

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1969 - 1970

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 63rd 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

TUESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1970

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, Deputy Prime Minister
and Minister of Finance
The Honourable R.J. Jordan, Minister of Agriculture
and Natural Resources
The Honourable M. Kasim, Minister of Communications
The Honourable H.D. Hoyte, Q.C., Minister of Home
Affairs
The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister of Labour
and Social Security
The Honourable Miss S.M. Field-Ridley, Minister of
Education (Leader of the House)
The Honourable D.A. Singh, Minister of Housing and
Reconstruction
The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister without Portfolio

(ii) Parliamentary Secretaries

Mr. J.G. Joaquin, O.B.E., J.P.,
Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance
Mr. P. Duncan, Parliamentary Secretary,
Office of the Prime Minister
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
Mr. C.V. Mingo, Parliamentary Secretary,
Ministry of Local Government

(iii) Other Members

Mr. D.E. Clarke, Deputy Speaker
 Mr. J.N. Aaron
 Miss M.M. Ackman
 Mr. K. Bancroft
 Mr. N.J. Bissember
 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. R.C. Van Sluytman
 Mr. C.E. Wrights
 Mr. M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P.

(b) Members of the Opposition

Mr. Ram Karran
 Mr. R. Chandisingh
 Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye
 Mr. D.C. Jagan
 Mr. E.M.G. Wilson
 Mr. G.H. Lall
 Mr. M.Y. Ally
 Mr. R.D. Persaud, J.P.
 Mr. R. Ally
 Mr. E.L. Ambrose
 Mr. Balchand Persaud
 Mr. Bhola Persaud
 Mr. I.R. Remington, J.P.
 Mrs. R.P. Sahoye
 Mr. V. Teekah
 Mr. J.A. Sutton

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

Absent:

The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister
 of Trade - on leave
 The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, Kt., C.M.G., Q.C.,
 Attorney-General and Minister of State
 The Honourable M.W. Carter, Minister of
 Information and Culture
 The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Works
 and Hydraulics
 Dr. the Honourable Sylvia Talbot, Minister
 of Health
 Mr. M. Corrica - on leave
 Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition - on leave
 Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P. - on leave
 Mr. E.M. Stoby
 Mrs. L.M. Branco
 Mrs. E. DaSilva - on leave
 Mr. M.F. Singh - on leave
 Mr. R.E. Cheeks

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 as she was still indisposed.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONMOTION TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1970

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to resume consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1970, totalling \$173,448,058 (excluding \$22,125,994 which is chargeable by law). (See motion at Appendix to Minutes for sitting of 22nd December, 1969).

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 20	-	MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS - POLICE was passed as printed ...	at	...	\$ 7,942,995
HEAD 25	-	MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT was passed as printed at ...			814,672
DIVISION XII	-	MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT was passed as printed at ...			200,000

Assembly resumed.SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At. 4.40 p.m. the sitting was suspended for tea.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 5.17 p.m. the sitting was resumed with His Honour the Deputy Speaker in the Chair.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to continue consideration of the estimates of expenditure.

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 21	-	MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS - PRISONS was passed as printed at	...	\$ 1,103,066
HEAD 22	-	MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS - FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES was passed as printed at	...	969,772
HEAD 23	-	MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS - PRINTERY was passed as printed at	...	762,244

HEAD 24 - MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS -
 PROBATION AND WELFARE
 SERVICE was passed as
 corrected at ... \$ 381,812

Assembly resumed.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 6.40 p.m. the sitting was suspended.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

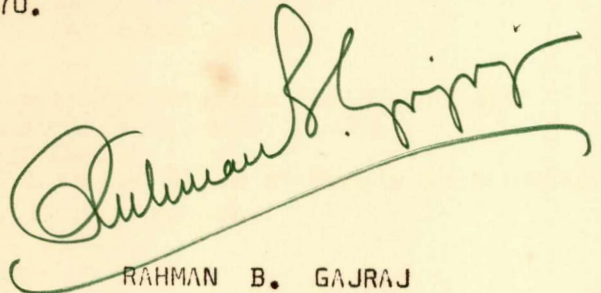
At 8.06 p.m. the sitting was resumed with His Honour the
 Speaker in the Chair.

DIVISION XI	-	MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS was passed as printed at	...	972,000
HEAD 26	-	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES was passed as corrected at	...	1,043,960
HEAD 27	-	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES - AGRICULTURE was passed as printed at	...	4,539,333

Assembly resumed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10.40 p.m., the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on
 Wednesday, 14th January, 1970.



RAHMAN B. GAJRAJ

Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
 Public Buildings,
 Georgetown.

14th January, 1970.