



Cde. Sallahuddin, M.P.,  
Minister of Forestry (Absent)

Cde. Dr. R. A. Van West-Charles, M.P.,  
Minister of Health and Public Welfare

\*Cde. M.L. Parris, M.P.,  
Minister of Education

Cde. S. Prashad, M.P.,  
Minister of Transport

#### Ministers (5)

Cde. Urmia Johnson, M.P.,  
Minister within the Ministry of National Development (Absent)

Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., (Absent – on leave)  
Minister within the Ministry of Education

Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P.,  
Minister of Manpower and Co-operatives

Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., (Absent)  
Minister of Youth and Sport within the Ministry of Education

\*Cde. Dr. S.P. DaSilva, M.P.,  
Minister within the Ministry of Agriculture (Absent)

#### Ministers of State (3)

Cde. M. Corrica, M.P.,  
Minister of State within the Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection

Cde. H.L.B. Singh, M.S., M.P.,  
Minister of State within the Ministry of Regional Development

Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P.,  
Minister of State in the Ministry of Education (Absent - on leave)

#### Parliamentary Secretaries (2)

Cde. Agnes W. Bend-Kirton-Holder, M.P.,  
Parliamentary Secretary, Housing, within the  
Ministry of Health and Public Welfare

Cde. B. Bhaggan, M.P.,  
Parliamentary Secretary, National Development (Absent)

#### Government Chief Whip (1)

Cde. Bidiawattie Tiwari, M.P.,  
Government Chief Whip

#### Other Members (24)

Cde. O.E. Clarke, M.P.  
Cde. R.E. Williams, M.P.  
Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.  
Cde. J.B. Caldeira, M.P.  
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.  
Cde. M. Ally, M.P.  
Cde. M. Armogan, M.S., J.P., M.P.

\*Non-elected Member

Cde. Bissoondai Beniprashad, M.P.  
Cde. A.A. Chin, M.P. (Absent - on leave)  
Cde. Elaine B. Davidson, M.P.  
Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.  
Cde. A.B. Felix, M.P.  
Cde. Patricia Fredericks, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. E.F. Gilbert, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. A. McRae, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. R.N. Primo, M.P.  
Cde. C.G. Sharma, J.P., M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. Y. Khan, M.P.  
(One seat vacant)

Members from the National Congress of Local Democratic Organs (2)

Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P.  
Cde. Bhagmatee Latchminarayan, M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Dianne Abraham, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)  
Cde. W. Bipat, J.P., M.P. (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica)  
Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)  
Cde. I. Chowritmootoo, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)  
Cde. D. Hinds, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)  
Cde. K.V. Jairam, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)  
Cde. K.N. Jones, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)  
Cde. H.I. London, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)  
Cde. Cora A. Singh, M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Demerara) (Absent)  
(Vacant) (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)

Members of the Minority (12)

(i) People's Progressive Party (10)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P.,  
Minority Leader

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Ram Karran, M.P.,  
Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly (Absent)

Other Members (8)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P.  
Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P.,  
Minority Chief Whip  
Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.  
Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P.  
Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P.  
Cde. I. Basir, M.P.  
Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.  
Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, C.C.H., J.P., M.P. (Absent)  
Mr. M.A. Abraham, M.P.

OFFICERS

Clerk of the National Assembly - Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A.

Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly - Cde. M.B. Henry

PRAYERS

14:05 hrs

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker: Comrades and Honourable Member, I am sure that you would all wish me to place on record and to extend our deepest sympathy to the Cde. Prime Minister Cde. Desmond Hoyte on the very great and tragic loss which he recently had when his two daughters and his sister-in-law were killed in an accident. The Prime Minister's wife received injuries in the accident and his Chaffeur died subsequently. To the Prime Minister, I am sure you would like me on your behalf to extend our heartfelt sympathy and it is our sincere wish that he will be given the strength and comfort to continue with his onerous duties.

We also extend our sympathy to the Prime Minister's wife and our best wishes to her for restoration to good health.

The Prime Minister: Cde. Speaker, I would like to thank you for your kind words.

Congratulations

The Speaker: Comrades and Honourable Member, I am sure you would also wish me to join in extending congratulations and best wishes to Cde. Corbin, Minister of National Mobilisation on his marriage last Saturday to Carol Dawn Elizabeth Ince.

Leave

The Speaker: Leave has been granted to Cde. Haslyn Parris, Cde. Yvonne Harewood-Benn, Cde. Ainsworth and Cde. Chin for today's sitting.

PRESENTATIONS OF PAPERS AND REPORTS

The following Papers were laid:

- (1) Annual Report of the Ministry of Manpower and Co-operatives for the year 1984. / The Minister of Manpower and Co-operatives /.
- (2) Annual Report of the Transport and Harbours Department for the year 1982. / The Minister of Transport /.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

The Leader of the Minority - (Dr. C. Jagan): Cde. Speaker, I wrote you today intimating that I propose at the convenient time to move the suspension of the Standing Orders in order to discuss a matter of urgent public importance - that is the escalating threat to the . . . in the region arising from the continuing acts of hostility by the United States Administration against the

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Government and people of Nicaragua such as the economic embargo that has now been imposed.

Since sending you this letter, I had a telephone conversation with the Minister of Foreign Affairs and he has agreed that at an earlier period he will be prepared to discuss the substantive motion and therefore with your permission I wish to withdraw this application and to table the same motion.

The Speaker: However, Dr. Jagan, leave is granted to have the matter withdrawn but to avoid in future, the nature of this matter – if you really look at the rules that deal with this matter, it says very clearly it must involve the responsibility of the Guyana Government and certainly this would not have qualified.

### PUBLIC BUSINESS

#### NATIONAL SECURITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985

A Bill intituled:

“An Act to amend the National Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act for the purpose of re-enacting Part II thereof with modifications and for certain other purposes. /The Minister of Home Affairs/”

The Speaker: Cde. Thomas

The Minister of Home Affairs (Cde. J. Thomas) – Cde Speaker, as a result of representations made by the Minority Leader on behalf of the People’s Progressive Party, I do not propose to proceed with the second reading of this Bill this afternoon and move that it be postponed.

The Speaker: Cde. Thomas, would you move the adjournment.

### ADJOURNMENT

Resolved: “That this Assembly do now adjourn to Monday June 24, 1985 at 14:00 hrs. /The Minister of Home Affairs/”

Adjourned accordingly at 14:10 hrs.