FIRST LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THIRD SESSION

1956

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a meeting of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions) Order in Council, 1953, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

on

FRIDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1956.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Sir Eustace Gordon Woolford, O.B.E., Q.C.

Ex-Officio Members

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Mr. F. D. Jakeway, C.M.G., O.B.E. The Honourable the Attorney General, Mr. G.M. Farnum (Ag.) The Honourable the Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex.

Nominated Members of Executive Council

The Honourable Sir Frank McDavid, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines). The Honourable P.A. Cummings

(Member for Labour, Health and Housing). The Honourable G.A.C. Farnum, O.B.E.

(Member for Local Government, Social Welfare and Co-operative Development).

The Honourable R.B. Gajraj

Nominated Officials

Mr. J.I. Ramphal

Nominated Unofficials

Mr. T. Lee

Mr. W.A. Phang

Mr. L.A. Luckhoo, Q.C. Mr. E.F. Correia Rev. D.C.J. Bobb

Miss Gertie H. Collins Mrs. Esther E. Dey

Dr. H.A. Fraser

Mr. R.B. Jailal

Mr. Sugrim Singh

Mr. W.T. Lord, I.S.O.

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. I. Crum Ewing. Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. B.M. Viapree (Ag.)

Absent

The Honourable W.O.R. Kendall (Member for Communications and Works) - on leave. The Honourable R.C. Tello - on leave. Mr. C.A. Carter.

The Speaker read prayers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, the 29th of November, 1956, as printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

PAPERS LAID

- (i) By the Financial Secretary:
 - (a) Draft Estimates, 1957.

(Circulated).

- (b) Draft Development Estimates, 1957. (Circulated).
- (c) Report of the Accountant General for the year 1955.

(F.S.T. 28/56)(Circulated).

(ii) By the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines on behalf of the Member for Labour Health and Housing:

Annual Report of the Registrar of Trade Unions for the year 1955. (L.56/4/1 II).

PUBLIC BUSINESS ORDER OF THE DAY

BILL - Second Reading.

Item 1 - ΔPPROPRIATION BILL, 1956 - Bill No. 54/1956.

The Financial Secretary moved the second reading of the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUPPLIES GFANTED IN THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL and read his Budget Statement, Sessional Paper No. 12 of 1956, copies of which were circulated to Members of Council.

On conclusion, the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines seconded the motion.

Thereafter, the debate on the motion for the second reading was adjourned pending consideration by Finance Committee and submission of its report on the detailed examination of the Draft Estimates for 1957.

MOTIONS

At the request of the Financial Secretary, and with the consent of Council, consideration of the other items was deferred for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3.15 p.m. the Speaker adjourned Council to 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 7th of December, 1956.

Confirmed,

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Speaker.

Public Buildings, British Guiana. 7th December, 1956.