NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYNA FIRST SESSION (2006-2007) NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. 33

WHERERAS Article 197 A(5) of the Constitution provides that the Disciplined Forces Commission may be constituted by the National Assembly;

AND WHEREAS on the 16th May, 2003, the National Assembly passed Resolution No. 21 approving the establishment and terms of reference of a Disciplined Forces Commission – that is the Guyana Police Force, the Guyana Defence Force, the Guyana Prison Service and the Guyana Fire Services, and all their branches, departments and units, focusing on making recommendations for this reform, sustained professional development and structure;

AND WHEREAS the Disciplined Forces Commission was constituted and conducted frequent and extensive hearings;

AND WHEREAS the Disciplined Forces Commission submitted its Interim Report on the Guyana Police Force in the National Assembly on the 11th December, 2003;

AND WHEREAS the Final Report of the Commission was delivered to the Honourable Speaker on 6th May, 2004 and was presented to the National Assembly on 17th May, 2004;

AND WHEREAS by Resolution No. 48 passed on 8th July, 2004, the National Assembly referred the Report of the Disciplined Forces Commission "to a Special Select Committee for review within a period of four months, and thereafter to report to the National Assembly as to the manner in which such of the recommendations which are accepted ought to be implemented including which committee of the National Assembly will monitor such implementation";

AND WHEREAS the Special Select Committee was established on 4th November, 2004 and commenced its deliberations on the Report by inviting the Heads of the Disciplined Forces to share their views on the recommendations pertaining to their agency;

AND WHEREAS the Special Select Committee first examined the recommendations pertaining to the Guyana Police Force and completed a draft preliminary Report in April, 2006, but was unable, owing to the dissolution of the Eighth Parliament on the 2nd May, 2006, to present that interim report;

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED.

That this National Assembly approve of a Special Select Committee being established to conclude the examination of the Report and recommendations of the Disciplined Forces Commission and report to the National Assembly six months from the date of establishment;

FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the newly established Special Select Committee of the Ninth Parliament take cognizance of the work done by the Special Select Committee of the Eighth Parliament that considered the Report and its recommendations.

Passed by the National Assembly on Thursday, 26th July, 2007.

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Clerk of the National Assembly