

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**ORDER PAPER**

**FOR THE 35<sup>TH</sup> SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION**

**(2006 - 2007) OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD**

**AT 2.00 P.M.**

**ON THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2007**

**IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN**

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**BUSINESS FOR SITTING**

**PRAYERS**

**OATH OF A NEW MEMBER-**

**MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT-**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER-**

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS-**

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS-**

(1) By the Minister of Finance:

- (i) The Ministers, Members of the National Assembly and Special Offices (Emoluments) (No. 2) Order 2007 – Order No. 26 of 2007.

(To be Circulated)

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(ii) **The Constitutional Offices (Remuneration of Holders) (No. 2) Order 2007 – Order No. 27 of 2007.**

**(To be Circulated)**

(2) **By the Minister of Agriculture:**

**The Guyana Rice Milling and Marketing Authority (Dissolution) Order 2007 – Order No. 24 of 2007.**

**(To be Circulated)**

(3) **By the Minister of Housing and Water:**

**The Central Housing and Planning Authority Annual Reports for the years 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005.**

**(To be Circulated)**

(4) **By the Minister of Labour:**

(i) **State Paper on the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 adopted by the Conference at its 94<sup>th</sup> Session, Geneva, February, 2006.**

**(To be Circulated)**

(ii) **Report on the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 adopted by the Conference at its 94<sup>th</sup> Session, Geneva, February, 2006.**

**(To be Circulated)**

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(iii) State Paper on the following Instruments which were adopted by the International Labour Conference at its 95<sup>th</sup> Session held in June, 2006:

- Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention 2006, No. 187;
- Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Recommendation 2006, No. 197; and
- The Employment Relationship Recommendation 2006, No. 198.

(To be Circulated)

(iv) The Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund Committee Annual Review for the year 2006.

(To be Circulated)

#### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-**

By the Minister of Health and Chairman of the Special Select Committee on the Health Facilities Licensing Bill 2006:

The Report of the Special Select Committee on the Health Facilities Licensing Bill 2006 – Bill No. 29 of 2006.

(To be Circulated)

#### **ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE-**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-**

**For Oral Reply**

**KINGSTON SEWERAGE PIPELINE**

**Member Asking:**                    **Mr. Overall Franklin, M.P.**

**Minister Answering:**            **The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Works and  
Communications**

- (i) \*Which other company or companies tendered originally for the work to relocate the Kingston Sewerage Pipeline?
- (ii) \*Which company has been awarded the contract to complete the work in Kingston and at what cost?
- (iii) \*What is now the total cost for the work in Kingston?

*(Notice Paper No. 184 (Q136 Opp135) published on 2007-11-05)*

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS, INCLUDING POLICY STATEMENTS-**

**PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS-**

**REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY ON  
DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE-**

**MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY AND  
MOVED BY A MINISTER-**

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS-**

**Presentation and First Reading**

**POUNDS AND CERTAIN OTHER ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2007 – Bill**

**No. 25/2007**

The Minister of Home Affairs, on behalf of the Government, to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Pounds Act, the Municipal and District Councils Act, the Local Government Act and Roads Act.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS-**

**(i) GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**BILL – Second Readings**

1. **PROTOCOLS TO THE AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE CARIBBEAN COURT OF JUSTICE BILL 2007 – Bill No. 23/2007 published on 2007-11-05**

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to give effect to Certain Protocols to the Agreement establishing the Caribbean Court of Justice and for matters connected therewith.

**(Read a first time on 2007-11-08)**

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2. **HEALTH FACILITIES LICENSING BILL 2006 – Bill No. 29/2006 published on 2006-12-21**

The Minister of Health to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the licensing of Health Facilities and for related matters.

**(Read a first time on 2006-12-21)**

**(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2007-01-11)**

**BILLS – Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings**

\*3. **ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COUNTERING THE FINANCING OF TERRORISM BILL 2007 – Bill No. 18/2007 published on 2007-06-04**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the establishment and management of a Financial Intelligence Unit; to provide for unlawful proceeds of all serious offences to be identified, traced, frozen, seized and eventually forfeited; to provide for comprehensive powers for the prosecution of money laundering, terrorist financing and other financial crimes; and the forfeiture of the proceeds of crime and terrorist property; to require reporting entities to take preventive measures to help combat money laundering and terrorist financing; to provide for civil forfeiture of assets and for matters connected therewith.

***(Read a first time on 2007-06-07)***

***(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2007-06-07)***

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\*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

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**\*4. THE FORESTS BILL 2007 – Bill No. 21 of 2007 published on 2007-07-24**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Special Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to consolidate and amend the law relating to forests.

*(Read a first time on 2007-08-02)*

*(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2007-11-08)*

**MOTION**

**\*5. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDER NO. 54**

The Assembly to resume the debate on the following Motion, after the Standing Orders Committee has reported thereon:

WHEREAS Standing Order No. 54 provides that an interval of not less than seven (7) days must elapse between the first and second reading of a Bill;

AND WHEREAS a sitting of the National Assembly is generally held on a Thursday;

AND WHEREAS the stipulation of seven (7) days does not allow for the second reading of the Bill on the following Thursday;

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\*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

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AND WHEREAS it is desirable that Standing Order 54 be amended to allow for a Bill, read a first time on a Thursday to be read a second time on the following Thursday;

**BE IT RESOLVED:**

That in accordance with Standing Order 110 this National Assembly refers this motion to amend Standing Order No. 54 to the Standing Orders Committee for further consideration with a view to effect the desired amendment.

**(Notice Paper No. 57(M15 Govt 11) published on 2007-01-18)**

**(Referred to Standing Orders Committee on 2007-01-31 in accordance with Standing Orders No. 110 (3))**

**(ii) PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**Presentation and first Reading**

**\*FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BILL 2006 – Bill No. 26/2006**

Mr. Raphael Trotman, M.P., is to seek leave to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to give access to information to members of the public.

\*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting



**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

**MOTION**

**\*6. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDER NO. 10**

The Assembly to resume the debate on the following Motion, after the Standing Orders Committee has reported thereon:

WHEREAS the hours of Parliament are prescribed by Standing Order No. 10 of the Standing Orders of the National Assembly to be 2.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. with suspensions at 4.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. respectively;

AND WHEREAS Members of the National Assembly have expressed varying views on the times for sittings of the Assembly with some Members favouring the commencement of sessions at an earlier time whilst others appear to prefer the strict observance of the prescribed times;

AND WHEREAS it would be desirable for a compromise to be found so as to allow for the hours of sittings to be varied from time to time by the Parliamentary Management Committee depending on the business to be disposed of,

**BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the Standing Orders Committee examines the issue of the times at which the Assembly shall meet including, the right of the Speaker to suspend the Standing Orders to allow the time to be abridged or varied and to report to the National Assembly its finding and recommendations within three months.

**(Notice Paper No.92 (M23 Opp 7) published on 2007-01-30)**

**(Referred to Standing Orders Committee on 2007-05-24 in accordance with Standing Order No. 110 (3))**

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**\*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

**(iii) COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**MOTION**

**7. THE GUYANA FIDUCIARY OVERSIGHT PROJECT**

The Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Chairperson of the Special Select Committee on the Guyana Fiduciary Oversight Project to move the following motion:

WHEREAS by Resolution No. 9 dated 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2007, the National Assembly appointed a Special Select Committee to examine the recommendation at component 6 of the Guyana Fiduciary Oversight Project *Final Framework and Guidelines Report Volume 2* with a view to advising the National Assembly on the steps to be undertaken by the Government to enable the Clerk to become the employing authority of the Staff of the Parliament Office;

AND WHEREAS the National Assembly stipulated that the Special Select Committee examine the present constitutional arrangement for the appointment of the Clerk and advise the National Assembly whether there is need for a change and what change that should be;

AND WHEREAS the Special Select Committee was required to present its Final Report to the National Assembly three months after its appointment;

AND WHEREAS the Special Select Committee was unable to complete its work by the deadline stipulated;

AND WHEREAS the Special Select Committee has requested an extension of the deadline for the submission of its Final Report to February 29, 2008;

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**BE IT RESOLVED:**

That this National Assembly approves of an extension of the deadline for the submission of its Report to February 29, 2008.

**(Notice Paper No. 187 (M48 Govt 30) published on 2007-11-13)**



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**S.E. ISAACS**  
**Clerk of the National Assembly**

**PARLIAMENT OFFICE,  
Public Buildings,  
Brickdam.**

**23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2007.**