



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 26th day of January, 2016, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*)
Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. | Hon. S. D. Blackett (<i>Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development</i>) |
| Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (<i>Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation</i>) | Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (<i>Minister of Environment and Drainage</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management</i>) | Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs</i>) |
| Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. | Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth</i>) |
| Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>) | Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development</i>) |
| Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) | Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>) |
| Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development</i>) | Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A. |
| Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (<i>Minister of Health</i>) (<i>Leader of the House</i>) | Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) |
| | Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. |
| | Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) |
| | Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.) |

ABSENT

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. R. St.C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.), Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Leader of the Opposition*), Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P., Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. and Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 15th December, 2015 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR**THE SPEAKER**

Mr. Speaker announced that he was in receipt of a letter from Dr. M. M. Agard seeking leave of absence from the Honourable House of Assembly in order to convalesce from illness.

PAPERS

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart by command laid the following:

Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (University of the West Indies) (European Film Festival) Order, 2015.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler by command laid the following:

1. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Cost-U-Less (Barbados) Inc.) Order, 2015.
2. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Citizens and Permanent Residents) Order, 2015.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. D. O'N. Inniss seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the following Bills were read a first time:

1. Barbados Investment and Development Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2016.
2. Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2016.

On the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Domestic Violence (Protection Orders) (Amendment) Bill, 2016 was read a first time.

On the motion of Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2015 was read a first time.

On the motion of Hon. S. D. Blackett seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, 2016 was read a first time.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the British American Insurance Company (Barbados) Ltd. (Preservation of Investments) Bill, 2016 was read a first time.

MOTIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart leave of absence from the Sittings of the Honourable House was granted to Dr. M. M. Agard for the period 26th January, 2016 to 1st March, 2016.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 24****DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (PROTECTION ORDERS) BILL, 2016**

On the Order being called for Hon. S. D. Blackett to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Domestic Violence (Protection Orders) Act, Cap. 130A to define domestic violence and to make greater provision for the safety of victims of domestic violence and the accountability of perpetrators of domestic violence,

the Hon. Member began to speak after having obtained the consent of the Honourable House to debate the Bill together with the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, 2016 and gave way.

Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy Speaker.

Hon. S. D. Blackett resumed his speech.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Hon. S. D. Blackett concluded his speech and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. D. D. Marshall began to speak.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Mr. D. D. Marshall concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Sitting was suspended until 2.00 p.m.

At 12.35 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 24 (resumed)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman concluded his speech.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw began to speak.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke on a point of order.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw concluded her speech.

Mr. J. D. Paul spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

ORDER NO. 21

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2015–2016 NO. 7

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of SEVEN MILLION AND FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2015–2016 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 7, 2015–2016 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE**Supplementary Estimates 2015–2016 No. 7**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2015 – 2016	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1 – 6	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 73 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND DRAINAGE		\$	\$	\$
Program 400: Environmental Health Services				
Subprogram 0372: Sanitation Service Authority <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	734000372	26,601,976		6,088,284
Program 650: Preservation and Conservation of the Terrestrial and Marine Environment				
Subprogram 0386: National Conservation Commission <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i> <i>Account Code: 416 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	736500386	23,000,000 250,000		300,000 617,543

and moved seconded by Hon. D. O’N. Inniss that Head 73 stand part.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce began to speak.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce concluded his speech.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Hon. R. D. Jones began to speak.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Hon. R. D. Jones resumed his speech.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson rose to speak on a point of order.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Hon. R. D. Jones resumed his speech.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson rose to speak on a point of order.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Mr. Chairman called on Mr. E. G. Hinkson to withdraw certain remarks.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson withdrew the remarks.

Hon. R. D. Jones concluded his speech.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Sitting was suspended until 6.00 p.m.

At 5.45 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Committee of Supply Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 21 (resumed)

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke.

Mr. G. A. Clarke spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe began his reply.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Chairman ruled no point of order.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe resumed his speech.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe concluded his speech.

Head 73 was passed.

HEAD 23 – SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2015–2016 NO. 8

Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2015-2016 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 8, 2015-2016 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE**Supplementary Estimates 2015–2016 No. 8**

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2015 – 2016	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1 – 7	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 72 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, FISHERIES AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT Program 161: Measures to Stimulate Increased Livestock Production Subprogram 0639: Southern Meats <i>Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions</i>	721610639	\$ 100	\$ 	\$ 600,000

and moved seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart that Head 72 stand part.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart Mr. Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker, who resumed the Chair, the passing of two Money Resolutions in Committee of Supply.

On the separate motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart the Resolutions were read a first and second time and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 2nd February, 2016 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.14 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2016.

Speaker.

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