

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE 8TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND

SESSION (1990) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON WEDNESDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1990

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

- * Cde. Sase Narain, O.R., S.C., J.P., M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (62)

Prime Minister (1)

- + Cde. H. Green, M.P., Prime Minister

Other Vice-President and Deputy Prime Minister (1)

- + Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P., Vice-President, Culture and Social Development and Deputy Prime Minister

Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (1)

- + * Cde. K.S. Massiah, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

Other Deputy Prime Minister (2)

- + Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development (Absent)
- + Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Utilities

Senior Ministers (10)

- + Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs
- + * Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance
- + Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Senior Minister in the Ministry of Planning & Development
- + Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Trade and Tourism (Absent)
- + Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Regional Development
- Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Senior Minister in the Office of the President
- * Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture
- * Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education
- * Cde. J.R. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister of Communications and Works
- * Cde. Dr. N.E. Blackman, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health

Ministers (8)

- + Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Regional Development
- + Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Minister of Labour and Co-operatives
- Cde. D. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Utilities
- * Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture
- Cde. J.T. Kisson, M.P., Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister
- Cde. Dr. Faith A. Harding, M.P., Minister of the Public Service
- Cde. Stella Odie-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs
- Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Culture & Social Development

+ Cabinet Member

* Non-elected Member

Parliamentary Secretary (1)

* Cde. L.E. Scotland, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister

Government Chief Whip (1)

Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira, M.P., Government Chief Whip

Other Members (25)

Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P.
 Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.
 Cde. A.K. Habibulla, M.P.
 Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.
 Cde. M. Ally, M.P.
 Cde. Elaine B. Davidson, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.
 Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P.
 Cde. Anna Ally, M.P.
 Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.
 Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.
 Cde. Cyrillda A. DeJesus, M.P.
 Cde. Edith Deygoo, M.P.
 Cde. Clarice A. Edwards, M.P.
 Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P.
 Cde. G. Marshall, M.P.
 Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.,
 Cde. K. Sankar, M.S., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
 Cde. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P.
 Cde. P.E. Rockliffe, M.P.

(There is one Vacancy)

Members from the National Congress of Local Democratic Organs (2)

Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.
 Cde. P. Singh, J.P., M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P., (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)
 Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P., (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica) (Absent)
 Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P., (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)
 Cde. Y. Khan, M.P., (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)
 Cde. Enid E. Abrahama, M.S., J.P., M.P., (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Dem.)
 Cde. I. Ally, M.P., (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)
 Cde. S.I. McGarrell, M.P., (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)
 Cde. M. Stephens, M.P., (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)
 Cde. M. Ajoodhia, J.P., M.P., (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)
 Cde. B. Fernandes, M.P., (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)

Members of the Minority (11)

(i) People's Progressive Party (8)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader (Absent)

* Non-elected Member

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly

Other Members (6)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P.
 Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P.
 Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P., Minority Chief Whip
 Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.
 Cde. I. Basir, M.P.
 Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, C.C.H., J.P., M.P. (Absent)
 Mr. M.A. Abraham, A.A., M.P.

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

Mr. E. Kwayana, M.P.

OFFICERS

Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly
 Cde. G.E.F. Moses, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONAPPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1990

Assembly resolved itself onto Committee of supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1990.

Objection to the format of the Estimates of Expenditure

On a point of order the Deputy Speaker referred to Standing Order No. 65(1) and claimed that the details of the Estimates of Expenditure were inadequate to permit the Committee of Supply to properly consider the Heads of Expenditure.

Consideration of Estimates of Expenditure

HEAD 1	--	Office of the President was passed as printed at	\$ 94,703,000
HEAD 2	--	Guyana Defence Force was passed as printed at	\$156,765,000
HEAD 3	--	Guyana National Service was passed as printed at	\$ 45,000,000
Division			
501	--	Office of the President was passed as printed at	\$ 33,551,000

HEAD 4 -	Office of the Prime Minister was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 41,042,000
DIVISION		
502 -	Office of the Prime Minister was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 13,500,000
HEAD 10 -	Office of the Ombudsman was <u>passed as</u> <u>printed</u> at	\$ 173,000
HEAD 11 -	Public and Police Service Commissions were <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 1,786,000
HEAD 12 -	Teaching Service Commission was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 940,000
HEAD 14 -	Public Service Appellate Tribunal was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 448,000
HEAD 40 -	Civil Defence Commission was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 241,000
HEAD 56 -	Ministry of Housing was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 2,657,000
DIVISION		
541	Ministry of Housing was <u>passed as</u> <u>printed</u> at	\$ 12,260,000
HEAD 53 -	Ministry of Culture and Social Development was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 21,222,000
HEAD 54 -	Department of Culture was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 9,678,000
DIVISION		
515 -	Ministry of Culture and Social Development was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 638,000
HEAD 13 -	Public Prosecutions was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 828,000
HEAD 15 -	Ministry of Legal Affairs was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 268,000
HEAD 16 -	Supreme Court of Judicature was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 6,193,000
HEAD 17 -	Magistrate was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at ...	\$ 5,342,000
HEAD 18 -	Attorney General was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 4,092,000
HEAD 19 -	Official Receiver was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 739,000
HEAD 20 -	Deeds Registry was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 1,332,000

Assembly ResumedSUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 4.35 p.m. the Sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 4.55 p.m. the Sitting was resumed.

Assembly resolved itself into Committees of Supply and resumed consideration of the Estimates of Expenditure.

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 61	-	Statistical Bureau was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 3,888,000
HEAD 62	-	Ministry of Planning and Development was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 30,092,000
DIVISION 525	-	Ministry of Planning and Development was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 67,300,000
HEAD 35		Ministry of Public Utilities was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 1,353,000
DIVISION 521		Ministry of Public Utilities was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 789,000
HEAD 21		Ministry of Foreign Affairs was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$260,977,000
DIVISION 506		Ministry of Foreign Affairs was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 500,000
HEAD 9		Office of the Auditor General was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 7,500,000
DIVISION 505		Constitutional Agencies was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 400,000
HEAD 57		Ministry of Finance was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$990,827,000
HEAD 58		Accountant General Department was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 86,435,000
HEAD 59		Customs and Excise Department was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 19,855,000
HEAD 60		Inland Revenue Department was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 40,731,000
DIVISION 526		Ministry of Foreign Affairs was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 500,000
HEAD 9		Office of the Auditor General was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 7,500,000
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HEAD 59	-	Customs and Excise Department was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 19,855,000
HEAD 60	-	Inland Revenue Department was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 40,731,000
DIVISION 526	-	Ministry of Finance - Human Resource Development Programme was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$ 81,000,000
DIVISION 526	-	Ministry of Finance was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	\$1,976,365,000

HEAD 106 - Public Debt was passed as
printed at m... .. \$ 224,000

Assembly Resumed

ADJOURNMENT

At 7.00p.m., on a motion by the Minister of
Regional Development, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m.,
Thursday, 5th April, 1990.

S. Narain
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Speaker
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Public Buildings,
Georgetown.