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# PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES

# OFFICIAL REPORT

# [VOLUME 7]

# PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF GUYANA

Friday, 3rd August, 1973 4th Sitting 2 p.m. MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY Speaker His Honour the Speaker, Mr. Sase Narain, J.P. Members of the Government – People's National Congress (49) Prime Minister (1) The Honourable L. F. S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., (Absent - on leave) Prime Minister Deputy Prime Minister (1) Dr. the Honourable P. A. Reid. Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture Senior Ministers (7) The Honourable H. D. Hoyte, S.C., Minister of Works and Communications \*The Honourable S. S. Ramphal, S.C., Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice (Absent) \*The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation (Absent) \*The Honourable H. O. Jack, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources (Absent) \*The Honourable F. E. Hope, Minister of Finance (Absent \*Dr. the Honourable K. F. S. King. (Absen Minister of Economic Development \*The Honourable S. S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Housing

\* Non-elected Minister

Ministers (5)

- The Honourable W. G. Carrington, Minister of Labour
- The Honourable Miss S. M. Field-Ridley, Minister of Information and Culture
- The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, (Absent on leave) Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House

\*The Honourable Miss C. L. Baird, Minister of Education

- \* Dr. the Honourable O. M. R. Harper, Minister of Health
- Ministers of State (9)
- The Honourable M. Kasim, A.A., Minister of State for Agriculture
- The Honourable O. E. Clarke, Minister of State - Regional (East Berbice/Corentyne)
- The Honourable P. Duncan, J.P., Minister of State - Regional (Rupununi)
- The Honourable C. A. Nascimento, Minister of State, Office of the Prime Minister
- The Honourable M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P., Minister of State - Regional (Essequibo Coast/ Wes: Demerara)
- \*The Honourable C. V. Mingo, Minister of State for Home Affcirs
- \*The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State - Regional (Mazaruni<sub>1</sub> Potaro)
- \*The Honourable A. Salim, (Absent) Minister of State - Regional (East Demerara/West Coast Berbice)
- \* The Honourable F. U. A. Carmichael, Minister of State - Regional (North West)

Parliamentary Secretaries (8)

- Mr. J. R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Housing
- Mr. C. E. Wrights, J.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works and Communications

\*Non-elected Minister

(Absent)

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#### Misr M. M. Ackman,

arliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, and Government Chief Whip

#### Mr. E. L. Ambrose,

Parliamentary Secretary, (Agriculture), Ministry of National Development and Agriculture

# Mr. K. B. Bancroft,

Parliamentary Secretary, (Hinterland), Ministry of National Development and Agriculture

#### Mr. S. Prashad,

Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation

#### Mr. J. P. Chowritmeotoc,

Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education

### Mr. R. H. O. Corbin,

Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation

#### Other Members (18)

Mr. J. N. Aaron Mrs. L. M. Branco Mr. M. Corrica Mr. E. H. A. Fowler Miss J. Gill Mr. W. Hussein Miss S. Jaiserrisingh Mr. K. M. E. Jonas Mr. M. Nissar Dr. L. E. Ramsahove Mr. J. G. Remeon Mrs. P. A. Rayman Mr. E. M. Stoby, J.P. Mr. S. H. Sukhu, M.S., J.P. Mr. C. Sukul, J.P. Mr. H. A. Tavlor Mr. R. C. Van Sluvtman Mrs. L. E. Willems

Members of the Opposition

Liberator Party (2)

Dr. G. Kumar Mr. M. F. Singh, (Deputy Speaker)



## OFFICERS

Clerk of the National Assembly – Mr. F. A. Narain Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly – Mr. M. B. Henry, AMBIM ½.10 p.m.

## [Prayers]

#### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS

#### The following papers were laid;

- (1) (a) Second Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Guyana Rice Corporation for the year ended 31st August, 1971.
  - (b) Reports (4) of the Guyana Marketing Corporation for the years 1964, 1965, 1966 and 1967. [The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture.]
- (2) Report on the Geological Surveys and Mines Department for the year 1972. [The Minister of Information and Culture, on behalf of the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources.]

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS - FIRST READING**

The following Bill was introduced and read the First time: Antibiotics (Amendment) Bill 1973. [The Minister of Health.]

#### ADJOURNMENT

Resolved, That this Assembly do now adjourn until Tuesday, 7th Augus' 1973, at 2 p.m. [Miss Field-Ridley.

Adjourned accordingly at 2.20 p.m.