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**The First Meeting of the First Session of the Parliament of 2026-2031
was held on 20th February, 2026**

MANAGEMENT COMMISSION OF PARLIAMENT

(Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10 – Section 3(4))

The following are ex officio Members of the Commission:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman) ex officio, Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C. and Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw.

Section 3(4) of the Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10.

The following are appointed Members of the Commission:

Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, J.P., Hon. C. E. Jordan, Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. and Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore, J.P.

Appointed on 20th February, 2026.

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

(Standing Order 59:1)

“The Committee ... shall consist of thirteen (13) Members, from both Houses of Parliament of which seven (7) shall be from the House of Assembly ...”

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

(Standing Order 59:2)

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman) ex officio, Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., Mr. R. R. Brathwaite, J.P., Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P., Mr. D. G. Sutherland, Dr. S. E. Browne and Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore, J.P.

Appointed on 20th February, 2026.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

1. **Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore:** To resume the debate on the passing of a Resolution that the Honourable the House:
 - (a) supports the establishment of a National Portable Benefits framework through the National Insurance Social Security Service that ensures that social security follows the worker, and not the job;
 - (b) calls for the development and implementation of the supporting administrative, technological and enforcement measures necessary to ensure that the framework is effective, equitable and accessible;
 - (c) commits Barbados, in its fifth year as a Republic, to affirming that Portable Benefits constitute an act of nation-building and a people-centred investment in fairness, resilience and social stability, so that no worker is rendered invisible, and no worker is left behind.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 13th March, 2026.

On the 29th April, 2026, Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore spoke and moved seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Resolution be passed. Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES
(Standing Order 59:3)

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman) ex officio, Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer, J.P., Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P., Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C. and Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs.

Appointed on 20th February, 2026.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE
(Standing Order 58:2)

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C. (Chairman), Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle, Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, Hon. R. R. Straughn, Hon. T. A. Prescod, J.P. and Hon. A. R. Forde.

Appointed on 20th February, 2026.

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEES (STANDING)
(Standing Order 58A)

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE AND POLICY MATTERS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Dr. S. E. Browne, Mr. R. R. Brathwaite, J.P., Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, Hon. C. J. Blackman, J.P. and Hon. Miss K. S. McConney.

Appointed on 31st March, 2026.

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND PRODUCTIVE SECTORS

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Mr. D. G. Sutherland, Dr. W. F. Duguid, J.P., Hon. I. A. Weir, Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands and Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer, J.P.

Appointed on 31st March, 2026.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SECTOR AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore, J.P., Ms. T. Trotman, Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Hon. A. R. Forde and Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

Appointed on 31st March, 2026.

QUESTIONS

5. **Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls:** To resume the debate on the Second Reading of the Barbados Citizenship Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 24th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 5th May, 2026.

On the 29th April, 2026, Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke and moved that the Bill be referred to the Standing Select Committee on the Economic and Productive Sectors.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

6. **Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill:** To move the Second Reading of the Maritime Areas (Jurisdiction and Rights) Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 5th May, 2026.

7. **Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill:** To move the Second Reading of the Seafarers Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 5th May, 2026.

8. **Hon. M. A. Lashley:** To move the Second Reading of the Criminal Gangs (Prevention and Control) Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 5th May, 2026.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Standing Order 10 of the First Session)

“Unless the House otherwise directs, the business of each sitting day shall be transacted in the following order –

- (a) Formal entry of His Honour the Speaker.
- (b) Prayers.
- (c) Announcements by His Honour the Speaker.
- (d) Messages from His Excellency the President.
- (e) Petitions.
- (f) Papers.
- (g) Government Notices.
- (h) Private Members’ Business.
- (i) Notices of Questions.
- (j) Reports from Select Committees.
- (k) First readings of Bills.
- (l) Statements by Ministers.
- (m) Congratulatory and/or obituary speeches.
- (n) Personal Explanations.
- (o) Motions for leave of absence.
- (p) Oral replies to questions.
- (q) Notices of motions for the adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance.
- (r) Orders of the day.”

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

1. **Hon. W. A. Abrahams:** To move the Second Reading of the Criminal Records (Rehabilitation of Offenders) (Amendment) Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 24th February, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 24th February, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 26th February, 2026.

2. **Hon. R. R. Straughn:** To move the passing of a Resolution that the Fiscal Framework 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 be debated in Parliament and that any recommendations made in respect of the Fiscal Framework 2026/2027 to 2028/2029 be considered by Cabinet.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 13th March, 2026.

3. **Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill:** To move the Second Reading of the Civil Aviation Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 20th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 21st April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 23rd April, 2026.

4. **Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls:** To resume the debate on the Second Reading of the Immigration Bill, 2026.

Notice of this Bill was given on 24th April, 2026.

The Bill was read a first time on 29th April, 2026.

The Bill was published in the Official Gazette on 5th May, 2026.

On the 29th April, 2026, Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke and moved that the Bill be referred to the Standing Select Committee on the Economic and Productive Sectors.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.