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129TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1977

AT 2.00 P.M.

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BILLS - Second Reading

1. MISCELLANEOUS ENACTMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977 - Bill No. 18/1977 published 13.8.77

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN ENACTMENTS.

(Read a first time on 1.9.77)

2. CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT)(NO. 2) Bill 1977 - Bill No. 21/1977 published 31.8.77

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Justice to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO ALTER THE CONSTITUTION IN ACCORDINCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 73 THEREOF AND TO MAKE CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO OTHER WRITTEN LAWS.

(Read a first time on 1.9.77)

3. TEACHING SERVICE COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977 - Bill No. 16/1977 published 13.8.77

The Minister of Education, Social Development and Culture to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE TEACHING SERVICE COMMISSION ACT.

(Read a first time on 1.9.77)

4. UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA (AMENDMENT) BILL 1977 - Bill No. 17/1977 published 13.8.77

The Minister of Education, Social Development and Culture to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO AMEND THE UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA ACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE NAME OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA, TO CONFER CERTAIN FUNCTIONS ON THE PRO-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

(Read a first time on 1.9.77)

5. PUBLIC OFFICERS' PENSIONS BILL 1977 - Bill No. 22/1977 published 31.8.77

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDUM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND CONCERNING THE PENSIONS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS AND FOR PURPOSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

(Read a first time on 1.9.77)

THIRD PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

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QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS -

Question No. 13

Cde. Nokta to ask the Minister of Economic Development and Co-operatives the following question:

- QUESTION: (i) Will the Minister say how much cash was advanced as a loan to the "Sampson's Loggers Co-operative Society, Ltd.", Registered No. 688, situate at Kimbia, Berbice River?
 - (ii) Will he say how many installments have been paid on the loan and the amount of the balance outstanding; and further what steps are being taken to have the entire amount repaid?
 - (iii) Will the Minister say whether the Mill is still owned by a Co-operative Society or by an individual; and if by an individual, what is his name?

(Notice Paper No. 114 published 15.6.77)

Question No. 14

Cde. Basir to ask the Minister of Works and Transport the following question:

- QUESTION: (i) Is the Minister of Works and Transport aware of the dilapidated state of the La Bonne Mere wharf in the Lower Pomeroon?
 - (ii) If the answer is in the affirmative, will the Minister state what steps, if any, are being taken to effect the necessary repairs? (Notice Paper No. 112 published 15.6.77)

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Question No. 15

<u>Cde. Basir</u> to ask the Minister of Agriculture the following question:

- QUESTION: (i) Is the Minister of Agriculture aware that the Charity Land Development Scheme is under bush and that the house lots are unoccupied?
 - (ii) Is the Minister also aware that many persons to whom lots were allocated are no longer interested and that the Public Health Authority has been refusing permission to build to those who have been allocated lots and are willing to erect houses?
 - (iii) Will the Minister inform the Assembly what is the state of the Scheme and if any action is being taken to re-allocate the house lots?

(Notice Paper No. 113 published 15.6.77)

Question No. 16

<u>Cde Ally</u> to ask the Minister of Agriculture the following question:

QUESTION: Is the Minister of Agriculture aware that the rice farmers occupying the front lands - that is to say, the first and second depths - from No. 51 to Bloomfield, Corentyne, are wholly dependent on rain for their rice crop and that consequently most of them suffer losses?

What action, if any, is being taken to remedy the situation?

(Notice Paper No. 123 published 15.7.77

Question No. 17

Gde: Balchand to ask the Minister of Agriculture the following question:

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- QUESTION: (i) Is the Minister of Agriculture aware that -
 - (a) the Success River Sluice at Leguan, Essequibo, has been out of order since 1969?
 - (b) repair works on this structure have been going on since 1971?
 - (ii) Will the Minister say -
 - (a) why this work is not yet completed?
 - (b) whether this work is being done by direct labour or by a Contractor/
 - (c) how much money was approved for this structure?

- (d) how much money has been spent to date?
- (e) how soon will this work be completed? (Notice Paper No. 125 published 21.7.77)

Question No. 18

<u>Cde. Ram Karran</u> to ask the Minister of Agriculture the following <u>ouestion</u>:

QUESTION: Will the Minister of Agriculture state -

- (i) the authority under which Uitvlugt serthmoving and other machines are engaged in
 land works around the Uitvlugt Scots Church
 including the fencing of the Compound;
- (ii) the cost of the works;
- (iii) whether tenders were invited, giving the names of the tenderers with quotations; and how payments are to be effected.

(Notice Paper No. 126 published 3.8.77)

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTION

EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Cde. N. Persaud, Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the Public Accounts Committee appointed during the Sessions of the Second Parliament of Guyana (3rd January, 1969 to 6th June, 1973) examined the Public Accounts for the year 1966, and some of the Public Accounts for the year 1967;

AND WHEREAS Parliament was dissolved before the Report of the Public Accounts Committee on its examination of the 1966 Public Accounts could have been finalised and submitted to the National Assembly and before the examination of the 1967 Public Accounts could have been completed;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the outstanding Report and examination should be finalised and completed by the Public Accounts Committee of the present Session of Parliament:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly authorises the Public Accounts Committee of the present Session of Parliament to use and examine the records and evidence taken, in respect of the examination, by previous Public Accounts Committees, of the Public Accounts for the years 1966 and 1967 which have not yet been reported on to the National Assembly, so as to enable the present Committee to complete the examination and to finalise and submit to the National Assembly Reports on the Public Accounts for the years 1966 and 1967.

(Notice Paper No. 110 published 15.6.77)

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SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER NO. 2

129TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

- (1) By the Minister of Finance:
 - (a) Travel Voucher Tax (Amendment) Order 1977 (No. 65), made under section 3 of the Travel Voucher Tax Act, Chapter 80:09, on the 9th of September, 1977, and published in the Gazette on the 12th of September, 1977.

(IT: 47)(Circulated)

(b) Travel Tax Regulations 1977 (No. 11), made under section 57(13) of the Tax Act, Chapter 80:01, on the 5th of September, 1977, and published in the Gazette on the 12th of September, 1977.

(IT: 47)(Circulated)

(2) By the Minister of Works and Transport:

Annual Report of the Postmaster-General for the year 1973.

(PD: 5/1/5)(Circulated)

(3) By the Minister of Agriculture:

Annual Report and Audited Statements of the Guyana Liquor Corporation - 1976.

(A: 5/12)(Circulated)

PUBLIC BUSINESS

MOTIONS

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE TRAVEL VOUCHER TAX (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1977 (No. 65)

The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly in terms of section 4 of the Travel Voucher Tax Act, Chapter 80:09, confirm the Travel Voucher Tax (Amendment) Order 1977 (No. 65), which was made on the 9th of September, 1977, and published in the Gazette on the 12th of September, 1977) (Notice Paper No. 130 published 13.9.77)

AFFIRMATION OF TRAVEL TAX REGULATIONS 1977 (No. 11)

The Minister of Finance to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly in terms of section 57(13) of the Tax Act, Chapter 80:01, affirm the Travel Tax Regulations 1977 (No. 11), which were made on the 5th of September, 1977, and published in the Gazette on 12th September, 1977.

(Notice Paper No. 131 published 13.9.77)