April Bonus Quiz

Here is another RONR reference that applies to granting the maker of a motion first priority to speak:

(p. 42, ll. 30-35) "Immediately after stating the question, the chair should turn toward the maker of the motion to see if he wishes to be assigned the floor first in debate – to which the maker has the right if he claims it before anyone else has been recognized, even though others may have risen and addressed the chair first."

As you are serving a group as its parliamentarian, how might you answer the following questions about this procedure? You may not find a specific statement in RONR to directly answer each, so you must use your own parliamentary expertise. How would you interpret the above citation and provide the chair with answers to these three queries?

- Does this apply only to original main motions?
- Does this apply to the maker of an incidental main motion?
- Does this apply to the maker of a debatable subsidiary motion?