

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE 56TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND
SESSION (1990-1991) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD
AT 2.00 P.M.
ON FRIDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1991
IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN
MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (73)

Speaker

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

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (60)

Prime Minister

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

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

Deputy Prime Minister (2)

Cde. R.H.U. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development (Absent - on leave)

Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister,
Minister of Trade, Tourism and Industry

Senior Ministers (6)

- * Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance (Absent - on leave)
- * Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture (Absent - on leave)
- * Cde. V.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education and Cultural Development (Absent)
- * Cde. J.K. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development
- Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Senior Minister in the
Office of the President
- * Cde. Kabbian Ali-Khan, M.P., Minister of Labour, Human Services and
Social Security

Ministers (6)

- * Cde. V. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Industry
- * Cde. V.V. Parvaian, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture
- Cde. J.T. Kissoon, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health
- Cde. Dr. Farid A. Harding, M.P., Minister in the Office of the President
- Cde. Stella Udie-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs
- Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Labour,
Human Services and Social Security

Government Chief Whip (1)

Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira

Other Members (32)

Cde. Viola V. Burnham, U.R., M.P. (Absent)
Cae. W.A.L.H. Parvus, C.C.H., M.P. (Absent)
Cde. K.E. Jackson, U.R., M.P. (Absent)
Cde. J.R. Tinsley
Cde. S. Prashad, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
Cae. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P.
Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P.
Cde. M. Corrica, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Philomena A. Kayman, M.P.
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
Cae. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.
Cde. H. Doobay, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.
Cae. Edwina Melville, M.P.
Cde. Anna Alky, M.P.
Cde. N. Calisiro, M.P.
Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.
Cde. Cynilda A. DeJesus, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Edith Veygoo, M.P.
Cae. Clarice A. Edwards, M.P.
Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. G. Marshall, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.
Cde. K. Sankar, A.A., M.P. (Absent)
Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
Cae. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P.
Cde. P.E. Rockcliffe, M.P.

(There are two vacancies)

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

Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.
Cde. P Singh, J.P., M.P. (Absent)

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)
Cae. C. Vandenburg, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)
Cae. Y. Khan, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)
Cae. Enid E. Abrahams, M.S., J.P., M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Island/West Demerara)
Cde. I. Alky, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)
Cde. S.I. McGarrell, M.P., (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)
Cae. M. Stephens, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo) (Absent)
Cde. 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 (8)

(Vacant)

(ii) United Force (2)

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

(There is one vacancy)

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

(Vacant)

OFFICERS

Cde. E.W. Kendall Acting Clerk of the National Assembly
Cde. M. Jordan Acting Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Acting Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKERLeave

Leave has been granted to -

Cdes. Corbin, Thomas and Johnson from today's sitting.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC. -

By the Prime Minister

The Umai Project Tax Laws (Modification
and Exemption) Order 1991 (No. 50)

(Circulated)

By the Minister in the Office of the President

Annual Report of the Public Service
Ministry for the year 1990.

(Circulated)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS -Presentation and First ReadingTRADE UNION RECOGNITION BILL 1991 - Bill No. 29/1991

The Minister of Labour, Human Services and Social Security,
on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill:-

A BILL intitled AN ACT to provide for the
improvement and promotion of industrial
relations by the establishment of
procedures for the certification of Trade
Unions as recognised majority unions
and for matters connected therewith.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONSAFFIRMATION OF THE UMAI PROJECT TAX LAWS (MODIFICATION AND
EXEMPTION) ORDER 1991 (NO. 50)

The Minister of Finance moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance
with section 51 of the Petroleum (Exploration and
Production) Act No. 3 of 1986, affirms the Umai Project
Tax Laws (Modification and Exemption) Order 1991 which
was made on the 16th day of September, 1991 and published
in an Extraordinary issue of the Gazette dated 17th
September, 1991.

(Notice Paper No. 118 (M64 Govt 42) published 1991-09-18)

PUBLIC BUSINESSBILLS - Second and Third Readings

1. PENSIONS (PRESIDENT, PARLIAMENTARY AND SPECIAL OFFICES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 18/1991 published 1991-09-04

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs moved the second reading of the following Bill:-

A BILL intitled AN ACT to amend the Pensions (President, Parliamentary and Special Offices) Act.

(Read a first time on 1991-09-11)

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was thereafter taken through the remaining stages and passed as printed.

2. CRIMINAL LAW (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 20/1991 published 1991-09-04

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs moved the second reading of the following Bill -

A BILL intitled AN ACT to amend the Criminal Law (Procedure) Act.

(Read a first time on 1991-09-11)

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was thereafter taken through the remaining stages and passed after the following corrections were made -

Clause 3 to 69a - delete (a)

Clause 4 section 4c - Liabie

Clause 4 section 7e - delete (a)

Clause 6 63A - delete (a).

3. TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 21/1991

The Minister of Finance moved the second reading of the following Bill -

A BILL intitled AN ACT to amend the Tax Act.

(Read a first time on 1991-09-11)

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was thereafter taken through the remaining stages and passed as printed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3.00 p.m. on a motion by the Minister in the Ministry of Health, the Assembly was adjourned to the 24th September, at 2.00 p.m.


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AMNA ALLY
Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.

1991-09-23.