

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 97TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST
SESSION (1992-1997) OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 22ND MAY, 1997
IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS

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AND MOVED BY A MINISTER -

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS -

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILLS - Second Reading

1. COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1997 - Bill No. 4/1997 published 11.4.97

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend
the Companies Act 1991.

(Read a first time on 17.4.97)

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2. LAW REVISION (AMENDMENT)BILL 1997 - Bill No. 5/1997
published 11.4.97

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 Law Revision Act.

(Read a first time on 17.4.97)

MOTIONS

3. ACCESSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification was opened for signature at Paris on October 14, 1994 and later adopted by the Inter-governmental Negotiating Committee;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention remained open at the United Nations Headquarters in New York until October 13, 1995;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention has been signed by 115 countries and ratified by 35 countries;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention must be ratified by 50 countries for it to come into force;

AND WHEREAS the Second Regional Meeting of Latin American and Caribbean Countries on Desertification was held in Mexico City from June 17 to 19, 1996;

AND WHEREAS participation in the said Convention signals Guyana's solidarity with those nations that are experiencing serious desertification and drought, particularly those of Africa;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention can play a role in the development of a National Action Programme for the prevention of unsustainable development practices which could result in desertification;

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AND WHEREAS the Regional Action Plan should provide a framework under the Convention from which Guyana would be able to benefit financially, technically and otherwise;

AND WHEREAS the said Convention should be viewed in broad environmental terms:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly hereby agree to the Secretary General of the United Nations being informed of Guyana's intention to accede to the said Convention and for Guyana to formally accede to the said Convention by the deposit of an appropriate instrument of accession.

(Notice Paper No. 110 (M90 Govt73) published 16.5.97

4. CONVENTION AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

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 and Recommendations 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 and Recommendations adopted by the International Labour Conference must be submitted to the Competent Authority of member states whether ratification of such Conventions is contemplated or not;

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

AND WHEREAS Guyana adheres to the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation of which it is a member since 1966;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Guyana proposes to use the provisions of the Conventions and Recommendations 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:

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BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approve the conclusion set out in the State Paper on the following Convention and Recommendation adopted at the 81st Session of the International Labour Conference held in June, 1994:-

- (a) Part-time Work Convention, 1994, No. 175
- (b) Part-time Work Recommendation, 1994, No. 182;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

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

(Notice Paper No. 111 (M91 Govt74) published 16.5.97)

*5. INTEGRITY COMMISSION BILL 1995 - Bill No. 17/1995 published 4.11.95

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stage(s) of the following Bill, after the Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the establishment of an Integrity Commission and to make provision for the purpose of securing the integrity of persons in public life.

*6. TRADE UNION RECOGNITION BILL 1994 - Bill No. 19/1994 published 26.11.94

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stage(s) of the following Bill, after the Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the improvement and promotion of industrial relations by the establishment of procedures for the certifying of trade unions as recognised majority unions and for matters connected therewith.

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*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting.

- *7. LAW REFORM (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL 1995 - Bill No. 10/1995
published 20.5.95

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
Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions)
Act, the Motor Vehicles Insurance
(Third Party Risks) Act and the
Accidental Deaths and Personal
Injuries (Damages) Act.

(Read a first time on 22.5.95)

- *8. CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1995 - Bill No. 11/1995
published 20.5.95

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to effect
an alteration to articles 142 of
the Constitution in accordance
with articles 66 and 164 thereof.

(Read a first time on 20.7.95)

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Georgetown.

16th May, 1997

*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting.