

SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY  
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RESOLUTION NO. 37  
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WHEREAS there is widespread concern over the increase of poverty and hunger and that during this post-Cold War era human development should be accorded the highest priority in national policies and in international development cooperation; and

WHEREAS in December 1992 the United Nations General Assembly, convinced that solving humanitarian problems required international cooperation and harmonization of international action adopted a resolution entitled: "New International Humanitarian Order" urging Governments to provide comments and expertise to the Secretary-General regarding the humanitarian order and to develop international cooperation in the humanitarian field; and

WHEREAS the Commonwealth Heads of Government at their meeting in Cyprus in October 1993 considered the matter "The emergence of a New Global Humanitarian Order" and agreed to establish a high-level intergovernmental group to examine specific ways in which the Commonwealth can contribute to the work of the international community; and

WHEREAS Guyana is a member of that Commonwealth high-level intergovernmental group; and

WHEREAS Guyana introduced an item on the matter at the inter-Sessional Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community at St. Vincent and the Grenadines in March 1994 which agreed to work together at the regional level and in concert with the Commonwealth high-level group to advance the concept globally; and

WHEREAS the Conference of Heads at the said meeting in St. Vincent and the Grenadines supported a proposal by Dr. Carlos Saul Menem, President of the Argentine Republic, to establish an International Volunteer Corps for the Fight against Hunger; and

WHEREAS the President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana Dr. Cheddi Jagan, has written to a number of Heads of State advancing proposals for a development strategy for the eradication of poverty, which took account of certain recommendations of the Human Development Programme, and seeking the support of Heads of State for a global response to these global problems;

RESOLVED That this National Assembly support the call for a global strategy to combat poverty and hunger as a priority in the new Global Humanitarian Order.

Passed by the National Assembly on 27th June, 1994.

  
F.A. NARAIN

Clerk of the National Assembly