



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre on Wednesday the 20th day of October, 2021, at 11.00 a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

### PRESENT

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)

His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)

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| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. ( <i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i> ) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade</i> ) |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. ( <i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i> )   | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. ( <i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i> )   |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. ( <i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i> )  | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. ( <i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i> )                                    |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.   | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources</i> )                                      |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. ( <i>Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship</i> )   | Hon. P. R. Phillips ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i> )                                |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i> )  | Hon. J. A. King, BSS ( <i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office</i> )  |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.   | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill ( <i>Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i> )                                |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) ( <i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i> )  | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector</i> )     |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. ( <i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i> )  | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. ( <i>Chairman of Committees</i> )   |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. ( <i>Leader of the Opposition</i> )   | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. ( <i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i> )                |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. ( <i>Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs</i> )  | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i> )   |
|   | Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i> ) and          |
|   | Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.   |

**ABSENT**

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (*Minister of International Business and Industry*), Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (*Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance*) and Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 12th October, 2021 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of Resolution to extend the Public Health Emergency.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**ORDER NO. 10**

On the Order being called for Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic to move the passing of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS by virtue of section 28A (1) of the *Emergency Management Act*, Cap. 160A the Governor-General is satisfied that an emergency has arisen as a result of a person or an animal having a communicable or a notifiable disease, the Governor-General may by Proclamation, on the advice of the Prime Minister after the Prime Minister has consulted, or has been advised by, the Chief Medical Officer, declare that a public health emergency exists;

AND WHEREAS by section 28A (2) of the said Act a Proclamation is issued under section 28(1) and shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for one month or for such longer period, not exceeding 6 months, as the House of Assembly may determine by a resolution supported by the votes of a majority of all the members of that House;

AND WHEREAS a Proclamation was issued on the 24th day of September, 2021;

AND WHEREAS the Proclamation has not been revoked and is due to expire on the 23rd day of October, 2021;

AND WHEREAS the House of Assembly has by a vote of the majority of all the members thereof, determined by resolution to extend the said Proclamation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Proclamation aforesaid is hereby extended until the 23rd day of March, 2022,

the Honourable Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Resolution be passed.

The Resolution was passed the House voting as follows:

*Ayes:* Honourables Miss M. A. Mottley, Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, D. D. Marshall, Miss C. Y. Forde, K. D. Symmonds, Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, D. G. Sutherland, Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, R. R. Straughn, Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, P. R. Phillips, C. McD. Griffith, J. A. King, I. A. Weir, C. E. Jordan, A. R. Forde, W. A. Abrahams, K. D. M. Humphrey, G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, Dr. S. E. Browne, E. G. Hinkson, T. A. Prescod, Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore and Bishop J. J. S. Atherley.

*Noes:* Nil.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 26th October, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

At 1.05 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.  
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Speaker.

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