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Member Giving Notice: Geeta Chandan Edmond

Motion

**CONDEMN THE BRUTAL AND HORRIFIC KILLING OF JOEL HENRY,
ISIAAH HENRY AND HARESH SINGH, AT REGION NO. 5
MAHAICA/BERBICE, BETWEEN THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER,6TH-9TH, 2020
TO CONDEMN THESE KILLINGS AND TO DEMAND THAT THE POLICE
EXPEDITE THEIR INVESTIGATIONS.**

WHEREAS Guyanese citizens, Joel Henry, Isiah Henry and Haresh Singh, all under the age of 20 years old, from the village of No. 3 Village West Coast Berbice, were brutally, barbarically and horrifically killed at or near the Cotton Tree Back Dam in the Mahaica/ Berbice Region No. 5.

AND WHEREAS, the period September 6th -9th, 2020, will go down in the history of our country as the period when these unspeakable crimes left the nation numb and in a state of shock and sadness. This situation remains.

AND WHEREAS these brutal, senseless, barbaric, depraved and horrific killings have caused untold pain, agony, grief, anguish, anger and despair to the surviving family members, fellow villagers and the entire Guyanese Community.

AND WHEREAS these brutal and horrific killings have evoked unequivocal condemnation from all Guyanese, living in Guyana and in the diaspora.

AND WHEREAS the diplomatic community and civil society have also unequivocally condemned these brutal, barbaric and horrific killings.

AND WHEREAS, Parliament, **of** which the National Assembly is a part of the supreme legislative forum of our Republic wherein the people's elected representatives discuss and determine matters of national interest and is obliged to consider the grave threats to the public welfare and public security;

AND WHEREAS, Article 138(1) of the Constitution of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana prescribes that no person shall be deprived of his life intentionally save in the execution of the sentence of a court in respect of an offence under the Laws of Guyana of which he has been convicted;

AND WHEREAS, to date these horrific deaths which are of public importance, concern and welfare remain substantially under investigated and unresolved and have been rendered inconclusive by the Guyana Police Force. Noting as well that the Guyana Police Force did not collect all evidence that was available.

AND WHEREAS, the Guyana Police Force performs in a manner which is manifestly incompetent and brought the Administration into ridicule, and disrepute

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly direct the Government to procure and finance the assistance of expert and competent professionals who can resolve these cases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly condemns the killing of the three Citizens aforementioned, and extends sincerest condolences to the families of the deceased and expresses its concerns about the state of the Police investigations into these murders. Having noted the incompetence manifested by the Guyana Police Force and the clear indication that they lack the requisite skills to solve these heinous crimes

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly calls upon the Guyana Police Force to expedite the investigations accept and to cooperate fully with the innervational professional with the aim of solving these crimes. fully w and bring to justice the perpetrators of these gruesome and barbaric murders.

Motion Submitted by:

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Hon. Geeta Chandan- Edmond

Motion Seconded by:

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Hon. Raphael Trotman

