

GUYANA

No. 4 of 1983

ORDER

Made Under

THE RATE OF INTEREST ACT

(No. 13 of 1979)

IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS CONFERRED UPON THE MINISTER BY SECTION 6 OF THE RATE OF INTEREST ACT, I HEREBY ORDER AS FOLLOWS:—

1. This Order which amends the Rate of Interest Order\* may be cited as the Rate of Interest (Amendment) Order 1983 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 21st June, 1982.

2. The Principal Order is hereby amended as follows —

- (a) by the deletion from the first column of the Schedule of the words "Insurance Companies" and from the second column thereof of the corresponding entry "10%";
- (b) by renumbering clause 3 as clause 4; and
- (c) by inserting the following clause as clause 3 —

"Rate of interest charged by Insurance Companies on mortgages.

3. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 2 (2) the maximum rate of interest per annum which may be charged, secured or reserved whether directly or indirectly, on a loan secured by a mortgage on movable or immovable property by Insurance Companies in respect of domestic lending shall be ten per cent and in respect of commercial lending shall be fourteen per cent.

\*No 44 of 1982.

(2) In this clause —

“domestic lending” includes lending for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction or repair of a building to be used as a residence by the borrower;

“commercial lending” includes lending for the purpose of financing the construction or repair of a building to be rented either wholly or partly.

(3) Notwithstanding the definitions in paragraph (2) a domestic lending shall be converted into a commercial lending and vice versa if the building or property in respect of which the lending was effected is put to such a use as would change the nature of the lending from one category to the other.”.

Made this 26.h day of January, 1983.

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Economic Planning and Finance.