

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 63RD SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION
(2020-2023) OF THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 10.00 A.M.

ON MONDAY, 24TH APRIL, 2023,

IN THE DOME OF THE ARTHUR CHUNG CONFERENCE CENTRE,
LILIENDAAL, GREATER 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 Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance:

- (i) Treasury Memorandum pursuant to Resolution No. 46/2022 dated November 30, 2022, on the Public Accounts of Guyana for the year ended 31st December 2016.

(To be Circulated)

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- (ii) Government Notice No. 2/2023, regarding Notification Receipts of all petroleum revenues paid into the Natural Resource Fund during the period 1st January, 2023 to 31st March, 2023.

(To be Circulated)

- (2) By the Minister of Public Works:

Audited Financial Statements of the Cheddi Jagan International Airport Corporation for the year ended 31st December, 2021.

(To be Circulated)

- (3) By the Minister of Natural Resources:

Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the Co-operative Republic of Guyana and the European Union on Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade in Timber Products to the European Union.

(To be Circulated)

- (4) By Mr. Jermaine Figueira, M.P. (Chairperson of the Public Accounts Committee):

The Rules, Policies and Procedures Manual (Amendment) Regulations 2023 – No. 4 of 2023.

(Circulated)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES-

- (1) By the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Appointments):

Eighth Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Appointments in relation to the Appointment of Members to the Public Service Commission.

(Circulated)

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- (2) By Dr. Karen Cummings, M.P. (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services):

First Special Report of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services on the Visit to the Port Maurant Health Centre, the Port Maurant Hospital and Ophthalmology Centre, the New Amsterdam Regional Hospital, and the National Psychiatric Centre in Region No. 6, East Berbice/ Corentyne on July 20, 2022.

(Circulated)

ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-

For Written Replies

1. **REPAIRS TO THE DEMERARA HARBOUR BRIDGE (DHB) RETRACTOR/ACCEPTOR SPAN**

Member Asking: Ms. Volda Lawrence, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Public Works

The Minister was quoted in the Stabroek News on December 2, 2022, where he stated that “Repairs to the Demerara Harbour Bridge (DHB) retractor/acceptor spans, following the crash by the MV Tradewind Passion, is just over One (1) Billion Dollars”. Can the Minister furnish this House with the answers to the following questions:

- a) From which account or fund the monies payable to Industrial Fabrications Inc. for the rehabilitation of the retractor span was/is going to be paid?
- b) What was the estimated loss in revenue incurred by the Demerara Harbour Bridge?

(Notice Paper No. 232 (Q175 Opp.175) published on 2023-01-13)

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2. TREATED WATER SUPPLY

Member Asking: Mr. Vinceroy Jordan, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

The Government in its budgetary allocations since taking office has catered for improved coverage of treated water supply across the country.

- a) Could the Honourable Minister kindly state what percent of the customer base for the Guyana Water Inc., distribution network is receiving treated water in Region #5 and #6, and #7?
- b) Can the Minister provide a list of the number of treatment facilities in those regions and the areas they are currently serving?

(Notice Paper No. 237 (Q176 Opp.176) published on 2023-02-14)

3. PRODUCTION REPORT OF THE GUYANA WATER INC.

Member Asking: Mr. Vinceroy Jordan, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

Could the Honourable Minister provide the Production Report of the Guyana Water Inc., for the year 2021 in the following areas:

- A. The total amount of water produced/distributed to customers in all regions?
- B. The total amount of downtime by well stations and treatment facilities in all regions?
- C. A list of non-functioning or inoperable wells in all regions?
- D. A list of all the water distribution facilities supplying water under 24hrs in all regions?

(Notice Paper No. 238 (Q177 Opp.177) published on 2023-02-14)

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4. **STAFFING AT THE GUYANA WATER INC.**

Member Asking: Mr. Vinceroy Jordan, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

The Chief Executive Officer of the Guyana Water Inc., during a press release aired live via Facebook on the GWI page on 13th May, 2022, and later rebroadcasted in several news agencies, i.e., News Source and HGPTV Nightly News said that the company has saved over \$240 million dollars annually since the reduction in the staff complement at the said Agency by over 300 staff.

(a) Could the Honourable Minister provide a list of the designations, and years of service of staff who parted ways with the company from August 2020 to present in the following categories:

- Dismissed
- Retired
- Positions became redundant
- Resigned

(a) Could the Minister provide a list of the designations of staff who were hired from August 2020 to the present?

(Notice Paper No. 239 (Q178 Opp.178) published on 2023-02-14)

5. **SALE OF RESIDENTIAL LANDS**

Member Asking: Ms. Annette Ferguson, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

During the consideration of Budget Estimates 2022, it was stated that the sum of \$5.19B represented the revised budget for Capital Revenue received from the Sale of Assets for 2021, as stated in Appendix T: Budgets of Constitutional Agencies and Statutory Bodies, Detailed of Revenue and Expenditure; page 872, Agency: 45 - Ministry of Housing and Water;

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Programme: 452 - Housing Development and Management; Statutory Bodies: Central Housing and Planning Authority.

Could the Hon. Minister provide this House with the following information:

A list detailing the lands sold for house lots, which must include: The quantity of house lots sold in the various categories (low, moderate, middle and high income), the areas and total cost by categories in Regions 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 for the year 2021?

With reference to (a), can the Honourable Minister provide the average developmental cost per "low, moderate, middle and high income house lots" sold in Regions 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 for the year 2021?

(Notice Paper No. 240 (Q179 Opp.179) published on 2023-03-06)

**6. CONSTRUCTION AND ALLOCATION OF TURN-KEY HOUSES BY
CENTRAL HOUSING & PLANNING AUTHORITY**

Member Asking: Ms. Annette Ferguson, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

During the consideration of Budget Estimates 2022, it was stated that the sum of \$5.19B represented the revised budget for Capital Revenue received from the Sale of Assets for 2021, as stated in Appendix T: Budgets of Constitutional Agencies and Statutory Bodies, Detailed of Revenue and Expenditure; page 872, Agency: 45 - Ministry of Housing and Water; Programme: 452 - Housing Development and Management; Statutory Bodies: Central Housing and Planning Authority.

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Could the Hon. Minister provide this House with the following information: -

- a) A list detailing the Turnkey Houses in different models (flat house, two-storey house with two or three bedrooms) build by the Ministry of Housing and Water and sold, which must include: the areas and cost per unit and total cost by models, in regions 4, 5, 6 and 10 for the year 2021?
- b) Can the Honourable Minister provide detailed information on the number of Turnkey Houses issued to beneficiaries in 2021, including the locations of those houses?

(Notice Paper No. 241 (Q180 Opp.180) published on 2023-03-06)

7. LANDS ACQUIRED FROM GUYSUCO, GUYANA LANDS AND SURVEYS COMMISSION AND NICIL BY CENTRAL HOUSING & PLANNING AUTHORITY FOR HOUSING PURPOSES

Member Asking: Ms. Annette Ferguson, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

Can the Honourable Minister provide details of the acquisition of lands from GUYSUCO, NICIL and Guyana Lands and Surveys Commission by the Central Housing and Planning Authority for housing purposes in 2021; for additional house lots and housing units and which must include the cost paid, acreage and location?

(Notice Paper No. 242 (Q181 Opp.181) published on 2023-03-06)

8. SALE OF COMMERCIAL LANDS

Member Asking: Ms. Annette Ferguson, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

During the consideration of Budget Estimates 2022, it was stated that the sum of \$5.19B represented the revised budget for Capital Revenue received from the Sale of Assets for 2021, as stated in Appendix T: Budgets of Constitutional Agencies and Statutory Bodies, Detailed

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of Revenue and Expenditure; page 872, Agency: 45 - Ministry of Housing and Water; Programme: 452 - Housing Development and Management; Statutory Bodies: Central Housing and Planning Authority.

Could the Hon. Minister provide this House with a list detailing the sale of Commercial lands, which must include: Name of the purchasers, location of land, acreage of the land, intended purpose for the use of land and cost paid by each purchaser in regions 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 for the year 2021?

(Notice Paper No. 243 (Q182 Opp.182) published on 2023-03-06)

9. CONTRACTORS AWARDED CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING UNITS

Member Asking: Ms. Annette Ferguson, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Housing and Water

Can the Honourable Minister provide a list of contractors that were awarded Contracts for Turn-key Housing units in 2021 and which must include the contract sum for each award, the quantity of Turn-key Housing Units constructed, and the locations in regions 4, 5, 6 and 10?

(Notice Paper No. 244 (Q183 Opp.183) published on 2023-03-06)

10. APPOINTMENT OF AN AMBASSADOR TO THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

Member Asking: Ms. Amanza Walton-Desir, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

1. Can the Minister advise whether the Government of Guyana intends to appoint an Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and if so, by what date?

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2. Can the Minister advise of the reason or reasons for the non-appointment to date, of an Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela?

(Notice Paper No. 253 (Q192 Opp.192) published on 2023-03-06)

11. APPOINTMENT OF AN AMBASSADOR TO THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL

Member Asking: Ms. Amanza Walton-Desir, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

1. Can the Minister advise whether the Government of Guyana intends to appoint an Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil and if so, by what date?
2. Can the Minister advise of the reason or reasons for the non-appointment to date, of an Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil?

(Notice Paper No. 254 (Q193 Opp.193) published on 2023-03-06)

For Oral Replies

12. *REMUNERATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTORS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATURAL RESOURCE FUND

Member Asking: Mr. Ganesh Mahipaul, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance

According to the Official Gazette of Guyana dated 30th August of 2022, a Chairman and four (4) Directors were appointed as Members of the Board of Directors of the Natural Resource Fund.

Additionally, a Chairman and eight (8) committee members were appointed as members of the Public Accountability and Oversight Committee and a Chairman and six (6) members were appointed to the Natural Resource Fund Investment Committee.

*In keeping with the Natural Resource Fund Act Section 5 (9) which states “the Directors shall be paid such remuneration in respect of their office as the Minister may determine from time to time”, can the Hon. Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibilities for Finance provide to the National Assembly the total remuneration for the Chairman and Directors of the Board of Directors?

(Notice Paper No. 250 (Q189 Opp.189) published on 2023-03-06)

13. *REMUNERATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Member Asking: **Mr. Ganesh Mahipaul, M.P.**

Minister Answering: **The Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance**

According to the Official Gazette of Guyana dated 30th August of 2022, a Chairman and four (4) Directors were appointed as Members of the Board of Directors of the Natural Resource Fund.

Additionally, a Chairman and eight (8) committee members were appointed as members of the Public Accountability and Oversight Committee and a Chairman and six (6) members were appointed to the Natural Resource Fund Investment Committee.

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*In keeping with the Natural Resource Fund Act Section 6 (8) which states “the Members shall be paid such remuneration in respect of their office as the Minister may determine from time to time”, can the Hon. Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibilities for Finance provide to the National Assembly the total remuneration for the Chairman and Members of the Public Accountability and Oversight Committee?

(Notice Paper No. 251 (Q190 Opp.190) published on 2023-03-06)

14. ***REMUNERATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Member Asking: **Mr. Ganesh Mahipaul, M.P.**

Minister Answering: **The Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance**

According to the Official Gazette of Guyana dated 30th August of 2022, a Chairman and four (4) Directors were appointed as Members of the Board of Directors of the Natural Resource Fund.

Additionally, a Chairman and eight (8) committee members were appointed as members of the Public Accountability and Oversight Committee and a Chairman and six (6) members were appointed to the Natural Resource Fund Investment Committee.

*In keeping with the Natural Resource Fund Act Section 8 (3) which states “the Members shall be paid such remuneration in respect of their office as the Minister may determine from time to time”, can the Hon. Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibilities for Finance provide to the National Assembly the total remuneration for the Chairman and Members of the Investment Committee?

(Notice Paper No. 252 (Q191 Opp.191) published on 2023-03-06)

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-

Presentation and First Readings

1. **FOREIGN JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT) BILL 2023 – Bill No.
4/2023**

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, on behalf of the Government, to present the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to repeal the Foreign Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act, and to make new provision for the enforcement of foreign judgments given in countries outside of Guyana which accord reciprocal treatment to judgments given in Guyana and for related matters.

2. **NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY AGENCY BILL 2023 –
Bill No. 5/2023**

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs, on behalf of the Government, to present the following Bill:

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A BILL intituled AN ACT to establish the body known as the National Intelligence and Security Agency as the Agency to further enhance the State's defence and security policy stated in article 197A of the Constitution, to provide for the Agency to be responsible for the coordination of the State's defence and law enforcement activities relating to national intelligence and security, and to provide national intelligence and security advice to the President, Cabinet and entities in the security sector, and for connected matters.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

(i) GOVERNMENT'S BUSINESS

BILLS – Second Readings

1. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SINGLE WINDOW SYSTEM BILL – Bill No. 26 of 2022 published on 2022-12-05

The Minister of Housing and Water to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the establishment of the Planning and Development Single Window System; to provide for the management and implementation of the Planning and Development Single Window System; to provide for the establishment of the Planning Oversight Committee; to define the functions of the Planning Oversight Committee; to centralize functions pertaining to land use planning and development and for matters connected thereto.

(Read a first time on 2022-12-05)

2. CRIMINAL LAW (PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) BILL 2022 – No. 21 of 2022 published on 2022-11-01

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

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A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Criminal Law (Procedure) Act.
(Read a first time on 2022-11-07)

3. **COURT OF APPEAL (AMENDMENT) BILL 2022 – No. 22 of 2022 published on 2022-11-01**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Court of Appeal Act.
(Read a first time on 2022-11-07)

BILLS – Committee, Second and Third Readings

*4. **THE RADIATION SAFETY AND SECURITY BILL 2022 – Bill No. No. 8/2022 published on 2022-04-13**

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 safe, secure and peaceful uses of ionizing radiation, protect persons and the environment against the harmful effects of radioactive waste, establish the Radiation Safety and Security Board and for connected matters.

(Read a first time and referred to a Special Select Committee on 2022-04-13)

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

***5. EVIDENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL 2022 – Bill No. 3/2022 published on 2022-04-06**

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 amend the Evidence Act.

(Read a first time on 2022-04-13 and referred to a Special Select Committee on 2022-05-17)

(ii) PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

MOTIONS

***6. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS NOS. 20(2), (3) AND 27(2)**

Mr. Ganesh Mahipaul, M.P., to move the following motion:

WHEREAS questions and motions submitted by Members of the National Assembly require approval from the Speaker of the National Assembly before the Clerk of the National Assembly prepares and circulate to Members, a Notice Paper,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That Standing Order No. 20(2) be removed and replaced with, “Questions and Motions submitted to the Clerk of the National Assembly must be submitted to the Speaker of the National Assembly within four (4) days of receipt, who shall consider the Questions and Motions.”;

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That Standing Order No. 20(3) be inserted and now reads, “If the Speaker is of the opinion that any question of which a member has given notice to the Clerk or which a member has sought permission to ask without notice, is an abuse of the right of questioning or infringes any of the provisions of this or any other Standing Order, he or she may within four (4) days direct:

- (a) That it be printed or asked with such alterations as he or she may direct; or
- (b) That the Member concerned be informed that the question is inadmissible.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That Standing Order No. 27(2) be amended to now read, “If the Speaker is of the opinion that any notice of motion which has been received by the Clerk of the National Assembly infringes the provisions of any Standing Order or is in any other way out of order, he or she may, within four (4) days, direct:

- (a) That the Member concerned be informed that the notice of motion is out of order; or
- (b) That the notice of motion be entered in the Order Book with such alterations as he or she may direct.

(Notice Paper No. 236 (M 58 Opp 10) published on 2023-02-13)

***7. NATURAL GAS FLARING AT THE ESSO EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION GUYANA LIMITED**

Mr. David Patterson, M.P. to move the following motion:

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

WHEREAS Esso Exploration and Production Guyana Limited (EEPGL) was on June 1, 2017, granted an Environmental Permit, No. 20160705-EEDPF, to undertake Phase 1 of the Liza Development Project (Liza 1) which included, the use of a Floating Production, Storage, and Offloading (FPSO) vessel “to process, store and offload the recovered oil during production operations within the Stabroek Block”;

AND WHEREAS the Liza 1 Permit (Clause 1.10) enjoined the Permit Holder, EEPGL, to “Employ effective operational and maintenance systems on all aspects of the facility whose failure could impact the environment...”;

AND WHEREAS the Liza 1 Permit (Clause 3.6) expressly prohibits flaring and venting; with exceptions being made for “tank flashing emission, standing/working/breathing losses” and flaring related to the startup of the FPSO, emergencies or during periods of maintenance;

AND WHEREAS EEPGL has routinely been engaged in flaring in direct contravention of the terms of the Liza 1 Permit issued and acknowledged, and as a result, has caused, and is causing substantial damage to the environment and the credibility of the Liza 1 Development Project;

AND WHEREAS calculations based upon reported EEPGL’s production data shows that zero flaring, except for the small amount allowed for pilot flaring, may be achieved by reducing oil production by approximately 15,000 bopd;

AND WHEREAS according to Clause 13.1 in the Liza 1 and Liza 2 Permits, “The Environmental Protection Agency reserves the right to review and amend the conditions attached to this Permit”,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly expresses its dissatisfaction, that all reasonable measures have not been taken or are being taken to prevent the flaring of gas as currently exists, and which reported by EEPGL to be 16 million cubic feet, per day (mcf) at the designed maximum safe oil production limit of 120,000 barrels oil, per day (bopd).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly calls on the Government of Guyana:

1. To direct Esso Exploration and Production Guyana Limited to abide by the terms and conditions of the Liza 1 Permit issued on June 1, 2017;
2. To request that the Environmental Protection Agency takes all reasonable measures to ensure compliance including, EEPGL achieving zero flaring at the Liza 1 Project through reduction of oil production rates; and suspension of same Liza 1 Permit if zero flaring is not met, until it is satisfied that all reasonable and lawful efforts are being made to ensure that there is no flaring of gas as has occurred over the past several weeks; and
3. To request that the Liza 1 and Liza 2 Permits be immediately amended by the EPA to become consistent with the updated conditions in the Payara Permit, relative to flaring.

(Notice Paper No. 63 (M22 Opp. 4) published on 2021-02-26)

- *8. **CONDEMN THE BRUTAL AND HORRIFIC KILLING OF JOEL HENRY, ISIAAH HENRY AND HARESH SINGH, BETWEEN THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 6 to 9, 2020**

Ms Geeta Chandan-Edmond, M.P. to move the following motion:

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

WHEREAS, Guyanese citizens, Joel Henry, Isiah Henry and Haresh Singh, all under the age of 20 years old, from the village of N0. 3 Village, West Coast Berbice, were brutally, barbarically and horrifically killed, and the bodies found at or near the Cotton Tree Back Dam in the Mahaica/ Berbice Region No. 5;

AND WHEREAS, the period September 6 to 9, 2020, will go down in the history of our country as the period when these unspeakable crimes left the nation numb and in a state of shock and sadness;

AND WHEREAS, these brutal, senseless, barbaric, depraved and horrific killings have caused untold pain, agony, grief, anguish, anger and despair to the surviving family members, fellow villagers and the entire Guyanese Community;

AND WHEREAS, these brutal and horrific killings have evoked unequivocal condemnation from Guyanese, living in Guyana and in the diaspora;

AND WHEREAS, the diplomatic community and civil society have also unequivocally condemned these brutal, barbaric and horrific killings;

AND WHEREAS, Parliament, of which the National Assembly is a part of the supreme legislative forum of our Republic wherein the people's elected representatives discuss and determine matters of national interest and is obliged to consider the grave threats to the public welfare and public security;

AND WHEREAS, Article 138(1) of the Constitution of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana prescribes that no person shall be deprived of his life intentionally save in the execution of the sentence of a court in respect of an offence under the Laws of Guyana of which he has been convicted;

AND WHEREAS, to date these horrific deaths which are of public importance, concern and welfare remain substantially unresolved.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly recommends to the Government to procure and finance the assistance of expert and competent professionals who can resolve these cases;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly condemns the killing of the three Citizens aforementioned, and extends sincerest condolences to the families of the deceased; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly calls on the Government to continue its earnest investigations, so as to ensure expeditious justice to the family.

(Notice Paper No. 18 (M8 Opp 2) published on 2020-12-01)

(iii) COMMITTEES BUSINESS

MOTIONS

**9. ADOPTION OF THE EIGHTH REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY
STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS IN RELATION TO THE
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Appointments), to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly adopts the eighth Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Appointments to address matters relating to the

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appointment of Members of Commissions established under the Constitution, and signifies to the President that the following persons:

- (i) Mr. Mohandatt Goolsarran; and
- (ii) Ms. Janice Isabella Bowen

have been nominated in accordance with article 200 (1)(b) of the Constitution, to be appointed members of the Public Service Commission.

(Notice Paper No. 256 (M 60 Committees 18) published on 2023-04-17)

10. **APPROVAL OF THE NEW MANNING LEVEL CHART OF THE RULES
PROCEDURES MANUAL OF THE ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE
AUDIT OFFICE**

Mr. Jermaine Figueira, M.P. (Chairperson of the Public Accounts Committee), to move the following motion:

WHEREAS at the 48th Meeting of the Public Accounts Committee, held on January 9, 2023, the Auditor General proposed an increase in the Manning Level of an additional three (3) Engineers in the Works and Structures Division within the Audit Office of Guyana;

AND WHEREAS the proposal for an increase came as a result of the critical role of the Works and Structures Division due to the steady increase of the National Budget. This significant increase in the number and complexity of infrastructural projects being executed across the country by the Government of Guyana has resulted in the current staffing of this Division being inadequate;

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AND WHEREAS the Public Accounts Committee at the said meeting approved the proposals submitted by the Auditor General;

AND WHEREAS the Rules, Policies and Procedures Manual (Amendment) Regulations 2023 - No. 4 of 2023 sets out the new Manning Level Chart of the Audit Office;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly approves the new Manning Level Chart of the Rules Procedures Manual of the Organizational Structure of the Audit Office to allow for an increase of three (3) Engineers in the Works and Structure Division within the Audit Office of Guyana.

(Notice Paper No. 255 (M 59 Committees 17) published on 2023-04-13)

11. **ADOPTION OF THE EIGHTH PERIODIC REPORT OF THE
PARLIAMENTARY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES**

The Minister of Human Services and Social Security (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services), to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Eighth Periodic Report of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services, for the period 28th December, 2020 to 20th May, 2022, be adopted.

(Notice Paper No. 194 (M49 Committees 13) published on 2022-07-12)

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12. **ADOPTION OF THE FIRST SPECIAL REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY
SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES**

Dr. Karen Cummings, M.P. (Chairperson of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services), to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the First Special Report of the Parliamentary Sectoral Committee on Social Services be adopted.

(Notice Paper No. 257 (M 61 Committees 19) published on 2023-04- 13)

**S. E. ISAACS,
Clerk of the National Assembly**

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

18th April, 2023.