

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 61ST SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION

(2006 - 2008) OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 2008

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, 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-

(1) By the Speaker of the National Assembly:

Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts of Guyana and on the accounts of Ministries, Departments and Regions for the fiscal year ended 31st December, 2006.

(To be Circulated)

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(2) By the Minister of Agriculture:

The Guyana Sugar Corporation Inc., Annual Reports for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006.

(To be Circulated)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-

ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE-

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS, INCLUDING POLICY STATEMENTS-

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 ASSEMBLY AND MOVED BY A MINISTER-

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS-

PUBLIC BUSINESS-

(i) GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

BILLS – Second Reading

1. **SUMMARY JURISDICTION (OFFENCES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2008 – Bill No. 17/2008 published on 2008-07-30**

The Minister of Home Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

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3.

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Summary Jurisdiction (Offences) Act to prohibit the playing of music in a motor bus or hire car.

(Read a first time on 2008-07-31)

BILLS – Second Readings, Committee and Third Readings

***2. ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND COUNTERING THE FINANCING OF 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)

***3. THE FORESTS BILL 2007 – Bill No. 21 of 2007 published on 2007-07-24**

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

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4.

A BILL intituled AN ACT to consolidate and amend the law relating to forests.

(Read a first time on 2007-08-02)
(Committed to the Special Select Committee on 2007-11-08)

(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.

MOTION

4. **HONOURING LINDEN FORBES SAMPSON BURNHAM, O.E., S.C., IN RECOGNITION OF HIS CONTRIBUTION TO GUYANA**

Mr. Robert Corbin, M.P., Leader of the Opposition to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Mr. Linden Forbes Sampson Burnham, O.E., S.C., was elected to the Legislative Assembly (now the National Assembly), on the 18th day of May 1953, in the first General Elections held under Universal Adult Suffrage in the then British Guiana (now Guyana), and was appointed the Minister of Education in the First People's Progressive Party Government (PPP);

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*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

AND WHEREAS Mr. L. F. S. Burnham played a major role in the formation and development of both major political Parties in Guyana, in 1950, as the Chairman of the first mass political party in Guyana, the PPP and, in 1957, as the Founder Leader of the Peoples National Congress;

AND WHEREAS Mr. L. F. S. Burnham also played a major role, with others, in the struggle for political independence from Britain, which was accomplished on the 26th May, 1966;

AND WHEREAS Mr. L. F. S. Burnham also guided the smooth and peaceful transition of Guyana to Republican status on the 23rd February, 1970, while serving as the first Prime Minister of an independent Guyana;

AND WHEREAS Mr. Burnham served as a distinguished Parliamentarian for thirty years until 1980 when he became ineligible to remain seated on becoming the first Executive President of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS Linden Forbes Sampson Burnham was a major architect of the Caribbean integration movement, as exemplified by his role in the formation of CARIFTA, in 1968, CARICOM, in 1973 and the various other initiatives for the strengthening of Caribbean unity including, the promotion and hosting in Guyana of the first Caribbean Festival Of Arts, CARIFESTA, in 1972;

AND WHEREAS the 6th day of August 2008 will mark the 23rd Death Anniversary of the Late Linden Forbes Sampson Burnham who died while serving as Guyana's first Executive President from 1980 to 1985;

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BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly, on the FIFTY FIFTH YEAR of his ENTERING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, on the occasion of his TWENTY THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY and in the year of the 35th Anniversary of CARICOM, gives due recognition to Mr. Linden Forbes Sampson Burnham for his extraordinary and outstanding career as a Guyanese leader;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly gives due recognition to the service of Mr. Forbes Burnham to the National Assembly and Guyana by requesting the Government to have prepared and published a collection of his speeches spanning his tenure in the National Assembly for display in the Library of the National Assembly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly agrees that full sized portraits of each of the Presidents of Guyana should be commissioned and displayed in the Chambers of the National Assembly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly calls on the Government to designate a State Institution to be responsible for historical Research and Documentation to Chronicle and archive all of the works of each of the Presidents of Guyana for the benefit of future generations of Guyanese.

(Notice Paper No. 256 (M73 Opp20) published on 2008-07-24)

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(iii) COMMITTEE BUSINESS

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S.E. ISAACS
Clerk of the National

**PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
Public Buildings,
Brickdam.**

31st July, 2008.