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PRAYERS

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW MEMBER

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BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

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PAPERS

1. The Financial Statements for the National Maintenance Training and Security Company Limited for the year ended December 31, 2012.

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

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

1. The Tenth 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 on the Government Assistance for Tuition Expenses (GATE) Programme.

(By the Member for Arouca/Maloney)

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

Questions for Oral Answer

1Question No. 45 to the Minister of Works and Infrastructure

(By the Member for La Brea)

Could the Minister state why rehabilitation works have not commenced on the following landslips to date?

- a) Upper Salazar Trace between LP#24 and LP#25;
- b) Upper Sobo Village Road in La Brea;
- c) La Union Road, Erin;
- d) Fortune Mc Carthy Street in Vance River Village;

¹ Question No. 45 was deferred for two (2) weeks on Monday June 17, 2013.

- e) Parrylands Road in the Vicinity of George Blake Trace Junction;
- f) Sobo Village Main Road near the Sobo Community Centre.

Question No. 52 to the Minister of National Security

(By the Member for Laventille East/Morvant)

With respect to the Fire Tender which was involved in an accident in Blanchisseuse in November 2012, could the Minister state:

- a) What was the exact date and approximate time of the accident?
- b) When was the Tender bought and at what price?
- c) What was the book value of the Tender at the time of the accident?
- d) What is the total cost associated with the recovery of the wreck?
- e) What payment has been made to the contractor to date and how much is outstanding?
- f) What was the approval process involved in authorizing the payment?
- g) Who authorized and effected the payment?
- h) Under which Head and Sub-Head were payments made?

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

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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 the Senate Amendments to the Anti-Doping in Sport Bill, 2013 listed in the Appendix be now considered.

(By the Minister of Sport)

2. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Monday January 07, 2013 will be resumed:**

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, Industry and Investment)

3. **WHEREAS** section 3(1) of the Treasury Notes Act, Chap. 71:39 provides that the Minister of Finance and the Economy on the written advice of the Governor of the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago may, for the purposes of promoting monetary credit and exchange conditions most favourable to the economy of Trinidad and Tobago, borrow money in Trinidad and Tobago in such sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate, one thousand million Trinidad and Tobago dollars and such further sum or sums or the equivalent thereof in any foreign currency or currencies as may be specified by resolution of Parliament, by the issue of Notes:

AND WHEREAS it is necessary for the Minister of Finance and the Economy to borrow further sums of money for the purposes stated in section 3(1) of the Act:

BE IT RESOLVED that for the purposes of promoting monetary credit and exchange conditions most favourable to the economy of Trinidad and Tobago, the Minister of Finance and the Economy is hereby authorized to borrow such further sum or sums in Trinidad and Tobago, not exceeding in the aggregate, fifteen thousand million Trinidad and Tobago dollars or the equivalent thereof in any foreign currency or currencies, by the issue of Notes.

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

4. **WHEREAS** section 2(1) of the Treasury Bills Act, Chap. 71:40 provides that the Minister of Finance and the Economy may borrow in Trinidad and Tobago such sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate, two thousand million Trinidad and Tobago dollars or the equivalent thereof in any foreign currency or currencies and such further sum or sums as may be specified by resolution of Parliament, or the equivalent thereof in any foreign currency or currencies, by the issue of Treasury Bills:

AND WHEREAS it is necessary for the Minister of Finance and the Economy to borrow further sums of money for the purpose of facilitating the conduct of open market operations by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago:

BE IT RESOLVED that for the purposes of facilitating the conduct of open market operations by the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, the Minister of Finance and the Economy is hereby authorized to borrow such further sum or sums in Trinidad and Tobago, not exceeding in the aggregate, thirty thousand million Trinidad and Tobago dollars or the equivalent thereof in any foreign currency or currencies, by the issue of Treasury Bills.

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

Bills Second Reading:

1. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday June 21, 2013 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to provide for the control of dogs and to regulate the manner in which certain breeds of dogs are kept by their owners to keepers; to repeal the Dangerous Dogs Act, 2000 and for related matters”.

(By the Attorney General)

2. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday May 17, 2013 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to validate actions done pursuant to section 4 of the Sugar Industry Control Board (Repeal) Act, 1995”.

(By the Minister of Finance and the Economy)

3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Registration of Titles to Land Act, 2000”.

(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)

4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Land Adjudication Act, 2000”.

(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)

5. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday April 19, 2013 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to provide for the establishment of the National Health Services Accreditation Authority of Trinidad and Tobago and for matters relating thereto”.

(By the Minister of Health)

6. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Wednesday January 16, 2013 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to enhance the internal self-government of Tobago”.

(By the Prime Minister)

7. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal and replace the Crown Suits Limitation Ordinance”.

(By the Attorney General)

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday June 28, 2013 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS in the latter half of 2010 the Government promised to reform the public sector procurement regime based on the principles of good governance, the involvement of civil society, and a new legal and regulatory framework promoting proper oversight of public expenditure, but has failed to date to do so; and

WHEREAS the Government also promised to promote equity, transparency and good governance in the procurement by State Enterprises, Statutory Authorities, Ministries and Government Departments/Agencies of public goods and services; and

WHEREAS over the last three years, there have been numerous reports and manifest evidence of cronyism, misrepresentation, bid-rigging, nepotism, inequity, conflict with civil society, conflict of interest, lack of accountability, poor governance and breaches of established procurement procedures within State Enterprises, Statutory Authorities, Ministries and Government Departments/Agencies:

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House express its disapproval of the Government's failure to implement and enact a new legal and regulatory framework for public sector procurement and its poor governance and poor oversight of procurement by State Enterprises, Statutory Authorities, Ministries and Government Departments/Agencies of public goods and services.

(By the Member for Diego Martin North/East)

2. The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday March 22, 2013 will be resumed:

WHEREAS the Government Assistance for Tertiary Education Programme (GATE) was established by a People's National Movement administration and is available to all citizens of Trinidad and Tobago pursuing approved programmes, at local and regional public Tertiary Level Institutions (TLIs) as well as approved local private TLIs; and

WHEREAS the GATE programme with governing regulation for efficient implementation was established in pursuance of a policy of equity in access to tertiary education for all qualifying citizens, irrespective of social status or means, in order to impact positively the rate of transition from secondary to tertiary level so as to achieve a larger pool of qualified nationals capable of supporting national development goals; and

WHEREAS there have been reports that the Government proposes to support areas of priority study based on National Imperatives that have not been defined or agreed upon by the citizenry; and

WHEREAS there have been further reports that the Government proposes that tuition fees for undergraduate programmes at both private and public institutions will be funded at varying rates based on a system of socio-economic priority that has not been defined or agreed by the citizenry:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government immediately stop any proposed amendment to the rules that currently govern the GATE programme that either discriminates against young nationals on the basis of income or class, or dictates preferred courses of study that will attract funding, contrary to the individual's choice for self-development.

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

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THE ANTI-DOPING IN SPORT BILL, 2013
List of Amendments made in the Senate on Tuesday May 14, 2013

First Column Clause	Second Column Extent of Amendments
4	A. Insert in the appropriate alphabetical sequence the following definition: “doping” means any violation of the Anti-Doping Rules;” . B. In the definition of “event” , delete the word “means” and substitute the word “includes” . C. In the definition of “national-level athlete” , delete the word “TTADO” where it occurs in the second instance and substitute the words “that country” .
8 (2)	A. Insert after the words “Minister,” the words “in consultation with the relevant professional bodies,” . B. In paragraph (i) delete the word “and” . C. Renumber paragraph (j) as (k). D. Insert after paragraph (i) the following new paragraph: “(j) a person nominated by the Tobago House of Assembly with sporting experience; and” .
8(3)	Delete the word “President” and substitute the word “Minister” .
8(4)	Delete the word “President” and substitute the word “Minister” .
9(2)	Insert after the words “Secretary and” the word “either” .
10	Delete the clause and substitute the following: 10. The Board shall make arrangements for – (a) the supervision of the administrative operations of TTADO; (b) ensuring that correct protocols are followed in the process of securing samples; (c) ensuring that the rights of everyone involved in the doping control procedures are respected; (d) ensuring that TTADO receives and manages funds in a prudent manner; and (e) undertaking anything incidental or conducive to the performance of any of the foregoing functions.” .
11(1)	Delete the words “ the Chairman deems” .

**First Column
Clause**

**Second Column
Extent of Amendments**

- 17 (1) A. Insert after the word “**comprising**” the words “**at least**”.
- B. Insert after the word “**three**” the words “**,but not more than five,**”.
- 17(4) Insert after the word “**WADA**” the words “**and the athlete**”.
- 18 (4) Delete the word “**30**” and substitute the word “**33**”.
- 19 (3) A. In paragraph (b), insert after the word “**Panel**” the words “**and notify the athlete of such referral; and**”.
- B. In paragraph (c), delete the word “**and**”.
- C. Delete paragraph (d).
- 21 Delete the words “An athlete shall not” and substitute the words “**It shall be an anti-doping rule violation for an athlete to**”.
- 23(4) A. In the chapeau delete the word “An” and substitute the words “**Subject to the Anti-Doping Rules, an**”.
- B. In paragraph (a), insert after the word “**Government**” the words “**upon recommendation from TTADO**”.
- 24(2) Insert after the word “**may**” the words “**, with the written consent of the athlete,**”.
- 28(1) In paragraph (a), delete the word “**five**” and substitute the word “**seven**”.
- 30(3) In paragraph (b), delete the words “**the other**” and substitute the words “**any other**”.
- 32 A. In subclause (1) (a), delete the word “**in**” and substitute the word “**of**”.
- B. In subclause (5), delete the words “**the Vice-Chairman**” and substitute the word “**a Vice-Chairman**”.
- C. Insert after subclause (9), the following new subclause:
“(10) **Three members shall form a quorum for the Appeal Panel.**”.

**First Column
Clause**

**Second Column
Extent of Amendments**

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- A. Delete subsection (1) and substitute the following:
 “(1) In any matter in relation to which he is required to make or participate in the making of a decision, a person exercising a function under this Act shall declare any direct or indirect interest that he has, or ought to reasonably know that he has, and shall cease to participate in the decision-making process.”.
- B. In subclause (2), delete the word “**contravene**” and substitute the words “**fails to make a declaration in accordance with**”.

Senate Secretariat
May 15, 2013