

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
ORDER PAPER
FOR THE 37TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND
SESSION
(2002-2004) OF THE EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD
AT 2.00 P.M.
ON THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 2004
IN THE CONVENTION CENTRE, OCEAN VIEW INTERNATIONAL HOTEL,
LILIENDAAL, GREATER 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, ETC.

(i) By the Speaker (Chairman of the Committee of Selection):

Minutes of the proceedings of the 9th Meeting of the Committee of Selection held on
Thursday, 22nd July, 2004.

(To be Circulated)

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(ii) By the Minister of Education:

Annual Report of the Ministry of Education for the year 2003.

(To be Circulated)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS-

For Oral reply

1. **INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT OF JUSTICE**

Mrs. Sheila Holder to ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs the following question:

*Would the Minister of Foreign Affairs say when the Government of Guyana lodged instruments of ratification with the International Criminal Court of Justice?

(Notice Paper No. 85 (Q49 Opp 49) published on 2004-02-02)

For Written reply

2. **SUGAR INDUSTRY LABOUR WELFARE FUND**

Mr. Khemraj Ramjattan to ask the Minister of Labour, Human services and Social Security the following questions:

Could the Minister -

- (i) State the amount of moneys paid into the Treasury by the Guyana Sugar Corporation for the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund Committee for each of the years for the period 1994 to 2003?
- (ii) State the amount of moneys disbursed by the Treasury from the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund for each of the years for the period 1994 to 2003?

(iii) State whether the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund is indebted to the Guyana Sugar Corporation and, if so, the amount of the debt at the end of 2003?

(iv) State whether Committees for the Sugar Industry Labour Price Stabilisation Fund and the Sugar Industry Rehabilitation Fund were appointed and, if not, why not? If not appointed can the Honourable Minister say when these Committees were last appointed?

(Notice Paper No. 114 (Q56 Govt1) published on 2004-06-30)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS -

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 NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY AND MOVED BY A MINISTER -**

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Presentation and First Reading

COMBATING OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS BILL 2004 - Bill No. 12/ 2004

The Minister in the Ministry of Labour, Human Services and Social Security, on behalf of the government, to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide comprehensive measures to combat trafficking in persons.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

1. **RATIFICATION OF THE ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT**

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Rome Statute for the establishment of the International Criminal Court was adopted in Rome on July 17, 1998 and entered into force on June 1, 2003 in accordance with the provisions of Article 126;

AND WHEREAS the Statute was signed by the Permanent Representative of Guyana to the United Nations on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Guyana on December 28, 2000;

AND WHEREAS Article 125 of the said Statute makes provision for the deposit of the instruments of Ratification with the Secretary General of the United Nations.

NOW THEREFORE the Government of the Republic of Guyana having considered the Statute hereby confirms and ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out all the stipulations therein.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly agrees to the Secretary General of the United Nations being informed of Guyana's intention to ratify the said Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and for the Government of Guyana to formally ratify the said Statute by depositing the Instrument of Ratification.

(Notice Paper No. 115 (M56 Govt52) published on 2004-07-29)

BILL - Second Reading

2. **FISCAL MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2004 -
Bill No. 11/2004 published on 2004-07-22**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Fiscal Management and Accountability Act
2003.

(Read a first time on 2004-07-22)

MOTION

*3. **PROTOCOL AND RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT THE 90TH SESSION OF
THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE HELD IN JUNE, 2002**

The Minister of Labour, Human Services and Social Security to move the following motion:

WHEREAS as a member state of the International Labour Organisation, Guyana is obligated to examine Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted by the International Labour Conference in accordance with Article 19 of the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation;

AND WHEREAS Article 19 states that all Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted by the International Labour Conference must be submitted to the Competent Authority of members' states whether ratification of such Conventions is contemplated or not;

AND WHEREAS the submission of Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted at sessions of that Conference should always be accompanied or followed by a statement or proposal setting out the Government's view as to the action to be taken on the instruments;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana, proposes to use the provisions of the Conventions, Recommendations and other Instruments adopted from time to time by the International Labour Conference as aims of policy and to ratify those Conventions which are in keeping with the social philosophy of the Guyanese society.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly approve the conclusion set out in the State Paper on the undermentioned Protocol and Recommendations adopted at the 90th Session of the International Labour Conference held in June, 2002;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the decision of this National Assembly be conveyed to the Director General of the International Labour Organisation:

- (i) Protocol of 2002 to the Occupational Safety and Health Convention 1981.
 - (ii) Promotion of Cooperatives Recommendation, 2002, No. 193.
 - (iii) The List of Occupational Diseases Recommendation, 2002, No. 194.
- (Notice Paper No. 79 (M28 Govt26) published on 2003-11-19)**

BILL - Second Reading

***4. CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (No. 3) BILL 2003 - Bill No. 10/2003**

published on 2003-07-04

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

A Bill intituled AN ACT to alter the Constitution in accordance with articles 66 and 164.

(Read a first time on 2003-07-10)



S. E. ISAACS

Clerk of the National Assembly

**PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Georgetown.**

30th July, 2004.

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