

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 1ST SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
THIRD SESSION (1983) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 17:00 hrs

ON MONDAY 1983-02-07

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

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

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (61)

Prime Minister (1)

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

Other Vice-Presidents (4)

- Cdc. S.S. Naraine, A.A., M.P., Vice-President, Works, Transport and Housing (Absent - on leave)
- Cdc. H.D. Hoyte, S.C., M.P., Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance
- Cdc. H. Green, M.P., Vice-President, Agriculture
- Cdc. B. Ramsaroop, M.P., Vice-President, Party and State Matters

Senior Ministers (7)

- Cdc. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Minister of Education
- Cdc. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Minister of National and Regional Development
- * Cdc. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection
- * Cdc. H.O. Jack, M.P., Minister of Energy and Mines
- * Cdc. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Justice (Absent)
- * Cdc. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs
- * Cdc. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs

Ministers (6)

- Cdc. U.E. Johnson, M.P., Minister of Co-operatives
- Cdc. Sallahuddin, M.P., Minister, Finance, in the Ministry of Economic Planning and Finance
- * Cdc. Y.V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister
- * Cdc. H. Rashid, M.P., Minister in the Office of the President
- * Cdc. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P., Minister of Health
- * Cdc. K.W.E. Denny, M.P., Minister of Labour, Manufacturing and Industrial Development

Ministers of State (2)

- Cdc. M. Corrica, M.P., Minister of State in the Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection
- Cdc. R.C. Fredericks, A.A., M.P., Minister of State for Youth and Sports, in the Ministry of Education (Absent)

* 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. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. J.E. Caldeira, M.P. (Absent)
 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. (Absent - on leave)
 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. 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 (Absent)

Other Members (8)

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

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

Cde. N. Persaud, M.P. (Absent)

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. (Absent - on leave)

(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)

COMMENCEMENT OF SITTING

The 1st Sitting of the National Assembly of the Third Session of the Fourth Parliament commenced at 17:00 hrs.

PROCLAMATION SUMMONING THE SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

The Clerk read the Proclamation which was made by the President on 1983-01-21 and published in an extraordinary issue of the Gazette on 1983-01-21, appointing the Parliament Chamber, Public Buildings, Georgetown, as the place where a session of Parliament shall be held and 17:00 hrs on Monday 1983-02-07 as the time when such session shall begin.

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 17:05 hrs the sitting was suspended to enable the Speaker to receive His Excellency the President and Cde. Viola Burnham.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 17:39 hrs the sitting was resumed.

ENTRY OF THE PRESIDENT AND CDE. VIOLA BURNHAM

His Excellency the President, Cde. L.F.S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., and Cde. Viola Burnham entered the Parliament Chamber and took their places on the dais.

WELCOME TO THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of Members of the Assembly and himself, the Speaker welcomed the President to the Assembly.

ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

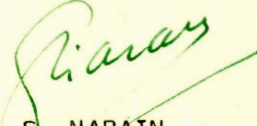
The President addressed the Assembly and presented a copy of the Address to the Speaker.

THANKS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker, on behalf of the Members of the Assembly, and himself, thanked the President for his Address.

ADJOURNMENT

At 18:12 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Party and State Matters, the Assembly was adjourned to 14:00 hrs on ~~Tuesday~~ 1983-02-10.



S. NARAIN
Speaker
83-02-09.