

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 59TH 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, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1991

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (73)

Speaker

- * Cde. Sase Narain, O.K., 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.K., 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 (Absent - on leave)

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. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education and Cultural Development (Absent-on leave)
- * Cde. J.k. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development (Absent)
- * 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 (Absent - on leave)

Ministers (6)

- * Cde. U. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Industry
- * Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture
- Cde. J.T. Kissoon, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health
- Cde. Dr. Faith 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

*Non-elected Member

Other Members (32)

Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P.
 Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. R.E. Jackson, O.R., M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. J.K. Thomas, M.P.
 Cde. S. Prashad, M.P.
 Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P.
 Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P.
 Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. M. Corrica, M.P.
 Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.
 Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.
 Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.
 Cde. Edwina Mexville, M.P.
 Cde. Anna Ally, M.P.
 Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.
 Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P.
 Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.
 Cde. Cyrilda A. DeJesus, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. Edith Deygoo, M.P.
 Cde. Calrice A. Edwards, M.P.
 Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P.
 Cde. G. Marshall, M.P.
 Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. K. Sankar, A.A., M.P.
 Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
 Cde. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P.
 Cde. P.E. Kockcliffe, M.P.

(There are two vacancies)

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

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

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

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

Members of the Minority (11)(i) People's Progressive Party (8)

(Vacant)

(ii) United Force (2)

Cde. 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. Kenani Acting Clerk of the National Assembly
Cde. Monica Jordan Acting Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Acting Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Presiding Member announced that leave had been granted to -
Cdes. Murray, Doobay, and McKenzie from that day's sitting.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

By the Minister in the Ministry of Health on behalf of the
Minister of Finance.

Constitutional Offices (Remuneration of
Holders) (No. 3) Order 1991 made under
section 5 of the Constitutional Offices
(Remuneration of Holders) Act, Cap. 27:11.

(Circulated)

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY AND
MOVED BY A MINISTER -

Suspension of Standing Orders No. 46(2)(3)

The Minister in the Ministry of Health to move the following
motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That Standing Order No. 46(2)(3) be suspended
to enable Bills Nos. 31, 32, 33 and 34 of 1991 to be
considered at the sitting of the Assembly on Friday,
27th September, 1991

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILLS - Second Reading

1. COMPANIES BILL 1991 - Bill No. 17/1991 - published 1991-08-24

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to revise and
amend the law relating to Companies
and to provide for related and
consequential matters.

(Read a first time on 1991-04-11)

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. EVIDENCE (PROCEEDINGS IN FOREIGN TRIBUNALS) BILL 1991 -
Bill No. 32/1991 published 1991-09-24

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to make new provision to enable the High Court to assist in obtaining evidence requested in foreign tribunals.

(read a first time on 1991-09-24)

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.

3. PUBLIC HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 31/1991 -
published 1991-09-24

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Public Health Ordinance.

(read a first time on 1991-09-24)

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.

4. EXPORT AND IMPORT (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) (NO. 2) BILL 1991 -
Bill No. 33/1991 published 1991-09-25

The Minister in the Ministry of Health on behalf of the Minister of Finance moved the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Export and Import (Special Provisions) Act 1986.

(read a first time on 1991-09-26)

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.

5. ELECTIONS LAW (REFORM) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 34/1991
published 1991-09-25

The Minister of Home Affairs, moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Election Law (Reform) Act and to validate the Preliminary List.

(read a first time on 1991-09-26)

The motion was put and carried.

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

REMARKS MADE BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER


The Presiding Member thanked, the Members of the National Assembly for their support during the time she presided and wished them success and the hope that they would again meet in the National Assembly for the next session.

REMARKS MADE BY THE PRIME MINISTER

The Prime Minister complimented the Presiding Member on the way she conducted the business of the Parliament. He expressed a special thanks to the Staff of the Parliament Office, the Members of the Assembly, the Caterers and all the persons who by their work assisted the National Assembly to function effectively.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4.10 p.m. on a motion by the Minister in the Ministry of Health the Assembly adjourned pending the dissolution of Parliament on the 30th September, 1991.

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 ANNA ALLY
 Presiding Member

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
 Public Buildings,
 Georgetown.

1991-10-04.