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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 29, 2006

1.30 P.M.

The House of Representatives having assembled, and it being the first meeting of the Fifth Session of the Eighth Parliament of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, the Clerk of the House read the following Proclamation:

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

No. 6 of 2006.

[L.S.] By His Excellency Professor GEORGE MAXWELL
RICHARDS, T.C., C.M.T., PH.D., President and
Commander-in-Chief of the Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago.

GEORGE M. RICHARDS

President

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS it is provided by subsection (1) of section 67 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, that each session of Parliament shall be held at such place within Trinidad and Tobago and shall commence at such time as the President may by Proclamation appoint:

Now, therefore, I, GEORGE MAXWELL RICHARDS, President as aforesaid, do hereby appoint the Red House, Port of Spain, Trinidad, as the place at which the Fifth Session of the Eighth Parliament of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago shall be held and 1.30 p.m. on Friday the 29th day of September, 2006, as the time at which the said Session shall commence.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the
President of the Republic of Trinidad and
Tobago, at the Office of the President, St.
Ann's, this 22nd day of September, 2006.

Prayers

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PRAYERS

[MR. SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members, I have received communication from Mr. Kelvin Ramnath, Member of Parliament for Couva South, requesting leave of absence for the period September 29 to October 08, 2006. I have also received information from Hon. Stanford Callender, Member of Parliament for Tobago West, indicating that he is stranded in Tobago because of difficulties at Piarco International Airport. He may be here later on. In the event that he is not, the leave of absence which both Members seek is granted.

PETITION

Constituents of Siparia

Mrs. Kamla Persad-Bissessar (*Siparia*): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition on behalf of Shirley Maharaj of No. 191 Mohess Road, Penal; Muniya Seenarine of No. 79 Sumanie Trace, Barrackpore; Eileen Karmody of No. 28 Gosine Street, Sunrees Road, Penal; Deopatie Thackoordeen of No. 111N Katwaroo Trace, Penal; Chandradath Bhookal of No. 76 Transfer Village, Mohess Road, Debe; Betty Ramnarine of No. 238A Lachoos Road, Penal; Shaffick Mohammed of No. 42 Platanite Trace, Rochard Road, Penal; Roopchand Nandlal of No. 73 Grant Trace, Quarry Road, Morne Diablo; on our own behalf and on behalf of the other constituents of Siparia who have been experiencing a severe water shortage.

I now ask that the Clerk be permitted to read the petition.

Petition read.

PAPERS LAID

1. The Civil Aviation [(No. 1) General Application and Personnel Licensing] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*The Minister of Trade and Industry and Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Hon. Kenneth Valley)*]
2. The Civil Aviation [(No. 2) Operations] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
3. The Civil Aviation [(No. 3) Air Operator Certification and Administration] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
4. The Civil Aviation [(No. 5) Airworthiness] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]

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5. The Civil Aviation [(No. 6) Approved Maintenance Organization] (Amdt.) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
6. The Civil Aviation [(No. 7) Instruments and Equipment] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
7. The Civil Aviation [(No. 9) Approved Training Organization] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
8. The Civil Aviation [(No. 10) Foreign Operator] (Amdt.) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
9. The Civil Aviation [(No. 11) Aerial Work] (Amdt.) (No. 2) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]
10. The Civil Aviation [(No. 12) Aerodrome Licensing] (Amdt.) Regulations, 2006. [*Hon. K. Valley*]

BUDGET DAY

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Hon. Patrick Manning): Mr. Speaker, I am only now getting a chance to advise hon. Members that the budget for fiscal 2007 will be presented to this honourable House next Wednesday, October 04, 2006 at 2.00 p.m. Thank you very much.

HERITAGE AND STABILISATION FUND (NO. 2) BILL

Bill to provide for the establishment and management of the Heritage and Stabilisation Fund and for matters related thereto [*The Minister in the Ministry of Finance*]; read the first time.

ADJOURNMENT

The Minister of Trade and Industry and Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Hon. Kenneth Valley): Mr. Speaker, as I rise to move the adjournment today, I wish to use this opportunity, and with your indulgence, to correct certain information which I have noted in the print media to the effect that this is the first time that a session of Parliament is being opened without a ceremonial opening. I have the record of the Parliament and if we were to look at the last 10 years one would note that on six occasions there was no ceremonial opening of the Parliament. I want to put that on the record so that the print media can take note.

Mr. Speaker, I beg to move that this honourable House do now adjourn to Wednesday, October 04, 2006 at 2.00 p.m.

Adjournment

Friday, September 29, 2006

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members, may I take this opportunity to remind you of the launch of the Parliament Channel 11, which would take place in the Rotunda in a couple of minutes.

Question put and agreed to.

House adjourned accordingly.

Adjourned at 1.43 p.m.