NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 25TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION (2001 - 2002) OF THE EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 9th MAY, 2002

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

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By the Minister of Housing and Water:

National Policy on Land and House Lot Distribution.

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MOTIONS

1. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 1/2002

Assembly to resolve itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

The Minister of Finance to signify the recommendation or consent of the Cabinet and to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Assembly approve of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 1/2002 - Supplementary Estimates (Current and Capital) totalling \$ 276,590,960, for the period 10th November, 2001 to 31st December, 2001 - Advances made from the Contingencies Fund.

(Paper presented on 2002-03-15)

BILLS - Second Reading

2. ENERGY SECTOR (HARMONISATION OF LAWS) BILL 2002 - Bill No. 1/2002 published 2002-03-11

The Prime Minister to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to harmonise laws governing regulatory functions in the restructured electricity and energy sectors. (Read a first time on 2002-03-15)

3. GUYANA TOURISM AUTHORITY BILL 2002 - Bill No. 2/2002 published 2002-03-11

The Minister of Tourism, Industry and Commerce to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the Authority to define its functions and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Read a first time on 2002-03-15)

4. MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 2002 - Bill No. 3/2002 published 2002-03-11

The Minister of Home Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

(Read a first time on 2002-03-15)

MOTIONS

5. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEE TO REVIEW PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approves of the establishment of a Special Select Committee to review the public holidays appointed by the Public Holidays Act, Chapter 19:07, with a view to including as public holidays, the following days, namely -

Independence Day, that is to say, the 26th May, or, if that day is a Sunday, the following day, and

Arrival Day, that is to say, the 5th May, or, if that day is a Sunday, the following day.

(Notice Paper No. 9 (M8 Govt 6) published 2002-04-26)

6. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION OF INQUIRY RE: MATTERS CONCERNING GUYANA POLICE FORCE

Mrs. Deborah J. Backer to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Guyana Police Force is statutorily charged with the responsibility of crime detection and prevention and has since its establishment faithfully fulfilled its mandate in the face of difficult circumstances and should be so recognised and applauded;

AND WHEREAS despite the dedicated and gallant efforts of the overwhelming majority of ranks within the Police Force to fulfil the mandate, the conduct of some Policemen, particularly of the Target Special Squad, popularly known as the Black Clothes Police, continue to engage in extra-judicial killings, brutality, corruption and high handedness in relations with the public;

AND WHEREAS allegations of such brutality and extra-judicial killings have gone without proper or no investigation and prosecution and have been met with silence by the Guyana Police Force hierarchy, the Government and civil society:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly in expressing general satisfaction and appreciation to the Police Force strongly condemn the high incidence of extra-judicial killings, abuse and mistreatment of citizens and call on the President to forthwith establish a Commission of Inquiry into the Leadership functions and effectiveness of the Guyana Police Force to make recommendations thereon which will redound to the benefit of the Guyana Police Force in particular and citizenry in general.

(Notice Paper No. 5 (M4 Opp 1) published 9.8.2001)

BILLS - Second Reading

7. WATER AND SEWERAGE BILL 2002 - Bill No. 4/2002 published 2002-03-23

The Minister of Housing and Water to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the ownership,
management, control, protection and conservation of water
resources, the provision of safe water, sewerage services and
advisory services, the regulation thereof and for matters incidental
thereto or connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 2002-03-26)

*8. SEVENTH PARLIAMENT OF THE CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA (CONSTITUTION AND PROCEEDINGS) VALIDATION BILL 2001 Bill No. 5/2001 published 17.5.2001

The <u>Minister of Parliamentary Affairs</u> to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to validate the constitution and proceedings of the Seventh Parliament of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, constituted pursuant to the declaration on 19th day of December, 1997 of the results of the national and regional elections, and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Read a first time on 24.5.2001)

Clerk of the National Assembly

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.

2nd May, 2002

^{*}Not to be proceeded with at this Sitting