

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

ON THE 32ND SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND

SESSION (1990) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON MONDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1990

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

- * Cde. Sase Narain, O.R., S.C., J.P., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly (Absent)

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (61)

Prime Minister (1)

- + Cde. H. Green, M.P., Prime Minister

Other Vice-President and Deputy Prime Minister (1)

- + Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P., Vice-President, Culture and Social Development and Deputy Prime Minister (Absent)

Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (1)

- + * Cde. K.S. Massiah, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (Absent on leave)

Other Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

- + Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development
- + Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Utilities (Absent)

Senior Ministers (9)

- + Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs (Absent)
- + * Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance (Absent)
- + Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Senior Minister in the Ministry of Planning & Development
- + Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Trade and Tourism
- + Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Regional Development
- + Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Senior Minister in the Office of the President (Absent)
- * Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture
- * Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education (Absent)
- * Cde. J.R. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister of Communications and Works

Ministers (8)

- + Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Regional Development (Absent on leave)
- + Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Minister of Labour and Co-operatives
- + Cde. D. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Utilities
- * Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture (Absent on leave)
- + Cde. J.T. Kissoon, M.P., Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister
- + Cde. Dr. A. Harding, M.P., Minister of Public Service
- + Cde. Stella Odie-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs (Absent on leave)
- + Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Culture & Social Development

+ Cabinet Member

* Non-elected Member

Parliamentary Secretary (1)

- * Cde. L.E. Scotland, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister

Government Chief Whip

Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira, M.P., Government Chief Whip

Other Members (25)

Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P.
Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.
Cde. A.K. Habibulla, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.
Cde. M. Ally, M.P. (Absent on leave)
Cde. Elaine B. Davidson, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.
Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.
Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P.
Cde. Anna Ally, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.
Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P.
Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Cyrillda A. DeJesus, M.P.
Cde. Edith Deygoo, M.P.
Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. G. Marshall, M.P.
Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.
Cde. K. Sankar. M.S., M.P. (Absent)
Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
Cde. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. P.E. Rockliffe, M.P.

(There is one Vacancy)

Members from the National Congress of Local Democratic Organs (2)

Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.
Cde. P. Singh, J.P., M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P., (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)
Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P., (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica) (Absent)
Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P., (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)
Cde. Y. Khan, M.P., (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)
Cde. Enid E. Abrams, M.S., J.P., M.P., (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Dem.)
Cde. I. Ally, M.P., (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)
Cde. S.I. McGarrell, M.P., (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni) (Absent)
Cde. M. Stephens, M.P., (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)
(Absent on leave)
Cde. M. Ajoodhia, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)
Cde. D. Fernandes, M.P., (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)

Members of the Minority (11)

- (i) People's Progressive Party (3)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader: (Absent)

* Non-elected Member

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

Other Members (6)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P.

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P. Minority Chief Whip (Absent)

Cde. H. Nokta, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. I. Basir, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P. (Absent)

(ii) United Force (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, C.C.H., J.P., M.P. (Absent)

Mr. M.A. Abraham, A.A., M.P. (Absent)

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

Mr. E. Kwayana, M.P.

OFFICERS

Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly

Cde. G.E.F. Moses, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Cdes. Massiah, Parvatan, Odie-Ali, M. Ally, Stephens and Johnson for that day's sitting.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

(1) LOCAL DEMOCRATIC ORGANS (FUNCTIONS AND FINANCES) BILL 1990 - Bill No. 27/1990 published 1990-10-05

The Minister of Regional Development, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:-

A Bill intituled An Act to make provisions for the functions and finances of **local** democratic organs and for matters **connected** therewith.

(2) TELECOMMUNICATIONS BILL 1990 - Bill No. 28/1990 published
1990-10-05

The Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:-

A Bill intituled An Act to make provision for the regulation of the providing of certain telecommunication services and for matters connected therewith.

(3) PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION BILL 1990 - Bill No. 29/1990
published 1990-10-09

The Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:-

A Bill intituled An Act to make provision for the establishment, functions and procedure of the Public Utilities Commission and for matters connected therewith.

(4) PUBLIC CORPORATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 - Bill No. 30/1990
published 1990-10-11

The Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:-

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Public Corporations Act 1988.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2.10 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Regional Development, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

S: NARAIN
SPEAKER

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.

1990-10-15