

THE House of Assembly Debates

(OFFICIAL REPORT)

SECOND SESSION 1999 - 2004

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, August 28, 2001.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY Pursuant to the adjournment, the House of Assembly met at 2:05 p.m.

PRESENT

His Honour I.A. ROETT, B.A., Dip.Ed. G.C.M. (Speaker) His Honour J. M. EDGHILL, J.P., (Deputy Speaker) Mr. D. J. H. THOMPSON, LL.B.(Hons.) (Leader of the Opposition) Hon. Sir Harold ST. JOHN, K.A., Q.C., LL.B. Mr. L. R. TULL, Q.C., M.A.(Oxon.) Hon. Dr. R. L. CHELTENHAM, Q.C., M.A., M.Sc.(Econ.) Hon. R. C. EASTMOND, J.P., B.A.(Hons.), Dip. Ed., LL.B. (Hons.), LEC (Minister of the Environment, Energy and Natural Resources) Hon. R. N. GREENIDGE, B.A., LL.B., (Minister of Labour, Sports and Public Sector Reform) Hon. G. A. CLARKE, B.Sc., Dip. Ed., J.P. (Minister of Housing and Lands) Hon. R. D. MARSHALL (Minister of Public Works and Transport) Hon. H. F. LASHLEY (Minister of Social Transformation) Hon. R. St.C. TOPPIN, LL.B., (Minister of Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Business Development) Mr. D. St.E. KELLMAN Miss H. E. THOMPSON Hon. Miss M. A. MOTTLEY, LL.B. (Minister of Education, Youth Affairs and Culture) Mr. M. Z. WILLIAMS Mr. T. A. PRESCOD, B.A. Rev. J. J. S. ATHERLEY, B.A., B.Sc. (Parliamentary Secretary, the Attorney-General and Minister of Home Affairs) Mr. D. T. GILL, B.Sc. Hon. N. A. LYNCH, B.Sc., B.B.A. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport) Hon. R. R. FARLEY, B.Sc. (Minister of Industry and International Business)

Prayers were taken by Canon Father Ivan Harewood.

Mr. SPEAKER: The House is now in session.

MINUTES

Mr. SPEAKER: The Minutes of Tuesday, August 14, 2001.

Hon. Miss M. A. MOTTLEY: Mr. Speaker, I beg to move that the Minutes for the Honourable the House of Assembly for its meeting of Tuesday, August 14, 2001, which Minutes have been circulated, be taken as read.

Hon. R. C. EASTMOND: I beg to second that, Sir.Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER If there are no corrections or observations, then let these Minutes stand confirmed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr. SPEAKER: Let me first announce that this meeting has been called pursuant to Standing Order 6, paragraph 9. A Minister has made the appropriate representation and I have determined according to our Rules that the public interest does require this meeting.

I would also like to announce that on August 24th, 2001, I received a letter signed David Simmons, Member for the Constituency of St. Thomas and the House of Assembly. I now wish to read the said letter to this Honourable House. It is addressed to His Honour the Speaker, House of Assembly, Parliament Buildings, Bridgetown.

“Your Honour,

Resignation as Member of Parliament

for St. Thomas

In accordance with section 45(1)(b) of the Constitution of Barbados, I hereby give notice that I shall resign my seat as Member of Parliament for the constituency of St. Thomas with effect from the 27th day of August, 2001 at 4:30 p.m.

Please be guided accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

Signed David Simmons.”

This is a letter that was received. I have no doubt as to the authenticity of the letter. I thus direct that the said letter be placed on the Order Paper according to our Standing Orders.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Miss M. A. MOTTLEY: Mr. Speaker, Sir, there are no Orders of the Day and in those circumstances I beg to move that this sitting do adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, August 29, 2001 at 1100 o’clock in the morning.

Hon. R. C. EASTMOND: I beg to second that.

The question was put and resolved in the affirmative without division and Mr. SPEAKER adjourned the House accordingly.

2:08 p.m.