

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
(First Session of 2022-2027)**

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on **Tuesday the 7th day of January, 2025**, at **10 o' clock a.m.** pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

HIS HONOUR A. E. HOLDER, S.C., B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Speaker)

HER HONOUR MISS C. Y. FORDE, J.P., L.C.P. (Deputy Speaker)

Hon. Miss M. A. **MOTTLEY**, S.C., LL.B.,
(Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic
Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service,
CARICOM and the Development Commissions)

Hon. D. D. **MARSHALL**, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.),
L.E.C., (Attorney General and Minister of Legal
Affairs) (Senior Minister)

Mr. T. A. **PRESCOD**, J.P., B.A.

Hon. K. D. **SYMMONDS**, B.A., LL.B (Senior
Minister) (Minister of Foreign Affairs and
Foreign Trade)

Mr. E. G. **HINKSON**, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.),
L.E.C., LL.M.

~~Hon. D. G. **SUTHERLAND**, B.Sc., M.Sc.,
M.B.A. (dist.) (Minister of Housing, Lands and
Maintenance)~~

Hon. Miss S. J. O. **BRADSHAW**, LL.B. (Hons.)
L.E.C., (Deputy Prime Minister) (Senior
Minister) (Minister of Transport and Works)
(Leader of Government Business)

Dr. the Hon. W. F. **DUGUID** J.P., B.D.S.,
F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Senior Minister)
(Minister of Planning and Development in the
Prime Minister's Office)

~~Hon. W. A. **ABRAHAMS**, S.C., LL.B. (Minister
of Home Affairs and Information)~~

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. **HUSBANDS**, B.A. (Hons),
M.Sc. (Minister of State in the Ministry of
Education, Technological and Vocational
Training)

Mr. R. A. **THORNE**, K.C., LL.B. L.E.C., Dip.
Theology (Leader of the Opposition)

Hon. I. A. **WEIR**, M.B.A. (Minister of
Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security)

Hon. A. R. **FORDE**, Rph. (Minister of
Environment and National Beautification, Green
and Blue Economy)

Hon. C. McD. **GRIFFITH**, B.Sc. (Minister of
Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment)

Mr. P. R. **PHILLIPS**, J.P. (Chairman of
Committees)

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Hon. G. P. I. **GOODING-EDGHILL** (Minister of Tourism and International Transport)

Mr. N. G. H. **ROWE**, J.P.

Hon. C. E. **JORDAN**, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour, Social Security and Third Sector)

Ms. T. N. S.-A. **MOORE**, M.B.A.

Dr. S. E. **BROWNE**, M.B.B.S.

Hon. Miss K. S. **MCCONNEY** (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)

Hon. K. D. M. **HUMPHREY**, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)

Dr. R. O. **SPRINGER**, J.P., Ph.D. (Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport and Works)

Hon. R. R. **STRAUGHN**, B.Sc, M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance)

~~Hon. D. I. **ISHMAEL**, M.B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of State in the Ministry of Health & Wellness)~~

Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. **CADDLE**, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology)

Hon. C. A. **LANE**, J.P. (Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General)

Mr. C. D. L. **GIBBS**

ABSENT

(See names deleted)

~~Mr. Speaker took the chair at~~

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood

Mr. Speaker spoke and welcomed back all Honourable Members of the Chamber and trust that they will strive and endeavour to

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conduct the people's business with a degree of civility for 2025.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting ~~for~~ held on Tuesday, 17th December, 2024 were ~~taken as read~~

and ~~were confirmed~~ / deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S.O.O. Bradshaw

seconded by Hon. Ms. C.S.V. Husband