

MINUTES of the First Meeting of the Assembly Committee held at 4.15 p.m. on Friday, 15th October, 1965, in the Speaker's Chamber, Public Buildings, Georgetown.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. A.P. Alleyne - Chairman
The Hon. M. Kasim, Minister of Works and Hydraulics
Mr. S. Campbell, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs
Mr. F. Field-Ridley, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works and Hydraulics
Mr. E.V. Viapree, Clerk of the Legislature - Secretary
Mr. F.A. Narain, Assistant Clerk of the Legislature

Absent

The Hon. D. Mahraj, Minister without Portfolio - excused.
Mr. B.H. Benn - on leave (out of the colony)
Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard.

As the Opposition Members of the House of Assembly on the Committee were absent, Mr. A. Chase and Mr. Ram Karran attended the meeting at the invitation of the Chairman.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The purpose of the Meeting was to discuss arrangements concerning the provision of Tea and Refreshments to Honourable Members during the Tea interval at Sittings of the House of Assembly.

Following a discussion on the matter, it was agreed that:-

- (i) The Table in the Lobby at which Members are served Tea, etc., should be removed and placed in the Committee Room and that, in future, Members should have Tea in the Committee Room.
- (ii) Tea will be provided, free of charge, only to all Members of the House of Assembly, the staff of the Legislature (on duty) and Senior Government Officials (on duty).
- (iii) A Member who wishes to have a guest to tea will be required to inform the Clerk of the Legislature in advance to enable him to make the necessary arrangements with the Caterer.
The Member who makes the request will be required to meet the necessary charge, that is, 85 cents each for tea.
- (iv) No provision should be made for Teas for Members of the Press.
- (v) Visitors in the Chamber and Public Gallery, Chauffeurs, Messengers from other Departments, and other persons will not be permitted either in the Committee Room, the Lobby or the Cafeteria during the Tea interval.

Confirmed this 17th day of December, 1965.

A.P. ALLEYNE

Chairman.

E.V. Viapree
Secretary.