

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1969

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

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

FRIDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1969

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. R.B. Gajraj, C.B.E., J.P.

(a) Members of the Government

(i) Ministers

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, Q.C.,
Prime Minister
Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Minister
of Finance
The Honourable R.J. Jordan, Minister
of Agriculture and Natural Resources
The Honourable H.D. Hoyte, Minister
of Home Affairs
The Honourable N.J. Bissember, Minister
of Trade and Parliamentary Affairs
The Honourable C.M.L. John, Minister
of Local Government
The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister
of Labour and Social Security
Mrs. the Honourable S.M. Patterson,
Minister of Education
The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister
of Housing and Reconstruction
The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, Q.C., C.M.G.,
Attorney-General and Minister of State
The Honourable M.W. Carter, Minister of
Information
The Honourable H. Green, Minister of
Works and Hydraulics
The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister
without Portfolio
Dr. the Honourable S.E. Talbot, Minister
of Health

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

Mr. P. Duncan, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Local Government
Mr. J.G. Joaquin, O.B.E., J.P.,
Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry
of Finance
Mr. W. Haynes, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Works and Hydraulics
Mr. A. Salim, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture and
Natural Resources
Mr. J.R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary,
Office of the Prime Minister

(iii) Other Members

Mr. J.N. Aaron
Miss M.M. Ackman
Mr. K. Bancroft
Mr. J. Budhoo, J.P.
Mr. L.I. Chan-A-Sue
Mr. E.F. Correia
Mr. E.H.A. Fowler
Mrs. P.A. Limerick
Mr. S.M. Saffee
Mr. D.A. Singh
Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman
Mr. C.E. Wrights
Mr. M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P.

(b) Members of the Opposition

Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition
Mr. Ram Karran
Mr. R. Chandisingh
Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye
Mr. D.C. Jagan
Mr. E.M.G. Wilson
Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P.
Mr. G.H. Lall
Mr. M.Y. Ally
Mr. R.D. Persaud, J.P.
Mr. E.M. Stoby
Mr. R. Ally
Mr. E.L. Ambrose
Mrs. L.M. Branco
Mr. Balchand Persaud
Mr. Bholu Persaud
Mr. I. Remington, J.P.
Mrs. R.P. Sahoye
Mr. V. Teekah
Mr. M.F. Singh

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

Absent

The Honourable M. Kasim,
Minister of Communications - on leave
Mr. O.E. Clarke, Deputy Speaker - on leave
Mr. M. Corrica - on leave
Mr. R.E. Cheeks
Mr. P.S. d'Aguiar
Mr. C.V. Too-Chung

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

His Honour the Speaker announced that -

(i) Leave

Leave had been granted to Mr. Kasim from 21st to 23rd February, 1969.

(ii) Visit of Their Excellencies the Rt. Hon. Roland Michener, Governor-General of Canada and Mrs. Michener

After the Welcome Ceremony at the Public Buildings on Monday, the 17th of February, 1969, on the occasion of the State Visit to Guyana, of the Rt. Hon. Roland Michener, C.C., C.D., Governor-General of Canada, and Mrs. Michener, Their Excellencies were invited to the Parliament Chamber where Members of the National Assembly and their wives or husbands were presented to them. Thereafter, gifts were presented to Their Excellencies by His Honour on behalf of the National Assembly.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.(i) By the Speaker, Chairman, Committee of Selection

Minutes of the First, Second and Third Meetings of the Committee of Selection held on 5th, 12th and 19th February, 1969.

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(ii) By the Minister of Finance

- (a) Loan Agreement (Education Project) between Guyana and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development - Dated January 31, 1969 - Loan Number 583 GUA.

(4/2/5/2) (Circulated).

- (b) Development Credit Agreement (Education Project) between Guyana and International Development Association - Dated January 31, 1969 - Credit Number 139 GUA.

(4/2/5/2)(Circulated).

PUBLIC BUSINESSBILL - Second ReadingMISCELLANEOUS ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL,
1969 - Bill No. 2/1969 published on 15.2.69

On a motion by the Minister of Home Affairs, Standing Order No. 46(3) was suspended to enable the Assembly to proceed with the second reading of the Miscellaneous Enactments (Amendment) Bill, 1969, at that sitting.

The Minister of Home Affairs then moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND
CERTAIN ENACTMENTS.

Dr. Jagan and Mr. Balchand Persaud spoke to the motion.

Mr. Stoby was speaking to the motion when the time for the suspension of the sitting was reached.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

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

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.35 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

Mr. Stoby concluded his speech.

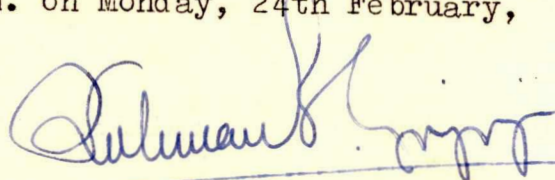
Mr. Bholu Persaud, Mr. R. Ally, Mr. Chandisingh and Mr. Lall spoke to the motion.

BUSINESS FOR THE NEXT SITTING

Before the adjournment was taken, the Minister of Trade and Parliamentary Affairs announced that the debate on the second reading of the Miscellaneous Enactments (Amendment) Bill, 1969 would be resumed at the next sitting, and that it was agreed that the Assembly would sit until 10.00 o'clock that night.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.29 p.m. on a motion by the Minister of Trade and Parliamentary Affairs, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 24th February, 1969.



RAHMAN B. GAJRAJ

SPEAKER

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
Georgetown.

24th February, 1969