

THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1973 - 1974

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 50th Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1974

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Speaker

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. Sase Narain, J.P.

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (50)

Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister (2)

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., Prime Minister (Absent)
Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development

Senior Ministers (8)

- The Honourable H.D. Hoyte, S.C., Minister of Economic Development
The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, S.C., Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice (Absent)
The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation (Absent)
The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources (Absent)
The Honourable F.E. Hope, Minister of Finance
The Honourable S.S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Works and Housing
The Honourable G.A. King, Minister of Trade and Consumer Protection (Absent - on leave)
The Honourable G.B. Kennard, C.C.H., Minister of Agriculture

Ministers (5)

- The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister of Labour
The Honourable Miss S.M. Field-Ridley, Minister of Information and Culture (Absent)
The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House
The Honourable Miss C.L. Baird, Minister of Education and Social Development
Dr. the Honourable O.M.R. Harper, Minister of Health (Absent)

Ministers of State (10)

- The Honourable M. Kasim, A.A., Minister of State for Agriculture
The Honourable O.E. Clarke, Minister of State - Regional (East Berbice/Corentyne) (Absent)
The Honourable P. Duncan, J.P., Minister of State - Regional (Rupununi)
The Honourable C.A. Nascimento, Minister of State, Office of the Prime Minister

Non elected Minister

- The Honourable M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P., Minister of State - Regional
(Essequibo Coast/West Demerara) (Absent)
- The Honourable K.B. Bancroft, Minister of State - Regional (Mazaruni/
Potaro)
- # The Honourable C.V. Mingo, Minister of State for Home Affairs (Absent)
- # The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State for Consumer Protection
(Absent)
- # The Honourable A. Salim, Minister of State - Regional (East Demerara/
West Coast Berbice) (Absent)
- ~~#~~ The Honourable F.U.A. Carmichael, Minister of State - Regional
(North West)

Parliamentary Secretaries (7)

- Mr. J.R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works and
Housing (Absent)
- Mr. C.E. Wrights, J.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works
and Housing
- Miss M.M. Ackman, Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime
Minister, and Government Chief Whip
- Mr. E.L. Ambrose, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture
- Mr. S. Prashad, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives
and National Mobilisation
- Mr. J.P. Chowritmootoo, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Education and Social Development
- Mr. R.H.D. Corbin, Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime
Minister (Absent)

Deputy Speaker (1)

- Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman, Deputy Speaker

Other Members (17)

- Mr. J.N. Aaron
- Mrs. L.M. Branco
- Mr. M. Corrica
- Mr. E.H.A. Fowler
- Miss J. Gill
- Mr. W. Hussain
- Miss S. Jaiserrisingh
- Mr. K.M.E. Jonas ✓
- Mr. M. Nissar
- Dr. L.E. Ramsahoye (Absent)
- Mr. J.G. Ramson
- Mrs. P.A. Rayman
- Mr. E.M. Stoby, J.P. (Absent)
- Mr. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., J.P.
- Mr. C. Sukul, J.P.
- Mr. H.A. Taylor
- Mrs. L.E. Willems

Members of the Opposition - Liberator Party (2)

- Mr. M.F. Singh, Leader of the Opposition
- Mrs. E. DaSilva

OFFICERS

- Mr. F.A. Narain, Clerk of the National Assembly
- Mr. M.B. Henry, AMBIM, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

Non elected Minister

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Tenth Anniversary of the Government of Guyana under the
People's National Congress

His Honour the Speaker briefly outlined the achievements of the Government of the People's National Congress under the Leadership of the Prime Minister, the Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., M.P., for the past ten years.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

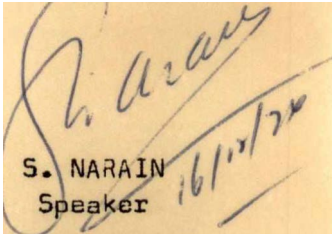
APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1975

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1975, totalling \$458,687,527. (See Appendix to Minutes of the 9th of December, 1974).

The Leader of the Opposition and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development spoke to the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.20 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Economic Development, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, the 16th of December, 1974.



S. NARAIN
Speaker 16/12/74

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.

16th December, 1974.