

ORDER PAPER

OF

THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2008-2013

FIFTHTEENTH SITTING

at

10.00 o'clock a.m.

on

Tuesday, 29th July, 2008

The First Session of the Parliament of 2008–2013 commenced on Tuesday, 12th February, 2008

MANAGEMENT COMMISSION OF PARLIAMENT

(Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10 – Section 3(4) and First Schedule)

The following are ex officio Members of the Commission:

His Honour M. A. Carrington (Chairman), Hon. D. J. H. Thompson, Hon. R. D. Jones and Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C.

Section 3(4) of the Parliament (Administration) Act, Cap. 10.

The following are appointed Members of the Commission:

Hon. F. J. Stuart, Hon. M. A. Lashley, Mr. D. St. E. Kellman and Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

To consider and report to the Honourable the House of Assembly on all matters which involve the privileges of the Honourable the House of Assembly.

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. M. A. Lashley, Mr. D. St. E. Kellman, Mr. A. D. Brathwaite, Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dr. W. F. Duguid and Mr. H. F. Lashley.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

To examine the accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure, accounts of any entities in which Government is a majority shareholder or holds a majority interest and of such other accounts laid before Parliament as the Committee may think fit.

The Members of the Committee are:

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C. (Chairman), Hon. R. L. Sealy, Hon. Dr. D. C. Estwick, Hon. C. P. Sinckler, Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C. and Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

The Members of the Committee are:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. R. D. Jones, His Honour K. St. C. Best, Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo, Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, Hon. S. D. Blackett, Mr. S. A. Lashley, Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Mr. R. St. C. Toppin and Mr. R. C. Eastmond.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The following are Members of this Joint Committee:

His Honour the Speaker (Chairman), Hon. P. M. T. Todd, Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, Hon. E. G. Hutson, Mr. J. D. Paul, Hon. R. L. Sealy, Miss C. Y. Forde and Mr. G. A. Clarke.

Appointed on 12th February, 2008.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Standing Order 10)

"Unless the House otherwise directs, the business of each sitting day shall be transacted in the following order –

- (a) Formal entry of His Honour the Speaker.
- (b) Prayers.
- (c) Announcements by His Honour the Speaker.
- (d) Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General.
- (e) Petitions.
- (f) Papers.
- (g) Government Notices.
- (h) Private Members' Notices.
- (i) Notices of Questions.
- (j) Reports from Select Committees.
- (k) First readings of Bills.
- (l) Statements by Ministers.
- (m) Congratulatory and/or obituary speeches.
- (n) Personal Explanations.
- (o) Motions for leave of absence.
- (p) Oral replies to questions.
- (q) Notices of motions for the adjournment of the House on matters of urgent public importance.
- (r) Orders of the day."

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

1. **Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick:** To move the Second Reading of the Barbados Water Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2008.

Notice of this Bill was given on 17th April, 2008.

The Bill was read a first time on 22nd April, 2008.

The Bill first appeared in the Official Gazette on 28th April, 2008.

2. Hon. M. A. Lashley: To move the passing of a Resolution to approve in accordance with section 5 of the Land Acquisition Act, Chapter 228, the compulsory acquisition by the Crown of a parcel of land, situate at Constant, in the parish of Saint George for the purpose of housing development.

Notice of this Resolution was given on 6th June, 2008.

QUESTIONS

N.B. Questions marked thus * are for Oral Reply

- *1. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley (St. Michael North East): To ask the Prime Minster: Will the Prime Minister state whether he undertook any overseas travel between 17th February, 2008 and 25th February, 2008 in his official capacity as Prime Minister or public capacity as Political Leader of the DLP?
 - (a) If so will the Prime Minister indicate which aircraft or airline was used and whether such aircraft or airline was commercial or private?
 - (b) If such aircraft was not a commercial carrier, will the Prime Minister indicate the ownership of the aircraft and the operating conditions of the licence?
 - (c) Will the Prime Minister state whether this entity, its related companies whether parent, affiliate or subsidiary has any contractual relationship with the Government of Barbados?
 - (d) Will the Prime Minister state whether Government has paid for this official travel and if not who?
 - (e) Further, what was the amount paid for each trip?
 - (f) If the trip and/or trips were paid for by Government, will the Prime Minister please state if this is the commercial rate normally charged or was there any subsidy received by the Government or any premium paid by the Government?

Notice of this Question was given on 6th May, 2008.

*2. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley (St. Michael North East): To ask the Prime Minister: 1. Will the Prime Minister in the interest of full transparency and accountability state whether Government has created a post of political advisor to the Prime Minister or whether anyone has been contracted to provide political advisory services to the Prime Minister? 2. If so, will the Prime Minister state: (a) whether a contract has been executed to give effect to such a post? (b) who is the holder of that post and what are the terms and conditions of any such contract and/or engagement?

3. Further, will the Prime Minister state: (a) whether the holder of that post has undertaken overseas travel in such capacity since 15th January, 2008? (b) the details of such travel and how it was financed?

Notice of this Question was given on 6th May, 2008.

*3. Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley (St. Michael North East): To ask the Minister of the Civil Service: 1. Will the Minister please state how many temporary or acting officers are entitled to be appointed since 15th January, 2008 under the Public Service Act, 2007? 2. Will the Minister please state how many of those temporary and acting officers are entitled to be appointed pursuant to the said Public Service Act? 3. Will the Minister please give a timeframe within which those said temporary or acting officers entitled to be appointed will be appointed?

Notice of this Question was given on 3rd June, 2008.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

1. **Mr. S. A. Lashley:** To move the passing of a Resolution to take note of the Throne Speech of His Excellency the Acting Governor-General and of the determination of the Government to implement the provisions referred to therein

Notice of this Resolution was given on 22nd February, 2008.

On the 26th February, 2008 Mr. S. A. Lashley spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones that the Resolution do now pass.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Mr. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Further consideration was postponed.

On resumption on 4th March, 2008 Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo spoke.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss spoke.

Further consideration of matters was postponed.

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