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[English]

The Chair (Mr. Norman Doyle (St. John's East, CPC)): Order. We are now in public session.

Could we have Ms. Faille give us the motion again, please?

Mr. Ed Komarnicki (Souris—Moose Mountain, CPC): Mr. Chair, we've had some discussion and I think we will end up supporting the motion as it is, but reluctantly. I want it on the record that notwithstanding that I think it's unreasonable, given our agenda and the fact that we'll be doing it on December 13, we will support the motion.

The Chair: Are you ready for the vote?

Hon. Jim Karygiannis (Scarborough—Agincourt, Lib.): Do you want to read the motion?

The Chair: Madam Faille, would you read the motion again, please?

[Translation]

Ms. Meili Faille (Vaudreuil-Soulanges, BQ): The motion reads as follows:

That official representatives of Citizenship and Immigration Canada appear before the committee on December 13, 2007 and submit, by December 11, 2007, a history of regularization programs, statistics and a detailed report on undocumented workers.

[English]

The Chair: Thank you, Madam Faille.

(Motion agreed to)

Mr. Ed Komarnicki: Was that in camera?

The Chair: That was public.

We will now go in camera again.

[Proceedings continue in camera]

- _____ (Pause) _____
- _____

[Public proceedings resume]

•(1605)

The Chair: We're no longer in camera.

Let's try to get this amendment done.

Hon. Jim Karygiannis: Mr. Chair, I would ask that you take us back in camera or I'm going to challenge your ruling. I don't think you can, at the whim of one member, end our in camera proceedings. I don't think so, sir.

The Chair: I'll get direction from the clerk here.

The Clerk of the Committee (Mr. Andrew Chaplin): On a motion to sit in public or to sit in camera, the question is put without debate. It's put immediately and it's decided by a majority of the committee.

The Chair: Does that apply to going in camera or to public?

The Clerk: It applies to both. Whether you're going in or out, it's done with the consent of the committee.

The Chair: You're saying this committee has to give consent to move in camera or to resume public proceedings.

Hon. Jim Karygiannis: You've got to move us back in camera. Are we in camera right now or not?

The Chair: Is there consent to resume public proceedings?

Some hon. members: No.

The Chair: There's no consent.

Ms. Olivia Chow (Trinity—Spadina, NDP): I'll withdraw the amendment at this point.

The Chair: Order, please.

Do you wish to withdraw the amendment?

Ms. Olivia Chow: I'll withdraw it and I'll place it as a notice of motion when we become public, which is totally in order.

The Chair: We will proceed in camera.

[Proceedings continue in camera]

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