

**ELECTORAL COLLEGE**

*Monday, February 11, 2008*

The College met at 10.00 a.m.

**PRAYERS**

[HON. BARENDRA SINANAN *in the Chair*]

**ELECTION OF PRESIDENT**

**Mr. Chairman:** I now call this Electoral College to order. Hon. Members, in accordance with section 28 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, I have convened this meeting of the Electoral College for the purpose of the holding of an election for President.

In accordance with section 2 of the Presidential Elections (Prescribed Matters) Act, 1976, the date of the election was published in the *Gazette* of Thursday, January 17, 2008.

Hon. Members of the Electoral College, in accordance with section 30 of the Constitution, His Excellency, Prof. George Maxwell Richards was nominated for election by a nomination paper signed by him and 15 Members of the House of Representatives. The 15 Members of the House of Representatives who signed the nomination paper were:

Mr. Patrick Manning  
Ms. Paula Gopee-Scoon  
Ms. Christine Kangaloo  
Mr. Gary Hunt  
Mr. Joseph Ross  
Mr. Nileung Hypolite  
Dr. Amery Browne  
Ms. Esther Le Gendre  
Mr. Peter Taylor  
Mr. Neil Parsanlal  
Mr. Mustapha Abdul-Hamid  
Ms. Alicia Hospedales  
Ms. Karen Nunez-Tesheira  
Mr. Kennedy Swaratsingh  
Mr. Colm Imbert

*Election of President*  
[MR. CHAIRMAN]

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His Excellency Prof. George Maxwell Richards has signed the declaration in the following terms:

“I, GEORGE MAXWELL RICHARDS nominated in the foregoing nomination paper hereby consent to such nomination as candidate for election as President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and name as my address for serving of process and papers under the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and the Electoral College Regulations, 1976.

Office of the President, St. Ann’s, Port of Spain

Witness my hand this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008.

George Maxwell Richards”

Hon. Members, George Maxwell Richards was the only person nominated for the office of President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, therefore in accordance with section 31 of the Constitution George Maxwell Richards is hereby declared President of the Republic.

In accordance with section 32 of the Constitution, the required Instrument shall be signed and sealed by me. The instrument is as follows:

“REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

*Instrument*

Made by the Speaker of the House of Representatives under section 32(1)(a) of the Constitution

Know all men by these presents that George Maxwell Richards was the only person nominated for the election for the office of President fixed for the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008, at the Parliament Chamber, the Red House, Port of Spain, and was at a meeting of the Electoral College held for the purpose at the said Parliament Chamber on the aforementioned date, in consequence declared elected President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Constitution.

Given under my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

Barendra Sinanan  
Speaker”

*Motion made and question proposed, That this Electoral College be now adjourned sine die.*

*Question put and agreed to.*

*Electoral College adjourned accordingly.*

*Adjourned at 10.06 a.m.*