

THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1973 - 1976

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 105th Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

MONDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1976

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Speaker

Cde. Sase Narain, D.R., J.P., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (50)

Prime Minister (1)

Cde. L.F.S. Burnham, S.C., M.P., Prime Minister (Absent)

Deputy Prime Minister (1)

Cde. P.R. Roid, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development (Absent)

Senior Ministers (9)

Cde. H. Hoyto, S.C., M.P., Minister of Economic Development

* Cde. H. Green, M.P., Minister of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation (Absent)

* Cde. H.O. Jack, M.P., Minister of Energy and Natural Resources (Absent)

* Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Finance (Absent)

* Cde. S.S. Naraine, A.M., M.P., Minister of Works and Housing

* Cde. G.A. King, M.P., Minister of Trade and Consumer Protection

* Cde. G.B. Kennard, C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Agriculture (Absent)

* Cde. C.L. Baird, M.P., Minister of Education and Social Development (Absent)

* Cde. F.R. Wills, S.C., M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice (Absent)

Ministers (5)

Cde. W.G. Carrington, M.P., Minister of Labour

Cde. S.M. Field-Ridley, M.P., Minister of Information and Culture (Absent)

Cde. B. Ramsaroop, M.P., Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House

* Cde. O.M.R. Harper, M.P., Minister of Health (Absent)

* Cde. C.V. Minga, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs (Absent)

* Non elected Minister

Ministers of State (9)

- Cde. M. Kasim, A.A., M.P., Minister of State for Agriculture
 Cde. O.E. Clarke, M.P., Minister of State - Regional (East Berbice/Corentyne)
 Cde. P. Duncan, J.P., M.P., Minister of State - Regional (Rupununi) (Absent)
 Cde. C.A. Nascimento, M.P., Minister of State, Office of the Prime Minister
 Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P., Minister of State - Regional (Mazaruni/Potaro) (Absent)
 Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, M.P., Minister of State - Regional (Essequibo Coast/West Demerara)
 * Cde. W. Haynes, M.P., Minister of State for Consumer Protection (Absent)
 * Cde. A. Salim, M.P., Minister of State - Regional (East Demerara/West Coast Berbice) (Absent)
 * Cde. F.U.A. Carmichael, M.P., Minister of State - Regional (North West) (Absent)

Parliamentary Secretaries (6)

- Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of National Development
 Cde. M.M. Ackman, C.C.H., M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, and Government Chief Whip
 Cde. E.L. Ambrose, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture
 Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation
 Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education and Social Development (Absent)
 Cde. M. Corrica, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works and Housing (Absent)

Other Members (19)

- Cde. L.M. Branco, M.P.
 Cde. E.M. Bynoe, M.P.
 Cde. E.H.M. Fowler, M.P.
 Cde. J. Gill, M.P.
 Cde. W. Hussain, M.P.
 Cde. S. Jaiserrisingh, M.P.
 Cde. K.M.E. Jonas, M.P.
 Cde. M. Nissar, M.P.
 Cde. L.E. Ramsahoye, M.P.
 Cde. J.G. Ramson, M.P.
 Cde. P.A. Rayman, M.P.
 Cde. E.M. Stoby, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., J.P., M.P.
 Cde. C. Sukul, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. H.A. Taylor, M.P.
 Cde. R.C. Van Sluytman, M.P.
 Cde. L.E. Willems, M.P.
 Cde. C.E. Wrights, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P., M.P. (Absent)

Members of the Opposition (16)(i) People's Progressive Party (14)Leader of the Opposition (1)

- Cde. C. Jagan, M.P., Leader of the Opposition (Absent)

Deputy Speaker (1)

- Cde. Ram Karran, M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly

Other Members (12)

Cde. J. Jagan, M.P.
Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Opposition Chief Whip
Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.
Cde. C. Collymore, M.P.
Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
Cde. L. Lalbahadur, M.P.
Cde. B. James, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
Cde. R. Ally, M.P.
Cde. Dalchand, J.P., M.P.
Cde. Dindayal, M.P.
Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.

(ii) Liberator Party (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, M.P.
Mrs. E. Da Silva, M.P.

OFFICERS

Clerk of the National Assembly (F... Narain)
Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly (A. Knight)

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to:

- (i) Cde. Chowritmootoo,
- (ii) Cde. Mohamed and
- (iii) Cde. Belgrawe

for that sitting.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILLS - Second and Third Readings

ITEM 1 - RENT CONTROL (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1976 -
Bill 17/1976 published 4.12.76

The Minister of Works and Housing moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE RENT CONTROL (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) ACT 1974.

The following spoke to the motion:

Cde. Collymore
Cde. Janot Jagan
Cde. Ramson
Mrs. Da Silva

The Minister of Works and Housing was replying when the time for the suspension of the sitting was reached.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 4.00 p.m. the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.30 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

The Minister of Works and Housing resumed his ~~speech~~.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 4.40 p.m. the Speaker suspended the sitting for ten minutes.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.50 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

The Minister of Works and Housing concluded his speech.

The motion was then put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was thereafter taken through its remaining stages.

ITEM 2 - FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT AMENDMENT BILL 1976 Bill No. 18 1976 published 4.12.76

The Minister of Economic Development moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT
ACT.

The following spoke to the motion:

Cde. N. Persaud
Mr. Singh

The Minister of Economic Development replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.06 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.



S. NARAIN
Speaker