

GUYANA

No. 37 of 1977.

ORDER

Made Under

THE PUBLIC CORPORATIONS ACT

(Cap. 19:05)

IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS CONFERRED UPON ME BY SECTION 46 OF THE PUBLIC CORPORATIONS ACT, I HEREBY MAKE THE FOLLOWING ORDER:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Guyana International Telecommunications Corporation Order, 1977, and shall come into operation on 25th May, 1977.

Short title and commencement.

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires:—  
“external telecommunication services” means the telecommunication services between Guyana and any place outside Guyana;

Interpretation.

“public communications” means any telecommunications that is available to the public;

“telecommunications” means any electromagnetic transmissions, emission or reception of signs, signals, writing, images and sounds or intelligence of any nature, whether by wire or by radio or with optical effects or otherwise and includes ‘telegraph’ and ‘wireless telegraphy’ as defined in the Post and Telegraph Act.

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3. There is hereby established a public corporation to be known as the Guyana International Telecommunications Corporation

Establishment of the Guyana International Telecommunications Corporation.

Function  
of the Cor-  
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4.(1) It shall be the function of the Corporation —

- (a) subject to sections 61 and 63 of the Post and Telegraph Act and without prejudice to any rights or privileges conferred on any other person under the said Act, to establish, maintain and operate services for the conduct of public communications;
- (b) to carry on the business of public communications by cable, radio telegraph, radio telephone or any other means of telecommunication between Guyana and any other place;
- (c) to make use of all developments in cable and radio transmission or reception for external telecommunication purposes as related to public communication services;
- (d) to conduct investigations and researches with the object of improving the efficiency of telecommunication services generally;
- (e) to coordinate the external telecommunication services of Guyana with the telecommunication services of other nations; and
- (f) to advise the Government on all matters relating to external telecommunications.

(2) For the purpose of carrying out its functions, the Corporation shall have power to amalgamate with, or enter into partnership or any arrangements for sharing profits, union of interests, joint adventure, reciprocal concession or cooperation with, any other external telecommunication undertaking.

Provision for  
training of  
Officers.

5. The Corporation may provide out of its funds and make such arrangements for the training of any of its officers or other employees or other persons as the Corporation may deem necessary for the efficient conduct of the business of the Corporation.

Secrecy.

6. Except for the performance of his functions or when lawfully required to do so by any court or under the provisions of any law, a member or an officer or employee of the Corporation shall not disclose to any person any information which he has acquired in the performance of his functions.

Made this 21st day of May, 1977.

L. F. S. Burnham,  
Prime Minister.