

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1969

MINUTES of the proceedings of the 27th 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

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE, 1969

PRESENT:

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

(a) Members of the Government

(i) Ministers

Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Deputy Prime Minister  
and Minister of Finance  
The Honourable M. Kasim, Minister of Communications  
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 B. Ramsaroop, Minister of Housing and  
Reconstruction  
The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister without Portfolio

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

Mr. P. Duncan, Parliamentary Secretary,  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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. O.E. Clarke, Deputy Speaker  
Mr. E.F. Correia  
Mr. M. Corrica  
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

Mr. Ram Karran  
 Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye  
 Mr. D.C. Jagan  
 Mr. G.H. Lall,  
 Mr. E.M. Stoby  
 Mr. R. Ally  
 Mr. E.L. Ambrose  
 Mrs. L.M. Branco  
 Mr. Balchand Persaud  
 Mr. Bhola Persaud  
 Mr. V. Teekah  
 Mr. J.A. Sutton

Clerk of the National Assembly (Ag.) - Mr. M.D. Henry  
 Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly (Ag.) - Mr. R.H. Fraser

Absent

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, Q.C.,  
 Prime Minister  
 The Honourable R.J. Jordan, Minister of  
 Agriculture and Natural Resources - on leave  
 The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister  
 of Labour and Social Security - on leave  
 Mrs. the Honourable S.M. Patterson,  
 Minister of Education  
 The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, C.M.G., Q.C.,  
 Attorney-General and Minister of State  
 The Honourable M.W. Carter,  
 Minister of Information  
 The Honourable H. Green, Minister of  
 Works and Hydraulics  
 Dr. the Honourable Sylvia Talbot, Minister  
 of Health  
 Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition - on leave  
 Mr. R. Chandisingh - on leave  
 Mr. E.M.G. Wilson  
 Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P.  
 Mr. M.Y. Ally - on leave  
 Mr. R.D. Persaud, J.P. - on leave  
 Mr. I.R. Remington, J.P.  
 Mrs. R.P. Sahoye - on leave  
 Mr. R.E. Cheeks  
 Mrs. E. DaSilva - on leave  
 Mr. M.F. Singh - on leave

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKERLeave

His Honour the Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Mrs. DaSilva for that day's sitting.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

By the Minister of Finance:

Financial Paper No. 6/1969 - Schedule of  
Supplementary Provision on the Current  
and Capital Estimates for the period  
ending 30th June, 1969, totalling  
\$5,220,983.

(2/5 II)(Circulated)

In terms of Standing Order No. 69(1), the Minister named  
Monday, 30th June, 1969, as the day for consideration of the  
Financial Paper.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTION

ITEM 1 - MOTION TO EXTEND THE PERIOD DURING WHICH PART II OF  
NATIONAL SECURITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT,  
1966, SHALL BE IN FORCE

The Minister of Home Affairs moved the following motion:

WHEREAS it is provided by subsection (1) of  
section 14 of the National Security (Miscellaneous  
Provisions) Act, 1966, that no provisions of Part II  
of the said Act shall be in force after the expiration  
of a period of eighteen months commencing with the  
date of its enactment;

AND WHEREAS the said subsection provides that  
the said period may, before its expiration, be  
extended by resolution of the National Assembly for  
not more than one year at a time;

AND WHEREAS by Resolution No. XXXIV the  
National Assembly resolved that the said Part II  
shall be in force for a further period of one year  
commencing on 28th June, 1968;

AND WHEREAS the said period will expire on  
27th June, 1969:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the period during which Part II  
of the National Security (Miscellaneous  
Provisions) Act, 1966, shall be in force  
be extended for one year commencing on 28th  
June, 1969.

Mr. Jagan and Mr. Sutton spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Home Affairs replied.

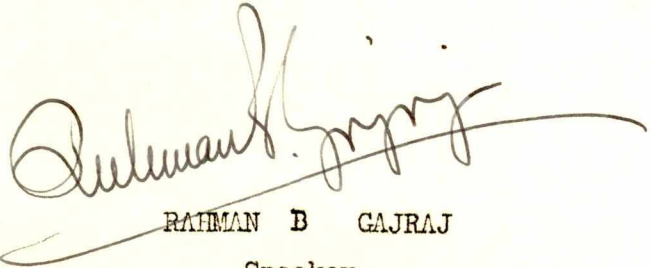
The question was then put and carried.

BUSINESS FOR NEXT SITTING

Before the adjournment was taken, the Minister of Trade and Parliamentary Affairs announced that at the next sitting, the Assembly would proceed with the second reading of the Consumption Tax Bill, 1969 (Bill No. 13/1969 published on 19.6.69).

ADJOURNMENT

At 2.32 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Trade and Parliamentary Affairs, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, 26th June, 1969.



RAHMAN B GAJRAJ  
Speaker.

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.

26th June, 1969.