

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 14TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
SECOND SESSION (1982) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 14.00 hrs

ON THURSDAY 1982-11-11

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 (Absent)

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 (Absent - on leave)
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 (Absent)
- * Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection (Absent)
- * Cde. H.O. Jack, M.P., Minister of Energy and Mines (Absent)
- * Cde. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister
of Justice (Absent)
- * Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs (Absent)
- * 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 (Absent - on leave)
- * 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 (Absent - on leave)
- Cde. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., Minister of State for Youth and Sports,
in the Ministry of Education

* Non elected Member

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. (Absent)
 Cde. A.B. Felix, M.P. (Absent)
 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. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P.
 Cde. H.B. Walcott-Nacimiento, J.P., M.P., Government Chief Whip (Absent - on leave)
 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 - Pomeroon/Supenaam) (Absent)
 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. Dorrick, M.P., (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)
 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 (Absent)

Deputy Speaker (1)

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

Other Members (8)

Cde. J. Jagan, M.P. (Absent)

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

Cde. N. Persaud, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. I. Basir, M.P. (Absent)

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.

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 .

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Cdes. Hoyte, Corrica, Armogan and Walcott-Nascimento for that day's sitting.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

- (1) By the Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance, on behalf of the Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance:

- (a) Loan Agreement dated 1982-01-11, between the Government of Guyana and the Netherlands Investment Bank for the financing of a Know-How and Technical Co-operation Agreement.

(ST: 3/2/15/3)(Circulated)

- (b) Financial Paper No. 3/1982 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates - Advances made from the Contingencies Fund totalling \$22,652,322, for the period ended 1982-10-26.

(ST: 10/4^{TJ})(Circulated)

In terms of Standing Order 68(1) the Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance, named Thursday 1982-11-18, as the day for the consideration of the Financial Paper in Committee of Supply.

(2) By the Minister of Home Affairs:

Annual Report of the Ministry of Home Affairs
for 1981.

(HA: 1/1/2)(Circulated)

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

Annual Report of the Ministry of Manufacturing
Industry for the year 1981.

(Circulated)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

(1) GUYANA RICE BOARD (AMENDMENT) BILL 1982 - Bill No. 11/1982
published 1982-09-11

The Vice-President, Agriculture, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Guyana Rice Board Act to empower the Guyana Rice Board to establish Regional Rice Boards and to assign them certain functions of the Board in order to decentralise its functions and to provide for matters connected therewith.

(2) PUBLIC OFFICERS (TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS) BILL 1982 -
Bill No. 12/1982 published 1982-09-11

The Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend certain enactments.

(3) CUSTOMS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1982 - Bill No. 13/1982
published 1982-10-02

The Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of 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 the Customs Act.

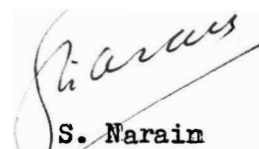
(4) FISCAL ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1982 - Bill No. 14/1982
published 1982-10-30

The Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of 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
fiscal enactments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 14:10 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Party and State Matters, the Assembly was adjourned to 14:00 hrs on Wednesday 1982-11-17.


S. Narain
Speaker
82-11-17

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown,
1982-11-12