MIZORAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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ELECTION OF SPEAKER

In pursuance of sub-rule (1) of Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, the Lt. Governor (Administrator) of Mizoram has been pleased to fix Wednesday, the 21st June, 1978 for holding election to the office of the Speaker of the Assembly.

- 2. In this connection, attention of members is invited to sub-rules (2) to (8) of Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure which are reproduced below:
- "(2) At any time before 3:30 P.M. on the day preceding the date so fixed, any member may nominate another member for election by delivering to the Secretary a nomination paper signed by himself as prosper and by a third member as secondary and standing:-
 - (a) The name of the member nominated; and
 - (b) That the prosper has ascertained that such member is willing to serve as Speaker, if elected.
 - (3) The nomination paper shall be delivered to the Secretary either by the candidate himself or by the prosper or seconder in person.
 - (4) In the case of a new Assembly, the member appointed by the Administrator to perform the duties of the office of Speaker pending the election of a Speaker and in any other case the Deputy Speaker or other member presiding shall read out to the Assembly the names of the members who have been duly nominated together with those of the proposers and seconders and if only one member has been so

nominated, shall declare that member elected, the Assembly shall proceed to elect a Speaker by ballot, and in case of two candidates the votes shall be declared elected. In case of equality of votes, it shall be determined by the drawing of lots.

- (5) For the purpose of sub-rule (4), a member shall not be deemed to have been duly nominated or be entitled to vote if he and his prosper and seconder have not, before reading out of the names by the person presiding, made oath or affirmation as members of the Assembly.
- (6) Where more than two candidates have been nominated and at eh first ballot-
 - (a) One of such candidates, obtains more votes than the aggregate votes obtained by the other candidates he shall be declared elected;
 - (b) If no candidate obtains more votes than the aggregate votes obtained by the other candidates, the candidate who has obtained the smallest number of votes shall be excluded from the election and the balloting shall proceed, the candidate obtaining the smallest number of votes at each ballot being excluded from the election, until one candidate obtains more votes than the remaining candidate or than the aggregate votes of the remaining candidates, as the case may be.
 - (7) Where at any ballot any of three or more candidates obtain equal number of votes and one of them has to be excluded from the election under sub-rule (6), the determination as between the candidates whose votes are equal of the candidate who is to be excluded shall be by drawing of lots.
 - (8) A nomination paper may be withdrawn by the candidate or the prosper before the Assembly meets on the day fixed for the election of the Speaker."

- 3. Members are also informed that as per sub-rule (2) of Rule 7, notices of motions for election of the Speaker will be received till 3:30 P.M. on Tuesday, the 20th June, 1978.
- 4. For the convenience of members, forms for giving notices of motions for election of Speaker are available in the Assembly Section of the Secretariat.

D.C.PANDE, Secretary.