

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 71ST SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST
SESSION (1992-1996) OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON WEDNESDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 1996
IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS

OATH OF A NEW MEMBER -

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT -

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ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE -

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS -

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

1. MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1996

Assembly to resume the debate on the motion for the approval
of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1996.

(Moved by the Senior Minister of Finance on 19.1.96)

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MOTION

2. OPERATIONS OF OMAI GOLD MINES LIMITED

The Prime Minister to move the following motion:

WHEREAS over 19th to 24th August, 1995, there were massive leaks of tailings through the impoundment dam at OMAI;

AND WHEREAS the President proclaimed the Omai and Essequibo Rivers as an Environmental Disaster Zone, and proposed the establishment of a Commission of Inquiry;

AND WHEREAS the National Assembly on 24th August, 1995, unanimously passed a motion, which amongst other things, endorsed the proclamation and the establishment of a Commission of Inquiry;

AND WHEREAS the President appointed this Commission on 7th October, 1995, and the Commission presented its report on 8th January, 1996;

AND WHEREAS this Report was laid in the National Assembly on 19th January, 1996, and has been available for study and review by all and, in particular, the Minister responsible for Mines and Minerals, Officers of the Guyana Geology and Mines Commission, and the Environmental Unit of the Office of the President;

AND WHEREAS the Assembly specifically required that the commercial operations of the Omai Gold Mines Limited remain closed and only recommence on the basis of an examination of the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry and the environmental audit:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly take note of the Report of the Commission of Inquiry and agree that the Operations at Omai Gold Mines Limited should be restarted at the earliest opportunity in accordance with the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry.

(Notice Paper No. 94 (M74 Govt 61) published 30.1.96)

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BILLS - Second Reading

*3. LICENCES (INCREASE OF DUTIES) BILL 1996 - Bill No. 1/1996

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

A Bill intituled AN ACT to
amend certain Acts.
(Read a first time on 29.1.96)

*4. FISCAL ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1996 - Bill No. 2/1996

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

A Bill intituled AN ACT to amend the
Income Tax Act and the Corporation
Tax Act.
(Read a first time on 29.1.96)

*5. MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 1996 - Bill No. 3/1996

The Senior Minister of Finance 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 29.1.96)

MOTION

*6. CONFIRMATION OF THE PURCHASE TAX (MOTOR VEHICLES) (AMENDMENT)
ORDER 1996 (No. 1)

The Senior Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with Section 5A(5) of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 51:02, confirm the Purchase Tax (Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Order 1996 (No. 1), which was made on 19th January, 1996, under, section 5A of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 51:02, and published in an Extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette dated 20th January, 1996.

(Notice Paper No. 93 (M73 Govt 60) published 29.1.96)

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BILLS - Second Reading

- *7. INTEGRITY COMMISSION BILL 1995 - Bill No. 17/1995
published 4.11.95

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs to move the reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the establishment of an Integrity Commission and to make provisions for the purpose of securing the integrity of persons in public life.

(Read a first time on 27.10.95)

- *8. CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (FREE ENTRY OF SKILLED NATIONALS) BILL 1995 -
Bill No. 21/1995 published 30.12.95

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to promote the free entry of skilled nationals of qualifying Caribbean Community States.

(Read a first time on 19.12.95)

- *9. IWOKRAMA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR RAIN FOREST CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
BILL 1995 - Bill No. 22/ 1995 published 30.12.95

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the sustainable management and utilisation of approximately 360,000 hectares of Guyana's Tropical Rain Forest dedicated by the Government of Guyana as the Programme Site for the purposes of research by the Iwokrama International Centre to develop, demonstrate and make available to Guyana and the international community systems, methods and techniques for the sustainable management and utilisation of the multiple resources of the Tropical Forest and the conservation of biological diversity; and for matters incidental thereto.

(Read a first time on 19.12.95)

*Not to be proceeded with at this Sitting.

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*10. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BILL 1995 - Bill No. 20/1995

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the management, conservation, protection and improvement of the environment, the prevention or control of pollution, the assessment of the impact of economic development on the environment, the sustainable use of natural resources and for matters incidental thereto or connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 24.11.95)

*11. TRADE UNION RECOGNITION BILL 1994 - Bill No. 19/1994 published 26.11.94

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 provide for the improvement and promotion of industrial relations by the establishment of procedures for the certifying of trade unions as recognised majority unions and for matters connected therewith.

*12. LAW REFORM (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL 1995 - Bill No. 10/1995 published 20.5.95

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, the Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Act and the Accidental Deaths and Personal Injuries (Damages) Act.

(Read a first time on 22.5.95)

*13. CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1995 - Bill No. 11/ 1995 published 20.5.95

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to effect an alteration to article 142 of the Constitution in accordance with articles 66 and 164 thereof.

(Read a first time on 20.7.95)

F.A. NARAIN

Clerk of the National Assembly

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Public Buildings,
Georgetown
31st January, 1996

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