

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

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ORDER PAPER

61ST SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 1970

AT 2.00 P.M.

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MOTION

Assembly to resume the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1970, totalling \$173,448,058.

(See motion at Appendix to Order Paper for sitting on 29th December, 1969).

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MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 61st 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

FRIDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 1970

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. R.B. Gajraj, C.B.E., J.P.:

(a) Members of the Government

(i) Ministers

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, Q.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 H.D. Hoyte, Q.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 H. Green, Minister of Works and
Hydraulics

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

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

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

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

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. O.E. Clarke, Deputy Speaker
 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. E.H.A. Fowler
 Mrs. P.A. Limerick
 Mr. S.M. Saffee
 Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman
 Mr. C.E. Wrights
 Mr. M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P.

(b) Members of the Opposition

Mr. Ram Karran
 Mr. R. Chandisingh
 Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye
 Mr. D.C. Jagan
 Mr. G.H. Lall
 Mr. M.Y. Ally
 Mr. R.D. Persaud, J.P.
 Mr. R. Ally
 Mr. E.L. Ambrose
 Mrs. L.M. Branco
 Mr. Balchand Persaud
 Mr. Bholu Persaud
 Mr. V. Teekah
 Mrs. E. DaSilva
 Mr. J.A. Sutton

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

Absent

The Honourable M. Kasim, Minister of Communications - on leave
 The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister of Trade
 The Honourable D.A. Singh, Minister of Housing and Reconstruction - on leave
 The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, Kt., C.M.G., Q.C., Attorney-General and Minister of State
 The Honourable M.W. Carter, Minister of Information and Culture
 The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister without Portfolio
 Dr. the Honourable Sylvia Talbot, Minister of Health
 Mr. M. Corrica - on leave
 Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition - on leave
 Mr. E.M.G. Wilson
 Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P. - on leave
 Mr. E.M. Stoby - on leave
 Mr. I. R. Remington, J.P.
 Mrs. R.P. Sahoye
 Mr. M.F. Singh - on leave
 Mr. R.E. Cheeks

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKERLeave

His Honour the Speaker announced that -

- (a) leave had been granted to Mr. Stoby for the 8th and 9th of January;
- (b) an extension of leave had been granted to Mr. M.F. Singh to 20th January.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONMOTION TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1970

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1970, totalling \$173,448,058 (excluding \$22,125,994 which is chargeable by law). (See motion at Appendix to Minutes for sitting of 22nd December, 1969).

Mr. Haynes and Mr. Ambrose spoke to the motion.

Mr. Ram Karran 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 4.35 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Mr. Ram Karran concluded his speech.

Thereafter the Minister of Finance replied

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE

His Honour the Speaker informed the Assembly that he understood that the consideration of the Estimates in Committee of Supply would commence on Monday, 12th January, but he proposed that the Report of the Business Sub-Committee should be considered in the Committee of Supply at that sitting.

Assembly agreed and resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

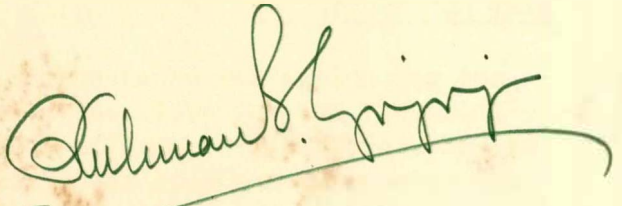
The Chairman of the Business Sub-Committee of the Committee of Supply (His Honour the Speaker) reported, in accordance with paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 64, that the Business Sub-Committee met that afternoon and passed a resolution in terms of the matters set out in paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 64. He informed the Members that copies of the Resolution and the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee had been circulated to Members.

After the report, and on a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Committee of Supply agreed with the Business Sub-Committee in the said Resolution.

Assembly resumed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.30 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Education (leader of the House), the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 12th January, 1970.



RAHMAN B. GAJRAJ

Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.

12th January, 1970.