

**THE  
PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES  
OFFICIAL REPORT**

**IN THE SECOND SESSION OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WHICH OPENED ON NOVEMBER 27, 1995**

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**SENATE**

*Thursday, November 21, 1996*

**1.30 P.M.**

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

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

No. 12 of 1996

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By His Excellency NOOR MOHAMED  
HASSANALI, President and Commander-  
in-Chief of the Republic of Trinidad and  
Tobago.

NOOR M. HASSANALI

*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, NOOR MOHAMED HASSANALI, President, as aforesaid, do hereby appoint the Red House, Port of Spain, as the place at which the Second Session of the Fifth Parliament of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago shall be held and 1.30 p.m. on Thursday the 21st day of November, 1996, 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.

*Leave of Absence*

*Thursday, November 21, 1996*

Ann's, this 15th day of  
November, 1996.

**PRAYERS**

[MR. PRESIDENT *in the Chair*]

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Mr. President:** Hon. Senators, leave of absence has been granted to Sen. Martin Daly from today's sitting.

**SENATOR'S APPOINTMENT**

**Mr. President:** I have received a communication from His Excellency the President as follows:

"The Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Appointment of a Temporary Senator.

By His Excellency NOOR MOHAMED  
HASSANALI, President and Commander-  
in-Chief of the Republic of Trinidad and  
Tobago.

Noor M. Hassanali,  
President.

TO: DR. EDMUND CHAMELY

WHEREAS Senator Martin G. Daly is incapable of performing his functions as a Senator by reason of his absence from Trinidad and Tobago:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NOOR MOHAMED HASSANALI, President as aforesaid, in exercise of the power vested in me by section 40(2)(c) and section 44 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, do hereby appoint you,

EDMUND CHAMELY, to be temporarily a member of the Senate, with effect from 21st November, 1996 and continuing during the absence from Trinidad and Tobago of the said Senator Martin G. Daly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the President  
of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago at the

*Leave of Absence*

*Thursday, November 21, 1996*

Office of the President, St. Ann's, this 20th day  
of November, 1996."

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Dr. Edmund Chamely took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance as required  
by law.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The Minister of Public Administration and Information (Sen. The Hon. Wade Mark):** Mr. President, before moving the adjournment of the Senate to a date to be fixed, may I inform fellow Senators that we would, in fact, be seeking to reconvene either Wednesday or Thursday of next week, when we will begin debate on the two Bills, the Constitution (Amdt.) Bill and the Tobago House of Assembly Bill.

I beg to move, That the Senate do now adjourn to a date to be fixed.

*Question put and agreed to.*

*Senate adjourned accordingly.*

*Adjourned at 1.38 p.m.*