

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIRST SESSION (2007/2008), NINTH PARLIAMENT

ORDER PAPER

FORTY-FIFTH SITTING

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2008 AT 1:30 P.M.

PRAYERS

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW MEMBER

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- 1. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of National Helicopter Services Limited for the Financial year ended September 30, 2007.
 - (By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
- 2. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited for the vear ended September 30, 2000.
 - (By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
- 3. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited for the year ended September 30, 2001.
 - (By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
- 4. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited for the year ended September 30, 2002.
 - (By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)

5. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited for the year ended September 30, 2003.

(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)

6. The Thirtieth Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the period January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007.

(By the Deputy Speaker)

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER APPEAR IN APPENDIX I

Questions for Oral Answer

*Question No. 202 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With regard to the August Sport for Life Camps, could the Minister state:

- (a) what was the budget for the project;
- (b) what were the various categories of sport, the location of the camps, the number of participants and coaches and the number of days of the camp;
- (c) the quantity and cost of various items purchased for each category of sport; and
- (d) whether there will be an inventory of the items taken at the end of the camp and where will the items be housed?

*Question No. 218 to the Honourable Attorney General

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

- A. Could the Attorney General state whether the Government intends to implement the Land adjudication Act (No.14 of 2000), the Land Tribunal Act (No.15 of 2000) and the Registrations of Titles to Land Act (No.16 of 2000)?
- B. If so, could the Attorney General inform the House of its planned date of implementation?
- C. If it does not intend to implement the Acts, could the Attorney General give reasons for its non-implementation?

*Question No. 224 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With regard to the Trinidad and Tobago Sport Camps held between August 4-22, 2008, could the Minister:

(a) state whether there was an approved project proposal;

^{*} Question No. 202 was deferred for a further two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008, having been previously deferred since 30. 09. 2008.

^{*} Question No. 218 was deferred for a further two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008, having been previously deferred since 19.09.08.

^{*} Question No. 224 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008, having been previously deferred since 24. 10.2008.

- (b) if so, when was this document approved and which unit was assigned to implement it; and
- (c) provide this House with a copy of the project proposal?

*Question No. 225 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With regard to the Trinidad and Tobago Sport Camps held between August 4-22, 2008 could the Minister:

- (a) provide this House with a copy of the approved budget; and
- (b) indicate when this budget was approved by the board of SPORTT?

*Question No. 228 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs

(By the Member for Princes Town North)

Could the Minister state:

- (a) what is the status of the development works on the Yolande Pompey Recreation Ground at Princes Town; and
- (b) when the works on the said ground is expected to be completed?

*Question No. 230 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government

(By the Member for Princes Town North)

Could the Minister give the detailed cost, to date, of the hosting of the current public consultations on Local Government Reform?

*Question No. 234 to the Honourable Minister of Legal Affairs and Consumer Affairs (By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)

Could the Minister state the total cost of publication of comparative prices in each daily newspaper for the period October 01, 2007 to September 30, 2008 in respect of:

- (a) Fruits, vegetables and Provisions;
- (b) Live Poultry and;
- (c) Hardware Materials?

*Question No. 235 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources (By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)

Could the Minister state the total cost of the publication in each daily newspaper for the period October 01, 2007 to September 30, 2008 of "Market Watch on Market Prices."

Question No. 236 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources (By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)

Could the Minister provide the total cost of advertisements of the 2008 National Agricultural Entrepreneurs Award ceremony in each daily newspaper?

^{*} Question No. 225 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008, having been previously deferred since 24. 10.2008. 2008.

^{*} Questions Nos. 228 and 230 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008, having been previously deferred since 24.10.2008.

^{*} Question Nos. 234, 235 and 236 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 07.11.2008.

Question No. 238 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Oropouche East)

In light of statements made during the Budget debate:

- (a) could the Minister state how many community centres would be erected within the Oropouche East electoral district?
- (b) could the Minister also state the location where these centres would be constructed, their projected costs and scheduled completion dates?

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Motions:

- 1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House approve the decision of the President to acquire the lands described in Appendix II to the Order Paper for the public purposes specified.
 - (By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources)
- 2. The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Wednesday January 30, 2008 will be resumed:
 - **BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House take note of the Government's efforts to combat crime.
 - (By the Minister of National Security)
- 3. **WHEREAS** the Government of Trinidad and Tobago has made tremendous progress in the tertiary education sector over the last six years by expanding its capacity and ensuring accessibility, affordability, relevance and excellence in the sector;
 - **BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House commend the Government for its far reaching and visionary initiatives in the field of tertiary education.
 - (By the Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education)
- 4. The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday May 23, 2008 will be resumed:

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives appoint three (3) Members to serve with an equal number from the Senate to inquire into and report to Parliament on the Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago (UDeCOTT) with regard to its administration, operations, functions, manner of exercise of its powers, performance of its duties and responsibilities and method of functioning, with particular reference to its procurement procedures and practices;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Committee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records; appoint specialist advisers to provide information and elucidate matters of complexity and to adjourn from place to place; and that the meetings of this Committee shall be held in public and shall be broadcast live via both television and radio, and that this Committee report its findings to the Parliament by September 30, 2008.

(By the Minister of Works and Transport)

5. **WHEREAS** it is provided by subsection (3) of section 4 of the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government) Act, that as soon as may be after the Elections and Boundaries Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") has submitted a report under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 4 of the said Act, the Minister shall lay before the House of Representatives for its approval the draft of an Order by the President for giving effect, whether with or without modifications, to the recommendations contained in the report:

AND WHEREAS the Commission has submitted a report to the Minister in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 4:

AND WHEREAS the draft of an Order entitled the "Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government) Order, 2008" giving effect to the recommendations of the Commission was laid before the House of Representatives on the 5th day of September, 2008:

BE IT RESOLVED that the draft of the "Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government) Order, 2008" be approved.

(By the Leader of the House)

Bills Second Reading:

1. The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday October 24, 2008 will be resumed:

A Bill entitled, "An Act relating to the protection of children and for matters related thereto".

(By the Minister of Social Development)

2. A Bill entitled, "An Act to give legal effect to electronic documents, records and signatures".

(By the Minister of Public Administration)

3. A Bill entitled, "An Act to amend the Status of Children Act, Chap. 46:07 and to provide for DNA analysis in civil proceedings".

(By the Minister of Social Development)

4. A Bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the protection of personal privacy and information".

(By the Minister of Information)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** the Integrity Commission (**IC**) has consistently refused to enforce the provisions of either the Integrity in the Public Life Act 1987 or the present Integrity in Public Life Act 83 of 2000

(the Act) with respect to the failure of persons in public life to file annual declarations and statements, even though the IC in its own reports to Parliament admits that the law is being violated with impunity;

AND WHEREAS the IC has consistently failed to disclose the names of persons in public life who have breached the Act in its annual reports to Parliament;

AND WHEREAS the IC has demonstrated political bias in that it has singled out two UNC officials for investigation and prosecution but has consistently refused and/or failed to take any action against PNM government officials and /or their appointees who have violated the Act;

AND WHEREAS there has been inordinate delay by the IC in several investigations into allegations of corruption and/or conflict of interest against government officials and state board officials and/ or personnel;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House reaffirm its commitment to preserve and promote integrity in public life and call on the members of the Integrity Commission to resign forthwith.

(By the Member for Siparia)

2. The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday October 31, 2008 will be resumed:

WHEREAS the price of food continues to rise and the poor and low-income earners now find it difficult to feed themselves and their families;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to take adequate measures to keep food prices at an affordable level to all citizens;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House condemn the Government for its failure in containing food prices at affordable levels for the entire population.

(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)

3. **WHEREAS** there exists no comprehensive, logical, fair, humane and equitable pension plan to ensure that persons who have worked for the Government of Trinidad and Tobago and retired are able to live a life of dignity without experiencing hardships during their retirement, a period when they are least equipped to cope with these hardships;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to establish a comprehensive pension plan for all categories of persons who have worked for the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and who have retired; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such a pension plan be linked to the cost of living and the wage and salary increases for government workers to ensure that government retirees are able to live out their retirement years with dignity and without being subjected to financial hardships. **(By the Member for Naparima)**

Jacqui Sampson Clerk of the House

House of Representatives' Secretariat The Red House PORT OF SPAIN November 21, 2008

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 163 to the Honourable Minister of Finance

(By the Member for Caroni East)

With regard to the Estate Management Business Development Company Limited, for the period 2006 to date, could the Minister state:

- (a) the developmental projects undertaken;
- (b) the cost of each project and the company awarded the contract;
- (c) the percentage completed, the cost overruns so far, if any and the estimated cost at completion; and
- (d) the internal audit findings on these projects?

(Answer due on 01.07.2008)

Question No. 203 to the Honourable Minister of Public Administration

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the number of private properties being rented by the Government as at July 30, 2008;
- (b) the initial date of each lease and the name of the lessor; and
- (c) the total sums paid in rental from the initial date of each lease to July 30, 2008?

(Answer due on 17.09.2008)

Question No. 227 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With regard to the Trinidad and Tobago Sport Camps held between August 4-22, 2008, could the Minister provide a detailed breakdown of the items purchased according to unit price, quantity, extended price and service provider?

(Answer due on 15.10.2008)

November 21, 2008

DESCRIPTION OF LAND	PUBLIC PURPOSES FOR WHICH TO BE ACQUIRED
1. The parcel of land comprising 1,909.3 square metres more or less, situate at Moruga Road, in the Ward of Ortoire, in the County of Victoria and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 2 nd July 1996 and filed in his office, is required for a public purposed: extension of the St. Mary's Recreation Ground.	Extension of St. Mary's Recreation Ground.
<u>SCHEDULE</u>	
A parcel of land comprising 1,909.3 square metres more or less, situate at Moruga Road, in the Ward of Ortoire, in the County of Victoria and said to belong now or formerly to Bridgelal.	
This parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1140 as Folio 190, survey order 64/1994 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.	
2. Eleven parcels of land comprising 3,252 square meters, more or less situate at Las Cuevas and La Fillette, in the Ward of Blanchisseuse, in the County of St.George, and described in the Schedule and colored raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 6th August, 2004 and filed in his Office, are required for a public purpose: extension of the North Coast Road.	Extension of the North Coast Road
<u>SCHEDULE</u>	
Eleven parcels of land comprising together approximately 3,252 square metres, more or less, situate at Las Cuevas and La Fillette, in the Ward of Blanchisseuse, in the County of St. George and further described as follows: a) 364.6 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Thomas Rudolph and Valerie Meyers b) 196.4 square metres said to belong now or formerly to John David Whiley; c) 187.6 square metres said to belong now or formerly to person unknown; d) 151.7 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Thomas Hermagild Meyer; e) 237.1 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Lionel Roberts; f) 261.7 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Hafeeza and Desmond Ali; g) 438.4 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Mode Alive Limited;	

- h) 447.8 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Phillip Lawrence;
- i) 554.5 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Glen Regist ,Edward Miller and Fitzroy Dyer;
- j) 36.5 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Conrad Lee Pack and Joan Lee Pack; and
- k) 103.3 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Conrad Lee Pack and Joan Lee Pack.

These parcels are more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan signed by the Director of Surveys on the 6th August 2004, filed as JD 289 Order 217/2000 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port-of-Spain.

3. The parcel of land comprising 1.9976 hectares, more or less situate at the southern extremity of the Endeavour Estate Development, at the corner of Tenth Avenue and Michael Street Chaguanas, in the Borough of Chaguanas, County of Caroni and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 30th November, 2001 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: the construction of the Chaguanas North Government Primary School.

Construction of the Chaguanas North Government Primary School

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising one point nine nine seven six hectares (1.9976 ha) situate at the corner of Tenth Avenue and Michael Street, Chaguanas, in the Borough of Chaguanas, County of Caroni and said to belong to now or formerly to Colonial Homes and Commercial Properties Limited.

This parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1269 as Folio 103 in the Vault of the Lands and Survey Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

4. The parcel of land comprising 1,368.1 square meters more or less, situate at Culloden Road, in the Parish of St. David, in the Ward of Tobago and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated June 13, 2005 and in filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: improvement works to the Providence/ Culloden Road.

Improvement work to the providence/ Culloden Road

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising 1,368.1square metres, more or less, situate at Culloden Road, in the Parish of St. David, in the Ward of Tobago and said to belong now or formerly to Harold Sebro.

This parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1290 as Folio 195 under Survey Order 233/2003, in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

5. The parcel of land comprising 247.7 square metres more or less, situate at La Seiva Road, in the Ward of Diego Martin, in the County of St. George and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 18th June, 2004 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: the widening of the La Seiva River, Maraval.

Widening of La Seiva River, Maraval.

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising 247.7 square metres more or less, situate at La Seiva Road, in the Ward of Diego Martin, in the County of St. George and said to belong now or formerly to Johnson.

This parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1243 as Folio 172, in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

6. The parcel of land comprising 0.652 hectares more or less situate at the eastern side of Kanhai Trace in the Wards of Naparima and Moruga, in the County of Victoria and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of survey and dated 5th May, 1987 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: construction of Natural Gas Pipeline.

Land for Natural Gas pipeline

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising 0.652 hectares more or less, situate at the eastern side of Kanhai Trace, in the Wards of Naparima and Moruga, in the County of Victoria and said to belong now or formerly to Sinanan Ramsubhag.

The parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in the Book 1243 as Folio 174, Survey Order 47/2004 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

7. The three parcels of land together comprising 1.6222 hectares more or less, situate along Inner Mafeking Road, Mayaro in the Ward of Cocal, in the County of Nariva and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 5th March, 2002 and filed in his office, are required for a public purpose: the establishment of a recreation ground.

Establishing of a Recreation Ground

SCHEDULE

Three parcels of land together comprising 1.6222 hectares more or less, situate along Inner Mafeking Road, Mayaro, in the Ward of Cocal, in the County of Nariva and said to belong now or formerly to the heirs of William Taylor and further described as follows:

- a) a parcel of land comprising 0.519 hectares known as Lot 5B;
- b) a parcel of land comprising 0.9276 hectares known as Lot6B; and
- c) a parcel of land comprising 0.1747 hectares

These parcels of land are more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey plan filed in book 1243 as Folio 51 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

8. The parcel of land comprising 2.7375 hectares, more or less, situate at Springlands, San Fabien, in the Ward of Pointe-a-Pierre, in the County of Victoria and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 15th August, 2001 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: establishment of a recreation ground.

Establishment of a Recreation ground at Springlands San Fabian

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising 2.7375 hectares more or less, situate at Springlands, San Fabien, in the Ward of Pointe-a Pierre, in the County of Victoria and said to belong now or formerly to V.O. West.

This parcel of land of more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in book 1243 as Folio 47; Survey Order 81/1998 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

9. The parcels of land containing together 39948.9 square meters more or less, situate at St. Helena Village, Piarco in the Ward of Tacarigua, in the County of St. George and described in the schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 4th April, 1995 and filed in his office are required for a public purpose: Improvements to Caroni River, Phase III.

Widening of the Caroni River

SCHEDULE

Two parcels of land containing together 39948.9 square metres more or less, situate off Kelly Road, St. Helena Village, Piarco, east of the Golden Grove Road, in the Ward of Tacarigua, in the County of St. George and comprised as follows:

- 1. a parcel of land comprising approximately 339.0 square metres belonging now or formerly to Eddy Bachan; and
- 2. a parcel of land comprising approximately 39609.9 square meters belonging now or formerly to Frederick Sui Butt.

The parcels are more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a survey Plan filed as JB 89 in the vault of the Lands and Surveys Department, Red House, Port of Spain.

10. A parcel of land comprising 583.2 square metres more or less, situate at No.19 South Street, Mon Repos, San Fernando in the Ward of Naparima in the County of Victoria and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 4th May, 2000 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: Establishment of a playing field.

Establishment of a playing field

SCHEDULE

A parcel of land comprising 583.2 square metres more or less, situate at No. 19 South Street, Mon Repos, San Fernando, in the Ward of Naparima in the County of Victoria and said to belong now or formerly to Rampersad Maharaj and Ors.

This parcel is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in book 1243 as Folio 35 in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

11. The three parcels of land, together comprising 1,929.7 square meters more or less, situate along the Caparo River in the Borough of Chaguanas, in the County of Caroni and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 20th March 2002 and filed in his office are required for a public purpose: to facilitate drainage improvement works to the Caparo River.

Facilitate drainage improvement works to the Caparo River.

SCHEDULE

Three parcels of land comprising together approximately 1,929.7 square metres more or less, situate along the Caparo River in the Borough of Chaguanas, in the County of Caroni and described as follows:

- a) 58.9 square metres said to belong now or formerly to Samatie;
- b) 1,824.2 square meters said to belong now or formerly to Subhadra Chankadyai; and
- c) 46.6 square metres said to belong now to Ramasar and Soogan.

These parcels are more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1243 as Folio 52, in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

12. The parcel of land comprising 647.2 square metres more or less, situate at Munroe Road, in the Ward of Chaguanas, in the County of Caroni and described in the Schedule and coloured raw sienna on a plan of survey signed by the Director of Surveys and dated 16th January, 2004 and filed in his office, is required for a public purpose: the construction of the Uriah Butler Highway

The Construction of the Uriah Butler Highway

SCHEDULE

The parcel of land comprising 647.2 square metres more or less, situate at Munroe Road, in the Ward of Chaguanas, in the County of Caroni and said to belong now or formerly to Salamat Khan and Twazul Khan.

This parcel of land is more particularly shown coloured raw sienna on a Survey Plan filed in Book 1243 as Folio 149, in the Vault of the Lands and Surveys Division, Old General Post Office Building, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain.

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