

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

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FIRST SESSION

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ORDER PAPER

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65TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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THURSDAY, 15TH JANUARY, 1970

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AT 2.00 P.M.  
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MOTION

1. Assembly to resume consideration in Committee of Supply of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1970, totalling \$173,448,058.

(See motion at Appendix to Order Paper  
for sitting on 29th December, 1969).

BILL - Second Reading

- # 2. The Minister of Finance to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO SANCTION CERTAIN  
EXPENDITURE INCURRED DURING THE YEAR ENDED  
ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1968, IN PURSUANCE  
OF ARTICLE 112(3) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF  
GUYANA.

(Bill No. 1/1970)

# Not to be proceeded with at this sitting.

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MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 65th 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

THURSDAY, 15TH 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 B. Ramsaroop, Minister of Trade

The Honourable D.A. Singh, Minister of Housing and  
Reconstruction

The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, Kt., C.M.G., Q.C.,  
Attorney-General and Minister of State

The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Works,  
Hydraulics and Supply

(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, Hydraulics and Supply

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. O.E. Clarke, Deputy Speaker  
 Mr. J.N. Aaron  
 Miss M.M. Ackman  
 Mr. J. 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

Dr. C.B. Jagan, Leader of the Opposition  
 Mr. Ram Karran  
 Mr. R. Chandisingh  
 Dr. F.H.W. Ramsahoye  
 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  
 Mrs. L.M. Branco  
 Mr. Balchand Persaud  
 Mr. Bholu Persaud  
 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 M.W. Carter, Minister of  
 Information and Culture  
 The Honourable H.O. Jack, Minister  
 without Portfolio  
 Dr. the Honourable Sylvia Talbot,  
 Minister of Health  
 Mr. M. Corrica - on leave  
 Mr. D.C. Jagan - on leave  
 Mr. A.M. Hamid, J.P. - on leave  
 Mr. E.M. Stoby  
 Mr. I.R. Remington, J.P.  
 Mrs. E. DaSilva - on leave  
 Mr. M.F. Singh - on leave  
 Mr. R.E. Cheeks

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

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 32 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
was passed as printed at ... \$ 277,947
- HEAD 33 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS -  
POST OFFICE was passed as  
printed at ... 2,673,674
- HEAD 34 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS -  
TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS was  
under consideration when the  
time for the suspension of  
the sitting was reached.

Assembly resumed.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

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

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.34 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

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

- HEAD 34 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS -  
TRANSPORT AND HARBOURS was  
passed as printed at ... \$2,600,000
- HEAD 35 - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS -  
CIVIL AVIATION was passed  
as printed at ... 458,399
- DIVISION XV - MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
was passed as printed at ... 7,154,000

At this stage the Chairman (His Honour the Speaker), informed the Committee that further consideration of the estimates would be continued on Monday, 19th January, 1970.

Assembly resumed.



PRESENTATION OF WEDDING GIFT TO THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION  
(LEADER OF THE HOUSE), THE HONOURABLE MISS SHIRLEY FIELD-  
RIDLEY, AND THE MINISTER OF WORKS, HYDRAULICS AND SUPPLY, THE  
HONOURABLE HAMILTON GREEN

As that was the last sitting before the wedding of the Leader of the House, the Honourable Miss Shirley Field-Ridley, Minister of Education, and the Honourable Hamilton Green, Minister of Works, Hydraulics, etc, which was due to take place on the following day, Friday, the 16th of January, 1970, His Honour the Speaker took the opportunity of extending to the two Ministers heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the future.

On the invitation of His Honour, the Leader of the Opposition, the Prime Minister, and Mr. Sutton, joined in associating themselves and their Parties with the remarks. Mr. Teekah also spoke.

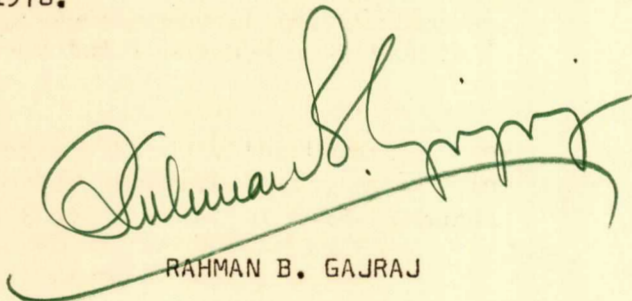
In replying, the Leader of the House and the Minister of Works, Hydraulics, etc., both thanked His Honour and the Members of the Assembly for their congratulations, good wishes and advice.

On behalf of Members, Officers and himself, His Honour presented a Salver to the couple who expressed thanks.

His Honour the Speaker and Members of the Assembly also extended congratulations to Mr. R.D. Persaud on his birthday which was the following day.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6.30 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Education (Leader of the House), the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 19th January, 1970.



RAHMAN B. GAJRAJ

Speaker

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.

19th January, 1970.