NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 42ND SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND SESSION (2002-2004) OF THE EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 9th DECEMBER, 2004

IN THE CONVENTION CENTRE, OCEAN VIEW INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, LILIENDAAL, GREATER GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS

OATH OF A NEW MEMBER -

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT -

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER -

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

By the Minister of Finance:

(i) The Constitutional Offices (Remuneration of Holders) (No. 2) Order 2004.

(To be Circulated)

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(ii) The Ministers, Members of the National Assembly and Special Offices (Emoluments)
 (No. 2) Order 2004.

(To be Circulated)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS-

For Written replies

1. <u>LEGISLATION TO REGULATE THE FUNCTIONING OF COMMUNITY</u> <u>POLICING IN GUYANA</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following question:

Does the Government have a plan to introduce legislation to regulate the functioning of community policing in Guyana, and if so, when? (Notice Paper No. 125 (Q62 Opp61) published on 2004-10-26)

2. <u>PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONRY FOR THE SPECIAL WEAPONS AND</u> <u>TACTICS TEAM</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following question:

When does the Government intend to procure the weaponry and equipment to be used by the Special Weapons and Tactics team recently trained? (Notice Paper No. 126 (Q63 Opp62) published on 2004-10-26)

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3. <u>CITIZENS AFFECTED BY CRIME ON THE EAST COAST OF DEMERARA</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following question:

Can the Hon. Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) say what plans, if any, are in place to issue firearm licences to citizens affected by crime on the East Coast of Demerara?

(Notice Paper No. 127 (Q64 Opp63) published on 2004-10-26)

4. <u>RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE TO VILLAGES ON THE EAST COAST OF</u> <u>DEMERARA AFFECTED BY CRIME</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following question:

Does the Government intend to treat all villages along the East Coast of Demerara as vulnerable to crime and therefore in need of assistance, or to concentrate on providing relief and assistance to a selected few?

(Notice Paper No. 128 (Q65 Opp64) published on 2004-10-26)

5. VIOLENT CRIME ON THE EAST COAST OF DEMERARA

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following question:

What measures will the Government take to reduce the incidence of violent crime on the East Coast of Demerara?

(Notice Paper No. 130 (Q67 Opp66) published on 2004-10-26)

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6. **<u>GUYANA FIRE SERVICE</u>**

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Home Affairs (a.g.) the following questions:

Can the Hon. Minister say:

- (i) What, if any, are the plans to immediately improve the material capability of the Guyana Fire Service to address fires destroying dwellings and businesses alike?
- (ii) Does the Government intend to purchase a fire boat or boats?
- (iii) How many fire tenders are in operation in Georgetown?
- (iv) Will the Government establish fire stations on the East Coast and East Bank of Demerara?

(Notice Paper No. 141 (Q78 Opp77) published on 2004-10-26)

7. ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs the following question:

Can the Hon. Minister say what the cost of litigation is to date, and the estimated cost, of the Arbitration proceedings before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, and how the Government intends to meet this cost? (Notice Paper No. 152 (Q89 Opp88) published on 2004-10-26)

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8. <u>GUYANA/SURINAME BOUNDARY ISSUE(S)</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs the following question:

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What forms of third party involvement does the Government approve of to have the Guyana/Suriname boundary issue(s) resolved amicably and expeditiously? (Notice Paper No. 153 (Q90 Opp89) published on 2004-10-26)

9. <u>APPOINTMENT OF A PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED</u> <u>NATIONS.</u>

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs the following question:

Can the Hon. Minister say why since his appointment as Minister of Foreign Affairs in 2001, a new Permanent Representative to the United Nations on behalf of Guyana has not been appointed; and if no hindrances exist, when such appointment will be made?

(Notice Paper No. 154 (Q91 Opp90) published on 2004-10-26)

10. GOVERNMENT'S POSITION AND STRATEGY VIS-A-VIS HAITI

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs the following question:

What are the underpinning consideration that inform the Government's position and strategy vis-a-vis Haiti, and what is envisaged in terms of Guyana/Haiti and Haiti/CARICOM relations in the near future?

(Notice Paper No. 155 (Q92 Opp91) published on 2004-10-26)

11. CONSTRUCTION OF THE DEEDS REGISTRY - GEORGETOWN

Mr. Raphael Trotman to ask the Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs the following questions:

- (i) What is the final cost of the construction of the Deeds Registry, Georgetown, will be?
- (ii) When the current construction works at the Deeds Registry, Georgetown are likely to conclude?

(Notice Paper No. 142 (Q79 Opp78) published on 2004-10-26)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS -

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS -

<u>REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY ON</u> <u>DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE</u> -

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

MINISTRY OF HEALTH BILL 2004 - Bill No. 24/2004

The Minister of Health, on behalf of the Government, to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to continue the Ministry with responsibility for Health and for matters connected therewith.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTIONS

1. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 2/2004

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. 2/2004 - Supplementary Estimates(Current and Capital) totalling \$1,187,695,200 for the period 2004-07-29 to 2004-11-15.

(Notice Paper No. 165 (M62 Govt57) published on 2004-11-30) (Paper presented on 2004-11-29)

2. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 3/2004

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. 3/2004 - Supplementary Estimates (Capital) totalling \$1,599,782,306 for the period ending 2004-12-31.

(Notice Paper No. 166 (M63 Govt58) published on 2004-11-30) (Paper presented on 2004-11-29)

3. <u>PROTOCOL AND RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT THE 90TH SESSION OF</u> <u>THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE HELD IN JUNE, 2002</u>

The Minister of Labour, Human Services and Social Security to move the following motion:

WHEREAS as a member state of the International Labour Organisation, Guyana is obligated to examine Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted by the International Labour Conference in accordance with Article 19 of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation;

AND WHEREAS Article 19 states that all Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted by the International Labour Conference must be submitted to the Competent Authority of members' states whether ratification of such Conventions is contemplated or not;

AND WHEREAS the submission of Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted at sessions of that Conference should always be accompanied or followed by a statement or proposal setting out the Government's view as to the action to be taken on the instruments;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana, proposes to use the provisions of the Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted from time to time by the International Labour Conference as aims of policy and to ratify those Conventions which are in keeping with the social philosophy of the Guyanese society.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly approve the conclusion set out in the State Paper on the undermentioned Protocol and Recommendations adopted at the 90th Session of the International Labour Conference held in June, 2002;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the decision of this National Assembly be conveyed to the Director General of the International Labour Organisation:

- (i) Protocol of 2002 to the Occupational Safety and Health Convention 1981.
- (ii) Promotion of Cooperatives Recommendation, 2002, No. 193.
- (iii) The List of Occupational Diseases Recommendation, 2002, No. 194.

(Notice Paper No. 79 (M28 Govt26) published on 2003-11-19)

BILL - Second Reading

4. AGE OF CONSENT BILL 2004 - Bill No. 22/2004 published on 2004-11-29

The Minister in the Ministry of Labour, Human Services and Social Security to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Criminal Law (Offences) Act and the Marriage Act. (Read a first time on 2004-11-29)

BILL - Report from Select Committee and Third Reading

*5. <u>COMBATING OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS BILL 2004 - Bill No. 12/2004</u> published on 2004-07-27

The Minister in the Ministry of Labour, Human Services and Social Security to move:

- That the report of the Special Select on the Combating of Trafficking in Persons Bill 2004, be adopted, and
- (ii) That the Combating of Trafficking in Persons Bill 2004 be read a third time and passed as amended.

*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

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BILL - Second Reading

*6. <u>CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (No. 3) BILL 2003 - Bill No. 10/2003</u> published on 2003-07-04

The <u>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</u> to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled AN ACT to alter the Constitution in accordance with articles 66 and 164.
(Read a first time on 2003-07-10)

MOTION

*7. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 1/2004

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. 1/2004 - Supplementary Estimates (Capital) totalling \$330,000,000 for the period ending 2004-12-31.

(Notice Paper No. 118 (M59 Govt55) published on 2004-09-29) (Paper presented on 2004-08-05)

Clerk of the National Assembly

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,

Public Buildings,

Georgetown.

2nd December, 2004.

*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting