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   (By the Minister of National Security)

3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to combat corruption and other wrongdoings by encouraging and facilitating disclosures of improper conduct in the public and private sector, to protect persons making those disclosures from detrimental action, to regulate the receiving, investigating or otherwise dealing with disclosures of improper conduct and to provide for other matters connected therewith.”
   (By the Prime Minister)

4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, Chap. 25:04 to establish the Borough of Diego Martin and the Borough of Siparia and to make consequential amendments to the Representation of the People Act, Chap. 2:01, the Interpretation Act, Chap. 3:01, the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Act, Chap. 25:50, the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Regulations, Chap. 48:50, the Central Tenders Board Act, Chap. 71:91 and other written laws.”
   (By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)

5. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Firearms Act, Chap. 16:01 and for other related matters.”
   (By the Minister of National Security)

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1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to accord self-government to Tobago and for related matters”.
   (By the Prime Minister)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal the Tobago House of Assembly Act, Chap. 25:03, and to provide for the powers and functions of the Tobago Island Government and the Tobago Legislature and for related matters”.
   (By the Minister of Housing and Urban Development)
PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday November 25, 2022 will be resumed:

   WHEREAS it is the Government’s responsibility to ensure the public safety and security of the citizenry;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed in its management of the organs responsible for national security, law and order and has been unable to provide for the safety and security of citizens resulting in massive increases in serious crimes;

   AND WHEREAS the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service has been progressively under-resourced and not equipped to respond effectively to the threat of widespread crime;

   AND WHEREAS there has been an astronomical and continuous increase in the murder toll with a corresponding breakdown in the criminal justice system;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to present a clear and effective anti-crime plan to deal with this perturbing crime situation;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has contributed to the disturbing crime situation as a result of 7 years of neglect in education, training opportunities, rising unemployment and a total breakdown of the social safety net;

   AND WHEREAS thousands of citizens and businesses have been negatively affected by the high level of crime in Trinidad and Tobago:

   BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemn the Government for its failure to effectively address the unacceptable and serious crime level affecting law-abiding citizens.

   (By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

2. WHEREAS it is the duty of the Government to provide safe and reliable healthcare services for all citizens during a pandemic;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to address the existing inequities in accessing healthcare services and procedures exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to provide well equipped, well stocked, and well secured spaces for healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to meet the international standards for patient care as highlighted in the Report of the Committee Appointed to Investigate the Factors contributing to COVID-19 Patients in Trinidad and Tobago;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to effectively manage resources to facilitate the movement of critically ill patients to and from our nation's hospitals;

   AND WHEREAS the Government has mismanaged our nation’s medical specialists thereby denying the best clinical care to COVID-19 patients;
BE IT RESOLVED that this House take note of the unacceptable number of deaths from COVID-19 and the failure of the Ministry of Health to deliver on its essential mandate:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House call on the Government to take immediate and urgent steps to initiate a Commission of Inquiry into the Government’s management of COVID-19 at our nation’s healthcare institutions.
(By the Member for Caroni East)

3. WHEREAS the Minister of National Security is responsible for ensuring public safety by the maintenance of law and order and the effective oversight of the national security infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of National Security through his vast and continued incompetence has mismanaged the organs and departments of national security;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of National Security has unequivocally demonstrated his inability to competently execute his duties:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House express its lack of confidence in the Minister of National Security.
(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

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PORT OF SPAIN

December 06, 2022
Question No. 50 to the Minister of Finance
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Will the Minister state:
   a) the reason why there was no mention of the estimated oil production for fiscal 2023 in his Budget Presentation 2023; and
   b) the estimated oil production for the upcoming period of October 1st, 2022 to October 1st, 2023?

(Answer due by 08.12.2022)

Question No. 51 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Will the Minister indicate the incentives that were given to BP by the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Ltd. (NGC) inclusive of the quantity of gas to be supplied to NGC as announced on September 23, 2022?

(Answer due by 08.12.2022)

Question No. 52 to the Minister of Finance
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Given that the Government acquired CL Marine Limited in 2020 and formed the state–owned National Marine and Maintenance Services Company Limited, will the Minister state the rationale for acquiring this company?

(Answer due by 08.12.2022)

Question No. 59 to the Minister of Health
(By the Member for Fyzabad)

Will the Minister provide the number of established/ proposed positions, inclusive of the number of filled positions for each category of staff on the establishment at the following institutions:
   a) Arima Hospital; and
   b) Point Fortin Hospital?

(Answer due by 08.12.2022)