

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 5TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
SECOND SESSION (1982) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

Speaker (1)

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

Cde. Dr. P.A. Reid, O.E., M.P., Prime Minister

Other Vice-Presidents (4)

- Cde. S.S. Naraine, A.A., M.P., Vice-President, Works and Transport
- Cde. H.D. Hoyte, S.C., M.P., Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance
- Cde. H. Green, M.P., Vice-President, Public Welfare
- Cde. B. Ramsaroop, M.P., Vice-President, Parliamentary Affairs and

Party/State Relations

Senior Ministers (10)

- Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Minister of Higher Education
- Cde. O.E. Clarke, M.P., Minister of Regional Development
- Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Minister of National Development

- \* Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Trade and Consumer Protection
- \* Cde. H.O. Jack, M.P., Minister of Energy and Mines
- \* Cde. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Justice
- \* Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs (Absent - on leave)
- \* Cde. J.A. Tyndall, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture
- \* Cde. S.A. Moore, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs
- \* Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Education

Ministers (8)

- Cde. U.E. Johnson, M.P., Minister of Co-operatives
- Cde. J.N. Maitland-Singh, M.P., Minister, Consumer Protection, in the Ministry of Trade and Consumer Protection
- Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Minister, in the Ministry of Agriculture
- Cde. Sallahuddin, M.P., Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance
- Cde. R.E. Williams, M.P., Minister, Fisheries, in the Ministry of Agriculture
- \* Cde. Y.V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Minister, in the Office of the Prime Minister
- \* Cde. H. Rashid, M.P., Minister, Office of the President
- \* Cde. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P., Minister, Health, in the Ministry of Public Welfare

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\* Non elected Member

Ministers of State (3)

- Cde. M. Corrica, M.P., Minister of State for Culture, in the Ministry of Education, Social Development and Culture  
 Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., Minister of State for Youth and Sport, in the Ministry of National Development  
 \* Cde. C.E. Wright, M.P., Minister of State for Construction, in the Ministry of Works and Transport

Parliamentary Secretaries (3)

- Cde. A.W. Bend-Kirton-Holder, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Women's Affairs and Housing  
 Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Education, Social Development and Culture  
 Cde. B. Bhaggan, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Foreign Affairs

Other Members (23)

- Cde. M. Ally, M.P.  
 Cde. M. Armogan, M.P.  
 Cde. B. Beniprashad, M.P.  
 Cde. J.B. Caldeira, M.P.  
 Cde. A.A. Chin, M.P.  
 Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, J.P., M.P.  
 Cde. E.B. Davidson, M.P.  
 Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.  
 Cde. A.B. Felix, M.P.  
 Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.  
 Cde. P. Fredericks, M.P.  
 Cde. E.F. Gilbert, M.P.  
 Cde. J. Gill-Mingo, M.P.  
 Cde. A. McRae, M.P.  
 Cde. J.M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.  
 Cde. R.N. Primo, M.P.  
 Cde. P.A. Rayman, M.P.  
 Cde. C.G. Sharma, J.P., M.P.  
 Cde. H.L.B. Singh, M.P.  
 Cde. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., M.P.  
 Cde. B. Tiwari, M.P.  
 Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P.  
 Cde. H.B. Walcott-Nascimento, J.P., M.P., Government Chief Whip

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

- Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P.  
 Cde. B. Latchminarayan, M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

- Cde. K.N. Jones, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)  
 Cde. K.V. Jairam, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)  
 Cde. C.A. Singh, M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Demerara)  
 Cde. W. Bipat, M.P. (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica)  
 Cde. H.I. London, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)  
 Cde. I. Chowritmootoo, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)  
 Cde. N.R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)  
 Cde. D. Abraham, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)  
 Cde. A. Dorricks, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo) (Absent)  
 Cde. D. Hinds, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)

\* Non elected Member

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Member of the Minority (A2)

People's Progressive Party (AD)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Ram Karran, M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly (Absent)

Other Members (8)

Cde. J. Jagan, M.P.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Minority Chief Whip

Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P.

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P.

Cde. I. Basir, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.

Cde. Dalchand, J.P., M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

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

Mr. M.A. Abraham, M.P.

#### OFFICERS

Clerk of the National Assembly, Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A.

Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly, Cde. M.B. Henry

The Clerk read Prayers.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

##### Hours of Sitting

The Speaker announced that it was agreed that during the general debate on the Budget, the Assembly would sit from 14:00 hrs to 16:00 hrs, 16:30 hrs to 18:30 hrs, and 20:00 hrs to midnight or until the list of speakers for the day had been exhausted.

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#### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

By the Speaker (Chairman of the Committee of Selection):

Minutes of the First Meeting of the Committee of Selection held on Monday 1982-03-29.

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Cde. N. Persaud, the Minister of Higher Education, the Vice-President, Public Welfare, and Cde. H.L.B. Singh spoke to the motion.

Resumption of Sitting

At 16:03 hrs the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

At 16:25 hrs the sitting was resumed.

The Parliamentary Secretary, Women's Affairs and Housing, Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, the Minister of Agriculture, and Cdes. Gilbert and Mohamed spoke to the motion.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 18:40 hrs the sitting was suspended.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 20:00 hrs the sitting was resumed.

The Minister, Fisheries, in the Ministry of Agriculture, Cdes. D. Abraham, Bipat and Collymore, the Minister of Regional Development and Cde. Dalchand spoke to the motion.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 22:00 hrs the sitting was suspended.

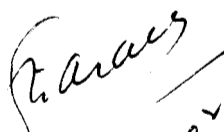
RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 22:15 hrs the sitting was resumed.

Cde. C. Singh, the Minister of Energy and Mines, Cde. Vandenburg, and the Parliamentary Secretary, Education, Social Development and Culture, spoke to the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

At 23:32 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relations, the Assembly was adjourned to 14:00 hrs on Friday 1982-04-02.

  
S. NARAIN  
Speaker  
82-04-02

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Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.  
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