

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 15TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE THIRD SESSION
(1991 - 1992) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON MONDAY, 20TH JULY, 1992

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (74)

Speaker

- * 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)

Prime Minister (1)

- Cde. H. Green, M.P., Prime Minister (Absent - on leave)

Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (1)

- *Cde. K.S. Massiah, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister
of Legal Affairs

Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

- Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development
- Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Trade,
Tourism and Industry

Senior Ministers (7)

- *Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance
- *Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture (Absent - on leave)
- *Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education and Cultural
Development
- *Cde. J.K. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development
- *Hon. Dr. K.F.S. King, M.P., Senior Minister in the Office of the
President (Absent)
- Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Senior Minister in the Office
of the President (Absent)
- *Cde. Rabbian Ali-Khan, M.P., Minister of Labour, Human Services
and Social Security (Absent - on leave)

Ministers (6)

- Cde. D. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Industry
- *Hon. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture
- Cde. J.T. Kisson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health (Absent)
- Cde. Dr. Faith A. Harding, M.P., Minister in the Office of the
President/Public Service Management
- Cde. Stella Odie-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs (Absent - on leave)
- Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of
Labour, Human Services and Social Security

*Non-Elected Member

Government Chief Whip (1)

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

Other Members (32)

Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. R.E. Jackson, O.R., M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P.
 Cde. S. Prashad, C.C.H., M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. Yvonne W. Harewood-Benn, M.P.
 Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P.
 Cde. K.B. Bancroft, A.A., M.P.
 Cde. M. Corrica, M.S., M.P.
 Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.
 Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.S., M.P.
 Cde. H. Doobay, M.S., M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Munroe, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. Anna Ally, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.
 Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.
 Cde. Cyrylda 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, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. K. Sankar, A.A., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
 Cde. Mignon Griffith, M.P.
 Cde. P.E. Rockcliffe, M.P.

(There are three vacancies)

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

Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. P. Singh, J.P., 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) (Absent)
 Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/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. S.I. McGarrell, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni) (Absent)
 Cde. M. Stephens, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takatu/Upper
 Essequibo) (Absent)
 Cde. M. Ajoodhia, J.P., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)
 Cde. D. Fernandes, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)

Members of the Minority (11)(i) People' Progressive Party (8)Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, Minority Leader (Absent)

Deputy Speaker (1)

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

Other Members (6)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P., Minority Chief Whip (Absent)
Cde. H. Nokta, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P. (Absent)
Cde. Dr. Roger Luncheon, M.P. (Absent)

(ii) United Force (2)

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

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

Dr. R. Roopnaraine, M.P. (Absent)

OFFICERS

Mr. F.A. Narain, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly

Mr. S.E. Isaacs, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER(i) Leave

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted
to -

(a) Cdes. Green, Ali-Khan, Jackson, Prashed and Anna Ally
for that day's sitting, and

(b) Cde. McKenzie until 31st July.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

By the Minister of Finance:

- (i) Consumption Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Order
1992 (No. 21), made under section 4 of
the Consumption Tax Act, Chapter 80:02,
on 1st July, 1992 and published in an
extraordinary issue of the Gazette on
16th July, 1992.

(Circulated)

The Minister made a statement on the matter.

- (ii) Deeds Registry Fees (Amendment) Regulations
1992 (No. 8).

(Circulated)

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONSITEM 1 - APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 1/1992

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

In accordance with Article 171(2) of the Constitution, the Minister of Finance signified Cabinet's recommendation for the Assembly to proceed upon the motion to approve Financial Paper No. 1/1992, and thereafter moved the following motion:-

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 1/1992 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates totalling \$230,203,720 for period ended 1991-12-31.

After consideration of the Schedule, the motion was put and carried.

Assembly resumed.

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Assembly adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly agree with the Committee of Supply in the following Resolution:

"RESOLVED, That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 1/1992 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates totalling \$230,203,720 for period ended 1991-12-31."

ITEM 2 - APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 2/1992

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

In accordance with Article 171(2) of the Constitution, the Minister of Finance signified Cabinet's recommendation for the Assembly to proceed upon the motion to approve Financial Paper No. 2/1992, and thereafter moved the following motion:-

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 2/1992 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates totalling \$327,671,899 for period ended 1992-07-14.

After consideration of the Schedule, the motion was put and carried.

Assembly resumed.

On a motion by the Minister of Finance, the Assembly adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this National Assembly agree with the Committee of Supply in the following Resolution:

"RESOLVED, That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 2/1992 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates totalling \$327,671,899 for period ended 1992-07-14."

ITEM 3 - APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL PAPER NO. 3/1992

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

In Committee of Supply

In accordance with Article 171(2) of the Constitution, the Minister of Finance signified Cabinet's recommendation for the Assembly to proceed upon the motion to approve Financial Paper No. 3/1992, and thereafter moved the following motion:-

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in Financial Paper No. 3/1992 - Schedule of Supplementary Provision on the Current and Capital Estimates totalling \$267,993,000 for 1992.

After consideration of the Schedule, the motion was put and carried.

Assembly resumed.

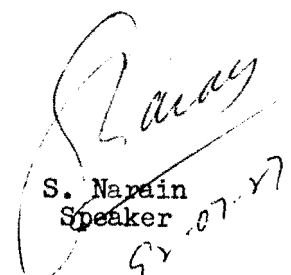
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RESOLVED, That this National Assembly agree with the Committee of Supply in the following Resolution:

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ADJOURNMENT

At 2.26 p.m., on a motion by the Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture, the Assembly was adjourned to 2.00 p.m. on Monday, 27th July, 1992.


S. Nardin
Speaker
92.07.27