

THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION

1973 - 1975

MINUTES of the Proceedings of the 65th Sitting of the National Assembly held in the Parliament Chamber at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON

FRIDAY, 23RD MAY, 1975

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Speaker

His Honour the Speaker, Mr. Sase Narain, J.P.

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (50)

Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister (2)

The Honourable L.F.S. Burnham, O.E., S.C., Prime Minister (Absent)
Dr. the Honourable P.A. Reid, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Development (Absent - on leave)

Senior Ministers (8)

- The Honourable H.D. Hoyte, S.C. Minister of Economic Development
The Honourable S.S. Ramphal, S.C., Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice (Absent)
The Honourable H. Green, Minister of Co-operatives and National Mobilisation (Absent)
The Honourable H.D. Jack, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources
The Honourable F.E. Hope, Minister of Finance
The Honourable S.S. Naraine, A.A., Minister of Works and Housing
The Honourable G.A. King, Minister of Trade and Consumer Protection
The Honourable G.B. Kennard, C.C.H., Minister of Agriculture

Minister (6)

- The Honourable W.G. Carrington, Minister of Labour (Absent)
The Honourable Miss S.M. Field-Ridley, Minister of Information and Culture (Absent)
The Honourable B. Ramsaroop, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House
The Honourable Miss C.L. Baird, Minister of Education and Social Development
Dr. the Honourable O.M.R. Harper, Minister of Health (Absent)
The Honourable C.V. Mingo, Minister of Home Affairs

Non elected Minister

Ministers of State (9)

- The Honourable M. Kasim, A.A. Minister of State for Agriculture
(Absent - on leave)
- The Honourable O.E. Clarke, Minister of State - Regional (East
Berbice/Corentyne) (Absent)
- The Honourable P. Duncan, J.P., Minister of State - Regional
(Rupununi) (Absent)
- The Honourable C.A. Nascimento, Minister of State, Office of
the Prime Minister
- The Honourable M. Zaheeruddeen, J.P., Minister of State - Regional
(Essequibo Coast/West Demerara)
- The Honourable K.B. Bancroft, Minister of State - Regional (Mazaruni/
Potaro) (Absent - on leave)
- # The Honourable W. Haynes, Minister of State for Consumer Protection
(Absent)
- # The Honourable A. Salim, Minister of State - Regional (East
Demerara/West Coast Berbice)
- # The Honourable F.U.A. Carmichael, Minister of State - Regional
(North West) (Absent)

Parliamentary Secretaries (7)

- Mr. J.R. Thomas, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Works
and Housing
- Mr. C.E. Wrights, J.P., Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Works and Housing
- Miss M.M. Ackman, Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the
Prime Minister, and Government Chief Whip
- Mr. E.L. Ambrose, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture
- Mr. S. Prashad, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Co-operatives
and National Mobilisation
- Mr. J.P. Chowritmootoo, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Education and Social Development (Absent)
- Mr. R.H.D. Corbin, Parliamentary Secretary, Office of the Prime
Minister (Absent)

Deputy Speaker (1)

- Mr. R.C. Van Sluytman, Deputy Speaker

Other Members (17)

- Mr. J.N. Aaron
- Mrs. L.M. Branco
- Mr. M. Corrica
- Mr. E.H.A. Fowler
- Miss J. Gill
- Mr. W. Hussain
- Miss S. Jaiserrisingh (Absent - on leave)
- Mr. K.M.E. Jonas (Absent - on leave)
- Mr. M. Nissar (Absent)
- Dr. L.E. Ramsahoye
- Mr. J.G. Ramson
- Mrs. P.A. Rayman
- Mr. E.M. Stoby, J.P. (Absent)
- Mr. S.H. Sukhu, M.S., J.P.
- Mr. C. Sukul, J.P.
- Mr. H.A. Taylor
- Mrs. L.E. Willems

Members of the Opposition - Liberator Party (2)

- Mr. M.F. Singh, Leader of the Opposition (Absent - on leave)
- Mrs. E. De Silva

OFFICER

- Mr. M.B. Henry, AMBIM, Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

- # Non elected Minister

PRAYERS

The Clerk read Frayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKERLeave

His Honour the Speaker announced that leave had been granted to

- (i) Dr. Reid and Mr. Bancroft for that day's sitting
- (ii) Miss Jaiserrisingh and Mr. Jonas for four weeks from 23rd May, 1975.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONITEM 1 - SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 46(2) and (3)

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House moved the following motion which was put and carried:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That paragraphs (2) and (3) of Standing Order No. 46 be suspended to enable the Assembly to proceed at its sitting on Friday, the 23rd of May, 1975, with the second reading and the remaining stages of the VESTING OF PROPERTY (ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE) BILL 1975 (Bill No. 22/1975).

BILLS - Second and Third ReadingsITEM 2 - VESTING OF PROPERTY (ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE) BILL 1975 - Bill No. 22/1975 published 17.5.75

The Minister of Economic Development moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER AND VESTING OF PROPERTY PURCHASED BY THE GOVERNMENT ON BEHALF OF THE STATE.

Mrs. Da Silva spoke to the motion.

Thereafter, the Minister of Economic Development replied.

The motion was then put and carried.

The Bill was read a second time.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

In Committee

Clause 1 to 4 were passed as printed.

Clause 5 The following amendments by the Minister of Economic Development were put and carried:

- (i) Substitution of the word "may" for the word "shall" in the fourth line.
- (ii) Substitution of a full-stop for the comma after the words "Guyana State Corporation" and deletion of all the words following thereafter.

Clause 5 was then passed as amended.

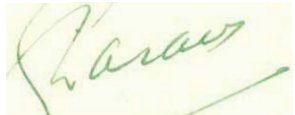
Clause 6 was passed as printed.

Assembly resumed.

On a motion by the Minister of Economic Development the Bill was read the third time and passed as amended in Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3.30 p.m.,
 On a motion by the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Leader of the House, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be fixed.



S. NARAIN
 Speaker
 26/5/75

PARLIAMENT OFFICE,
 Public Buildings,
 Georgetown.

26th May, 1975.