

FIRST PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

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ORDER PAPER

67TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MONDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1968

AT 8.30 A.M.

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By the Minister of Finance:

Customs Duties (Amendment)(No. 6) Order, 1968 (No. 46),  
made under section 8 of the Customs Ordinance,  
Chapter 309, on the 15th of October, 1968, and  
published in the Gazette on the 26th of October,  
1968.

(Circulated).

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By the Minister of Agriculture and Natural Resources:

The Cane Farmers Contract (General Conditions) Rules, 1968 (No. 2), made and approved under section 11(1) of the National Cane Farming Committee Ordinance, 1965 (No. 29), on the 2nd of November, 1968.

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PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONS

1. The Minister of Health and Housing to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Rent Restriction Ordinance, Chapter 186, came into operation on the 8th day of November, 1941;

AND WHEREAS section 33 of the said Ordinance (as it has effect by the Guyana Independence Order, 1966) provides that the Ordinance shall continue in force up to and including the 31st day of December, 1951, but that, prior to the expiration thereof, the National Assembly may, by resolution published in the Gazette, declare that the said Ordinance shall continue in operation for a further period of one year and that thereafter may from time to time declare that the said Ordinance shall continue in operation;

AND WHEREAS the said Ordinance has been continued in operation until the 31st December, 1968;

AND WHEREAS it is considered expedient that the said Ordinance shall be continued in operation for a further period of one year:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Rent Restriction Ordinance, Chapter 186, shall continue in force for a further period of one year up to and including the 31st day of December, 1969.

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

2. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the New Amsterdam Electric Lighting Order, 1900, as amended from time to time, be extended for a period of one (1) year up to and including 31st December, 1969.

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

3. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Barclays Bank, D.C.O. has provided overdraft facilities to the Guyana Electricity Corporation under Government guarantee to the 31st December, 1968, for an amount not exceeding \$4.8 Mn.;

AND WHEREAS because of its expansion programme it is necessary for the Corporation to continue to operate these overdraft facilities for a further period;

AND WHEREAS the Bank has agreed to extend the period of the overdraft facilities, at the present limit of \$4.8 Mn. to 31st December, 1969, with reductions thereafter at the minimum rate of \$2 Mn. per annum on the understanding that Government guarantee covering the present overdraft facilities to the maximum of \$4.8 Mn. is extended to 31st December, 1971;

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## BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly authorise the Government to extend the period of the existing guarantee in respect of overdraft facilities not exceeding \$4.8 Mn. to 31st December, 1971.

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

## 4. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Government has agreed to guarantee repayment of all monies advanced by the Commonwealth Development Corporation to the Guyana Electricity Corporation under an agreement signed by the Minister of Finance on the 10th January, 1968, with the Commonwealth Development Corporation and the Guyana Electricity Corporation covering the re-financing of the debt repayment to A.I.T. (Guyana) Partnership Limited due by the Electricity Corporation;

AND WHEREAS the Government requested the Commonwealth Development Corporation to advance the Guyana Electricity Corporation sums of money not exceeding £1,500,000:- in aggregate to assist the Guyana Electricity Corporation to discharge the A.I.T. debt:

## BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly authorise the Government to guarantee repayment of all advances not exceeding £1,500,000:- made by the Commonwealth Development Corporation to the Guyana Electricity Corporation

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

## 5. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

## BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, in terms of section 9 of the Customs Ordinance, Chapter 309, confirm Customs Duties (Amendment)(No. 6) Order, 1968,(No. 46), which was made on the 15th of October, 1968, and published in the Gazette on the 26th of October, 1968.

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

## 6. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

WHEREAS for the purpose of the Development Programme of this territory for the period 1966 - 1972 as amended, the sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is required for the re-organising and expanding of the education programme in Guyana;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to raise loan finance not exceeding ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association for the afore-said purpose:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly in pursuance of section 4 of the Public Loan Ordinance, 1966, as it has effect by virtue of section 5 of the Guyana Independence Order, 1966, approve of the raising from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association for the purpose of re-organising and expanding the education programme in Guyana of sums by way of loan not exceeding in the aggregate ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) as aforesaid.

(Notice was published on 1st November, 1968).

BILL - Second Reading

# 7. The Minister of Labour and Social Security to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROVIDING PECUNIARY PAYMENTS BY WAY OF OLD AGE BENEFIT, INVALIDITY BENEFIT, SURVIVOR'S BENEFIT, SICKNESS BENEFIT, MATERNITY BENEFIT AND FUNERAL BENEFIT, AND TO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ORDINANCE A SYSTEM OF INSURANCE AGAINST INJURY OR DEATH CAUSED BY ACCIDENT ARISING OUT OF AND IN THE COURSE OF EMPLOYMENT OR RESULTING FROM DISEASE DUE TO THE NATURE OF EMPLOYMENT; TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL INSURANCE FUND; AND TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS CONNECTED WITH OR INCIDENTAL THERETO.

(Bill No. 19/1968 published 7.10.68)

(Notice was given on 16th October, 1968).

MOTION

# 8. The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the General Electric Company Limited and Telephone Cables Limited have agreed to enter into a contract with the Guyana Telecommunication Corporation for the supply and installation of equipment and telephone cable networks estimated to cost \$17,227,200.00;

AND WHEREAS the Midland Bank has agreed to enter into a financial agreement with the Corporation to assist the financing of the contract to the extent of 80% of the value of United Kingdom goods and services estimated at \$12,585,600 by purchasing promissory notes, bearing interest at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % effected by the Corporation;

AND WHEREAS it is required that all payments due under the abovementioned contract and the abovementioned agreement should be guaranteed by the Cabinet, in accordance with section 20(1) of the Public Corporations Ordinance, 1962 (No. 23) which guarantee requires the approval of the National Assembly:

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# Not to be proceeded with at this sitting.

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