

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 6TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
THIRD SESSION (1983) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

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

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

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.D. Corbin, M.P., Minister of National and Regional Development

\*Cde. F.E. Hope, M.P., Minister of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection

\*Cde. H.D. Jack, M.P., Minister of Energy and Mines

\*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 (Absent)

Ministers (6)

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

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

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

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

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

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 - on leave)  
 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. (Absent - on leave)

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

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

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)

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

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. (Absent - on leave)

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

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

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.

APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1983

Assembly resumed the debate on the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1983.

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, the Minister of Energy and Mines, the Minister of Health, the Deputy Speaker and the Minister of National and Regional Development spoke to the motion.

At 16:10 hrs the sitting was suspended for refreshments.

At 16:40 hrs the sitting was resumed.

The Minority Leader and the Prime Minister spoke to the motion.

REPORT OF BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE OF COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to receive and consider the Report of the Business Sub-Committee concerning the allocation of time for the consideration of the 1983 Estimates of Expenditure by the Committee of Supply.

Following a report by the Chairman of the Business Sub-Committee and a motion by the Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance, the Committee of Supply agreed with the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee.

Assembly resumed.

At 18:56 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Party and State Matters, the Assembly was adjourned to 14:00 hrs on Tuesday 1983-02-22.

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Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.  
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