FIRST SESSION

1973

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 5th Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

TUESDAY, 7TH 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 -

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 Mobilization
- The Honourable H.O. 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. Narain, 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

<u>Ministers</u> 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)

The Honourable M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P., Minister of State (Essequibo Coast/West Demerara)

Non elected Minister

- # The Honourable C.V. Mingo, Minister of State (Home Affairs)(Absent)
- # The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State (Mazaruni/Potaro)(Absent)
- # 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 (Hinsterland), 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.

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

NATIONAL SECURITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (MODIFICATION)
BILL 1973 - Bill No. 17/1973 published 7.8.73

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR CERTAIN MATTERS TOUCHING ON NATIONAL SECURITY.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

ITEM 1 - SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER

On a motion by the Minister of Information and Culture the following motion was put and <u>carried:</u>

BE IT RESULVED:

That paragraphs (2) and (3) of Standing Order No. 46 be suspended to enable the Assembly to proceed, at its sitting on the 7th of August, 1973, with the second reading and the remaining stages of the NATIONAL SECURITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (MODIFICATION) BILL 1973 - Bill No. 17/1973.

BILL - Second and Third Readings

ITEM 2 - NATIONAL SECURITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (MODIFICATION) BILL 1973 - Bill No. 17/1973 published 7.8.73

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR CERTAIN MATTERS TOUCHING UN NATIONAL SECURITY.

The Deputy Speaker spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development and Agriculture replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u>.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

At 3.10 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Information and Culture, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the S. NARAIN
Speaker 10th of August, 1973.

PARLIAMENT OFFICE, Public Buildings, Georgetown. 8th August, 1973.