

NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA – FIRST SESSION (2006-2007)

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER NO. 160

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Member Asking: Mr. Khemraj Ramjattan, M.P.

Minister Answering: The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

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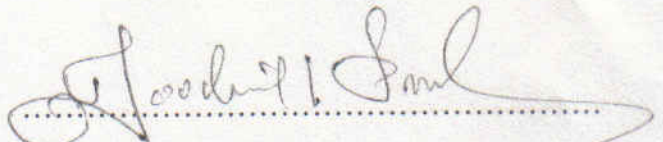
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ANSWER

The preparation of New Rules of the High Court was commissioned by the Carter Center and sponsored by the United States Agency for international development. The members of the committee were Honourable Chancellor Bernard, Miss Vijaya Jagnandan, Mr. Nigel Hughes, Justice La Bennett and Ms. Sita Ramlal, who considered the Draft Rules which had been prepared by former Chancellor George together with the views of the Bar Association and other stakeholders.

The draft was accordingly revised and amended and submitted to the Attorney General's Chambers and circulated to Judges and Members of the profession. The Acting Chancellor has invited members to sit and review the Revised and Amended Draft. As soon as this exercise will have been completed, steps will then be taken for the Rules to be enacted.



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