NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 11TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION (1981) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1981

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (82)

Speaker (1)

Cde. Sase Narain, O.R., J.P., M.P.

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (69)

Prime Minister (1)

Cde. Dr. P.A. Reid, O.E., M.P.

Other Vice-Presidents (4)

Cde. S.S. Naraine, A.A., M.P. (Works and Transport) (Absent - on leave)

Cde. H.D. Hoyte, S.C., M.P. (Economic Planning and Finance)

Cde. H. Green, M.P. (Public Welfare)

Cde. B. Ramsaroop, M.P. (Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relations)

Senior Ministers (10)

Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P. (Higher Education)

Cde. O.E. Clarke, M.P. (Regional Development)

Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P. (National Development)

* Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P. (Trade and Consumer Protection)

* Cde. H.O. Jack, M.P. (Energy and Mines) (Absent)

* Cde. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General (Justice)

* Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P. (Foreign Affairs)

* Cde. J.A. Tyndall, A.A., M.P. (Agriculture)

* Cde. S.A. Moore, M.P. (Home Affairs)

* Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P. (Education) (Absent)

Ministers (13)

Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, J.P., M.P. (Environment and Water Supply in the Ministry of Public Welfare)

Cde. U.E. Johnson, M.P. (Co-operatives)

Cde. J.N. Maitland-Singh, M.P. (Consumer Protection, in the Ministry of Trade and Consumer Protection)

Cde. S. Prashad, M.P. (Crops and Livestock, in the Ministry of Agriculture)

Cde. Sallahuddin, M.P. (Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance)

Cde. R.S. Williams, M.P. (Fisheries, in the Ministry of Agriculture)

* Cde. C.A. Nascimento, M.P. (Mechanical Equipment, in the Ministry of Works and Transport) (Absent)

* Cde. F.U.A. Campbell, M.P. (Information)

* Cde. F.U.A. Carmichael, M.P. (Forestry, in the Ministry of Agriculture)

* Cde. Y.V. Harewood-Benn, M.P. (Public Service) (Absent - on leave)

* Cde. H. Rashid, M.P. (Office of the President)

* Cde. R.C. Van Sluytman, M.P. (Drainage and Irrigation, in the Ministry of Agriculture)

* Cde. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P. (Health, in the Ministry of Public Welfare) (Absent)

Ministers of State (3)

- Cde. M. Corrica, M.P. (Culture, in the Ministry of Education, Social Development and Culture)
- Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P. (Youth and Sport, in the Ministry of National Development)
- * Cde. C.E. Wright, M.P. (Construction, in the Ministry of Works and Transport) (Absent)

Parliamentary Secretaries (3)

- Cde. A. Bend-Kirton, M.P. (Women's Affairs and Housing)
- Cde. P.A. Rayman, M.P. (Office of the Prime Minister)
- * Cde. E.M. Bynoe, M.P. (Office of the Prime Minister)(Absent on leave)

Other Members (23)

- Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P.
- Cde. M. Ally, M.P.
- Cde. M. Armogan, M.P.
- Cde. B. Beniprashad, M.P.
- Cde. B. Bhaggan, M.P.
- Cde. J.B. Caldeira, M.P.
- Cde. A.A. Chin, M.P.
- Cde. E.B. Davidson, M.P.
- Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.
- Cde. A.B. Felix, M.P.
- Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
- Cde. P. Fredericks, M.P.
- Cde. E.F. Gilbert, M.P.
- Cde. J. Gill, M.P.
- Cde. A. McRae, M.P.
- Cde. J.M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.
- Cde. R.N. Primo, M.P.
- Cde. C.G. Sharma, J.P., M.P.
- Cde. H.L.B. Singh, M.P.
- Cde. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., M.P.
- Cde. B. Tiwari, M.P.
- Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P.
- Cde. H.B. Walcott, J.P., M.P. (Government Chief Whip

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

- Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P.
- Cde. B. Latchminarayan, M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

- Cde. K.N. Jones, M.P. (Region No. 1 Barima/Waini)
- Cde. K.V. Jairam, M.P. (Region No. 2 Pomeroon/Supenaam) Cde. C.A. Singh, M.P. (Region No. 3 Essequibo Islands/West Demerara)
- Cde. W. Bipat, M.P. (Region No. 4 Demerara/Mahaica)
- Cde. H.I. London, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 5 Mahaica/Berbice)
- Cde. I. Chowritmootoo, M.P. (Region No. 6 East Berbice/Corentyne)
- Cde. N.R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 Cuyuni/Mazaruni)
- Cde. D. Abraham, M.P. (Region No. 8 Potaro/Siparuni)
- Cde. A. Dorrick, M.P. (Region No. 9 Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo) (Absent)
- Cde. D. Hinds, M.P. (Region No. 10 Upper Demerara/Berbice)

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Members of the Minority (12)

(i) People's Progressive Party (10)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P. (Absent - on leave)

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Ram Karran, M.P.

Other Members (8)

Cde. J. Jagan, M.P.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Minority Chief Whip

Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.

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

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P.

Cde. I. Basir, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.

Cde. Dalchand, J.P., M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

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

Mr. M.A. Abraham, M.P.

<u>OFFICERS</u>

Clerk of the National Assembly, Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A. Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly, Cde. M.B. Henry

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to -

- (a) Cde. Moore for that sitting, and
- (b) Cde. Bynoe for 5th and 6th March, 1981

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION - APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1981

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1981.

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 91 MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT was passed as printed at ... \$5,561,700

Page Column

Substitution of "Chainman" for 227 Head "Chairman" against item (72) of

subhead 1.

MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION XXXIII

> was passed as printed at ... \$4,439,000

HEAD 92 REGION No. 1 BARIMA/WAINI was passed

> as printed at ... \$1,483,300

••• **\$** 410,000 DIVISION XXXIII:1 REGION 1 was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at

with the following corrections:-

Column <u>Page</u>

232 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2,3,4, and 5 appropriately.

Insertion of code numbers 124,001; 124,002; 124,003; Code No.

124,004; and 124,005 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:1 Deletion of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v). Total in

last line to read Total Division XXXIII:1.

HEAD 93 REGION No. 2 - POMERCON/SUPENAAM was

> passed as printed at \$2,587,000

DIVISION XXXIII:2 REGION 2 was passed as printed at 910,000

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

236 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2,3,4,5 and 6

appropriately,

Insertion of code numbers 140,001; 140,002; 140,003; Code No.

140,004: 340,005 and 140,006 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:2 Deletion of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi). Total

to read Total Division XXXIII:2.

HEAD 94 REGION No. 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST

> DEMERARA was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at

with the following correction:-

Pa<u>q</u>e Column

239 Code No. Changing of Head Code numbers from 1099 to 101.

DIVISION XXXIII: 3 REGION 3 was passed as printed at \$2,834,000

with the following corrections:-Page Column

240 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2,3,4 and 5 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 141,001; 141,002; 141,003;

141,004 and 141,005 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:3 Deletion of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v). Total

Division XIII:3 to read Total Division XXXIII:3.

HEAD 95 REGION No. 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA was

> passed as printed at ... \$5,457,600

\$5,703,000 - REGION 4 was passed as printed at DIVISION XXXIII: 4 with the following corrections:-

Page Column

244 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9

appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 142,001; 142,002; 142,003;

142,004; 142,005; 142,006; 142,007; 142,008 and

142,009 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:4 Deletion of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (viii)

and (ix). Total to read Total Division XXXIII:4.

Head 96 - REGION No. 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE was passed

\$1,882,000 as <u>printed</u> at

... \$ 314,000 \sim REGION 5 was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at DIVISION XXXIII:5

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

Subhead No. 247 Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2 and 3 appropriately.

Insertion of code numbers 143,001; 143,002 and Code No.

143,003 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:5 Deletion of (i), (ii) and (iii). Total to read

Total Division XXXIII:5

HEAD 97 - REGION No. 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE was

> passed as printed at ... \$4,797,900

DIVISION XXXIII:6 - REGION 6 was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at **...** \$1,275,000

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

251 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 144,001; 144,002; 144,003;

144,004; 144,005 and 144,006 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:6 Deletion of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi). Total

to read Total Division XXXIII:6.

HEAD 98 - REGION No. 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI was passed

... \$1,690,700 as <u>printed</u> at

DIVISION XXXIII:7 → REGION 7 was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at ... \$ 102,000

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

254 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2 and 3 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 145,001; 145,002 and

. 145,003 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:7 Deletion of (i), (ii) and (iii). Total to read Total Division XXXIII:7.

HEAD 99 - REGION No. 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI was

> ••• \$ 854,200 passed as printed at

DIVISION XXXIII:8 REGION 8 was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at ... \$ 124,000

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

256 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1 and 2 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 146,001 and 146,002

appropriately.

Division XXXIII:8 Deletion of (i) and (ii). Total to read Total

Division XXXIII:8.

HEAD 100 REGION 150. 9 - UPPER TAKUTU/UPPER

ESSEQUIBO was passed as printed at ... \$1,439,600

DIVISION XXXIII:9 REGION 9 was passed as printed at ... \$ 129,000

with the following corrections:-

<u>Page Column</u>

259 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1 and 2 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 147,001 and 147,002

appropriately.

Division XXXIII:9 Deletion of (i) and (ii). Total to read Total Division

XXXIII:9.

HEAD 101 REGION No. 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/

BERBICE was passed as printed at ... \$ 902,800

DIVISION XXXIII:11 REGION 10

The following corrections were made

to the Head:-

Page Column

262 Subhead No. Insertion of subhead numbers 1,2 and 3 appropriately.

Code No. Insertion of code numbers 148,001; 148,002 and

148,003 appropriately.

Division XXXIII:ll Division XXXIII:ll to read Division XXXIII:lO.

Deletion of (i), (ii) and (iii). Total to read

Total Division XXXIII:10.

Explanatory Notes Division XXXIII:11 to read XXXIII:10.

Thereafter, on a motion by Cde. Clarke, Senior Minister(Regional Development), the Head was amended as follows:

Page Column

262 Subhead No. Insertire of a new subhead numbered 4.

Code No. Against subhead 4, insertion of code number 148,004.

Division XXXIII:10 Against subhead 4, insertion of new subhead to

read Rehabilitation of Primary and Secondary Schools.

Total Against subhead 4, insertion of amount of \$500,000

and changing of total to read \$744,000 instead of

\$244,000.

Other Finance Ditto.

Explanatory Notes Against subhead 4, insertion of a legend reading

ాం rehabilitate school buildings in the Linden Area.

DIVISION XXXIII: 10 ••• \$ 744,000 REGION 10 was <u>passed</u> as <u>amended</u> at

MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT HEAD 14

> was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at \$ 8,500,000

HEAD 79 TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION was

> \$ 3,950,000 passed as printed at

with the following correction:-

Page Column

Establishment 1981 Against item (1), changing of figure 1 to read 2

and total to read 90 instead of 89.

DIVISION XXIX MINISTRY OF TRADE AND CONSUMER

> PROTECTION was passed as printed at ••• with the following correction:-241,000

Page Column

138 Code No. Codo number to read 112,001 instead of 134,001

HEAD 80 MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY was passed

\$100 as <u>printed</u> at

HEAD 33 MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINING was

> 950,000 passed as printed at • • •

Assembly resumed.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

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

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.30 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply and resumed consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for 1981.

In Committee of Supply

MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES was DIVISION XX

passed as printed at \$11,055,000

with the following corrections:-

Page Column

84 Division XX Division XX Ministry of Energy and Mines to read

Division XX Ministry of Energy and Mining.

Explanatory Notes Ditto.

Total Deletion of amount of \$250,000 shown against subhead 2.

Other Finance Ditto.

Explanatory Notes Against subhead 2, changing of legend to read Transferred

to Division XII:6 instead of See note below. Deletion of

note referred to.

HEAD Page 9	Code No.	SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE was passed as printed at with the following correction:— Against subhead 1, changing of code number to read 006,0001.	•••	\$1,	319,100		
HEAD 5		MAGISTRATES was passed as printed at	t ••• \$1, 639,800				
HEAD	9	OMBUDSMAN was passed as printed at	•••	\$	44,300		
HEAD	12	PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$	300,200		
НЕАД	18	ATTORNEY GENERAL was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$1,	,384,000		
HEAD	19	OFFICIAL RECEIVER was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$	153,300		
HEAD	20 -	DEEDS REGISTRY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$	3 6 9,800		
HEAD	17	MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS was passed as printed at	\$16,500,000				
DIVISION IX		MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS was passed as printed at	\$ 1,200,000				
HEAD 27		MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at with the following corrections:-	••• \$ 2,642,800				
Page	Column						
55	Establishment 1981	Against item (1), changing of figure total to read 136 instead of 132.	l to	reat	4 5 and		
	Explanatory Notes	Against item (1), insertion of a lege Four additional offices created.	inst item (1), insertion of a legend to read (1) additional offices created.				
HEAD	28	AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$ 8	,821,900		
HEAD	29	LANDS AND SURVEYS was passed as printed at	•••	\$ 2	2,804,200		
HEAD	30	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE —HYDRAULICS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$ 4	1,852,400		
DIVISION XII		MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at with the following correction:-	•••	\$43	3,618,000		
Page Column							
69	Total	Against subhead 16, changing of amount of \$1,660,000 to read \$500,000.					
DIVIS	SION XII:1	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - IDB PROJECT ABARY RIVER WATER CONTROL PROJECT (M.M was passed as printed at with the following corrections:-		\$ 55	5,000,000		

Page	Colu <u>m</u> n	
70	Total	Against subhead 1, changing of amount of \$38,899,000 to read \$38,999,000.
	Other Finance	Against subhead 1, changing of amount of \$14,431,000 to read \$14,430,000.
	1980 Revised	
	Estimates to 1978 Actual	Deletion of all figures•
DIVISION XII:3		MINISTRY OF AGRICULTUR& - SECOND SEA DEFENCE PROJECT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at \$ 130,000
DIVISION XII: 4		MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE IBRD PROJECTS - TAPAKUMA IRRIGATION PROJECT was passed as printed at ••• \$14,400,000
DIVIS	ION XII:5	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - TAPAKUMA IRRIGATION PROJECT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at \$14,300,000
HEAD 31		FORESTRY was passed as printed at \$ 100
DIVISION XII:6		MINISTRY OF FORESTRY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at \$ 250,000 with the following corrections:-
Page	Column	
76	Subhead No.	Insertion of 1 appropriately.
	Code No.	Code number to read 139,001 instead of 1. Total Division XX to read Total Division XII:6
HEAD 12		MINISTRY OF FISHERIES was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at \$ 100
DIVISION XIX -		MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - FISHING was passed as printed at 220,000 with the following corrections:-
Page	Column	
78	Code No.	Against subheads 1,2 and 3, insertion of code numbers 136,001; 136,002 and 136,003 respectively.
	Division XIX Ministry of Agriculture Fishing to read Division XIX Ministry of Fisheries.	
	Explanatory Notes	Ditto.
Assemb	oly resumed.	

Assembly resumed.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 6.30 p.m. the sitting was suspended.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 8.00 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

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

HEAD 21		MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS was passed as printed at	•••	\$2,026,500				
HEAD 22		POLICE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	•••	\$29,610,800				
HEAD	23	PRISONS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	• • •	\$3,373,400				
HEAD 24		FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES was passed as printed at	•••	\$2,907,000				
HEAD 25		REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS WAS passed as printed at	•••	\$1,463,400				
HEAD 26		REGISTRATION, IMMIGRATION, BIRTH ETC. was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at with the following correction:-	•••	\$ 237,200				
Page	Page Column							
53	Head 26	Against item (2) changing of salary scale to read A25 instead of A2O and insertion of a legend to read (2) Office reclassified.						
DIVISION X1		PRISONS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at with the following corrections:—		\$3,100,000				
Page Column								
54	Division XI	Instead of Division XI Prisons, changing of Division to read Division XI Ministry of Home Affairs.						
	Explanatory Notes	Ditto.						
	Other Finance	Against subhead 4 changing of am read \$700,000.	ount of	\$400,000 to				
69	Total	Against subhead 16, changing of to read \$500,000.	amount o	f \$1, 660,000				
HEAD 16		MINISTRY OF INFORMATION was <u>pass</u> as <u>printed</u> at	<u>ed</u>	25 ,675,600				
DIVISION VIII		MINISTRY OF INFORMATION was unde consideration when the proceedin were interrupted to enable the Vice-President (Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relation to move the suspension of Standi Order No. 9 (1).	gs s)					
SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 9 (1)								

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 9 (1)

At 10.00 p.m., on a motion by the Vice-President (Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relations), Standing Order No. 9 (1) was suspended to enable the Assembly to sit beyond 10.00 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTIMATES

DIVISION VIII MINISTRY OF INFORMATION Was

Assembly resumed.

Cde. Hoyte, Vice-President (Economic Planning and Finance), reported to the Assembly that the Committee of Supply had considered and had approved of the Estimates of Expenditure for 1981 with increases to two Heads and one Division as follows:

Head 34 Labour \$1,382,100 had been increased by \$387,000 and had been passed at \$1,769,100.

Head 51 Plant Maintenance and Mire Division \$5,250,100 had been increased by \$1,732,000 and had been passed at \$6,982,100.

Division XXXIII:11 - Region 10 - \$244,000 had been increased by \$500,000 and had been passed at \$744,000.

The Estimates as presented at \$1,176,678,000 had been increased by \$2,619,000 and had been passed at \$1,179,297,000.

Thereafter, the motion for the approval of the Estimates $\mathbf{w_{38}}$ amended as follows:

(1) Resolve Clause

<u>Substitution</u> of the words "one billion, one hundred and seventynine million, two hundred and ninety-seven thousand dollars" for "one billion, one hundred and seventy-six million, six hundred and seventy-eight thousand dollars".

(ii) Schedule:

- (a) Head 34 Labour:
 Substitution of "\$1,769,100" for \$1,382,100",
- (b) Head 51 Plant Maintenance and Hire Division:

 <u>Substitution</u> of "\$6,982,100" for "\$5,250,100".
- (c) Division XXXIII: 11 Region 10:
 Substitution of \$744,000" for "\$244,000".
- (d) (i) Substitution of "\$423,028,300" for "\$420,909,300" in the total of the Current Estimates and \$429,075,000" for \$428,575,000" for the total of the Capital Estimates.
 - (ii) <u>Substitution</u> of "\$852,103,300" for "\$849,484,300" for the net sum granted•

The motion as amended was then put and carried.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 12

With the leave of the Speaker under Standing Order No. 83, and on a motion by Cde. Ramsaroop, Vice-President (Parliamentary Affairs and Party/ State Relations), Standing Order No. 12 was suspended to enable Cde. Hoyte, Vice-President (Economic Planning and Finance), to introduce the Appropriation Bill 1981 (Bill No. 2/1981 published 5.3.81).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

APPROPRIATION BILL 1981 - Bill No. 2/1981 published 5.3.81.

Cde. Hoyte, Vice—President (Economic Planning and Finance), on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A Bill intituled An Act to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sum necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the Consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the financial year ending 31st December, 1981, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly, and for the appropriation of that sum for specified purposes, in conformity with the Constitution.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

- Second and Third Readings

In accordance with article 171 (2) of the Constitution, Cde. Hoyte, Vice—President (Economic Planning and Finance), signified Cabinet's recommendation and moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sum necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the Consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the financial year ending 31st December, 1981, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly, and for the appropriation of that sum for specified purposes, in conformity with the Constitution.

The motion was put and carried.

The Bill was then read a second time and was, thereafter, read the third time and $\underline{\text{passed}}$ as $\underline{\text{printed}}_{ullet}$

ADJOURNMENT.

At 10.11 p.m., on a motion by the Vice—President (Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relations), the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE, Public Buildings, Georgetown• 16th March, 1981•