

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 72nd SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION

(2006 - 2009) OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 22ND JANUARY , 2009

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

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-

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-

ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE-

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-**For Written Replies****1, NUMBER OF PERSONS DETAINED FOR 72 HOURS OR MORE****Member Asking: Mrs. Deborah Backer, M.P.****Minister Answering: Minister of Home Affairs**

Could the Honourable Minister of Home Affairs provide this National Assembly with a list of the number of persons detained for the year 2007, at each Police Station listed below, for 72 hours or more, who were subsequently released without any charges being preferred against them:-

- (i) Sparendam Police Station
- (ii) Beterverwagting Police Station
- (iii) Vigilance Police Station
- (iv) Cove and John Police Station
- (v) Brickdam Police Station
- (vi) Providence Police Station

(Notice Paper No. 309 (Q225 Opp 220) published on 2008-11-05)

2. CARICOM BONDS**Member Asking: Mrs. Sheila Holder, M.P.****Minister Answering: The Minister of Finance**

- (i) Will the Hon. Minister state what was the value of Caricom bonds prior to the global financial crisis and credit crunch?
- (ii) Will the Hon. Minister say what is the present value of Caricom bonds, by country, if significant variation prevails?

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- (iii) Will the Hon. Minister state the quantum of Caricom bonds that each of the local banks invested in and the losses incurred, if any, as a result of the global financial crisis?
- (iv) Should losses resulting from investments in Caricom bonds be significant, how does the Minister foresee the banking sector coping with the consequences of such losses? And what remedies he would recommend?

(Notice Paper No. 354 (Q266 Opp251) published on 2008-12-30)

For Oral Replies

3. **WELL IN KINGSTON**

Member Asking: Mr. Everall Franklin, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

*In August 2007 a company was hired to drill a well in Kingston for approximately sixty four million dollars (\$64,000,000.00). Has this well produced water and was the bidding process followed? Please name the company.

(Notice Paper No. 351 (Q263 Opp248) published on 2008-12-30)

4. **WELL AT COTTON TREE, WEST COAST BERBICE**

Member Asking: Mr. Everall Franklin, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

*A contract was awarded to the same Contractor for a well at Cotton Tree, West Coast Berbice, for approximately fifty four million dollars (\$54,000,000.00) in October, 2007. Could the Minister state whether or not the well is producing adequate water and name the company contracted?

(Notice Paper No. 352 (Q264 Opp249) published on 2008-12-30)

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5. **WELL AT NUMBER 47 VILLAGE CORENTYNE**

Member Asking: Mr. Everall Franklin, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

*Another contract was awarded in February, 2008 for a well at Number 47 Village Corentyne. What was the contract sum and state if this well is producing up to 10% of the expected yield? Please name the contracted company.

(Notice Paper No. 353 (Q265 Opp250) published on 2008-12-30)

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

CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 4/2009

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, on behalf of the Government, to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to alter the Constitution in accordance with Articles 66 and 164.

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PUBLIC BUSINESS -

(i) GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

BILLS – Second Readings

1. **MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 2 of 2009 published on 2009-01-14**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Medical Practitioners Act.

(Read a first time on 2009-01-15)

2. **PROTECTION OF CHILDREN BILL 2009 – Bill No. 3 of 2009 published on 2009-01-14**

The Minister of Human Services and Social Security to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the protection of children at risk, children in difficult circumstances and children in general and for related matters.

(Read a first time on 2009-01-15)

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:

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

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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)

*4. **COURT OF APPEAL (AMENDMENT) BILL 2008 – Bill No. 12 of 2008 published on 2008-07-11**

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 amend the Court of Appeal Act to provide for appeals by the Director of Public Prosecutions to the Court of Appeal and the Caribbean Court of Justice and for connected matters.

(Read a first time on 2008-07-17)

(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2008-07-25)

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

*5. **MONEY TRANSFER AGENCIES (LICENSING) BILL 2008 – No. 15 of 2008**
published on 2008-07-23

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 licensing of persons carrying on the business of money transferagencies; to make provision for the registering of money transfer agents and for connected purposes.

(Read a first time on 2008-07-24)

(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2008-08-07)

(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.

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

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

MOTION

6. **ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE FORESTS BILL 2007**

The Minister of Agriculture (Chairman of the Special Select Committee on the Forests Bill 2007) to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Report of the Special Select Committee on the Forests Bill 2007 – (Bill No. 21 o 2007) be adopted.

(Notice Paper No. 357 (M87 Govt53) published on 2009-01-14)

BILL – Third Reading

7. **THE FORESTS BILL 2007 – Bill No. 21/ 2007**

The Minister of Agriculture (Chairman of the Special Select Committee on the Forests Bill 2007) to move:

That the Forests Bill 2007 – Bill No. 21/2007 be read a third time and passed as amended.


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S.E. ISAACS
Clerk of the National Assembly

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

16th January, 2009.