

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 27TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST  
SESSION (1986-1987) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON TUESDAY, 20th JANUARY, 1987

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker (1)

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

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

Ministers in the Cabinet (10)

Prime Minister (1)

Cde. H. Green, M.P., Prime Minister

Other Vice-President and First Deputy Prime Minister (1)

Cde. Dr. M. Shahabuddeen, O.R., S.C., M.P., Vice-President,  
First Deputy Prime Minister and Attorney General

Other Vice-Presidents and Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

Cde. R. Chandisingh, M.P., Vice-President, National Mobilisation,  
and Deputy Prime Minister

Cde. Viola V. Bunrham, O.R., M.P., Vice-President, Education and  
Social Development, and Deputy Prime Minister

Other Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister,  
Planning and Development

Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public  
Utilities (Absent)

Senior Ministers (4)

Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs (Absent - on leave)

\*Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance

Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Minister of Labour

Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Trade and Tourism

Other Ministers (15)

Senior Ministers (7)

Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Regional Development

Cde. Dr. R.A. Van West-Charles, M.P., Minister of Medical Education,  
Environment and Food Policy (Absent)

Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Minister of Information and  
the Public Service

\*Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Senior Minister in the Ministry  
of Agriculture

\*Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Education

\*Cde. J.R. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister of Communications and Works

\*Cde. Dr. N.E. Blackman, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health

\*Non-elected Member

Ministers (5)

- Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of National Mobilisation (Absent - on leave)  
Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Minister in the Office of the President (Absent - on leave)  
Cde. D. Saxh, M.P., Minister of Forestry  
\*Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture  
Cde. J.T. Kisson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Medical Education, Environment and Food Policy

Ministers of State (3)

- \*Cde. D.A.N. Ainsworth, M.P., Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister  
Cde. Dr. Faith A. Harding, M.P., Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning and Development  
Cde. Stella Odie-Ali, M.P., Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs

Parliamentary Secretary (1)

- \*Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Education

Government Chief Whip (1)

- Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira, M.P., Government Chief Whip

Other Members (23)

- Cde. Agnes W. Bend-Kirton, M.P.  
Cde. A.K. Habibulla, M.P.  
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.  
Cde. M. Ally, M.P.  
Cde. Elaine B. Davidson, M.P.  
Cde. H. Doobay, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce M. Munroe, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P.  
Cde. Anna Ally, M.P.  
Cde. L.R. Arthur, M.P.  
Cde. J.R.L. Bovell-Drakes, M.P.  
Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.  
Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P. (Absent - on leave)  
Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.  
Cde. Cyrilda A. DeJesus, M.P.  
Cde. Edith Deygoo, M.P.  
Cde. Clarice A. Edwards, M.P.  
Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P.  
Cde. G. Marshall, M.P.  
Cde. B. Persaud, M.P.  
Cde. E.W. Trotman, M.P.  
Cde. K. Sankar, M.S., M.P.

\*Non-elected Member

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

Cde. E. Mohamed, M.P.  
Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)  
Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica)  
Cde. Bhagmatee Latchminarayan, M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)  
Cde. Y. Khan, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)  
Cde. Enid E. Abrahams, M.S., J.P., M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Demerara)  
Cde. I. Ally, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)  
Cde. B.L. Domingo, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)  
Cde. S.I. McGarrell, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)  
Cde. M. Stephens, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)  
Cde. Joycelyn Thom-Lindie, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbice) (Absent)

Members of the Minority (11)

(i) People's Progressive Party (8)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Deputy Speaker of the  
National Assembly

Other Members (6)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P.  
Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P.  
Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P., Minority Chief Whip  
Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.  
Cde. I. Basir, M.P.  
Cde. C.C. Bellgrave, 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.

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

Mr. E. Kwayana, M.P.

OFFICERS

Cde. F.A. Narain, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly  
Cde. I. Hartman, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to Cdes. Jackson, Johnson and Sharma for that sitting.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

The Minister of Finance advised that since some papers relating to the 1987 Budget were not available on time to permit the debate, he requested that the debate be adjourned to Monday, 26th January, 1987.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

At 2.30 p.m. the sitting was suspended to enable the Minister of Finance to arrange for the missing pages of the 1987 Estimates to be made available to Members.

RESUMPTION OF SITTING

At 2.53 p.m. the sitting was resumed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2.55 p.m. on a motion by the Minister of Regional Development, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 26th January, 1987.

  
S. NARAIN  
Speaker 87-01-26

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Public Buildings,  
Georgetown.

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