

RESOLUTION NO. 44

WHEREAS Protocol VII Amending the Treaty Establishing the Caribbean Community signed at Chaguaramas on 4 July, 1973 was signed by ten (10) Heads of Government at the Twentieth Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community which was held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago during the period July 4-7, 1999;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol VII was signed by the Honourable Clement J. Rohee, the Minister of Foreign Affairs on behalf of the Government of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS this Protocol seeks to specifically address Disadvantaged Countries, Regions and Sectors within the context of the Single Market and Economy;

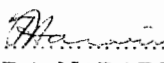
AND WHEREAS Protocol VII Amending the Treaty Establishing the Caribbean Community aims to establish effective mechanisms to assist disadvantaged countries, regions and sectors within the framework of the Treaty as well as a special regime for the less developed countries in order to enhance their prospects for successful competition within the Community, and redress, to the extent possible, any negative impact of the establishment of the CSME;

AND WHEREAS Guyana remains aware that the persistence of disadvantage, may impact adversely on economic and social cohesion in the Caribbean Community;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly hereby agrees to the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community being informed of Guyana's intention to ratify the said Protocol VII by the deposit of an appropriate Instrument of Ratification.

Passed by the National Assembly on 20th July, 2000


F.A. NARAIN
Clerk of the National Assembly