

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE 5TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST
SESSION (2006) OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD
AT 2.00 P.M.
ON THURSDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 2006
IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, BRICKDAM

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (71)

Speaker (1)

The Hon. Hari. N. Ramkarran, S.C., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

Members of the Government (42)

(i) People's Progressive Party/Civic (41)

(ii) The United Force (1)

The Hon. Samuel A.A. Hinds, M.P., (Region No. 10 – Upper Demerara/Upper Berbice),
Prime Minister and Minister of Public Works and Communications

The Hon. Clement J. Rohee, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs

The Hon. Shaik K.Z. Baksh, M.P., Minister of Education

The Hon. Dr. Henry B. Jeffrey, M.P., Minister of Foreign Trade and International Cooperation
(Absent)

The Hon. Dr. Leslie S. Ramsammy, M.P., (Region No. 6 – East Berbice/Corentyne),
Minister of Health

The Hon. Carolyn Rodrigues-Birkett, M.P., (Region No. 9 – Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo),
Minister of Amerindian Affairs

*The Hon. Dr. Ashni K. Singh, M.P., Minister of Finance

*The Hon. S. Rudolph Insanally, O.R., C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs (Absent – on leave)

The Hon. Harry Narine Nawbatt, M.P., Minister of Housing and Water

***Non-elected Minister**

The Hon. Robert M. Persaud, M.P., Minister of Agriculture

The Hon. Dr. Jennifer R.A. Westford, M.P., (Region No. 7 – Cuyuni/Mazaruni),
Minister of Public Service

The Hon. Kellawan Lall, M.P., Minister of Local Government and Regional Development

*The Hon. Doodnauth Singh, S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (Absent)

The Hon. Dr. Frank C.S. Anthony, M.P., Minister of Culture, Youth and Sport

The Hon. Brindley H.R. Benn, M.P., Minister of Transport and Hydraulics

**The Hon. Manzoor Nadir, M.P., Minister of Labour

The Hon. Priya D. Manickchand, M.P., (Region No. 5 – Mahaica/Berbice),
Minister of Human Services and Social Security

The Hon. Dr. Desrey Fox, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Education

The Hon. Dr. Bheri S. Ramsaran, M.D., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health

The Hon. Jennifer I. Webster, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Finance

The Hon. Manniram Prashad, M.P., Minister of Tourism, Industry and Commerce

Mr. Donald Ramotar, M.P.

Ms Gail Teixeira, M.P.

Mr. Harripersaud Nokta, M.P.

Mrs. Indranie Chandarpal, M.P., Chief Whip

Ms Bibi S. Shadick, M.P. (Region No. 3 – Essequibo Island/West Demerara)

Mr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali, M.P.

Mr. Albert Atkinson, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 8 – Potaro/Siparuni)

***Non-Elected Minister**

****Elected Member from the United Force**

Mr. Komal Chand, C.C.H., J.P., M.P., (Region No. 3 – Essequibo Island/West Demerara)

Mr. Bernard C. DeSantos, S.C., M.P., (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mrs. Shirley V. Edwards, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mr. Mohamed F. Khan, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 2 – Pomereroon/Supernaam)

Mr. Odinga N. Lumumba, M.P.

Mr. Moses V. Nagamootoo, J.P., M.P.

Mr. Mohabir A. Nandlall, M.P.

Mr. Neendkumar, J.P., M.P.

***Mr. Steve P. Ninvalle, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary

Mr. Parmanand P. Persaud, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 2 – Pomereroon/Supernaam)

Mrs. Philomena Sahoye-Shury, C.C.H., J.P., M.P., Parliamentary Secretary (Absent)

***Mrs. Pauline Sukhai, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary (Absent)

Mr. Dharamkumar Seeraj, M.P.

Mr. Norman A. Whittaker, M.P., (Region No. 1 – Barima/Waini)

Members of the Opposition (28)

(i) Members of People's National Congress Reform-One Guyana (22)

Mr. Robert Corbin, M.P., Leader of the Opposition

Mr. Winston Murray, C.C.H., M.P.

Mrs. Clarissa S. Riehl, M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly

Mr. E. Lance Carberry, M.P., Chief Whip (Absent – on leave)

Mrs. Deborah J. Backer, M.P.

Mr. Anthony Vieira, M.P.

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***Non-elected Member

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Mr. Basil Williams, M.P.

Dr. George A. Norton, M.P.

Mrs. Volda A. Lawrence, M.P. (Absent – on leave)

Mr. Keith Scott, M.P.

Ms Amna Ally, M.P.

Mr. James McAllister, M.P.

Mr. Dave D. Danny, M.P., (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mr. Aubrey C. Norton, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mr. Ernest B. Elliot, M.P., (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mrs. Judith David-Blair, M.P., (Region No.7 – Cuyuni/Mazaruni)

Mr. Mervyn Williams, M.P., (Region No. 3 – Essequibo Island/West Demerara)

Ms Africo Selman, M.P.

Dr. John Austin, M.P., (Region No. 6 – East Berbice/Corentyne)

Ms Jennifer Wade, M.P., (Region No. 5 – Mahaica/Berbice)

Ms Vanessa Kissoon, M.P., (Region No. 10 – Upper Demerara/Upper Berbice) (Absent – on leave)

Mr. Desmond Fernandes, M.P., (Region No. 1 – Barima/Waini)

(ii) Alliance For Change (5)

Mr. Raphael G.C. Trotman, M.P.

Mr. Khemraj Ramjattan, M.P.

Mrs. Sheila V.A. Holder, M.P.

Ms Chantalle L. Smith, M.P., (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Mr. David Patterson, M.P.

(iii) Guyana Action Party/Rise Organize and Rebuild (1)

Mr. Everall N. Franklin, M.P.

OFFICERS

Mr. Sherlock E. Isaacs, Clerk of the National Assembly

Mrs. Lilawattie Coonjah, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

COMMENCEMENT OF SITTING

The sitting commenced at 2.10 p.m.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read the prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker made the following announcement:

“This is an appropriate time to set out the principles which should apply in making amendments to Bills and Motions in the National Assembly.

1. Amendments must be made in writing.
2. Amendments must be presented in the usual format in accordance with the Standing Orders so as to give clear indication of (a) the words to be deleted; (b) the words to be added; (c) the words to be substituted for words to be deleted.

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3. Notice of amendment must be given in sufficient time to enable Members to consider them.
4. Simple amendments which require little or no time for consideration by Members, or for which there is no objection, will be accepted if delivered to the Clerk one hour before the convening of the National Assembly.
5. Amendments which will require some study by Members or which are likely to generate discussion, disagreement or debate must be delivered to the Clerk before 10.00 a.m. on the day on which the debate is to take place.
6. Substantial or complex amendments as in the case of the Motion on the National Development Strategy must be delivered to the Clerk before 10.00 a.m. on the day before the debate is to take place in the National Assembly.
7. Amendments which alter, add to or substitute resolve clauses will be permitted in accordance with our practice as occurs in many Parliaments, including the House of Commons. However, an amendment which alters the nature of the Motion or Bill will not be allowed.”

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Oral Reply

1. GOVERNMENT'S POLICY WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF STATE PROPERTY

Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Hon. Prime Minister

*Will the Hon. Prime Minister state what is the policy of the Government of Guyana in relation to the use of state property by the governing political party for election campaigns and other political activities?

(Notice Paper No. 7 (Q6 Opp6) published on 2006-10-20)

Answer:

The policy of the Government is that State property is not available to the governing political party for election campaigns and other political activities. The Ministers, the Prime Minister and the President, who continue to be in office during the election campaign, continue to enjoy that which was available to them for personal use, personal security and protection.

Written Replies**2. LEGISLATION TO REGULATE COMMUNITY POLICING**

Member Asking: Mr. Raphael Trotman, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Home Affairs

Can the Minister say whether the Government is prepared to introduce legislation to define and regulate the concept of community policing?

(Notice Paper No. 17 (Q15 Opp15) published on 2006-11-13)

Answer:

The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs wishes to inform the Honourable Member that there are no immediate plans to introduce legislation to define and regulate the concept of Community Policing.

3. CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PRISON OUT OF GEORGETOWN

Member Asking: Mr. Raphael Trotman, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Home Affairs

Could the Minister state:

What, if any, are the plans to construct a new prison away from the centre of the City of Georgetown?

(Notice Paper No. 18 (Q16 Opp16) published on 2006-11-13)

Answer:

The Minister of Home Affairs wishes to inform the Honourable Member that the Government of Guyana has no plans to construct a new prison away from the City of Georgetown.

4. **REPLACEMENT OF THE COMMON ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

Member Asking: Ms Chantalle Smith, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Education

Will the Hon. Minister say what safeguards the Ministry has put in place to authenticate the marks provided by individual schools, in the new system of assessment that has replaced the Common Entrance?

(Notice Paper No. 19 (Q17 Opp17) published on 2006-11-22)

Answer:

In 2003 the Ministry of Education introduced the National Grade 2 Assessment as part of a process of Continuous Assessment of Primary School Evaluation. The same cohort of children did the National Grade 4 Assessment in 2005 and is now eligible to sit the National Grade 6 Assessment in 2007.

The National Assessments for Grades 2 and 4 were marked by senior teachers in the Regions under the direct supervision of the Departments of Education and later by the Regional Assessment Officers. To guide the marking process, mark schemes and a manual for the administration of the assessments were provided. The results were forwarded to NCERD along with a defined sample of scripts to be moderated to ascertain the level of compliance with the marking and administrative procedures for each of the two assessments.

The National Grade 6 Assessment on the other hand, will be marked nationally as was done for the SSEE in the recent past.

The scores for the National Grade 2 Assessment and the National Grade 4 Assessment are stored in a database and would be combined with the National Grade 6 Assessment to provide a profile of each child's academic achievement upon leaving Primary School.

5. **RETENTION OF SERVICES OF TRAINED TEACHERS**

Member Asking: Ms Chantalle Smith, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Education

Will the Hon. Minister say if the Ministry of Education is willing to institute a requirement that trained teachers who have received government funding for their education be required to remain in Guyana for a minimum of five years after completing their training? In addition, can the government reach an agreement with donor countries that they do not hire these teachers during this period?

(Notice Paper No. 20 (Q18 Opp18) published on 2006-11-22)

Answer:

Trained teachers who have received government funding for training are required to serve for a minimum of five (5) years after completing their training in the case of the Pre-Service teachers and three (3) years in the case of In-Service teachers.

Government will endeavour to engage donor countries on the recruitment of teachers in keeping with the Commonwealth Protocol on the Recruitment of Teachers.

6. **ST. AGNES PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Member Asking: Ms Chantalle Smith, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Education

Will the Hon. Minister say whether he is aware that the Fire Department has deemed St. Agnes Primary School to be in contravention of the fire department's regulations because:

- The school presently houses over 900 students, approximately 400 more than it should according to the fire regulations;
- The school has no fire exits;
- The building is under repair and therefore should not be occupied.

If not, will the Minister say whether he is willing to investigate this matter further and take appropriate action if necessary?

(Notice Paper No. 21 (Q19 Opp19) published on 2006-11-22)

Answer:

Neither the Ministry nor St Agnes Primary School is in receipt of any report from the Fire Department in relation to the School contravening the department's regulations.

The present enrolment of the school is 776 pupils and given the floor space of the school, it is not overcrowded. The school has a fire exit but this was kept closed. Instructions have been given for the exit to be kept open. Only the section of the school that houses the Grade 6 class is under repairs and the class was relocated to the auditorium of St Roses High School to ensure the safety of the pupils.

PUBLIC BUSINESS-

(i) GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

MOTIONS

ITEM 1 - CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 3/2006

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

The Minister of Finance signified the recommendation or consent of the Cabinet and moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Assembly approve of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 3/2006 – Supplementary Estimates (Current and Capital) totaling \$1,694,288,004 for the period 2006-04-13 to 2006-11-17.

(Notice Paper No. 27 (M 8 Govt 7) published on 2006-12-07)

(Paper presented on 2006-12-07)

After consideration of the Schedule, the motion was then put and carried.

Assembly resumed

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Assembly adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly agree with the Committee of Supply in the following Resolution:

RESOLVED,

That this Assembly approve of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 3/2006 – Supplementary Estimates (Current and Capital) totaling \$1,694,288,004 for the period 2006-04-13 to 2006-11-17.

ITEM 2 - CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 4/2006

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of supply

The Minister of Finance signified the recommendation or consent of the Cabinet and moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Assembly approve of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 4/2006 – Supplementary Estimates (Current and Capital) totaling \$4,781,247,499 for the period ending 2006-12-31.

(Notice Paper No. 28 (M 9 Govt 8) published on 2006-12-07)

(Paper presented on 2006-12-07)

After consideration of the Schedule, the motion was then put and carried.

Assembly resumed

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Assembly adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly agree with the Committee of Supply in the following Resolution:

RESOLVED,

That this Assembly approve of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 4/2006 – Supplementary Estimates (Current and Capital) totaling \$4,781,247,499 for the period 2006-12-31.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 4:02 p.m. the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4:57 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

BILL - First, Second and Third Readings
ITEM 3 - SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (NO. 2) BILL 2006 – Bill No. 23/2006
published on 2006-11-23

On a motion by the Prime Minister, Standing Orders Nos. 13 and 54 were suspended to enable the Supplementary Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 2006 – Bill No. 23/2006 to be introduced at that stage and to be further proceeded with at that sitting.

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the following Bill was introduced and was read the first, second and third times and passes as printed:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sums necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the fiscal year ending 31st December, 2006, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly, and for the appropriation of those sums for the specified purposes, in conformity with the constitution.

MOTIONS

ITEM 4 - CONFIRMATION OF THE VALUE-ADDED TAX ORDER 2006 – NO. 23/2006

Member Giving Notice: The Minister of Finance

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 98 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005, confirm the Value-Added Tax Order 2006, under section 98 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005 and published in an Extraordinary Copy of the Official Gazette dated 5th December, 2006.

(Notice Paper No. 23 (M4 Govt3) published on 2006-12-06)

Mr. Winston Murray spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Finance replied.

The Minister of Finance moved the following amendments which were put and carried:

Clause 3(b) - (o) Insert after the words "Guyana Water Incorporated" the words
"and Kwakwani Utilities Incorporated"

Insert after paragraph (ii) the following paragraph –

- (jj) a supply of -
 - (i) Computers
 - (ii) Computer monitors (of a kind designed solely to be used with computers). Video monitors and television monitors are excluded.
 - (iii) Computer Printers (excluding multi-function printers)
 - (iv) Mouse
 - (v) Keyboards
 - (vi) All internal components of the Central Processing Unit including the cabinet, internal cd/dvd writers, motherboards, video cards, sound cards, internal power supply, processors, memories, internal Input/Output cards.
 - (vii) Routers, switches and hubs for networking computers
 - (viii) Toners cartridges for computer printers
- (kk) a supply of prepared complete poultry feed, cattle feed, pig feed, and other prepared complete animal fee.
- (ll) a supply of outboard motors not exceeding 75 HP."

Mr. Winston Murray moved the following amendments which were put and carried:

Clause 3(bb) – Insert after the word “materials” the words “except concrete blocks.”

Clause 3(aa) - After the word “investment” delete the word “development”

The motion as amended was then put and carried as amended.

ITEM 5 - CONFIRMATION OF THE VALUE-ADDED TAX (TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS 2006 – NO. 12/2006

Member Giving Notice: The Minister of Finance

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 95 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005, confirm the Value-Added Tax (Transitional) Regulations 2006, under section 95 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005 and published in an Extraordinary Copy of the Official Gazette date 5th December, 2006.

(Notice Paper No. 24 (M 5 Govt 4) published on 2006-12-06)

Mr. Winston Murray spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Finance replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

ITEM 6 - CONFIRMATION OF THE VALUE-ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT)

REGULATION 2006 – NO. 13/2006

Member given Notice: Hon. Minister of Finance

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 95 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005, confirm the Value-Added Tax (Amendment) Regulations 2006, under section 95 of the Value-Added Tax Act 2005 and published in an Extraordinary Copy of the Official Gazette dated 5th December, 2006.

(Notice Paper No. 25 (M 6 Govt 5) published on 2006-12-06)

Mr. Winston Murray spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Finance replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

**ITEM 7 - CONFIRMATION OF THE EXCISE TAX (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2006
NO. 14/2006**

Member Giving Notice: The Minister of Finance

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 15 of the Excise Tax Act 2005, confirm the Excise Tax (Amendment) Regulations 2006, under section 15 of the Excise Tax Act 2005 and published in an Extraordinary Copy of the Official Gazette dated 5th December, 2006.

(Notice Paper No. 26 (M 7 Govt 6) published on 2006-12-06)

Mr. Winston Murray spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Finance replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

ITEM 8 - NOMINATION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

On proposal by the Prime Minister, the Assembly nominated Hon. Dr. Leslie Ramsammy, M.P., the Minister of Health to be a Member of the Committee of Selection in accordance with Standing Order No. 81 (1) (2).

(ii) **PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and first Reading

1. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BILL 2006 – Bill No. 26/2006**

At the request of Mr. Raphael Trotman, M.P., his motion seeking the leave of the Assembly to present the following Bill was deferred:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to give access to information to members of the public.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

ITEM 9 - THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Member Giving Notice: Mr. Winston Murray, C.C.H., M.P.

Mr. Winston Murray moved the following motion.

WHEREAS over 150 members of Guyanese civil society of various walks of life and from fields of endeavour have put forward a National Development Strategy that details a series of bold economic initiatives and exciting programmes geared towards the transformation and diversification of the economy;

AND WHEREAS among the stated objectives of the National Development Strategy are attainment of the highest possible rates of economic growth, the alleviation of poverty, the equitable geographic distribution of economic activities and benefits and the diversification of economy;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana agreed with the Civil Society to table that National Development Strategy document in the National Assembly for its examination and adoption;

AND WHEREAS the National Assembly of the Eighth Parliament unanimously passed a Resolution on 15th December, 2005 for an update of the National Development Strategy at the earliest practicable date,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly accepts the National Development Strategy and the measures and policies therein as an overarching strategy for pursuing the economic and social transformation of Guyana;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly directs that the National Development Strategy be placed before a Special Select Parliamentary Committee to commence consultations immediately with the private sector, wider civil society and other stakeholders to establish a Representative Cross Sectional Group, supported by a suitably resourced secretariat with access to research expertise, to update the National Development Strategy at the earliest practicable date;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly directs that the Representative Cross Sectional Group reports periodically to the Special Select Parliamentary Committee and that the finally updated National Development Strategy be submitted to the Special Select Parliamentary Committee to make recommendations to the National Assembly for the consideration and adoption of the said updated National Development Strategy;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That subsequent to the adoption of the updated National Development Strategy this National Assembly authorizes its Sectoral Committee on Economic Services to monitor the policies and the implementation of the National Development Strategy by the Executive.

(Notice Paper No. 8 (M2 Opp1) published on 2006-11-13)

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 7:02 p.m. the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 7:37 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

The following Members spoke to the motion:

The Minister of Finance
Mr. Raphael Trotman
The Minister of Agriculture
The Minister of Health
Mr. James M^cAllister
Mr. Everall Franklin

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 10(1)

At 10.00 p.m., the Prime Minister, moved a motion for the suspension of Standing Order No. 10(1) for the Assembly to continue the debate on the motion uninterrupted until its conclusion.

Thereafter, Mr. Winston Murray replied.

The motion was then put and negatived on the following division:

FOR

Mr. Franklin

Mr. Patterson

Ms Smith

Mrs. Holder

Mr. Ramjattan

Mr. Fernandes

Ms Wade

Dr. Austin

Ms Selman

Mr. Williams

Mrs. David-Blair

Mr. Elliot

Mr. Danny

Mr. McAllister

Miss Ally

Mr. Scott

Mr. Williams

Mr. Vieira

Mrs. Backer

AGAINST

Mr. Whittaker

Mr. Seeraj

Mr. P. Persaud

Mr. Neendkumar

Mr. Nandlall

Mr. Nagamootoo

Mr. Lumumba

Mr. Khan

Mrs. Edwards

Mr. Chand

Mr. Atkinson

Mr. Ali

Ms Shadick

Mrs. Chandarpal

Mr. Nokta

Ms Teixeira

Mr. Ramotar

Mr. Prashad

Ms Webster

Dr. Ramsaran

Dr. Fox

Ms Manickchand

Mr. Nadir

Mr. Benn

Dr. Anthony

Mr. Murray
Mr. Corbin

Mr. Lall
Dr. Westford

Mr. Nawbatt
Mrs. Rodrigues-Birkett
Dr. Ramsammy

Mr. Baksh
Mr. Rohee
Mr. Hinds

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ADJOURNMENT

At 10.17 p.m., on a motion by the Prime Minister, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m., on Thursday, 21st December, 2006.


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HON. HARI N. RAMKARRAN, S.C., M.P.,
Speaker of the National Assembly

**PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.**

14th December, 2006