LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SINGAPORE, 5TH APRIL, 1956

No. 29

10.00 a.m.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Motion made by the Chief Minister and Question proposed—

That this Assembly affirms, in the name of the people of Singapore, its belief in the principle of "the basic right of peoples to governments of their own choice", as enunciated in the Washington Declaration signed by Sir Anthony Eden, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, and President Eisenhower, President of the United States of America, on the 1st of February, 1956;

And its belief that the long term welfare of Singapore lies in close and friendly co-operation with the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth territories:

Therefore the Assembly instructs its All-Party Delegation to the forthcoming Constitutional Talks in London to seek forthwith for Singapore the status of an independent territory within the Commonwealth, and to offer an agreement between the United Kingdom Government and the Singapore Government whereby the Government of the United Kingdom would in respect of Singapore exercise control over external defence and give guidance in foreign relations other than trade and commerce.

(Debate to be resumed)

2. The Minister for Education to move—

That this House approves the adoption of the Education Policy outlined in the White Paper on Education Policy as contained in Sessional Paper No. Cmd. 15 of 1956.

3. The Chief Secretary to move—

That this Assembly, pursuant to subsection (4) of section 12 of the Military Manœuvres Ordinance (Chapter 103), resolves that the Raffles Lighthouse Bombing Area Rules, 1956, published as Notification No. S 107 in the *Gazette* Supplement No. 769 of the 29th March, 1956, as contained in Sessional Paper No. S.L. 15 of 1956, be approved.

4. The Minister for Labour and Welfare to move—

That this Assembly, pursuant to section 174 of the Labour Ordinance, 1955, (No. 40 of 1955) resolves that the Labour (First-Aid Equipment) Regulations, published as Notification No. S 110 in the *Gazette* Supplement No. 25 of 29th March, 1956, as contained in Sessional Paper No. S.L. 13 of 1956, be approved.

5. The Chief Secretary to move—

(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified)

That this Assembly, having taken note of the Second Report of the Select Committee on the Assembly Staff, hereby resolves that the following revised salaries be approved with effect from 1st April. 1956:—

Clerk of the Legislative

Assembly **\$**1.670

Clerk Assistant \$630: 680: 715: 750-35A-1,030/bar/

1.100-40A-1.420.

Second Clerk Assistant

\$560: 630: 660: 690-30A-930/bar/

960-35A-1,240.

Chief Reporter and

Editor \$820-30A-940. Reporters

\$730-25A-880.

The Financial Secretary to move—

(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified)

That this Assembly resolves that the sum of \$2,500,000 shall be supplied to the Government under the heads of expenditure and for the services specified in the Schedule contained in Sessional Paper No. Cmd. 17 of 1956.

7. The Financial Secretary to move—

(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified)

That this Assembly resolves that the sum of \$5,390,559 shall be supplied to the Government under the heads of expenditure and for the services specified in the Schedule contained in Sessional Paper No. Cmd. 18 of 1956.

The Financial Secretary to move—

(With Mr. Speaker's consent, under Standing Order 23, but subject to the general assent of Members present to the dispensation with the requisite five clear days' Notice under Standing Order 69A.)

(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified)

That this Assembly resolves that the sum of \$146,920 shall be supplied to the Government under the heads of expenditure and for the services specified in the Schedule contained in Sessional Paper No. Cmd. 19 of 1956.