

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 10TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
SECOND SESSION (1982) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 14:00 hrs

ON THURSDAY 1982-07-08

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (75)

Speaker (1)

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

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

Prime Minister (1)

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, Transport and Housing

Cde. H.D. Hoyte, S.C., M.P., Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance

Cde. H. Green, M.P., Vice-President, Agriculture

Cde. B. Ramsaroop, M.P., Vice-President, Party and State Matters

Senior Ministers (7)

Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Minister of Education

Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Minister of National and Regional Development

- \* Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Internal 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

- \* Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs

Ministers (7)

Cde. U.E. Johnson, M.P., Minister of Co-operatives

Cde. J.N. Maitland-Singh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture

Cde. Sallahuddin, M.P., Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance

- \* Cde. Y.V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister

- \* Cde. H. Rashid, M.P., Minister in the Office of the President

- \* Cde. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P., Minister of Health (Absent)

- \* Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P., Minister of Labour, Manufacturing and Industrial Development

Ministers of State (2)

Cde. M. Corrica, M.P., Minister of State in the Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection

Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., Minister of State for Youth and Sports, in the Ministry of Education.

\* Non elected Member

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Parliamentary Secretaries (3)

Cde. A.W. Bend-Kirton-Holder, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works, Transport and Housing  
 Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education  
 Cde. B. Bhaggan, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Other Members (26)

Cde. M. Ally, M.P.  
 Cde. M. Armogan, J.P., 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. O.E. Clarke, 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. S. Prashad, 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  
 Cde. R.E. Williams, M.P.

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 - Pomerom/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) (Absent)  
 Cde. D. Abraham, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)  
 Cde. A. Dorrick, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo) (Absent)  
 Cde. D. Hinds, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice)

Members of the Minority (12)(i) People's Progressive Party (10)Minority Leader (1)

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. (Absent)  
Cde. I. Basir, M.P.  
Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. Dalchand, J.P., M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

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

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

OATHS

The Speaker informed Members that Cde. Kenneth Wesley Edward Denny had been appointed to be a Minister with effect from 1st May, 1982, and that although Cde. Denny was not an elected Member of the National Assembly, he had, by virtue of holding the office of Minister, become a Member of the Assembly. The Speaker further stated that before Cde. Denny could take part in the proceedings of the Assembly, he would have to make and subscribe the oath before the Assembly.

Cde. Denny who was present made and subscribed the oath.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

(i) Changes in the National Assembly

The Speaker announced that in a Press Release dated 1st May, 1982, from the Office of the President, it had been announced that with a view to streamlining the Ministerial System and adjusting it to the requirements of dealing effectively with current circumstances, a number of changes had been made by the President. Subjects within the system had been regrouped and responsibilities reassigned.

For the records he announced those changes which affected the membership and the designations of Members, and which were as follows:

- (a) Cde. S.S. Naraine, who had been Vice-President, Works and Transport, had been re-designated Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing.

- (b) Cde. H. Green, who had been Vice-President, Public Welfare, had been re-designated Vice-President, Agriculture.
- (c) Cde. B. Ramsaroop, ~~who~~ had been Vice-President, Parliamentary Affairs and Party/State Relations, had been re-designated Vice-President, Party and State Matters.
- (d) Cde. R. Chandisingh, who had been Minister of Higher Education, had been re-designated Minister of Education.
- (e) Cde. O.E. Clarke had ceased to be Minister of Regional Development.
- (f) Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, who had been Minister of National Development, had been re-designated Minister of National and Regional Development.
- (g) Cde. F.E. Hope, who had been Minister of Trade and Consumer Protection, had been re-designated Minister of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection.
- (h) Cde. J.A. Tyndall and Cde. S.A. Moore, who had been Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Home Affairs, respectively, had ceased to be Ministers, and as they had not been elected Members of the National Assembly, they had also ceased to be Members of the Assembly.
- (i) Cde. J.R. Thomas, who had been Minister of Education, had been re-designated Minister of Home Affairs.
- (j) Cde. J.M. Maitland-Singh, who had been Minister, Consumer Protection, in the Ministry of Trade and Consumer Protection, had been re-designated Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture.
- (k) Cde. S. Prashad, had ceased to be Minister, in the Ministry of Agriculture.
- (l) Cde. R.E. Williams had ceased to be Minister, Fisheries, in the Ministry of Agriculture.
- (m) Cde. R.A. Van West-Charles, who had been Minister, Health, in the Ministry of Public Welfare, had been re-designated Minister of Health.
- (n) Cde. K.W.E. Denny, who had been appointed a Minister, had been designated Minister of Labour, Manufacturing and Industrial Development.
- (o) Cde. M. Corrica, who had been Minister of State for Culture, in the Ministry of Education, Social Development and Culture, had been re-designated Minister of State in the Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection.
- (p) Cde. R.C. Fredericks, who had been Minister of State for Youth and Sport, in the Ministry of National Development, had been re-designated Minister of State for Youth and Sports, in the Ministry of Education.

- (q) Cde. C.E. Wright, who had been Minister of State for Construction, in the Ministry of Works and Transport, had ceased to be a Minister, and as Cde. Wright had not been an elected Member of the National Assembly, he had also ceased to be a Member of the Assembly.
- (r) Cde. A.W. Bend-Kirton-Holder, who had been Parliamentary Secretary, Women's Affairs and Housing, had been re-designated Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works, Transport and Housing.
- (s) Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, who had been Parliamentary Secretary, Education, Social Development and Culture, had been re-designated Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education.

The Speaker indicated that all of those changes had taken effect from 1st May, 1982.

On behalf of the Members of the Assembly and himself, he congratulated Cde. Denny on his appointment, welcomed him to the Assembly, and extended best wishes to him. He also extended best wishes to the other Members in their new assignments.

(ii) Leave

The Speaker announced that leave from that day's sitting had been granted to Cde. Doobay and Mr. M.F. Singh.

(iii) Broadcasting of Proceedings

The Speaker informed Members that following an application from the Guyana Broadcasting Corporation, he had given permission for speeches which would be made on items 1 and 2 on the Order Paper to be recorded by the Corporation for subsequent broadcast in edited form, and that the broadcasts would have to be subject to the usual conditions, i.e. the total broadcast time being used would have to be allotted to Members in proportion to the Party representation in the Assembly.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

(1) By the Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing:

- (a) Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1982 (No. 6), made under section 98 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 51:02, on 25th March, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 3rd April, 1982.

(ST: 1/12/13)(Circulated)

- (b) Demerara Harbour Bridge (Amendment) Regulations 1982 (No. 14), made under section 25 of the Roads Act, Chapter 51:01, on 20th May, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 22nd May, 1982.

(MT: 20/3/1)(Circulated)

- (c) Roads (Demerara Harbour Bridge)(Amendment)  
By-laws 1982, made under section 24 of the  
Roads Act, Chapter 51:01, on 20th May, 1982,  
and published in the Gazette on 22nd May,  
1982.

(MT: 20/3/1)(Circulated)

(2) By the Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance:

- (a) Co-operative Financial Institutions Act  
(Modification) Order 1982 (No. 30), made  
under section 15(11) of the Co-operative  
Financial Institutions Act, Chapter 75:01,  
on 23rd April, 1982, and published in the  
Gazette on 8th May, 1982.

(ST: 34/2/1/1)(Circulated)

- (b) Coasting and Passenger Trade (Amendment)  
Regulations 1982 (No. 10), made under  
section 25 of the Shipping Casualties  
(Investigation and Prevention) Act,  
Chapter 49:07, on 22nd April, 1982, and  
published in the Gazette on 24th April,  
1982.

(ST: 34/2/3/5)(Circulated)

- (c) Consumption Tax (Amendment) Order 1982  
(No. 31), made under section 4 of the  
Consumption Tax Act, Chapter 80:02, on  
30th April, 1982, and published in the  
Gazette on 8th May, 1982.

(ST: 34/2/1/9)(Circulated)

- (d) Agreement made on 21st December, 1981, between  
the Government of Guyana and the Government  
of Canada re line of credit for the Fisheries  
Sector.

(ST: 3/3/2/1)(Circulated)

- (e) National Insurance and Social Security  
(Industrial Benefit)(Amendment) Regulations  
1982 (No. 15), made under sections 20, 21  
and 51 of the National Insurance and Social  
Security Act, Chapter 36:01, on 26th May,  
1982, and published in the Gazette on  
29th May, 1982.

(ST: 1/8II)(Circulated)

- (f) National Insurance and Social Security (Benefit)  
(Amendment) Regulations 1982 (No. 16), made  
under sections 14, 20, 21, 39 and 51 of the  
National Insurance and Social Security Act,  
Chapter 36:01, on 26th May, 1982, and  
published in the Gazette on 29th May, 1982.

(ST: 1/8II)(Circulated)

- (g) National Insurance and Social Security (Claims and Payments)(Amendment) Regulations 1982 (No. 17), made under sections 21 and 51 of the National Insurance and Social Security Act, Chapter 36:01, on 26th May, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 29th May, 1982.  
(ST: 1/8II)(Circulated)
- (h) Loan Agreement (Corn and Soyabean Regional Project - Guyana) between Caribbean Development Bank and Guyana, St. Kitts/Nevis and Trinidad and Tobago and Caricom Corn and Soyabean Company Limited - Dated August 18, 1981.  
(ST: 3/2/6/15)(Circulated)
- (i) Agreement amending Loan Agreement (Clinker Grinding/Cement Packing Plant)(Feasibility Study)(Additional Loan) between Caribbean Development Bank and Guyana - Dated: February 12, 1981.  
(ST: 3/2/6/7II)(Circulated)
- (j) Development Credit Agreement (Credit Number 1098 GUA) dated February 17, 1981, between Guyana and International Development Association re Structural Adjustment Program.  
(ST: 3/2/2/19)(Circulated)
- (k) Loan Agreement (Loan Number 1948 GUA) dated February 17, 1981, between Guyana and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development re Structural Adjustment Program.  
(ST: 3/2/2/19)(Circulated)
- (l) Joint Project Agreement (Loan Number 1948 GUA: Credit Number 1098 GUA) dated February 17, 1981, between International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, International Development Association and Bank of Guyana re Structural Adjustment Program.  
(ST: 3/2/2/19)(Circulated)
- (m) Loan Agreement (Loan Number 1949 GUA) dated February 17, 1981, between Guyana and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development re manufacturing sector, export development fund, 1980-82 public sector investment program, and non-traditional export industries.  
(ST: 3/2/2/20)(Circulated)
- (n) Rate of Interest Order 1982 (No. 36), made under section 6 of the Rate of Interest Act 1972 (No. 13), on 21st June, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 21st June, 1982.  
(ST: 1/18/10)(Circulated)

(3) By the Minister of Home Affairs:

- (a) Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Regulation of Premises and Register of Repairs and Sales) (Amendment) Regulations 1982 (No. 8), made under section 103 of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 51:02, on 24th March, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 3rd April, 1982.

(ST: 1/12/13)(Circulated)

- (b) Annual Report of the Guyana Prison Service for 1981.

(HA: 1/1/2/1<sup>IV</sup>)(Circulated)

(4) By the Minister of Labour, Manufacturing and Industrial Development:

Annual Report of the Ministry of Public Welfare (Labour) for the year 1981.

(L: 7/1/42<sup>TJ</sup>)(Circulated)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

MISCELLANEOUS ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1982 -  
Bill No. 5/1982 published 1982-05-22.

The Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend certain enactments

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

ITEM 1 - SYMPATHY ON DEATH OF CDE. SHIRLEY MERLE FIELD-RIDLEY

The Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing, on behalf of the Attorney General and Minister of Justice, moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly records its deep regret at the death of Cde. Shirley Merle Field-Ridley, and pays tribute to the distinguished service **which she** rendered to Guyana and to its Parliament and directs that an expression of its sympathy be conveyed to her sorrowing widower, children and relatives.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud and Mr. M.A. Abraham spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the motion was put and carried with Members standing.



VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER OF BELIZE

At this stage, the Speaker announced the presence in the Chamber of and welcomed to the Assembly the Prime Minister of Belize, the Hon. George C. Price, M.H.R., who was on a short visit to Guyana.

MOTIONS -ITEM 2 - VENEZUELA'S CLAIM TO GUYANA

The Prime Minister moved the following motion:

WHEREAS the existing boundary between Guyana and Venezuela was definitively laid down by a unanimous international Arbitral Award in 1899, was jointly demarcated on the ground by a Venezuelan/British Mixed Boundary Commission during the years 1901 - 1905, was actively and positively observed and respected by both sides and the international community for over six decades since 1899 and is still so observed and respected by Guyana and the international community;

WHEREAS under Article 13 of the Treaty of Washington 1897 Venezuela and the United Kingdom undertook to consider the said Arbitral Award "as a full perfect and final settlement of all the questions referred to the Arbitrators" who made the said Award;

WHEREAS contrary to the foregoing and in breach of the said Treaty, in 1962 Venezuela challenged the Arbitral Award of 1899 on a wholly untenable contention that it was nul and void:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly -

- (i) re-affirms the continuing validity in its entirety of the existing boundary between Guyana and Venezuela;
- (ii) rejects the untenable claim by Venezuela to the territory of Guyana;
- (iii) directs that the Guyana Government seek the support of the international community through and at all forums, including the United Nations;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly constitutes a Parliamentary Committee consisting of members of the Assembly to be known as "The Parliamentary Committee on the Territorial Integrity of Guyana" for the purpose of keeping under constant review developments relating to Venezuela's untenable claim; and that no determination of the claim shall be made without the approval of the National Assembly.

The Minority Leader spoke to the motion.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 16:20 hrs the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 16:42 hrs the sitting was resumed.

RESUMPTION OF DEBATE ON VENEZUELA'S CLAIM TO GUYANA

The Assembly resumed the debate on the above motion.

The Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Mr. M.A. Abraham, Cde. P. Fredericks and the Minister of Foreign Affairs spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the motion was put and carried on the following division:

FOR

AGAINST

Mr. M.A. Abraham  
Cde. Collymore  
Cde. N. Persaud  
Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud  
Cde. Hinds  
Cde. D. Abraham  
Cde. I. Chowritmootoo  
Cde. London  
Cde. Bipat  
Cde. C.A. Singh  
Cde. Jairam  
Cde. Jones  
Cde. Latchminarayan  
Cde. Bishop  
Cde. Williams  
Cde. Walcott-Nascimento  
Cde. Vandenburg  
Cde. Tiwari  
Cde. Sukhu  
Cde. H.L.B. Singh  
Cde. Sharma  
Cde. Rayman  
Cde. Primo  
Cde. Prashad  
Cde. Munroe  
Cde. McRae  
Cde. Gill-Mingo  
Cde. Gilbert  
Cde. P. Fredericks  
Cde. Fowler  
Cde. Felix  
Cde. Doobay  
Cde. Davidson

Carried  
Forward:

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	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Brought Forward:	33	Nil
Cde. Chin		
Cde. Caldeira		
Cde. Beniprashad		
Cde. Armogan		
Cde. Ally		
Cde. Bhaggan		
Cde. Ainsworth		
Cde. Bend-Kirton-Holder		
Cde. Corrica		
Cde. Sallahuddin		
Cde. Maitland-Singh		
Cde. Johnson		
Cde. Corbin		
Cde. Chandisingh		
Cde. Ramsaroop		
Cde. Green		
Cde. Hoyte		
Cde. Naraine		
Cde. Reid		
Total:	<u>33</u>	<u>Nil</u>

ITEM 3 - APPROVAL OF INCREASES IN TONNAGE DUES, LIGHT DUES AND SHIPPING FEES

The Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing, moved the following motion which was put and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 24(2) of the Transport and Harbours Act, Chapter 49:04, approve of the increases in tonnage dues, light dues and shipping fees as set out hereunder in substitution for the dues and fees in the Third Schedule to the Act -

I	TONNAGE DUES All vessels	- \$1.20 per ton
II	LIGHT DUES All vessels	- 20 c. per ton
III	SHIPPING FEES	
(i)	Upon the engagement of any seaman	... \$5.00
(ii)	Upon the discharge of any seaman	... \$5.00

ITEM 4 - AFFIRMATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT OF FEES) REGULATIONS 1982 (No. 6).

The Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing, moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in terms of section 98(3) of the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chapter 51:02, affirm the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1982 (No. 6), which were made on 25th March, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 3rd April, 1982.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

ITEM 5 - CONFIRMATION OF THE CONSUMPTION TAX (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1982 (No. 31)

The Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance, on behalf of the Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance, moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 5 of the Consumption Tax Act, Chapter 80:02, confirm the Consumption Tax (Amendment) Order 1982 (No. 31), which was made on 30th April, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 8th May, 1982.

Cde. N. Persaud spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the motion was put and carried.

ITEM 6 - AFFIRMATION OF THE COASTING AND PASSENGER TRADE (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1982 (No. 10)

The Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance, on behalf of the Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance, moved the following motion, which was put and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in accordance with section 25 of the Shipping Casualties (Investigation and Prevention) Act, Chapter 49:07, affirm the Coasting and Passenger Trade (Amendment) Regulations 1982 (No. 10), which were made on 22nd April, 1982, and published in the Gazette on 24th April, 1982.

BILL - Second and Third ReadingsITEM 7 - FORESTS (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL 1982 - Bill No. 4/1982  
published 1982-04-10

The Vice-President, Agriculture, moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Guyana Forestry Commission Act, the Forests Act and to provide for matters connected therewith.

Gde. Reepu Daman Persaud spoke to the motion.

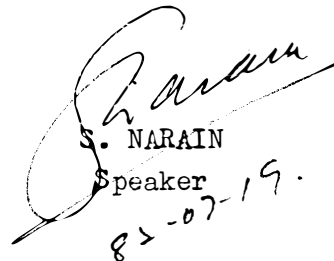
Thereafter the Vice-President, Agriculture, replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time and was, thereafter, taken through its remaining stages and passed as printed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 18:40 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

  
S. NARAIN  
Speaker  
82-07-19.

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.  
1982-07-19