

THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1973

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 3rd Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

THURSDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1973

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 and Deputy Prime Minister (2)

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., Prime Minister (Absent - on leave)

Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture (Absent)

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 Mobilization (Absent)

# The Honourable H.D. Jack, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources

# The Honourable F.E. Hope, Minister of Finance

# Dr. the Honourable K.F.S. King, Minister of Economic Development

# The Honourable S.S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Housing

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, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House (Absent - on leave)

# 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 (Agriculture)

The Honourable O.E. Clarke, Minister of State (East Berbice/Corentyne)

The Honourable P. Duncan, J.P., Minister of State (Rupununi)

The Honourable C.A. Nascimento, Minister of State (Office of the Prime Minister)

# Non elected Minister

- The Honourable **M. Zaheruddeen**, J.P., Minister of State (Essequibo Coast/West Demerara)
- # The Honourable C.V. Mingo, Minister of State (Home Affairs)
- # The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State (Mazaruni/Potaro) (Absent)
- # The Honourable A. Salim, Minister of State (East Demerara/West Coast Berbice)
- # The Honourable F.U.A. Carmichael, Minister of State (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
- Miss M.M. Ackman, Parliamentary 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 Mobilization
- Mr. J.P. Chowritmootoo, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education
- Mr. R.H.O. Corbin, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives and National Mobilization

Other Members (18)

- Mr. J.N. Aaron
- Mrs. L.M. Branco
- Mr. M. Corrica
- Mr. E.H.A. Fowler
- Miss J. Gill
- Mr. W. Hussain
- Miss S. Jaiserrisingh
- Mr. K.M.E. Jonas
- Mr. M. Nissar
- Dr. L.E. Ramsahoye
- Mr. J.G. Ramson
- Mrs. P.A. Rayman
- Mr. E.M. Stoby, J.P., (Absent)
- Mr. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., J.P.
- Mr. C. Sukul, J.P.
- Mr. H.A. Taylor
- Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman
- Mrs. L.E. Willems

Members of the Opposition - Liberator Party (2)

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

OFFICERS

- Mr. F.A. Narain, Clerk of the National Assembly
- Mr. M.B. Henry, AMBIM, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

- # Non elected Minister

OATHS

The oath of office was made and subscribed by -

- (i) The Honourable S.S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Housing
- (ii) Mr. J.P. Chowritmootoo, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, and
- (iii) Mr. R.H.O. Corbin, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives and National Mobilization

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER(i) Congratulations to new Members

His Honour the Speaker congratulated the Members who made and subscribed the oath of office at that sitting.

(ii) Leave

His Honour announced that leave had been granted to the Prime Minister and to Mr. Ramsaroop up to the 13th of August, 1973.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLSPresentation and First Reading

- (1) TRADE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1973 - Bill No. 14/1973  
published 1.8.73

The Minister of Information and Culture, on behalf of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRADE ORDINANCE, 1958.

- (2) POUNDS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1973 - Bill No. 15/1973  
published 1.8.73

The Minister of State (Home Affairs), on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE POUNDS ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 82.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2.20 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Information and Culture, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 3rd of August, 1973.

S. NARAIN  
Speaker

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