

SECOND SESSION

1970

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 28th Sitting of the National Assembly under the Constitution of Guyana, held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1970

PRESENT:

His Honour the Deputy Speaker, Mr. O.E. Clarke - In the Chair

(a) Members of the Government

(i) Ministers

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, S.C., Prime Minister
Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Deputy Prime Minister
and Minister of Finance

The Honourable R.J. Jordan, Minister of Agriculture
and Natural Resources

The Honourable M. Kasim, Minister of Communications

The Honourable H.D. Hoyte, S.C., Minister of Home
Affairs

The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister of Labour
and Social Security

The Honourable Miss S.M. Field-Ridley, Minister of
Education (Leader of the House)

The Honourable D.A. Singh, Minister of Housing and
Reconstruction

The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, S.C., Attorney-General
and Minister of State

The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Works, Hydraulics
and Supply

The Honourable H.D. Jack, Minister without Portfolio

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

Mr. J.G. Joaquin, J.P., Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Finance

Mr. P. Duncan, J.P., Parliamentary Secretary,
Office of the Prime Minister

Mr. W. Haynes, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Works, Hydraulics and Supply

Mr. A. Salim, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Mr. J.R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary,
Office of the Prime Minister

Mr. C.V. Mingo, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Local Government

(iii) Other Members

Mr. J.N. Aaron
 Miss M.M. Ackman
 Mr. K. Bancroft
 Mr. N.J. Bissember
 Mr. J. Budhoo, J.P.
 Mr. L.I. Chan-A-Sue
 Mr. E.F. Correia
 Mr. M. Corrica
 Mr. E.H.A. Fowler
 Mrs. P.A. Limerick
 Mr. S.M. Saffee
 Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman
 Mr. C.E. Wrights, J.P.
 Mr. M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P.

(b) Members of the Opposition

Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition
 Mr. Ram Karran
 Mr. R. Chandisingh
 Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye
 Mr. D.C. Jagan, J.P.
 Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P.
 Mr. G.H. Lall, J.P.
 Mr. M.Y. Ally
 Mr. R.D. Persaud, J.P.
 Mr. R. Ally
 Mr. E.L. Ambrose
 Mrs. L.M. Branco
 Mr. Bholu Persaud
 Mrs. R.P. Sahoye
 Mr. V. Teekah
 Mrs. E. DaSilva
 Mr. M.F. Singh
 Mr. J.A. Sutton
 Mr. R.E. Cheeks

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

Absent:

The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister
 of Trade - on leave
 Dr. the Honourable Sylvia Talbot,
 Minister of Health
 Mr. E.M.G. Wilson
 Mr. E.M. Stoby, J.P.
 Mr. Balchand Persaud - on leave
 Mr. I.R. Remington, J.P.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

PUBLIC BUSINESSApology by the Leader of the Opposition

Before Public Business on the Order Paper was proceeded upon, His Honour the Deputy Speaker referred to the incidents which occurred at the previous sitting when consideration was being given to the question of proceeding with the Corporation Tax Bill, 1970, and the Income Tax (Amendment No. 2) Bill, 1970, and called upon the Leader of the Opposition to apologise for the unparliamentary and other remarks which he had made during the incidents.

The Leader of the Opposition complied.

MOTIONITEM 1 - MOTION TO APPROVE ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1971

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1971, totalling \$181,816,141. (See Appendix to Minutes of 4th December, 1970).

Mr. Hamid concluded his speech.

The Minister of Home Affairs spoke to the motion.

Mr. Sutton was speaking to the motion when the time for the suspension of the sitting was reached.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

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

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.38 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Mr. Sutton concluded his speech.

Dr. Ramsahoye and Mr. Bancroft spoke to the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.33 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Education (Leader of the House), the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 11th of December, 1970.



O. E. CLARKE
Deputy Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.
11th December, 1970.