NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 86TH 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 WEDNESDAY, 29TH APRIL, 2009

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR PRIVATE MEMBER'S SITTING

PRAYERS

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For Written Replies

1. POLICE STATIONS AND POLICE OUTPOSTS ALONG GUYANA'S BORDER WITH VENEZUELA

Member Asking:

Mrs. Deborah Backer, M.P.

Minister Answering:

The Minister of Home Affairs

Could the Honourable Minister of Home Affairs provide this National Assembly with a list of Police Stations and Police Outposts that are located along and/or within a ten mile radius of Guyana's border with Venezuela?

(Notice Paper No. 381 (Q 281 Opp 266) published on 2009-04-03)

2. POLICE STATIONS AND POLICE OUTPOSTS ALONG GUYANA'S BORDER WITH BRAZIL

Member Asking:

Mrs. Deborah Backer, M.P.

Minister Answering:

The Minister of Home Affairs

Could the Honourable Minister of Home Affairs provide this National Assembly with a list of Police Stations and Police Outposts that are located along and/or within a ten mile radius of Guyana's border with Brazil?

(Notice Paper No. 382 (Q 282 Opp 267) published on 2009-04-03)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS, INCLUDING POLICY STATEMENTS-

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PUBLIC BUSINESS-

(i) GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

BILLS - Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings

*1. <u>ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COUNTERING THE FINANCING OF</u>
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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*2. <u>COURT OF APPEAL (AMENDMENT) BILL 2008 – Bill No. 12 of 2008 published on 2008-07-11</u>

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)

*3. 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)

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BILL - First and Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings

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

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 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)
(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-01-22)

*5. STATUS OF CHILDREN BILL 2009 - Bill No. 5/2009 published on 2009-01-27

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 repeal and re-enact the provisions of the Children Born Out of Wedlock (Removal of Discrimination) Act 1983; to provide for presumptions of parentage and parentage testing procedures; to effect reform of the law generally and for related purposes.

(Read a first time on 2009-01-29)

(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-01-29)

*6. ADOPTION OF CHILDREN BILL 2009 – Bill No. 6/2009 published on 2009-01-27

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 reform of laws for the adoption of children and for related matters.

(Read a first time on 2009-01-29)

(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-01-29)

(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.

MOTIONS

7. ANGOYS AVENUE, NEW AMSTERDAM, BERBICE

Dr. John Austin, M.P. to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the squatting area of Angoys Avenue, New Amsterdam, Berbice has been in existence for over 40 years;

AND WHEREAS the residents of Angoys Avenue, New Amsterdam, Berbice have, for over fifteen years, unsuccessfully urged the Government of Guyana to regularize their squatting area;

*Not to be proceeded at this sitting

AND WHEREAS other squatting communities, in several parts of Guyana, have been regularized by the Government of Guyana;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly urges the Government of Guyana to treat the regularization of Angoys Avenue, New Amsterdam, Berbice with the highest priority;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly requests the Minister of Housing and Water to report to this National Assembly, within six months of the passage of this motion, the steps which his Ministry has taken to regularize the community of Angoys Avenue, New Amsterdam, Berbice.

(Notice Paper No. 378 (M92 Opp27) published on 2009-04-02)

8. <u>COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR CERTAIN CRIMINAL OFFENCES</u>

Mrs. Deborah Backer, M.P. to move the following motion:

WHEREAS imprisonment as a form of punishment for persons found guilty of certain criminal offences is part of the statutory laws of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS imprisonment as a form of punishment is widely used by our Judiciary;

AND WHEREAS research has shown that a sentence of Community Service, for certain criminal offences, coupled, where necessary, with mandatory participation in rehabilitation programs is more beneficial to the community and the offender;

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AND WHEREAS the benefits of a Community Service Program include: enhanced prison security; the reduction of over crowding; enhanced public health; better rehabilitated citizens; and the requirement that persons found guilty of crimes are required to repay their

country by giving appropriate community service;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana Justice Sector Reform Strategy 2006 -

2010 has identified "Introducing legislation to provide a modern framework for community

service orders", as one of its goals,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly urges the Government of Guyana to give this

Legislation priority, by the Tabling of a Community Service Bill, in this National

Assembly, by July, 2009.

(Notice Paper No. 380 (M94 Opp 28) published on 2009-04-03)

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

S.E. ISAACS

Clerk of the National Assembly

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,

Public Buildings,

Brickdam.

23rd April, 2009.