FIRST SESSION

1973 - 1974

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 51st Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

MONDAY, 16TH 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 on leave)

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 # The Honourable F.E. Hope, Minister of Finance
- # The Honourable S.S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Works and Housing (Absent)
- # 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 (Absent)

<u>Ministers (5)</u>

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

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) (Absent)
- 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
- # The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State for Consumer Protection (Absent)

Parliamentary Secretaries (7)

- Mr. J.R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works and Housing
- 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. 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.O. Corbin, Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister (Absent- on leave)

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 (Absent)

Miss S. Jaiserrisingh

Mr.F.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. Da Silva

OFFICERS

Mr. F.A. Marsin, 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

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His Honour the Speaker announced that leave had been granted to $\boldsymbol{\div}$

- (a) Mr. Burnham and Mr. Ambrose for that day's sitting, and
- (b) Mr. Corbin from 16th to 18th December, 1974.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1975

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1975, totalling \$458,687,527. (See Appendix to Minutes of the 9th December, 1974).

In Committee of Supply

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HEAD 41 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at \$ 9,741,831
HEAD 42 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT—IN—SERVICE TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMME was passed as printed at \$ 334,914
HEAD 43	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS was passed as printed at \$27,640,590
HEAD 44 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION CENTRES was passed as printed at \$ 1,628,002
HEAD 45 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - GOVERNMENT TRAINING COLLEGE PRE-SERVICE TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMME was passed as printed at 868,268
HEAD 46 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SCCIAL DEVELORMENT - TECHNICAL INSTITUTE GEORGETOWN was passed as printed at 793,204
HEAD 47 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - CARNEGIE SCHOOL OF HOME ECONOMICS was passed as printed at \$ 167,310
HEAD 48 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - QUEEN'S COLLEGE was passed as printed at\$ 461,804
HEAD 49 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SUCIAL DEVELOPMENT - BISHOPS' HIGH SCHOOL was passed as printed as a p
HEAD 50 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEMELOPMENT - ANNA REGINA SECONDARY SCHOOL was passed as printed at \$ 161,177
HEAD 51 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT - BERBICE HIGH SCHOOL was passed as printed at 279,365
HEAD 52 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SUCIAL DEVELOPMENT - NEW AMSTERDAM TECHNICAL IN TIT IE was passed as printed at \$ 521,814

HEAD 53 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION FOR SECONDARY TEACHERS was passed as printed at	÷	\$	286,887
HEAD 54 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT WINIT was passed as printed at		ម	889,757
HEAD 55 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT GUYANA INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRE was passed as printed at		S	162,836
HEAD 56 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROBATION AND WELFARE SERVICE was passed as printed at		S	611,890
HEAD 57 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT BYGEVAL/MAHAICA SECONDARY SCHOOL - MULTI- LATERAL was passed as printed at		6	379 , 772
HEAD 58 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ANNA REGINA SECONDARY SCHOOL-MULTILATERAL			·
HEAD 59 -	was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at Ministry of education and social development Bladenhall secondary school-multilateral	-	\$	547,592
HEAD 60 -	was passed as printed at MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SUCIAL DEVELOPMENT	•	\$	429,940
	NEW AMSTERJAM SECONDARY SCHOOL-MULTILATERAL was passed as printed at		ទ	398,236
HEAD 61 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SUCIAL DEVELOPMENT CHRISTIANBURG/WISMAR SECONDARY SCHOOL-MULTI-LATERAL was passed as printed at	-	\$	376,220
HEAD 62 -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RUIMVELDT SECONDARY SCHOOL-MULTILATERAL was passed as printed at		\$	376,220
DIVISION XXV -	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at	÷	\$6,	,095,000
DIVISION XXVI-	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SUCIAL DEVELOPMENT IBRD/IDA PROJECTS-EDUCATION PROJECT was passed as printed at	→ .	ŷ5,	,938,000
HEAD 63 -	MINISTRY OF HEALTH was passed as printed printed t		\$1,	,143,122

Assembly resumed.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 4.00 p.m. the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.28 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply and resumed consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure.

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 64	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - MEDICAL was passed as printed at	\$ 5,011,84 5
HEAD 65	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - BACTERIOLOGICAL was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	769,205
HEAD 66	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - X-RAY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	380,892
HEAD 67	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES ETC. was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$16,240,579
HEAD 68	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - ANALYST was passed as printed at	\$ 226,906
HEAD 69	- MINISTRY OF HEALTH - PALMS was passed as printed at	849,667
DIAISION: XXAII	as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 4,722,000
HEAD 75	- MINISTRY OF TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$14,556,94 6
HEAD 31	- MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at •••••••	\$ 1,684,963
НЕАЈ 32	- MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT → INTERIOR DEVELOPMENT was corrected to read as follows:	•
	"HEAD 33 - MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOP÷ MENT - INTERIOR DEVELOPMENT"	
	Thereafter, the Head as corrected was <pre>passed</pre> as <pre>printed</pre> at <pre></pre>	§ 684 , 276
DIVISILN XIX	- MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at	\$29,067,800
HEAD 33	- MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at with the following corrections: Substitution of "MEAD 32" for "HEAD 33".	\$ 483,898
DIVISION XX	- MINISTRY OF REGIUNAL DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at	\$ 1,350,000

Assembly resumed.

<u>ADJUURNMENT</u>

At 7.05 p.m, on a motion by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 17th December, 1974.

Speaker Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE, Public Buildings, Georgetown. 17th December, 1974