

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 10TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE THIRD  
SESSION (1983) OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF GUY HELD

AT 14:00 hrs

ON THURSDAY 1983-04-14

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

- \* Cde. 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)

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 (Absent)

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

Senior Ministers (7)

Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Minister of Education (Absent - on leave)

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 (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 (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 (Absent - on leave)

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

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

- \* Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P., Minister of Labour, Manufacturing and Industrial Development (Absent - on leave)

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

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 (27)

- Cde. M. Ally, M.P. (Absent - on leave)  
 Cde. M. Armogan, J.P., M.P.  
 Cde. B. Beniprashad, M.P. (Absent)  
 Cde. J.B. Caldeira, M.P.  
 Cde. A.A. Chin, M.P.  
 Cde. J.P. Chowritmootoo, J.P., M.P. (Absent - on leave)  
 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. (Absent - on leave)  
 Cde. A. McRae, M.P.  
 Cde. E. Melville, M.P.  
 Cde. J.M. Munroe, J.P., M.P. (Absent)  
 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. Willems, 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 (9)

- 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)(Absent - on leave)  
 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. 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.

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

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Cdes. Chandisingh, Harewood-Benn, Ally and Gill-Mingo for that day's sitting.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

ITEM 1 ~ SYMPATHY ON DEATH OF CDE. ABEL DORRICK

The Minister of National and Regional Development moved the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly records its deep regret at the death of Cde. Abel Dorricks, and pays tribute to the distinguished service which he rendered to Guyana and to its Parliament and directs that an expression of its sympathy be conveyed to his sorrowing widow and children.

The Deputy Speaker and Mr. Abraham spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the motion was put and carried with Members standing.

BILLS            Second and Third Readings

ITEM 2            NATIONAL DATA MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BILL 1983 - Bill No. 9/1983  
published 1983-03-19

The Vice-President, Economic Planning and Finance, moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to establish an Authority responsible for data processing and information systems in the Public Sector.

The motion was put and carried.

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

ITEM 3 - PRISON (AMENDMENT) BILL 1983 - Bill No. 10/1983  
published 1983-03-26

The Minister of Home Affairs ~~to~~ moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Prison Act.

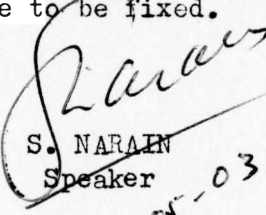
Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud spoke to the motion.

Thereafter the motion was put and carried.

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 14:55 hrs, on a motion by the Vice-President, Party and State Matters, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

  
S. NARAIN  
Speaker  
83-05-03

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.  
1983-05-03