NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 69TH 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, 4th AUGUST, 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 <u>Prime Minister</u>:

Defence Board Report pursuant to Resolution 50/2004, dated 21st October, 2004, of the National Assembly on the Deployment of GDF Troops overseas on a Humanitarian Mission in Grenada.

(To be Circulated)

(2) By the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs:

Memorandum of Understanding for the support of the next General Elections in Guyana between the Government of Guyana, the Guyana Elections Commission and Donors.

(Circulated)

(3) By the Minister of Local Government and Regional Development:

Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development Annual Report for 2004.

(To be Circulated)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

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

Presentation and First Reading

AMERINDIAN BILL 2005 - Bill No. 13/2005

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the recognition and protection of the corrective rights of Amerindian Communities, the grant of land to Amerindian Communities and the promotion of good governance within the Amerindian Communities.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

1. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA, THE GUYANA ELECTIONS COMMISSION AND DONORS

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Government of Guyana is committed to democracy and to free, fair and transparent elections in Guyana;

AND WHEREAS the Donor Governments and Agencies are willing to support Guyana in this democratic process;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana and the Guyana Elections Commission and the Donors entered on Wednesday, 20th July, 2005, into a Memorandum of Understanding which constitutes the basis on which the Donors will support the democratic process in Guyana,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly of the Parliament of Guyana -

- affirms its commitment to the conduct of free, fair and well-managed general and regional elections; and
- takes note of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Guyana and the Donor Community and sees it as an integral part of fulfilling this commitment;

And that we, the Members of the National Assembly, comprising Representatives of the political parties herein, having received the text of the Memorandum:

- do hereby state our support of the Memorandum, our agreement with and support for the undertakings, obligations, and commitments entered into by the parties that are signatories to the Memorandum which we endorse with its Annexes, and our individual and collective agreement with its implementation; and
- pledge to work individually and collectively towards free, fair and transparent elections in 2006, by supporting the enactment of legislation in a timely manner, by taking action to maintain the desired electoral climate, by contributing to confidence building measures.

BILLS - Report from Select Committee and Third Readings

*2. 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)

BILL - Second Reading

*3. 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

*4. 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.

29th July, 2005.