].

- 23 Statutory Instruments,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments be printed [No. 381].
- 24 Trade and Industry,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Trade and Industry Committee be printed [No. 382].
- 25 Transport,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Transport Committee be printed [No. 383].
- 26 Treasury and Civil Service,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee be printed [No. 384].
- 27 Welsh Affairs,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Welsh Affairs Committee be printed [No. 385].
- 28 Standing Committee A,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of Standing Committee A on Tuesday 12th March be printed [No. 388].
- 29 European Standing Committee A,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee A be printed [No. 386].
- 30 European Standing Committee B,—*Ordered*, That the Minutes of Proceedings of European Standing Committee B be printed [No. 387].
- 31 Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill;
- Mr Speaker put forthwith the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 54 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read a second time:— It was agreed to.
- And the Question being put forthwith, That the Bill be now read the third time:— It was agreed to.
- The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
- 32 Friendly Societies Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 126 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 22 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 33 Museums and Galleries Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Museums and Galleries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

- 34 Charities Bill [*Lords*],—The Charities Bill [*Lords*] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 61 (Committal of bills), That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

Further proceedings on the Bill stood postponed, pursuant to Order [12th March].

- 35 Charities Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Charities Bill [*Lords*] [*Money*];

*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Charities Bill [*Lords*], it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money by way of remuneration and allowances to the officers and employees of the Charity Commissioners;

(b) any administrative expenses incurred for the purposes of the Act by the Charity Commissioners; and

(c) any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other Act;

(2) the charging on the Consolidated Fund of any sums required for making good to any person sums for which the official custodian for charities may be liable in connection with land vested in him in accordance with section 1 of the Reverter of Sites Act 1987.—  
(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

36 Charities Bill [*Lords*] [Ways and Means],—*Resolved*, That, for the purposes of any Act resulting from the Charities Bill [*Lords*], it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the charging of fees payable to the Charity Commissioners and the imposition of other charges so payable;

(2) the payment of sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(*Mr Tim Boswell.*)

37 Charities Bill [*Lords*],—The House, pursuant to Order [12th March], immediately resolved itself into a Committee on the Charities Bill [*Lords*].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 78 agreed to.

Clause No. 79 (Short title, commencement and extent).

Amendment (No. 1) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Tim Boswell reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

38 Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Competition and Service (Utilities) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 44 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges in respect of Lords Amendments Nos. 2, 5, 16, 19, 22, 24 and 25.

39 Transport and Works Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Transport and Works Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 were agreed to.

40 Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill,—*Ordered*, That further proceedings on the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill be suspended until the next Session of Parliament;

That if a Bill is presented in the next Session in the same terms as those in which the Cardiff Bay Barrage Bill stood when proceedings on it were suspended in this Session—

(a) the Bill so presented shall be ordered to be printed and shall be deemed to have been read the first and second time, to have been reported from the Select Committee and to have been re-committed to a Standing Committee; and

(b) the Standing Orders and practice of the House applicable to that Bill, so far as complied with in this Session, shall be deemed to have been complied with in the next Session;

That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(*Mr Nicholas Bennett.*)

41 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Registration (Land and Deeds) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

42 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 19th February, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

43 Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments,



&c.), That the draft European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1992, which were laid before this House on 19th February, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

44 Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 101 (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Local Elections (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1992, which was laid before this House on 19th February, be approved—(*Mr Tim Boswell*):—It was agreed to.

45 Public Petitions,—Public Petitions from—

(1) residents of Northolt for an inquiry into the grant of planning permission for a mosque in the area;

(2) residents of Bradford, Bingley, Ilkley, Keighley and Shipley for a review of the help given to the elderly with heating costs in winter;

(3) (i) Mrs June Mills and (ii) P. D. Smith against the amendment of the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 to prevent the docking of puppies' tails by unqualified persons;

(4) members of the congregation of the Sacred Heart, Shanklin, against the distribution and use of Mifegyne and similar drugs; and

(5) former Kashmiris and friends of Kashmir for assistance to the people of Kashmir were presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

46 Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(*Mr Tim Boswell*);

47 Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Army Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Museums and Galleries Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed, without Amendment, to the Amendment made by this House to the Charities Bill [*Lords*].

48 Message to attend the Lords Commissioners,—A Message from the Lords Commissioners was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts, and for proroguing this present Parliament.

The Royal Assent was given to the following Acts:—

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act 1992

Appropriation Act 1992

Finance Act 1992

Access to Neighbouring Land Act 1992

Offshore Safety (Protection against Victimisation) Act 1992

Prison Security Act 1992

Tourism (Overseas Promotion) (Wales) Act 1992

Parliamentary Corporate Bodies Act 1992

Medicinal Products: Prescription by Nurses etc. Act 1992

Still-Birth (Definition) Act 1992

Traffic Calming Act 1992

Firearms (Amendment) Act 1992

Cheques Act 1992

Social Security (Mortgage Interest Payments) Act 1992

Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1992  
Timeshare Act 1992  
Sea Fisheries (Wildlife Conservation) Act 1992  
Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992  
Education (Schools) Act 1992  
Army Act 1992  
Friendly Societies Act 1992  
Transport and Works Act 1992  
Competition and Service (Utilities) Act 1992  
Charities Act 1992  
Museums and Galleries Act 1992  
London Underground Act 1992  
Aire and Calder Navigation Act 1992  
Avon Weir Act 1992  
Folkestone Harbour Act 1992  
Midland Metro Act 1992  
Midland Metro (No. 2) Act 1992.

And afterwards Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor (in pursuance of Her Majesty's Command), as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

The Duke of Edinburgh and I were pleased to visit Australia in February.

My Government have continued to make provision for the defence of the United Kingdom, including a substantial contribution to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. They ratified the Conventional Forces in Europe Treaty.

At the Summit meeting in Rome last November, NATO agreed a new Strategic Concept and set up the North Atlantic Co-operation Council, which at its Ministerial meeting on 10th March formally admitted republics of the Commonwealth of Independent States as members following the dissolution of the Soviet Union.

My Government welcomed President Yeltsin to London on his first official visit as President of the Russian Federation. They are contributing directly to international efforts to dismantle weapons of mass destruction in the former Soviet Union and to economic reform programmes there. The European Community have agreed emergency food aid grants and credits worth over £1.5 billion.

My Government contributed significantly to the successful outcome to the European Council at Maastricht. Negotiations were concluded in the Inter-Governmental Conferences on Economic and Monetary Union, and on Political Union. The Treaty was signed on 7th February. My Government have continued to work within the Community to complete the Single European Market; to promote budgetary discipline; and to reform the Common Agricultural Policy; and for the conclusion of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations. Agreement in principle has been reached to extend the Single Market to the European Free Trade Area from 1993.

The Community have also moved to consolidate relations with the new democracies to the East. Three Association Agreements, which were originally proposed by the United Kingdom have been signed with Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland, and the trade liberalisation provisions of these Agreements have now come into effect.

In Yugoslavia, My Government have strongly supported the European Community's peace conference under Lord Carrington's chairmanship. They recognised the independence of Croatia and Slovenia. They participated fully in discussions leading to

the adoption of a United Nations' Security Council Resolution to authorise the deployment of a peace-keeping force.

As President of the Security Council, My Government convened the first Summit meeting of Council Heads of State or Government which set in hand work to strengthen the United Nations' preventive diplomacy and peace-keeping efforts.

My Government have worked for the full implementation of Security Council Resolutions against Iraq. The United Kingdom contributes to the coalition's deterrent force in southern Turkey and has continued to provide protection and help for the Kurds.

My Government have supported the efforts of the United States and others to bring a just and durable peace to the Middle East. They warmly welcomed the release of the remaining British hostages from Lebanon.

Acting with the United States and France, My Government have demanded that Libya hand over the two principal suspects for the bombing of Pan Am flight 103. This has received the unanimous support of the UN Security Council.

My Government welcomed the opening in December of the Convention for a Democratic South Africa. They have been encouraged by its positive results so far.

A substantial and effective programme of overseas aid has been maintained to contribute to good government and economic and social progress in developing countries.

Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the provision you have made for the honour and dignity of the Crown and for the public service.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

My Government have continued to pursue, within the framework of the Exchange Rate Mechanism, firm financial policies which have successfully reduced inflation. They are committed to maintaining the conditions necessary for sustained growth, the promotion of enterprise and training and the improvement of the working of the economy.

Legislation has been enacted to achieve a substantial step towards My Government's goal of a 20 per cent. basic rate for all taxpayers and to cut car tax by half.

As part of My Government's privatisation programme, a second tranche of shares in British Telecom has been sold to the public.

Legislation has been passed to provide for a new council tax to replace the community charge as the means of raising local revenue to finance local government spending.

An Act has been passed to establish a review of local government structure in England, and detailed proposals for structural reform in Wales have been published.

Action has been taken to improve quality, choice and opportunity in education. Legislation has been enacted to reform funding of further education and sixth form colleges and to reform higher education in England and Wales. An Act has been passed to provide parents with more information about the performance of schools and to improve school inspection.

My Government have taken forward their policies for enhancing the nation's health and for improving the effectiveness of the health and social services, and the social security system.

My Government have continued to work for the regeneration of our cities, developing the new partnerships between local authorities, the private sector and local communities within the City Challenge framework. They have continued to promote diversity of choice in housing, and have taken steps to extend and improve the stock of social housing. Legislation has been passed to enable income support in relation to mortgage interest payments to be paid directly to lenders. An Act has been passed to increase temporarily the threshold for payment of stamp duty on house purchase.

My Government continue to take action to protect the environment, building on the policies in the White Paper "This Common Inheritance". The United Kingdom has played a leading part in international action on the environment.

A Bill has been introduced to enable applications for asylum in the United Kingdom to be dealt with quickly and effectively.

Measures have been enacted for England and Wales to create an offence of prison mutiny, to increase the maximum penalties for aiding prisoners to escape and for

harbouring escaped prisoners, and to ensure that anyone guilty of taking a vehicle without consent is liable to a more severe sentence in aggravated circumstances.

An Act has been passed to strengthen health and safety arrangements for offshore installations.

Legislation has been enacted to enhance competitive tendering for local authority services. Other measures to implement the Citizen's Charter White Paper have been taken including the publication of number of charters relating to individual public services.

For Scotland, an Act has been passed to reform further and higher education.

In Northern Ireland, My Government have continued to take vigorous action against terrorism. They have sought to promote political dialogue. Positive relations with the Republic of Ireland have been maintained and enhanced.

Other important measures have been enacted.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may attend you.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission which has been now read we do, in Her Majesty's name, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Monday the twenty-third day of this instant March, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Monday the twenty-third day of this instant March.

## APPENDIX

*Monday 16th March 1992*

*Papers presented or laid upon the Table:*

*Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution:*

- 1 Customs and Excise,—Customs Duties (ECSC) (Amendment No. 7) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 792), dated 16th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].

*Papers subject to Negative Resolution:*

- 2 European Communities,—Highlands and Islands Rural Enterprise Programme (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 772), dated 16th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].
- 3 Fees and Charges,—Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 761), dated 12th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lilley].
- 4 Health and Safety,—Diving Operations at Work (Amendment) Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 608), dated 9th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Howard].
- 5 Housing,—(1) Housing Benefit and Community Charge Benefit (Subsidy) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 701), dated 11th March 1992, and  
(2) Housing Benefit and Community Charge Benefit (Subsidy) Order 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 739), dated 12th March 1992  
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- 6 Legal Aid and Advice,—Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 128), dated 13th March 1992 [by Statutory Instrument] [Clerk of the House].
- 7 Local Government,—Local Government (General Grant) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 (S.R. (N.I.), 1992, No. 80), dated 3rd March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 8 Pensions,—Personal Injuries (Civilians) Amendment Scheme 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 702), dated 10th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].
- 9 Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) (Amendment) 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 773), dated 5th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Lang].

- 10 Social Security,—(1) Social Security (Attendance Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 703), and  
 (2) Social Security (Severe Disablement Allowance) Amendment Regulations 1992 (S.I., 1992, No. 704),  
 dated 11th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Newton].

*Other Papers:*

- 11 Animal Health,—Return of proceedings under the Animal Health Act 1981, for 1991 [by Act] [Mr John Selwyn Gummer].
- 12 Atomic Energy Authority,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 13th March 1992 on borrowing by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 13 Environmental Protection,—(1) HMIP Integrated Pollution Control Fees and Charges Scheme (England and Wales) Revised 1992, and  
 (2) Radioactive Substances Authorisations and Registrations Fees and Charges Scheme (England and Wales) Revised 1992,  
 dated 13th March 1992 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Heseltine].
- 14 Indemnities,—Office of Arts and Libraries Minute concerning indemnities for borrowed objects on loan to the Victoria and Albert Museum [by Command] [Mr Tim Renton].
- 15 Museum of London,—Report and Accounts of the Museum of London for 1990–91 [by Act] [Mr Tim Renton].
- 16 New Towns,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 13th March 1992 on borrowing by the Commission for the New Towns [by Act] [Mr Francis Maude].
- 17 Parliamentary Papers,—Alphabetical index to the Bills, House of Commons Papers and Command Papers in the House of Commons set of parliamentary papers with notes on the volume arrangement and summary of legislation, Session 1991–92, Fiftieth Parliament, Fifth Session, 40th and 41st Elizabeth II, 31st October 1991 to 16th March 1992; to be printed [No. 389] [Mr Speaker].
- 18 Population Censuses and Surveys,—Review of the Registrar General on births and patterns of family building in England and Wales, for 1990 [by Act] [Mr Secretary Waldegrave].
- 19 Public Accounts,—Northern Ireland Department of Finance and Personnel Memorandum on the Seventh Report from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1991–92 [by Command] [Cm. 1865] [Mr Secretary Brooke].
- 20 Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Health on the Petitions from—  
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 (ii) St. Joseph's Church, Birkfield, Ipswich,  
 (iii) St. Mark's Church, Hawthorne Place, Ipswich,  
 (iv) St. Mary's Church, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich,  
 (v) St. Michael's Church, Tadley, and  
 (vi) St. Pancras's Church, Orwell Place, Ipswich  
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- 21 Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before a copy had been laid before Parliament, and explaining why such a copy had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation:  
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MR SPEAKER'S CERTIFICATE

Mr Speaker certified that the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.

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<i>Title of Bill</i>	<i>First proceeding</i>	<i>Proceeded with under section:</i>	<i>Cited as:</i>	<i>Royal Assent</i>
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Coal Industry	Presented, 6	—Act 1992	268
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Social Security Contributions and Benefits [ <i>Lords</i> ]	Brought from the Lords, 186	—Act 1992	207
Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) [ <i>Lords</i> ]	Brought from the Lords, 186	—Act 1992	208
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Bingo [ <i>Lords</i> ]	Brought from the Lords, 235	—Act 1992	268
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Licensing (Amendment) (Scotland)	Presented, 117	—Act 1992	268
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Freedom of Information	Presented, 79	Second Reading Adjourned, 154
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National Lottery	Presented, 78	Second Reading Adjourned, 138
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Political Party Financing	Presented, 265	—
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	Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class V, Vote 9) (so far as it relates to the future of the coal industry)	Proceedings interrupted, 95	95	95	£4,000,000
2nd (1st Part)	Supplementary Estimates, 1991-92 (Class II, Vote 2) (so far as it relates to Yugoslavia)	Debate concluded, 265	265	265	£27,939,000

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**GREATER NOTTINGHAM LIGHT RAPID TRANSIT BILL:** To originate in the Commons, 107. Examiners' Report, in case of Petition for Bill, Standing Orders complied with, 113. Read the first time, 145. Read a second time and referred to the Examiners, 161.

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5. *Orders providing for Questions to be put at a specified hour or at the end of a specified period in relation to proceedings on Statutory Instruments, &c., or European Community Documents, and other proceedings pursuant to Act:*

That, at a future sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Orders (Exempted business) and (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (negative procedure)), Mr Speaker shall—

(1) not more than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on specified Motions relating to Statutory Instruments put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on certain of those Motions; and

(2) put the Question or Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on a specified Motion relating to European Community Documents not more than three hours after their commencement; and the above proceedings may continue after the expiry of the time for opposed business, 88.

That, at a future sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Exempted business) Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on specified Motions relating to Statutory Instruments not later than Ten o'clock; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business, 154, &c.

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(1) Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on specified Motions relating to proceedings pursuant to Act not later than Ten o'clock;

(2) (other) specified Motions relating to proceedings pursuant to Act may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or the end of a period of one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, at which time Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of them; and

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That, at a future sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on specified Motions relating to proceedings pursuant to Act not later than Ten o'clock; and those Questions may be decided after the expiry of the time for opposed business, 172.

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That, at a future sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Exempted business), Mr Speaker shall put the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on specified Motions relating to Statutory Instruments, not later than three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the first of them; and those Motions may be proceeded with after the expiry of the time for opposed business, 188.

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6. *Order relating to proceedings on consideration of Estimates, providing for Questions to be put at the end of a specified period:*

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7. *Order relating to proceedings at the end of the Parliament:*

That—

(1) At this day's sitting, Mr Speaker shall put the Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motion moved by Mr Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to Ways and Means—Amendment of the law not later than Ten o'clock.

(2) At the sitting on Friday 13th March—

(a) notwithstanding the provisions of the Order [6th November] relating to Business of the House, Government business shall have precedence, and may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour;

(b) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Questions on voting of estimates, &c.), Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion in the name of Mr Francis Maude relating to Estimates; and

(c) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Time and manner of presenting petitions), no petition shall be read.

(3) At the sitting on Monday 16th March—

(a) this House do meet at half-past Nine o'clock;

(b) the time for private business shall end not later than a quarter to Ten o'clock;

(c) notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order (Time for taking questions), no Questions shall be taken, provided that at Eleven o'clock Mr Speaker may interrupt the proceedings in order to permit questions to be asked which are in his opinion of an urgent character and relate either to matters of public importance or to the arrangement of business, statements to be made by Ministers, or personal explanations to be made by Members;

(d) Standing Order (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business (Budget day)) shall not apply;

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LONDON REGIONAL TRANSPORT (PENALTY FARES) BILL: Read the first, second and third time, and passed (*suspended from last Session*), 18.

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