

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 37TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND  
SESSION (1990/1991) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON FRIDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1991

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (73)

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)

+ Prime Minister (1)

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

Other Vice-President and Deputy Prime Minister (1)

- + Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P., Vice-President, Culture and Social Development and Deputy Prime Minister

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

Other Deputy Prime Ministers (2)

- + Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Planning and Development (Absent)
- + Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Utilities (Absent)

Senior Ministers (8)

- +\* Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance (Absent)
- + Cde. S. Prashad, M.P., Senior Minister in the Ministry of Planning & Development
- + Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Minister of Trade and Tourism
- + Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P., Minister of Regional Development
- Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P., Senior Minister in the Office of the President
- \* Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Minister of Agriculture
- \* Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education (Absent)
- \* Cde. J.R. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister of Communications and Works (Absent)

Ministers (8)

- Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Regional Development (Absent)
- + Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Minister of Labour and Co-operatives
- Cde. D. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public Utilities
- \* Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture

+ Cabinet Member

\* Non-elected Member

## Ministers Con't

Cde. J.T. Kisoorn, M.P., Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister  
Cde. Dr. Faith A. Harding, M.P., Minister of the Public Service (Absent)  
Cde. Stella Odie-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs  
Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Culture and Social Development

## Parliamentary Secretary (1)

\* Cde. L.E. Scotland, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary,  
Office of the Prime Minister (Absent) \*

## Government Chief Whip (1)

Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira

## Other Members (25)

Cde. R.E. Jackson, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. K.B. Bancroft, M.P.  
Cde. K.H.E. Denny, M.P.  
Cde. M. Corrica, M.P.  
Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.  
Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.  
Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, 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. N. Calisto, M.P.  
Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P. (Absent-on leave)  
Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.  
Cde. Cyralda 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. (Absent)  
Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.  
Cde. K. Sankar, A.A. M.P.  
Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P. (Absent)  
Cde. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P.  
Cde. P.E. Rockliffe, M.P. (Absent)

(There are two vacancies)

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

Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.  
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) (Absent)  
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 Island/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 Takutu/Upper Essequibo) (Absent)  
Cde. Ajoodhia, J.P., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)  
Cde. D. Fernandes, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)

\* Non-elected Member

Members of the Minority (11)

(i) People's Progressive Party (8)

Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader (Absent-on leave)

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. (Absent-on leave)

Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P. (Absent)

Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P., Minority Chief Whip (Absent)

Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.

Cde. I. Basir, M.P.

Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.

(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)

Mr. E. Kwayana, M.P.

OFFICER

Cde. M.B. Henry, Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

PRAYERS

The Acting Clerk read Prayers.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

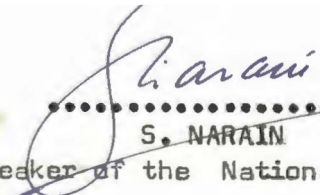
CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 - Bill No. 1/1991

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, on behalf of the Government, presented the following Bill which was read the first time:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to effect an alteration to article 70 of the Constitution in accordance with articles 66 and 164 thereof.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2.05 p.m., on a motion by the Minister of Regional Development, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

  
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S. NARAIN  
Speaker of the National Assembly