

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Thursday, the 26th day of June, 2014, 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*)

- Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.)
- Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C.
- Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.
- Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

- Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Leader of the Opposition)
- Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.
- Hon. R. D. Jones, B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed., J.P. (Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation)
- Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries,* and Water Resource Management)
- Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
- Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister* of Transport and Works)
- Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (*Minister of Tourism and International Transport*)
- Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (*Minister of Health*) (Leader of the House)

- Hon. S. D. Blackett (Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development)
- Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (Chairman of Committees)
- Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (*Minister of Environment and Drainage*)
- Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs)
- Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth*)

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development)

- Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B.
- Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)
- Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
- Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S.
- Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)
- Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs), Mr. T. A. Prescod,

B.A.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 4 p.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Canon Ivan Harewood.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Hon. R. D. Jones moved, seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, that Standing Orders Nos. 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

The question was put and resolved in the affirmative without division.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce moved, seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that the Sitting be suspended and to be resumed at pleasure and that during the suspension as suited the convenience of His Honour the Speaker a Joint Commemorative Session of all our Parliament be convened in this Chamber.

The question was put and resolved in the affirmative without division.

At 4.30 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

JOINT SESSION

Previous to the commencement of the Joint Session special invitees to the Joint Sitting arrived at the Parliament Buildings and were seated in their designated areas.

Visiting Presiding Officers of Parliament were escorted to their places in The Well of the House of Assembly by Mr. Speaker of the House.

Members of the House of Assembly led by The Speaker took their places in the House of Assembly. Members of the Senate led by The President took their places in The House of Assembly.

His Excellency the Governor-General, Sir Elliott Belgrave and Lady Belgrave were met at the entrance to the East-Wing of Parliament by The President and Mr. Speaker.

Previous to the entry of their Excellencies into the Chamber The Clerk of Parliament read the Proclamation to signal the unveiling of the Banner and Stamps.

His Excellency the Governor-General and His Honour the Speaker drew the curtains to unveil the Heraldic Banner and the Commemorative Stamp Issue.

Their Excellencies are escorted into the Chamber to their respective places.

His Excellency the Governor-General addressed the Chamber.

The President of the Senate addressed the Chamber.

The Speaker of the House of Assembly addressed the Chamber.

The Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart addressed the Chamber.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley addressed the Chamber.

After the Governor-General presented copies of his speech to Her Honour the President of the Senate and His Honour the Speaker of the House of Assembly, their Excellencies were escorted from the Chamber by them.

The Speaker and The President returned to the Chamber.

The President and the Senators then left the House of Assembly and returned to the Senate Chamber.

RESUMPTION

On resumption, Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday 10th June, 2014 and 17th June, 2014 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following:

- 1. A message from the National Assembly of the Parliament of Guyana.
- 2. A message from the Speaker, Members of the Senate and House of Assembly of the Parliament of Saint Lucia.
- 3. A message from the Houses of Parliament of Jamaica.
- 4. A message from the Speaker and the Government and the People of Anguilla.
- 5. A message from the Premier and House of Assembly of the Virgin Islands.
- 6. A message from the Members of the House of Parliament of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the messages were taken as read and ordered to be made part of the proceedings.

The Hon. J. D. E. Boyce moved seconded by Mr. K. D. Symmonds the following motion:

That the proceedings of the Joint Commemorative Session of our Parliament which took place today, Thursday 26th June, 2014 in the Chamber of this House and also the proceedings atop the landing of the Stairs for the unveiling of the 375th Heraldic Banner and the Commemorative Stamp Issue in recognition of the 375th Anniversary of Parliament be ordered to be printed and recorded as a document of This House and be published with the proceedings of this day's Sitting of This House.

The motion was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 8th July, 2014 at 10 .00 o'clock in the morning.

At 5.53 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

RICHARD P. BYER Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2014.

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Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2013 – 2018

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