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PRAYERS

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW MEMBER

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

PETITIONS

PAPERS

1. The Audited Financial Statements for the Regulated Industries Commission for the year ended December 31, 2007.

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

2. The Audited Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company 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)

3. The Audited Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company Limited for the Financial Year ended September 30, 2008.

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

4. The Audited Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company Limited for the Financial Year ended September 30, 2009.

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

5. The Audited Financial Statements of Education Facilities Company Limited for the Financial Year ended September 30, 2010.

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

6. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Trinidad and Tobago Free Zones Company Limited for the Financial Year ended December 31, 2010.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
7. The Audited Financial Statements of the Vehicle Management Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the year ended September 30, 2009.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
8. The Audited Financial Statements of The Vehicle Management Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the year ended September 30, 2010.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
9. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of National Enterprises Limited for the financial year ended March 31, 2011.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
10. The Annual Audited Financial Statement of Estate Management and Business Development Company Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2009.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
11. The Annual Administrative Report of the National Insurance Appeals Tribunal for the financial year 1st October, 2009 to 30th September, 2010.
(By the Minister of Finance)
12. The Purchase of Certain Rights Regulations, 2011.
(By the Minister of Finance)
13. The Administrative Report of the Boiler Examiner Board for the period September 2009 to September 2010.
(By the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development)
14. The Administrative Report of the Minimum Wages Board for the period January 2009 to December 2010.
(By the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development)
15. The Administrative Report of the Advisory Friendly Societies Council for the period October 2008 to September 2010.
(By the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development)
16. The Administrative Report of the Board of Governors of the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-Operative Studies (CCLCS) for the period October, 2008 to September, 2010.
(By the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development)

17. The Annual Administrative Report for the National Entrepreneurship Development Company Limited (NEDCO) for the period October 2008 to September 2010.
(By the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development)
18. The Annual Report of the Ministry of Public Administration for the Fiscal Year 2010.
(By the Minister of Public Administration)
19. The Annual Administrative Report of the Ministry of Local Government for the period 1st October, 2004 to 30th September, 2005.
(By the Minister of Local Government)
20. The Administrative Report of the Port of Spain Corporation for the period October 2005 to September 2006.
(By the Minister of Local Government)
21. The Administrative Report of the Mayaro/Rio Claro Regional Corporation for the period 2007 to 2008.
(By the Minister of Local Government)
22. The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Enforcement and Administration) Order, 2011.
(By the Minister of Transport)
23. The Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Regulations, 2011.
(By the Minister of Transport)
24. The Annual Report of the Police Service Commission for the period January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.
(By the Minister of National Security)
25. The Police Service (Amendment) Regulations, 2011
(By the Minister of National Security)
26. The Proceeds of Crime (Prescribed Sum) Order, 2011.
(By the Minister of National Security)
27. The National Forest Policy of the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago 2001.
(By the Minister of Housing and the Environment)
28. The Ministerial Response to the Second Report of the Joint Select Committee of Parliament on Ministries (Group 1), and on the Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises on the Administration of the Green Fund.
(By the Minister of Housing and the Environment)
29. The Thirty-Third Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the period January, 2010 to December, 2010.
(By the Deputy Speaker)

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

1. The First Report of the Joint Select Committee established to inquire into and report to Parliament on Ministries (Group 2), and on the Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises falling under their purview on Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited (PSAEL).

(By the Minister of State in the Ministry of the People and Social Development)

2. The Second Report of the Joint Select Committee established to inquire into and Report to Parliament on Ministries (Group 2), and on the Statutory Authorities and State Enterprises falling under their purview on National Information Communication Technology Company Limited branded as IGOVIT.

(By the Minister of State in the Ministry of the People and Social Development)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

Questions for Written Answer appear in the Appendix

Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 3 to the Honourable Attorney General

(By the Leader of the Opposition)

With respect to the hiring of private legal services for the period June 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011 could the Attorney General:

- a) state the total expenditure paid and/or owed to Attorneys outside of the Public Service?
- b) identify each assignment, stating the name of the project/assignment, the Attorney or legal team hired and the amount paid or outstanding to each entity?
- c) also identify the nature of the specific output obtained from each Attorney/legal team as it relates to the payments or liabilities mentioned in (b) above?

Question No. 4 to the Honourable Attorney General

(By the Leader of the Opposition)

With respect to the period June 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011 could the Attorney General identify each legal matter involving the state for which an out of court settlement has been approved and/or effected, identifying the Attorney/legal team involved for the complainant and the total sum approved and/or paid both to Lawyers and to the complainants?

Question No. 5 to the Honourable Attorney General

(By the Leader of the Opposition)

Could the Attorney General indicate:

- a) the name, profession and nationality of each of the persons appointed by him or the Office of the Attorney General to conduct investigations into T&TEC, the Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago, Petrotrin, NIIDCO, HDC, eTeck, UTT and the Scarborough General Hospital;

- b) the date(s) and the terms of reference of each engagement and the amount of money paid to each of these persons to date;
- c) whether these investigations are complete and if not, the precise stage of each investigation as at August 1, 2011;
- d) when each investigation is likely to be completed; and
- e) in the case of non-nationals so appointed, how many times each of these persons visited Trinidad and Tobago in the course of their investigations, the dates of these visits, the cost of each visit and the duration of their stay?

Question No. 7 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development

(By the Member of Port of Spain South)

Could the Minister State the completion date for the Picton Dance Theatre located on Picton Road, Laventille?

Question No. 8 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development

(By the Member of Port of Spain South)

Could the Minister state when is the commencement date of the construction of the Basilon Street Community Complex.

Question No. 9 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development

(By the Member of Port of Spain South)

Could the Minister give a detailed listing of all the community centres under construction from May 2010 onwards?

Question No. 22 to the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs and Communications

(By the Member for Point Fortin)

Could the Minister state the dates, times and places of all official duties conducted by the Honourable Prime Minister on her recent trip to Brazil in April 2011?

Question No. 23 to the Honourable Minister of Energy and Energy Industries

(By the Member for Point Fortin)

Could the Minister state:

- a) The purpose of the Minister's travel undertaken in April 2011 to Ghana;
- b) The current status of Ghana's Gas Infrastructure Development Project and the involvement of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago?

Question No. 24 to the Honourable Minister of Energy and Energy Industries

(By the Member for Point Fortin)

Could the Minister state:

- i) Whether the Government sought to find a joint venture partner for Trinmar;
- ii) If the answer is in the affirmative, could the Minister state what efforts have been made during the past year to find a joint venture partner?

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

1. The Administration of Justice (Deoxyribonucleic Acid) Bill, 2011.
(By the Attorney General who will move that the next stage of this Bill be taken later in the proceedings)
2. The Customs (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2011.
(By the Minister of Finance)
3. The Equal Opportunity (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2011.
(By the Attorney General)
4. The State Suits Limitation (No. 2) Bill, 2011.
(By the Attorney General)

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 a Joint Select Committee be established to consider the Legislative Proposal to provide for public procurement and disposal of public property together with the Legislative Proposal to repeal and replace the Central Tenders Board Act which were laid in the House of Representatives on Friday June 25, 2010 along with the work of the previous Committee appointed in the First Session of the Tenth Parliament:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Joint Select Committee be mandated to:

- (a) consult with stake holders, experts and other interested persons;
- (b) send for persons, papers, records and other documents;
- (c) recommend amendments to the proposals with a view to improving the drafts;
- (d) submit a report to Parliament within three (3) months from the date of appointment.

(By the Leader of the House)

2. **WHEREAS** Article (8) of the Trinidad and Tobago (Constitution) Order in Council, 1961 provided that “the Governor shall make and cause to be laid before the Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, when they first meet such Standing Orders with respect to the matters mentioned in article 26 of the Constitution as appear to him expedient

to enable the Senate and House of Representatives to commence the transaction of their business in an orderly manner, but any such Orders may be amended or revoked by the chamber to which they relate”;

AND WHEREAS the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives were made by the Governor in 1961 pursuant to the said Article and laid before the House of Representatives on December 29, 1961;

AND WHEREAS there has never been a comprehensive review of these Standing Orders since they were enacted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives be referred to the Standing Orders Committee for consideration and report within the current session.

(By the Leader of the House)

3. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 56(1)(a) of the Customs Act, Chap. 78:01 that the House of Representatives may, from time to time, by Resolution provide that any class of goods specified in the Resolution shall be exempt from import duties of Customs if the goods are imported or entered for use by any person for any purpose specified in the Resolution during any period to be fixed by the Minister in each particular case, not being a period terminating later than the date prescribed in the Resolution as the last day on which such exemption shall be operative, and subject to such condition as the Minister may impose:

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives, in accordance with and subject to the provisions of section 56 of the Customs Act, exempt from import duties of customs the classes of goods imported or entered for use in Trinidad and Tobago for the respective purposes set out in the List of Conditional Duty Exemptions in the Third Schedule to the Customs Act for –

- (a) Approved Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry and Fisheries in Part A, subheading II;
- (b) Approved Hotels in Part A, subheading III;
- (c) Approved Mining Purposes in Part A, subheading IV; and
- (d) Other Approved Purposes in Part A, subheading V, from the date of publication to December 31, 2015.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)

4. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 78 of the Police Service Act, Chap. 15:01 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") that the President may make Regulations, inter alia, to give effect to the purpose of the Act and generally for the good order and management of the Police Service;

AND WHEREAS it is also provided by section 78 of the Act that every Order made under that section shall be subject to affirmative resolution of the House of Representatives;

AND WHEREAS the President has on the 20th day of October, 2011 made the Police Service (Amendment) Regulations, 2011;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the Police Service (Amendment) Regulations now be affirmed:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Service (Amendment) Regulations, 2011 be approved.

(By the Minister of National Security)

Bills Second Reading:

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Chap. 48:50 and the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Enforcement and Administration) Act, Chap. 48:52”.

(By the Minister of Transport)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Regional Health Authorities Act, Chap. 29:05”.

(By the Minister of Health)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** the Government of Trinidad and Tobago has given a commitment to provide all students, from Early Childhood, to the Primary and Secondary levels, with all core textbooks and work books at no cost to parents;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Education has reneged on this commitment in September 2011 by neglecting to provide sufficient and timely replacements for books lost or damaged, thereby placing an unexpected hardship on parents:

BE IT RESOLVED that this Government take all necessary steps to ensure that students are properly equipped with their school books for a quality education from ECCE to Secondary, in accordance with the commitment that has been given since 2004.

(By the Member for Port of Spain North/St. Ann’s West)

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 6 to the Honourable Minister of Planning and the Economy

(By the Leader of the Opposition)

With respect to the Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP), could the Minister identify the location and value of all projects from \$3 million to \$100 million which have commenced as new projects from June 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011?

(Answer due by 05.10.2011)

Question No. 18 to the Honourable Prime Minister

(By the Member for Port of Spain South)

With regard to Adviser to Members of the Cabinet could the Honourable Prime Minister provide:

- i) The total number of persons engaged;
- ii) The names of all persons employed in this position and their location;
- iii) The compensation package in each case;
- iv) The academic and other qualifications of the persons employed;
- v) The Terms and Conditions and the length of the contract of each person?

(Answer due by 05.11.2011)

Question No. 20 to the Honourable Minister of Finance

(By the Member for Port of Spain South)

Could the Minister provide:

- i) A list of all organizations granted National Lotteries Board funding during the period June 2010 to June 2011;
- ii) A list of all applicants who were refused funding and the reasons for the rejection of each application?

(Answer due by 5.11.2011)

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