

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 97TH 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, 6TH AUGUST, 2009

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

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PRAYERS

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MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT-

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PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS-

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-

By the Minister of Local Government and Regional Development (Chairperson of the Special Select Committee on the Local Government Commission) Bill 2009:

Report of the Special Select Committee on the Local Government Commission Bill 2009
– Bill No. 22 of 2009.

(To be Circulated)

ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE-

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PUBLIC BUSINESS -

(i) **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

BILLS – Second Reading

1. **ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE (No. 2) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 32/2009 published
on 2009-07-08**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Act and the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act to extend and specify the meaning of property and increase the penalty for damage to property.

(Read a first time on 2009-07-09)

2. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BILL 2009 – Bill No. 22/2009 published 2009-06-03**

The Minister of Local Government and Regional Development to move the second reading of the following Bill which was referred to a Special Select Committee for consideration and report:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to establish the Local Government Commission, as provided for by Article 78A of the Constitution, to provide for the Commission's functions and procedure; and for connected and incidental purposes.

(Read a first time 2009-06-04)

(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-04)

MOTIONS

3. **50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CUBAN REVOLUTION**

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Members of the National Assembly of the Ninth Parliament of Guyana, at this Sitting of the Assembly note that July 26, 2009 marked the 56th Anniversary of the attack on the Moncada Barracks in Cuba, which is regarded as the defining moment of the Cuban Revolution that triumphed on January 1, 1959;

AND WHEREAS over those five decades the Government and people of Cuba have made tremendous strides in the development of their country despite the imposition of the economic embargo by successive United States Administrations;

AND WHEREAS the Government and people of Cuba in spite of daunting constraints have maintained international solidarity with developing countries by continuing to offer development assistance to countries in the Americas, Africa and Asia;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Cuba has rendered consistently valuable assistance to the Government and people of Guyana, over these five decades and more especially since the inception of diplomatic ties with Guyana in 1972, particularly in the areas of tertiary training in education specifically in health; providing highly qualified health care practitioners for over 30 years to Guyana's health care system; the inclusion in "Operation Miracle" of thousands of Guyanese who have benefited from eye surgery and treatment in Cuba; the extension of assistance of medical academic professionals and provision of educational equipment for the UG School of Medicine, and, the provision of expertise, human and technical, and major material resources that have allowed the construction, equipping and operationalising of the four regional hospitals for the benefit of Guyanese;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana has consistently supported calls and actions at all regional and international fora for the cessation of the United States economic embargo on Cuba;

AND WHEREAS in recognition of the recent reversal of the 1962 Resolution which had expelled Cuba from the Organisation of American States (OAS), note is taken that the Government of Guyana continues to support the full involvement of Cuba in the activities of the community of nations at both the hemispheric and international levels;

AND WHEREAS Guyana and Cuba share common interests and concerns primarily in the areas of sustainable development, economic equity and social justice, equitable trade relations and the concern for the vulnerability of the smaller economies;

AND WHEREAS Guyana's call for a new Global Human adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in November 2000 is similar to those adumbrated by the Government of Cuba towards equity and justice;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly conveys to the Cuban Government and people congratulations on the 50th Anniversary of the Revolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly on behalf of the Guyanese people conveys its deepest appreciation to the Government and people of Cuba for their sacrifice and unstinting support given to our Government, people and country over decades; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, while being heartened by statements made by President Barack Obama, encourages the United States administration to advance efforts to improve and restore normal relations with Cuba.

(Notice Paper No. 397 (M104 Govt62) published on 2009-07-30)

BILLS – Second Reading

- *4. **LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (BENEFITS AND OTHER FACILITIES)**
BILL 2009 – Bill No. 16/2009 published on 2009-04-30

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for benefits and other facilities to the Leader of the Opposition.

(Read a first time on 2009-04-30)

BILLS – Committee and Third Reading

- *5. **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:

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

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)

(Read a second time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2008-07-24)

BILLS – Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings

- *6. **ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS BILL 2009 – Bill No. 15/2009 published on 2009-04-30**

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 registration of members of allied health professions supplementary to the medical profession, regulation of practice of allied health professions and allied health services, to provide for maintenance of professional standards for allied health professions and health services and to make provisions for training of members of those professions and services and for related purposes.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-04-30)

- *7. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 23/2009 published 2009-06-03**

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 Local Government

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-04)

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

***8. FISCAL TRANSFERS BILL 2009 - Bill No. 25/2009 published on 2009-06-11**

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 provide for the formulation and implementation of objective criteria for the purpose of the allocation of resources to and the garnering of resources by local democratic organs and for matters connected therewith.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-11)

***9. MUNICIPAL AND DISTRICT COUNCILS (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – Bill No. 26/2009 published on 2009-06-11**

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 Municipal and District Councils Act.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-11)

***10. CUSTODY, CONTACT, GUARDIANSHIP AND MAINTENANCE BILL 2009 – Bill No. 29/2009 published on 2009-06-25**

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 granting of custody, contact, guardianship and maintenance rights with respect to children and for connected purposes.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-06-25)

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

***11. THE SEXUAL OFFENCES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 30/2009 published on 2009-07-08**

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 reform and consolidate the laws relating to sexual offences and to provide for related matters.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-07-09)

***12. CHILDCARE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES BILL 2009 – Bill No. 31/2009 published on 2009-07-08**

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 regulate childcare services and to provide for parameters for the granting of licences for childcare and development services and connected matters.

(Read a first time and committed to the Special Select Committee on 2009-07-09)

(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**

COMMITTEES BUSINESS



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S.E. ISAACS
Clerk of the National Assembly

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Brickdam.**

4th August, 2009.