NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

FOR THE 16TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION (1986) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON WEDNESDAY. 25TH JUNE. 1986

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS -

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT -

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER -

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS -

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.

(1) By the Prime Minister:

Annual Report and Accounts of the Guyana Sugar Corporation Limited for the year 1985.

(Circulated)

(2) By the <u>Vice-President</u>, <u>National Mobilisation</u>, and <u>Deputy Prime Minister</u>:

Annual Report of the Ministry of National Development for the year 1985.

(Circulated)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS -

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS -

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 -

MOTIONS

1. PROVISION OF WATER

Cde. Janet Jagan to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly urges the Government to solve the many pure water supply problems existing throughout the country and resolve to provide every community with a functioning potable water system.

(Notice Paper No. 14 published 1986-03-06)

2. IMPORTATION OF MILK

Cde. Janet Jagan to move the following motion:

WHEREAS there are insufficient supplies of milk, either locally produced or imported, to meet the needs of the child population, as well as the needs of adults;

AND WHEREAS milk cannot be eliminated from the diet of our children:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly calls on the Government to see that adequate supplies of milk are imported and equitably distributed in order to supplement the present inadequate supplies of locally-produced milk.

(Notice Paper No. 15 published 1986-03-06)

3. CHARGES OF DISCRIMINATION IN THE ADMINISTRATION

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly agrees to the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee including representatives of the TUC to investigate all charges of discrimination in the administration and all its agencies and to submit reports to the Assembly.

(Notice Paper No. 17 published 1986-03-06)

4. CHARGES BY CORPORATIONS

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That all variations upwards in the charges made by Corporations providing a service to the community be subject to approval by the National Assembly.

(Notice Paper No. 18 published 1986-03-06)

5. AGREEMENTS WITH IMF

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That before any other Agreement is signed with the IMF, the terms and conditions be debated in the National Assembly.

(Notice Paper No. 19 published 1986-03-06)

6. INCOME TAX RELIEFS

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the income tax laws and regulations made no provision for certain dependent relatives over the age of 16 who are unmarried, have no children and are unemployed, even though they are dependent on the tax-payer for living expenses;

AND WHEREAS there are many single-parent families, where one person is the sole provider, but no special tax allowances are made for this human situation;

AND WHEREAS many persons have savings in co-operative societies and credit unions;

BE IT RESOLVED:

- That (i) allowances be given for dependent relatives over the age of 16 once they are unmarried and unemployed;
 - (ii) an additional personal allowance be given heads of one-parent families, and
 - (iii) income tax relief be given on savings in co-operative societies and credit unions.

(Notice Paper No. 20 published 1986-03-06)

7. AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS - RECESS FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Prime Minister to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the President in his address at the ceremonial opening of the first session of the Fifth Parliament of Guyana on the fourth day of February,1986 referred to the advantages to the members if the National Assembly were to go into recess for a specified period;

AND WHEREAS this National Assembly having considered the above suggestion of the President is of the opinion that the National Assembly should go into recess for a specified period to enable the members thereof to attend to public matters, other than the work of this National Assembly, and their private matters;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Standing Orders of the National Assembly be amended as proposed in the Annexure hereto to provide for a period of recess for the National Assembly between 10th August and 10th October in any year:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESCLVED:

That request be made to the President that he shall have regard to the wish of the National Assembly in this respect while exercising the powers conferred on him by article 69(1) of the Constitution.

ANNEXURE

Draft of proposed amendment

The Standing Orders of the National Assembly are hereby amended by the insertion therein, after Standing Order No. 8, of the following Standing Order as Standing Order No. 8A -

"Recess for National Assembly. 8A. Notwithstanding anything contained in Standing Order No. 8, unless there are special reasons for so doing, no sitting of the National Assembly shall be held from 10th August, to 10th October in any year.".

(Notice Paper No. 82 published 1986-06-11)

8. AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS - READING OF SPEECHES

The Minister of Information and the Public Service to move the following motion:

WHEREAS Standing Order No. 32(6) of the Standing Orders of the National Assembly states, <u>inter alia</u>, that a member of the National Assembly shall not read his speech except with the leave of the Speaker;

AND WHEREAS it is considered desirable that members of the National Assembly should be free to read their speeches without the leave of the Speaker:

BE IT RESCLVED:

That the Standing Orders of the National Assembly be amended as proposed in the Annexure hereto.

ANNEXURE

Draft of proposed amendment

The Standing Orders of the National Assembly are hereby amended by the substitution, for Standing Order No. 32(6), of the following –

"(6) A member may read his speech, or extracts from books or papers to support his argument, or may refresh his memory by reference to notes.".

(Notice Paper No. 83 published 1986-06-11)

BILL - Second Reading

*9. EXPORT AND IMPORT (SFECIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1986 - Bill No. 8/1986

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

A Bill intituled An Act to make certain special provisions of a temporary nature in respect of the export and import of goods from and into Guyana, including the payment of export and import duties in certain cases in specified foreign currency, for the purpose of increasing the foreign exchange earnings of the Government.

(Read a first time on 1986-06-18)

PARLIAMENT OFFICE, Public Buildings, Georgetown, 1986-06-20