

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
ORDER PAPER
FOR THE 35TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION
(1998-1999) OF THE SEVENTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD
AT 2.00 P.M.
ON MONDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1999
IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

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AND MOVED BY A MINISTER-

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PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

1. REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION REFORM COMMISSION

The Minister of Agriculture and Parliamentary Affairs to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly of the Parliament of Guyana -

- express its grateful thanks and appreciation to the Chairman, Members, Secretary, and Staff of the Constitution Reform Commission for the Report on Constitutional Reform which was presented to the Special Select Committee on 17th July, 1999, and transmitted to the National Assembly on 22nd July, 1999.
- refer the Commission's Report to a Special Select Committee for its consideration; and direct the said Committee to report to the National Assembly on its proposals for a reformed Constitution based on its considerations of the Constitution Reform Commission's Report and recommendations contained therein by 31st October, 1999.

(Notice Paper No. 68 (M27 Govt 23) published 5.8.99)

BILLS - Second Reading

**2. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ELECTIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 16/1999
published 31.7.99**

The Minister of Local Government to move the second reading the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the
Local Authorities (Elections) Act to
provide for the postponement of
elections of councillors of local
democratic organs.

(Read a first time on 29.7.99)

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3. **EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 15/1999 published 21.7.99**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend
the Education Act.
(Read a first time on 22.7.99)

MOTION

4. **THE ACP-EU NEGOTIATIONS ON A POST-LOME IV AGREEMENT**

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to move the motion seeking the Assembly's endorsement of the preparations of the ACP Group for the current negotiations with the European Union on a Post-Lome IV arrangement; the APC Negotiating Mandate; and particularly the ACP's positions, which remain divergent from those of the European Union on i. The political and institutional matters, ii The Trade issue, iii. Development finance, and iv. The Commodity Protocols.

(The full text of this motion appears on Notice Paper No. 66 which was published and circulated on 22nd July, 1999 - See copy at Appendix)

BILLS - Second Reading

5. **CARIBBEAN INVESTMENT FUND BILL 1999 - Bill No. 11/1999 published 3.7.99**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to give effect
to the Agreement establishing the
Caribbean Investment Fund and to
provide for matters connected therewith.
(Read a first time on 1.7.99)

6. **GUYANA LANDS AND SURVEYS COMMISSION BILL 1999 -**
Bill No. 14/1999 published 2.7.99

The Minister of Agriculture and Parliamentary Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the establishment of the Guyana Lands and Surveys Commission, to provide for its functions and for other purposes connected therewith.
(Read a first time on 1.7.99)

MOTIONS

*7. **RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOL III WHICH AMENDS THE TREATY ESTABLISHING THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY**

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Protocol III amending the Treaty Establishing the Caribbean Community signed at Chaguaramas on 4 July 1973 was signed by ten Heads of Government at the Nineteenth Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community which was held in Castries, St. Lucia during the period 30 June - 4 July, 1998;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol III was signed by Her Excellency Janet Jagan, the President of Guyana on behalf of the Government of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol provides for an Industrial Policy within the Community within the context of the Single Market and Economy;

AND WHEREAS Protocol III amending the Treaty establishing the Caribbean Community has as its primary goal the achievement of an export-led, internationally competitive sustainable production of goods services in Member States, and which will maximize employment and consumer welfare;

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*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

AND WHEREAS Guyana remains committed to the established goals and objectives of the Caribbean Community in this new era of globalisation;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly hereby agrees to the Secretary General of the Caribbean Community being informed of Guyana's intention to ratify the said Protocol III and for Guyana to formally ratify the said Protocol III by the deposit of an appropriate Instrument of Ratification.

(Notice Paper No. 65 (M24 Govt 20) published 22.7.99)

***8. RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOL V WHICH AMENDS THE TREATY ESTABLISHING THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY**

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Protocol V amending the Treaty Establishing the Caribbean Community signed at Chaguaramas on 4th July 1973 was signed by ten Heads of Government at the Nineteenth Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community which was held in Castries, St. Lucia during the period 30 June - 4 July, 1998;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol V was signed by Her Excellency Janet Jagan, the President of Guyana on behalf of the Government of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol provides for an Agricultural Policy within the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME), which the Caribbean Community is in the process of establishing;

AND WHEREAS Protocol V amending the treaty establishing the Caribbean Community seeks to establish and implement an agricultural policy designed to achieve structural transformation of the agricultural sector in Member States based on efficient, diversified, internationally competitive, sustainable and environmental-friendly development;

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

AND WHEREAS Guyana remains committed to the established goals and objectives of the Caribbean Community in this new era of globalisation;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly hereby agrees to the Secretary General of the Caribbean Community being informed of Guyana's intention to ratify the said Protocol V and for Guyana to formally ratify the said Protocol V by the deposit of an appropriate instrument of Ratification.

(Notice Paper No. 67 (M26 Govt 22) published 29.7.99)

BILLS - Second Reading

- *9. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 17/1999 published 31.7.99

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the
Medical Practitioners Act 1991.
(Read a first time on 29.7.99)

- *10. MONEY LAUNDERING (PREVENTION) BILL 1998 - Bill No. 10/1998 published 10.10.98

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the prevention of
money laundering and for matters connected therewith
or incidental thereto.
(Read a first time on 29.10.98)

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

***11. TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BILL 1999 -
Bill No. 3/1999 published 23.1.99**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the
promotion of technical and vocational
education and training, and for purposes
connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 3.2.99)

***12. PESTICIDES AND TOXIC CHEMICALS CONTROL BILL 1998 -
Bill No. 12/1998 published 15.10.98**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Select
Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to regulate the manufacture, importation,
transportation, storage, sale, use and disposal of pesticides and
toxic chemicals, and to provide for the establishment of the
Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals Control Board, and for matters
connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Read a first time on 29.10.98)

(Read a second time and committed to a Select Committee on 30.11.98)

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

*13. **SUMMARY JURISDICTION (LAY MAGISTRATES) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 5/1999**
published 6.2.99

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Select Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT for the constitution of
lay magistrates' courts; for the appointment of
lay magistrates; for the regulation of their
jurisdiction, practice and procedure and for
other like purposes.

(Read a first time on 3.2.99)

(Read a second time and committed to a Select Committee on 18.3.99)

F. A. NARAIN

Clerk of the National Assembly

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,

Public Buildings,

Georgetown.

5th August, 1999

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