NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 59TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND SESSION

(2002-2005) OF THE EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 14TH APRIL, 2005 IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, BRICKDAM, 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.

(1) By the Minister of Health:

Report of the Special Select Committee on the Ministry of Health Bill 2004 - Bill No.24 /2004.

(Circulated)

(2) By the <u>Chairman of the Special Select Committee on the Geographical Constituency Seats:</u>

Report of the Special Select Committee on the Geographical Constituency Seats.

(To be Circulated)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS-

For Oral Replies:

1. VALIDATION BILL - BILL NO. 5/2001

Mrs. Sheila Holder to ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs the following question:

*Would the Minister say what is the status of Bill No. 5/2001 published 17.5.2001 titled Seventh Parliament of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana (Constitutional and Proceedings) Validation Bill?

(Notice Paper No. 89 (Q53 Opp53) published on 2004-02-02)

2. **REGIONAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**

Mrs. Sheila Holder to ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs the following question:

*Would the Minister say when Members of the National Assembly who are representing geographical constituencies were sent their copies of the Fiscal Management and Accountability Bill, which was debated and passed in the National Assembly on the 15th December, 2003?

(Notice Paper No. 90 (Q54 Opp54) published on 2004-02-02)

For Written Replies:

3. MEASURES TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ILLEGAL FIREARMS

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

What measures will the Government introduce to reduce the number of illegal firearms in circulation?

(Notice Paper No. 132 (Q69 Opp68) published on 2004-10-26)

4. ACQUISITION OF PATROL BOATS AND AIRCRAFT FOR THE GUYANA POLICE SERVICE

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

What plans are there to acquire patrol boats and aircraft for use by the Guyana Police Service?

(Notice Paper No. 135 (Q72 Opp 71) published on 2004-10-26)

5. **AIR-WING OF THE GUYANA POLICE FORCE**

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

When will the air-wing of the Guyana Police Force be established? (Notice Paper No. 136 (Q73 Opp72) published on 2004-10-26)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS-

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS-

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

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILL - Report from Select Committee and Third Reading

- 1. MINISTRY OF HEALTH BILL 2004 Bill No. 24/2004 published on 2004-12-02

 The Minister of Health to move:
 - (i) That the report of the Special Select Committee on the Ministry of Health Bill 2004, be adopted, and
 - (ii) That the Ministry of Health Bill 2004 be read a third time and passed as amended.

BILL - Second Reading

2. <u>VALUE-ADDED TAX BILL 2005 - Bill No. 3/2005 published on 2005-03-12</u>

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the imposition and collection of Value-Added Tax.

(Read a first time on 2005-03-10)

BILL - Report from Select Committee and Third Reading

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

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stage(s) of the following Bill, after the Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Criminal Law (Offences) Act and the Marriage Act.

(Read a first time on 2004-11-29)

(Read a second time on 2004-12-09 and committed to a Special Select Committee)

MOTION

*4. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDER NO. 73(5)

The Assembly to resume the debate on the following Motion, after the Standing Orders Committee has reported thereon:

WHEREAS Standing Order 73(5) provides that the deliberations of a Select Committee shall be held in private;

AND WHEREAS the said Standing Order also applies to Standing and Sectoral Committees;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the deliberations of some Committees be held in public or in private if they so decide.

RESOLVED that,

- Standing Order 73(5) be amended to provide that meetings of the Sectoral Committees and the Public Accounts Committee be held in public except where the said Committees determine otherwise;
- 2. The said amendment be effected by:
 - (a) deleting the fullstop at the end of Standing Order 73(5) and replacing it by a colon;
 - (b) adding the following at the sentence as a new paragraph:

"Provided that (a) the deliberations of the Sectoral Committees and the Public Accounts Committee shall be held in public except where these Committees determine otherwise; (b) meetings of the Parliamentary Management Committee shall not be held in public".

3. After the amendment the Standing Order will read as follows:

"The deliberations of a Select Committee shall be in private and shall be confined to the matter referred to it by the Assembly and any extension or limitation thereof made by the Assembly and, in the case of a Select Committee on a Bill to the Bill committed to it and relevant amendments";

Provided that:

- (a) the deliberations of the Sectoral Committees and the Public Accounts

 Committee shall be held in public except where these Committees

 determine otherwise;
- (b) deliberations of the Parliamentary Management Committee shall not be held in public.

(Notice Paper No. 170 (M65 Govt60) published on 2004-12-10)

(Referred to Standing Orders Committee on 2004-12-16 in accordance with Standing Order 82(3))

BILL - Second Reading

*5. CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (No. 3) BILL 2003 - Bill No. 10/2003 published on 2003-07-04

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs 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

*6. 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)

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7th April, 2005.