

SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION (1992-1994)

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO 21A

WHEREAS the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community, at a Special Meeting in October, 1992, in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, agreed to the development of a Caribbean Community Charter of Civil Society which would provide a nominative basis for the Community and would deal, inter alia, with matters such as a free press, a fair and open democratic process, the effective functioning of the parliamentary system, morality in public affairs, respect for fundamental civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, the rights of women and children, respect for religious diversity, and greater accountability and transparency in government;

AND WHEREAS a draft of the Charter was considered at the Fourteenth Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government in Nassau, The Bahamas, in July, 1993, and it was agreed to adopt the Charter as prepared as a basis for the holding of consultations on it at the national level, preparatory to the preparation of a final draft of the Charter;

AND WHEREAS Cabinet considered the draft Charter of Civil Society for the Caribbean Community and noted its contents on August 4, 1993;

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly wholeheartedly welcomes the development of the Charter of Civil Society for the Caribbean Community and gives its fullest support to the process of national consultations.

Passed by the National Assembly on 3rd February, 1994.

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F. A. NARAIN

... Clerk of the National Assembly

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RESOLUTION NO.21B

WHEREAS the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community, at a Special Meeting in October, 1992, in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, considered the recommendations of the West Indian Commission on the establishment of a Caribbean Community Supreme Court with original jurisdiction in matters arising under the Treaty of Chaguaramas, including the issuing of orders to facilitate the implementation of Caribbean Community decisions, and with an appellate jurisdiction from the Courts of Member States desirous of abolishing the jurisdiction of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in respect of appeals from the superior Courts of those States;

AND WHEREAS the Conference decided that those Member States desirous of establishing the Court with an appellate jurisdiction should indicate as early as possible and that the matter of an original jurisdiction for the Court should be the subject of an indepth study in order to facilitate the taking of a decision by Member States;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana, at the Fourth Inter-Sessional Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government, in Roseau, Dominica, in March, 1993, supported the establishment of the Court as a Court of Appeal with an appellate jurisdiction only;

AND WHEREAS the Conference noted that the Caribbean Community Supreme Court as an Appellate Court could be established in Trinidad and Tobago by the Member States which are desirous of so doing, namely, Guyana, Barbados, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago;

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly looks forward to the urgent establishment of a Caribbean Court of Appeal in order to provide a final Appellate Court for the determination of appeals from the courts of Guyana.

Passed by the National Assembly on 3rd February, 1994.


F.A. NARIAN

Clerk of the National Assembly

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RESOLUTION NO. 21C

WHEREAS the Twelfth Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community decided in St. Kitts and Nevis, in July, 1991, to establish the Assembly of Caribbean Community Parliamentarians;

AND WHEREAS the Government of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana became a signatory to the Agreement Establishing the Assembly of Caribbean Community Parliamentarians on February 19, 1992, at Kingston, Jamaica;

AND WHEREAS the Government of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, having considered the aforesaid Agreement, confirmed and ratified the same and undertook faithfully to perform the stipulations therein;

AND WHEREAS the President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana signed the Instrument of Ratification on October 8, 1993, which was duly deposited with the Caribbean Community Secretariat, in Georgetown:

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly unanimously welcomes the Establishment of the Assembly of Caribbean Community Parliamentarians and endorses the Government of Guyana's ratification of the aforesaid Agreement;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Assembly gives its full support to the activities of the Assembly of Caribbean Community Parliamentarians.

Passed by the National Assembly on 3rd February, 1994.


F.A. NARAIN

Clerk of the National Assembly