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appointed to examine, consider and report on the
White Paper - Proposed Terms of a Constitution
for the Independent Belize, Held in Dangriga
Town on Thursday, 19th February, 1981.

VERBATIM - 9:00 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

The Committee is authorised by resolution
passed in the House and Senate of the
National Assembly and directed this committee
to canvass the opinions of the Belizean people
before presenting its final report to the
National Assembly.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers: the Committee on the hearings on proposals
for the White Paper, begins. It is my duty to remind citizens
that the terms of reference of this committee, indeed the authority
of the committee, stems from a resolution of both the House and
the Senate to create a joint committee to hear the views of
citizens on the proposals contained in the White Paper. Therefore
the comments before this committee, the committee is empowered
only to hear comments on the proposals, either that you are for
or against or that you wish to change or wish to add proposals,
That is the terms of reference of this committee. Any other
matter is out of the terms of reference. We therefore begin at
this meeting, but we would like to remind any member of the press
who may be present that the hearings of these committees, should
not be published under the law, under the standing orders of the
House until the committee reports to the House, These hearings
are still not to be published and that anyone who violates that
will be subject to prosecution. Having said that, it is now my
duty to call on the first person to come before the committee and
I have a list of names here. The first name is that of Ida
Ida Castillo and who is the other person?

Ida Castillo:

Carrie Muslar

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Do you represent a group or

Ida Castillo:

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Miss Castillo and Miss Muslar, that machine is going all the
time and will record what you have to say. Members of the
committee, may from time to time have to stop you. What would

you like to say to the committee on the White Paper?

Ida Castillo:

Please convey to our dedicated and able Premier, that we the United Women's Group of Dangriga support the White Paper and Independence we are to achieve, including (1) our National Prayer (2) our National Anthem (3) our flag. Long reign our Premier.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Thank you very much. Any questions, members of the Joint Select Committee.

Hon. S. Musa:

The submission is very clear.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Then it is my duty to thank you on behalf of this committee for a very clear submission to the proposals. Thanks.

Ida Castillo:

Thanks.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

The next name on our list is that of Stella Avilez. We have your name but can you tell us your address?

Stella Avilez:

16 Canal Street, Dangriga

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Miss Avilez, you appear as a representative of a group or a citizen?

Stella Avilez:

A citizen.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Yes, please do tell us now your views.

Stella Avilez:

I'm in favour.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

You support.

Stella Avilez:

for the country of Belize.

Hon. C.L.B. Rogers:

Is there anything else you would like to tell us?

Stella Avilez:

That we should stand firm and become independent of our country, by the help of God, and the church of the Honourable Premier of Belize and that we should ride under one God to see and enjoy the benefits of the country.

Rogers:

Thank you Miss Avilez. , I would like to thank you on behalf of the Committee. The records will show that. As we've heard Miss Avilez, the next name is Elojio Sho. We have your name. What, you represent a group or....

E. Sho:

As Chairman of my village, Maya Centre.

Rogers:

Mr. Sho, please proceed to tell us your views.

E. Sho:

Well, I received the White Paper some time ago, and I put it to my people and they told me that there is nothing wrong with it except one thing, that the National Anthem, the flag and the Prayer should be included .

Rogers:

You propose that the National Anthem, and the flag and the National Prayer should be included.

E. Sho:

And I wrote one of the letter and I give it to the Minister.

Rogers:

I think we have it right here. We have a number of written submissions.

E. Sho:

That's all I have to say. We support the White Paper.

Rogers:

Please convey to your people the thanks of this committee and that you came forward with very clear submission. Thank you very much. The next name is Mr. John Norzlez. I'm putting them in order, the order in which they came. Mr. Noralez, we have your name, we need your address.

J. Noralez:

No. 53 Amagarugu Road, Dangriga.

Rogers:

And you appear on behalf of others or as a citizen.

J. Noralez:

On behalf of the People's United Party.

Rogers:

Please tell us your views Mr. Noralez.

J. Noralez:

Our views is that, all of us will be happy when the day come for us to get our independence.

Rogers:

You support the White Paper?

J. Noralez:

I support the White Paper.

Rogers:

Anything else Mr. Noralez?

J. Noralez:

No. I think I've come to the end.

Rogers:

Good. I would like to thank you on behalf of the committee for coming before us. The next name on this list is that of Mr. Alonzo B. Ogaldez. Shall we get the names of the others please.

We have your name but not the others. Miss Cecilia Aranda, Kr. Kelvin Lino, Mr. Orlando Castillo, Mr. Joseph R. Palacios, Agnes Arana, Daniel Castillo and Mis. Claudina Danius. Is there anyone else? No.

Rogers:

And you're representing.....

A. B. Ogaldez:

We are representing the United Democratic Party, Dangriga Branch.

Rogers: Now please give us your comments on the proposals of the White Paper.

A. B. Ogaldez:

These are the amendments to the White Paper/ No. 1, the preamble to the Constitution should contain a clause rejecting the position of any systems of Government that denies Human Rights and for the Fundamental Freedoms with citizens. The systems of Government, I'm referring to here are communism and dictatorship.

Rogers:

So that the Preamble should contain a clause that denies Human Rights and for the Fundamental Freedoms with citizens. Please proceed sir.

Ogaldez:

No. 2 Section 3 of the White Paper. Human Rights and Fundamental Freedom. It is very heartening to see that these basic rights are written into these proposed terms of the Constitution rather than they be taken for granted. To these basic rights, should be added 'Freedom from want and insecurity. The right to employment health, education and leisure'. I particularly mention freedom from want and the right to employment, because it has been the experience in many developing countries that only members of the political party in Government are entitled to employment in both the public and private sectors and therefore only those members are to be free from want, it would appear. This idea that only

members of the party in power. This idea has been expressed time and time again in the popular saying which goes something like 'we will reward our friends and punish our enemies' which saying has been attributed to party in Government.

Rogers:

Proceed.

Ogaldez:

Section 4(i)

Rogers:

Yes, Protection of freedom of expression.

Ogaldez:

This section should include rights of citizens to operate private Radio and television stations subject only to regulations for the purpose of orderly operations. Citizens should also be entitled to express and hear diverse and opposing views in newspapers, radio and television.

Rogers:

Go on.

Ogaldez:

Section 4(n) Protection from deprivation of property. We feel that this section should make room for citizens whose lands are acquired by Government to have access to the court to challenge the public purpose for which the land is being acquired. Section 16.

Rogers:

Section 16. And that is on the Governor-General.

Ogaldez:

We feel that the appointment of the Governor-General should be made after consultation with both the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition or the Advisory Council. Preferably, by the Advisory Council. The reason for this, of course, is to guard against the obvious danger of political influence.

Rogers:

We have your points.

Ogaldez:

Section 33.

Rogers:

33, The Belize Advisory Council

Ogaldez:

We propose that the name should be changed to 'The Belize Council of State', and we further suggest that the membership of this body be appointed from citizens of the following categories:
Category A - former Ministers of Government, former Leaders of

the Opposition, former Speakers of the House of Representatives and former Presidents of the Senate; Category B - Belizean citizens who formerly held the office of Chief Justice, Judges of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Attorneys at law with status of senior Counsels; Category C - Ten other persons.... who are citizens of Belize.

Rogers:

No other qualification?

Ogaldez:

Not below the age of 30 years, six of whom to be nominated by the Prime Minister and four to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition. Section 40.

Rogers:

The Minister is trying to understand your proposal and he would like to

Ogaldez:

I would say one of each category. I mean, not one of each category; one of each in the category; one from (a) one from (b) and one from (c).

Rogers:

Does that hold similarly for (b)? former C.J.....

Ogaldez:

Yes.

Rogers:

He says that there is no former C. J. and Belizean citizens...

Ogaldez:

Yes, I agree.

Rogers:

So then your total for the membership of that will be ten, plus one, two,

Ogaldez:

I haven't finished with (c), six of whom should be nominated by the Prime Minister

Rogers:

Very well Sir, you now turn to question 40.

Ogaldez:

We feel that this section should be completely deleted

Rogers:

Section 40 should be deleted. Let us see that. The proposals before this committee is that section 40 be deleted.

Ogaldez:

Section 41. We suggest that the division of the constituencies

be made before independence and the membership in the House of Representatives be determined by that division prior to independence and the membership in the House of Representatives be determined by that division prior to independence day and that no more than one half less 2 of the membership in the House of Representatives may belong to the Cabinet at any one time.

Rogers:

....and that no less than one half. Less 2 which comprise the membership the

Ogaldez:

Section 58. For the amendment of the Constitutions, we recommend that it should be not less than the support of three-fourths of the membership in the National Assembly.

Rogers:

Your proposal is that any amendment should require three-fourths.

Ogaldez:

Three fourths of the membership of the National Assembly, and the Premier.

Rogers:

Yes.

Ogaldez:

Section 75 - we urge strongly there that the appointment of the Chief Justice be made after consultation with both the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition.

Rogers:

Yes?

Ogaldez:

Section 86 - The Public Service. We suggest there that the appointment of the Civil Service Commission be made on the advice of the Belize Council of State (Advisory Council). Just before I conclude, Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, I would like us to go back to the Preamble. Can I say that it should be amended by

Rogers:

That it should contain a clause.

Ogaldez:

contain a clause. We urge that this very important clause be written into the constitution in order to realize the truth in the saying that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty because itself will represent that eternal vigilance.

Rogers:

Any member has any questions to ask Mr. Ogaldez?

Hon. Fred Hunter:

The question I would like to ask under 16. Suppose the appointment of the Governor-General in consultation with, but not the Prime Minister being on the Advisory Council, find that the Governor General being appointed on the advice of the Advisory Council and the Advisory Council has the Governor-General as its Chairman, how will you go about that?

Ogaldez:

The Advisory Council has the

Hunter:

Governor-General as the Chairman. How will you appoint the Governor-General?

Ogaldez:

Well, we have a Protem Chairman

Hon. S. Musa:

Who appoint the Protem Chairman

Ogaldez:

Members, from among themselves.

Rogers:

Any other question?

Musa:

Other than the observations and suggestions you made, you find the White Paper acceptable?

Ogaldez:

Well, since there are no alternative, really

Musa:

You have other things you want to recommend?

Ogaldez:

That is what was contained in the conclusion which the Chairman had struck out.

Rogers:

How long would you require to study a document?

Ogaldez:

An important document?

Rogers:

Yes, how long?

Ogaldez:

A reasonable time. A time considered reasonable by a usual man.

Musa:

A matter of time; you know the committee can make submissions, when I say committee, your committee, can make submissions in any other district apart from Dangriga. As a matter of time, if you feel that you are pressed for time, you can make your

submissions in Corozal District next or Orange Walk.

Ogaldez:

I intend to make submissions on the others, I hope.

Rogers:

Yes?

Hunter:

Under The Belize Advisory Council, it says, 33. There shall be in and for Belize a Belize Advisory Council which shall consist of a minimum of six members appointed by the Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister. Now, how will this Advisory Council that has not been appointed by the Governor General, appoint a Governor-General?

Rogers:

The Minister is asking you a question. Put your proposals in prospective.

Ogaldez:

I get your point, Minister. The thing is that once the Governor-General has been appointed.....

Hunter:

You want the Advisory Council appoint him?

Ogaldez:

Yes.

Hunter:

Does it exist because the Governor-General is appointed by the committee? How do you solve that?

Rogers:

One come before the other Mr. Ogaldez. It is formed by the nation.

Ogaldez:

That's why I didn't try to study it.

Rogers:

Any other question? Why would you want to change the name to 'Council of State'? So we can have the reason put in.

Ogaldez:

Well, it gives it an aura of international recognition.

Rogers:

State? Council? as against... It is a national thing you know. It has nothing to do with international offence; strictly with Belize.

Ogaldez:

I know, but...

Rogers:

The functions will be the same, the importance of a thing is like the rose that if you name any other thing it will still be a rose.

Ogaldez: That particular name will find itself in international documents and so on.

Rogers:

Is there any other question? If there is none then I should thank you, Mr. Ogaldez for coming here.

Ogaldez:

So you are not accepting the

Rogers:

Yes, we are accepting your paper, except the one... the one with the proposals.

Ogaldez:

You have the name of the,...

Rogers:

We have the other names. Thank you.

Anastacio Rivers
54 St. Vincent Street
(Citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us what you want to tell us about the White Paper.

A. Rivers:

I support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Anything else, Mr. Rivers?

Rivers:

No.

Chairman:

This committee would like to thank you for making your views very clear.

Thomas Terry
4 1/2 Miles Stann Creek Valley Rd.
(Citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us your views on the White Paper.

A. Terry:

I agree with the White Paper. I support it.

Chairman:

Mr. Terry supports the White Paper. Is there anything else you would like to tell this committee?

This committee would like to thank you for making your views very clear.

Mr. Thomas Valerio

90 Sarawee St.

(Citizen)

Chairman:

Please give us the benefit of your views on the White Paper.

T. Valerio:

I agree with the White Paper, myself, my kids.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Valerio:

I like my National Anthem, my flag and the National Prayer to be included.

Chairman:

Anything else, Mr. Valerio.

Valerio:

No.

Chairman:

It only remains for me to thank you on behalf of the whole committee.

Mr. Francis Castillo

19 Sabal St.

(on behalf of the Dangriga Branch, P.U.P.)

Chairman:

Please give us your views:

F. Castillo:

I have been advised by the members, supporters, officers of the P.U.P. to convey to this committee our full support for the White Paper. I am requested to ask this Committee to include as a part of the proposals, the National Anthem, proposed National Flag and the National Prayer and to convey further to the Premier of this country that we are behind him 100% on this White Paper.

Chairman:

Any questions, members? Mr. Castillo, then we would like to thank you and to ask you to thank your people for the forthright statement you made on their behalf.

Mr. Kelvin Lino

44 Polak St.

(Citizen)

Chairman:

May we have your views?

Mr. Lino:

I fully disagree with the White Paper and I do not intend to support it.

Sir Richard Francisco

16 Yampa St.

(Citizen)

Chairman:

What would you like to tell the committee?

Sir Richard:

I love the White Paper and support it.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Sir Richard:

Nothin' else.

Chairman:

This Committee would like to thank you.

Mr. Edilberto Canti

San Roman

(on behalf of the people).

Chairman:

What are you in San Roman?

Canti:

Chairman of the Village Council.

Chairman:

Could you tell us how you feel about the White Paper?

Mr. Canti:

I am here to support the White Paper. We would like the National Prayer, the Anthem and the flag to be included.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Mr. Canti:

No.

Chairman:

Please tell your people that we are grateful to them for coming forward. Thank you and the people of San Roman.

Theodora Ramirez

16 Miles

(represents 16-17 miles)

Ms. T. Ramirez:

I have read the paper over and over so that the people could know.

I do not want them to tell me if I have read it, but I read it over and over and my people too and we fully support it.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Ms. T. Ramirez:

They would like the flag, the prayer and the National Anthem added.

Chairman:

Well, Miss Ramirez, this committee wish to thank you for your appearance before this committee. Please convey it to your people.

Mr. Felicito Calam

Mile 25 Hummingbird Highway

(Chairman of the Village Council)

Chairman:

Mr. Calam, could you tell us what you think of the White Paper?

Mr. Calam:

On behalf of my villagers and myself we accept the White Paper. We would only want to see added the National Flag, the National Anthem and the National Prayer.

Chairman:

We would like you to convey to your people the thanks of this committee.

Mr. Henry Bowman, Jr.

Pelican Beach

(Citizen)

Chairman:

Could we have the benefit of your views, Mr. Bowman?

Mr. Bowman:

It is certainly a very good White Paper to begin with. And I want to make sure that when it comes to the Paper - page 23 - 88 I would like to make sure that that stays in because sometimes Civil Servants get the impression that they own the Government. On page 14 - 43. A person shall be qualified to be elected a member of the House of Representatives or to be appointed to the Senate if he is a Belizean citizen.

Chairman:

You would like the word "born" before "Belizean citizen".

Bowman: I know that this Paper separates the Courts from the Government. We would like the independence of the Judiciary maintained. I like that and would like that left in.

On the matter of the Belizean flag.... I would like that to be included; but somewhere in your wisdom you can create greater unity by injecting some other symbol to the Flag. This would be appreciated, but I am not stressing it. But for the sake of greater unity, if it would at all be possible.

Hon. F. Marin:

What about the Anthem?

Mr. Bowman:

The Anthem is very good. I haven't heard much objections to the Anthem; I haven't heard of any other proposed Anthem. And the Prayer is a very beautiful Prayer.

Chairman:

Any other questions, Members? If not, Mr. Bowman, let me thank you on behalf of the committee for coming here today.

Mr. Russel Garcia

16 Ghans Avenue

(Citizen)

Chairman:

Could you give us the benefit of your views, Mr. Garcia.

Mr. Garcia:

As I examined the White Paper, to my mind I find that there are certain things within the Protection of Human Rights and Freedoms - Page 3. I find that when I look at (h) on page 5, I find that there is one called "Protection of Freedom of Conscience." Well I am of the opinion that freedom of conscience is inherent within a man, meaning that my factual situation with me and I, no one will know. So it occurs to me that there is no need, no reason at all why freedom of conscience should be written in, because everyone has freedom of thoughts and conscience or to whatever religion they want to be.

When I examine the word "religion" again, I find that there are established religions that we call religion in Belize, but there is also now, what I will call the African tradition, taking its roots, as I refer to I and I, kastafari. And I have found throughout the Caribbean countries I have gone to that the kaste has always been outlawed. This could be the situation as I see it in Belize because it has already taken roots. I am not

accusing anyone of such and that is why I would like to have written into (h)....

Chairman:

First I thought you wanted this out.

Mr. Garcia:

No. I would like it amended. I would like this - "Protection of Freedom of Conscience and Tradition". If it was left to I and I, I would have taken it out still because conscience, as I told you, no really no, but because of Rastafari I put in the word "tradition" because I and I have no religion as such.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Garcia:

Within that same thing, I have not seen a thing called - I've seen one called "Protection of Human Rights" and protection of citizen and protection of person, but there is not one written here for the protection of Belizean youth. I would like this to be written in...."Protection of the Belizean Youth".

With a view for the development of agricultural institutions that will ensure that the Belizean youth has a proper respect for the dignity of labour which is deteriorating today.

Chairman:

You want a work ethic in there.

Mr. Garcia:

Truly - put that in there

Chairman:

No, no! This is a serious proposal. The work ethic should not be forgotten.

Mr. Garcia:

Along with that same situation, we have a proper development of human resources. I, at this point, would like to refer to an institution in Belize that I have attended - Lynam Agricultural College - which in I and I view, if we had more of that or if we had that one existing, we'll have more youths with more balanced development instead of this discomiac situation which is arising.

Chairman:

It is giving way now to a thing called "Country and Western"; I don't know which is better; but discomiac is disappearing.

Mr. Garcia:

You think so?

Chairman:

Yes, they are bringing in a mechanical bull.

Mr. Garcia:

I see people tired every Saturday night.

Chairman:

It takes long to get to Belize....It's coming.

Mr. Garcia:

It's coming in. Well, that's how the man see it.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Mr. Garcia:

No, I won't say anything more.

Chairman:

If not, I would like to thank you for bringing your views.

Hon. F. Hunter:

Do you support the White Paper?

Garcia:

Well, until such and such has been written in.

Hon. G. Ramos:

You support it with the amendments you have made.

Mr. Garcia:

Yes, but until such and such has been put in.

Chairman:

All you want included are those; that's what I understand you told this Committee; please include these matters.

Hon. S. Musa:

I just want to make this point - when we talk about citizens we include the Belizean youth.

Mr. Garcia:

Oh, just before I finish off, there's another thing I want to put in.....within the same 'protection of tradition', what I have noticed is what I call 'isolation of peoples on reserves' in Belize.

Chairman:

Isolation of peoples on reserves. Yes.

Mr. Garcia:

As I see my history, I hear of a Carib Reserve and hear of an Indian Reserve. To me, I think these reserves should be de-reserved and open and a proper land-holding situation be instituted. That is all within the 'protection of tradition'.

Chairman:

Well, those are your views, Mr. Garcia, and we will take account

of them. Bearing in mind that reserves in this Country doesn't mean like the reserves in South Africa, or the Indians in North America; they go and they come as they like; and as I understand it, it's a lot of the older people who wanted it; the younger ones want title to their land for collateral; they lose it to the banks later, but they want the right to do what they want.

Mr. Garcia:

What is happening here right now - a lot of youths would like to work the land; but their parents thought that they owned the land and they never really owned the land. So most people down here don't really own land.

Chairman:

Well, Mr. Garcia, we thank you for your clear views.

Mr. Garcia:

Truly.

Mr. Allan Partis, Jr.

47 Front Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you please give us the benefit of your views, Mr. Partis.

Mr. Partis:

Frankly speaking, Sir, I have gone through this White Paper and I don't fully understand the contents or the real value of this White Paper. And as far as I could observe, most people who came here saying that they support it, doesn't really understand it either. To me, the contents of this White Paper is written in a more or less advanced stage of English that it could confuse people who don't understand.

Chairman:

You have any proposal to make about it?

Mr. Partis:

The proposal I would like to make is this - it could be re-written.

Chairman:

You would like a condensed....Partis would like it condensed and simplified. Alright, Mr. Partis, that is your proposal.

Mr. Partis:

Secondly, we as youths are anxious to know what kind of Government we will have after Independence?

Chairman:

I see. The White Paper doesn't bring it out to you. You have no proposal to make on that?

Mr. Partis:

The proposal I would like to make is that that should be included.

Chairman:

Simplification and include type of Government.

Mr. Partis:

Why this arise is if you look at Section 30 - "There shall be a Leader of the Opposition who shall be appointed by the Governor-General. He shall be the member of the House of Representatives, who in the judgement of the Governor-General, is best able to command the support of a majority of those members who do not support the Government. Or if there is no such person, the member who commands the support of the largest single group of members opposed to the Government." What I understand this to mean is that the Leader of the Opposition will not be appointed by the people again.

Chairman:

That's what you think, that's not correct.

Hon. G. Ramos:

You do not understand what you are reading.

Mr. Partis:

But it says "appointed by the Governor-General".

Chairman;Everybody is, so is the Prime Minister.

Mr. Partis:

Then there'll be no election?

Chairman:

No. You don't understand what you are saying. It's after an Election; after an election is finished the Governor-General calls before him - just like now; the same thing happens now - and say let us see who commands the support of the majority; let us see who commands the support of the minority; and he names the Prime Minister from the first one and the Leader of the Opposition from the second. It has to be; you didn't read the paper. It says to you that it is after an election; after an election is finished then the Governor-General does those things. Anything else, Mr. Partis?

Mr. Partis:

Well, I would just like that my proposals would be included.

Chairman.

Yes, we have those. A simplified version. Thank you Mr. Partis for coming before this Committee.

Mr. George Westby - Vice-Chairman of Village Council
8 Miles Stann Creek Valley Road
(on behalf of the Village Council)

Chairman:

Mr. Westby, could we now hear your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Westby:

I've got one of the White Paper; We have read it over and over, and we go along with the White Paper one hundred percent. On behalf of myself, I have to say that we had confidence in our Ministers in the beginning of advance constitution; we got advance constitution and we are going into independence. And so as he had it into advance constitution, we have the same confidence in the Ministers in independence.

Chairman:

You said to this committee that you read the Paper over and over; you found that you had time?

Mr. Westby:

Yes Sir.

Chairman:

Any questions? If not, we have to thank you Mr. Westby, Please convey our thanks to the Village Council.

Miss Venancia Petillo

Punta Gorda

(citizen) - former Senator

Chairman:

May we hear from you.

Miss Petillo:

From 1952 I joined this Party because I want independence for my country because I see that this Government is good. I travel and I see independent countries and I want my country to be independent too because I see what is good.

Chairman:

On the White Paper, what do you have to say?

Miss Petillo:

Everything that is in the White Paper, I support

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added or taken away from it, Miss Petillo?

Miss Petillo:

I support everything.

Chairman:

We want to thank you for coming to support the White Paper as a citizen.

Mr. John Mena, Sr.

1070 Bangucho Area

(Citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Mena, please give us the benefit of your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Mena:

I don't have anything to say because I agree with everything.

Chairman:

Mr. Mena, we want to thank you for coming before this Committee.

Mr. Liberato Blanco

9 Melinda Road

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Blanco, please give us your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Blanco:

I don't have anything to say about it. All I want is the Flag, the National Anthem and the Prayers; that's my Prayer.

Chairman:

Mr. Liberato Blanco, we want to thank you for coming before the Committee.

Mr. George Guzman

1068 Bangucho Area

(citizen)

Chairman:

What would you like to tell us on the white Paper?

Mr. Bangucho:

I want it right now.

Chairman:

Anything else you'd like to see added to it?

Mr. Guzman:

That's all.

Chairman:

We want to thank you very much.

Mr. Paul Scott

13 Magoon Street

(Citizen)

Chairman:

What do you have to say on the White Paper?

Mr. Scott:

This White Paper a million times.

Chairman:

So you support the White Paper?

Mr. Scott:

I support the White Paper

Chairman:

Mr. Scott, we want to thank you for that support.

Mr. Walter Rodriguez

118 St. Vincent Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

What do you have to say about the White Paper?

Mr. Rodriguez:

I support the White Paper one hundred percent.

Chairman:

Do you wish to add anything?

Mr. Rodriguez:

Nothing at all.

Chairman:

Then on behalf of this committee, I want to thank you for your support.

Miss Modesta Norales

1056 Benguche Area

(on behalf of the people of the area)

Chairman:

What do you have to say about the White Paper?

Miss Norales:

They give their full support for the White Paper and they would like the National Anthem, Prayer and the Flag to be included.

Chairman:

And by the Flag you mean the Belizean Flag?

Miss Norales:

Yes.

Chairman:

Miss Norales, I wish that you convey to the people of the Benguche area our sincere thanks for coming forward.

Mr. William Palacio
75 Rice Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

What do you have to say on the White Paper?

Mr. Palacio:

I support it one hundred percent.

Chairman:

Would you like to add anything or take away anything?

Mr. Palacio:

I have nothing to add to it.

Chairman:

We would like to thank you Mr. Palacio.

Mr. Neville Panton
120 Southern Foreshore
(citizen)

Chairman:

Anything more, Mr. Panton?

Mr. Panton:

No. Just that I don't see where I could add anything because it is so compact. I don't see any loopholes.

Chairman:

Thank you for coming, Mr. Panton and giving us such clear views.

Mr. Indolicio Chiak
Santa Rosa
25 Miles Southern Highway
(representing Santa Rosa Community)

Chairman:

Do let us have your views on the White Paper, Mr. Chiak.

Mr. Chiak:

We support it fully; one hundred percent.

Chairman:

We would like to thank you Mr. Chiak.

Miss Tanis Servio
71 Hagoon St.
(citizen - on behalf of my family)

Chairman:

Could we have your views on the White Paper?

Miss Servio:

I support the White Paper. I would like the Prayers, Anthem and Flag to be added.

Chairman:

I wish to thank you and your family, Miss Servio.

Miss Ethel Leiva

1068 Bangucho Area

(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us what you feel about the White Paper

Miss Leiva:

I love this White Paper; I support it one hundred percent. I would like the Blue and White Flag, National Anthem and the National Prayer to be included.

Chairman:

This Committee would like to thank you for coming forward with such a straight, clear statement.

Mr. Gilbert Joseph Waight

139 Sawai Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Please give us your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Waight:

Well, Mr. Chairman, I have received the White Paper over some few weeks and I have read it carefully. I had sufficient time to study it and I support it 100%. I would also like to see that the prayer be added to the constitution, the national flag and the national anthem. I believe that the prayer should be said in all schools and at all meetings. Now, the Belizean flag should be properly and publicly displayed at all public meetings and also at the schools - kindergarten, primary, secondary, colleges, vocational and other schools; failure to do so should be a crime against the State.

At the playing of the Belizean Anthem all able bodied persons must stand at attention until it is finished; failure to do so would be a crime against the State.

That the following pledge should be taught to all children in school; with right hand raised waist high, I pledge myself to my flag and country of Belize here in Central America and that with myself I will always assist it to be with freedom, Justice and equality for all, So help me God.

Any foreigner entering the country, whether by land, sea or air

must be in possession of a valid passport of their country of origin and not with a birth paper or a driving permit. Any Belizean voluntarily enlisting into any armed forces of any foreign country, apart from those of the Third World automatically loses his citizenship. Those, Mr. Chairman, are my proposals to you all.

Chairman:

We want to thank you on behalf of the Committee. There is a question here for you.

Hunter:

The last proposal you spoke of any Belizean serving in the armed forces apart from those in the Third World - what about those in the Commonwealth Nations?

Mr. Waight:

They are included as well.

Chairman:

Any other questions, Members? If there is none Mr. Waight we thank you.

Jacinto Rivers
16 Emory Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you help us with your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Rivers:

I have studied it thoroughly and I support it.

Chairman:

Anything else, Mr. Rivers?

Mr. Rivers:

No Sir.

Chairman:

Well this committee would like to thank you.

Bernard Rhys
6 Unity Zone
(citizen)

Chairman:

I got the White Paper and I have read it carefully, studied it and I have taken into consideration so, therefore, my family and I support it 100%. I would like to see added the national prayer, the anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

That's a very clear and outright statement Mr. Rhys and we would like to thank you on behalf of this committee for coming before us.

Alfonso Terry

34 Pine Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

What is your view on the White Paper? What do you think about it?

Mr. Terry:

I have read the White Paper and from what I understand it is quite alright with me. I fully support it. I would like to see the anthem, flag and the prayer too.

Chairman:

Well Mr. Terry

Mr. Terry:

We need the prayer because I feel that God is helping this country and its people as a whole.

Chairman:

Thank you Mr. Terry, this committee sends its thanks to you and the records will show that.

Kent Ellis

7 Magoon Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Well tell us what you think about the White Paper?

Mr. Ellis:

I do not support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Yes, Mr. Ellis, anything else?

Mr. Ellis:

In my humble opinion I thought we would have had a referendum before going into Independence. No where in the world have I ever heard about White Paper before a referendum.

Chairman:

Yes, you have no proposal on the White Paper.

Mr. Ellis:

In regards to 60 - A Minister shall be permitted to address the House of which he is not a member, but shall not have a vote in that House.

Chairman:

What do you understand from that?

Mr. Ellis:

This is what I am trying to find out. I want my thoughts to be cleared out because if a Minister is in the House then his votes should be counted.

Chairman:

Let me try briefly to answer Mr. Ellis. This obtains now that a Member of any House can go to the other House to explain, if he is a Minister, his options but he can't take a vote. He can't vote in the House because he is not a Member of that House but he can explain his actions but he can't vote. He can make a speech - the Minister of Finance may wish to go to the Senate to explain his Budget but he can't vote in that House. He is not a member of that House. Similarly a Member from the Senate may go to the House and make a speech but he cannot vote. That is the meaning of that.

Mr. Ellis:

Then could the Member of the Joint Select Committee also make it clear to me why is it that a form of referendum was not made before the White Paper?

Chairman:

Referendum is not in our constitution Mr. Ellis. It is not a form that is practised in the British Constitutional exercise. Nobody has that in their constitution. Questions of referendum is never dealt with. In the Scandenavian countries for instance, I think in the French but not in other constitutions they don't provide for that. That is why.

Mr. Ellis:

Yes Sir.

Chairman:

Well Mr. Ellis, thank you

Nacios Bermudez
1116 Benguche Area
(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us what you think about the White Paper.

Mr. Bermudez:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Would you like to see anything added to the Paper?

Mr. Bermudez:

No Sir.

Chairman:

Very well Mr. Bermudez, I want to thank you for coming before this Committee.

Phillip S. Flores

Lot 68 - 1678 St. Vincent Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Please give us your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Flores:

The White Paper is O.K. with me 100%.

Chairman:

Anything else?

Mr. Flores:

No Sir.

Chairman:

Then we would like to thank you very much.

Arthur Taylor

15 Magoon Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you please tell us how you feel about the White Paper?

Mr. Taylor:

I support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Would you like to see anything else added?

Mr. Taylor:

The flag, anthem and the prayer.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement Mr. Taylor and we thank you.

Roy Garbutt

2 Church Rd.

(citizen)

Chairman:

Could we have the benefit of your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Garbutt:

I support the White Paper.

Nicholas Gomez

5 Southern Foreshore
(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you tell us your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Gomez:

I support the White one million percent.

Chairman:

Anything you would like to see taken out or added to the White Paper?

Mr. Gomez:

The prayer anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement and we would like to thank you.

Lucille Paulino
5 Southern Foreshore
(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you give us your benefit of your views?

Ms. Paulino:

I agree with it. I support it,

Chairman:

Is there anything else you would like to see added?

Ms. Paulino.

I would like to have the anthem, the national prayer and the flag added to it.

Chairman:

Miss Paulino we want to thank you very much.

George Palacio
297 Sawai Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Would you like to give us your views on the White Paper?

Palacio:

I support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to add to the White Paper?

G. Palacio:

Flag, prayer and National Anthem.

Chairman:

Anything else, Mr. Palacio

G. Palacio:

No.

Chairman:

Well then I would like to thank you on behalf of the committee for a clear statement.

Wilfred Leslie
56 Magoon Street,
Dangriga.

Chairman:

Would you please give us the benefit of your views of the White Paper?

Leslie:

Super excellent. I see it as a great national benefit and the best. In fact, I see it as a sort of national vision which should be materialised.

Chairman:

Is there any suggestion from you for inclusion in it?

W. Leslie:

well as a man who gives God the pre-eminence could you add the prayer, the anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

There is anything else you would like to tell the Committee? on the White Paper while you are here?

Leslie:

It reaches my approval from every angle.

Chairman:

Whereby it only remains for me to thank you for coming here with such clear statements. **Thank** you very much.

W. Leslie:

God bless you all.

Lottie Lamboy
111 Front Street
Dangriga
(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Ms. Lambey:

It is very good and I support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything which you would like to see added or taken away from the White Paper?

Ms. Lambey:

No, nothing else.

Chairman:

We would like to thank you very much for your clear statement.

Simon M. Joseph

21 Canal Street

Dangriga

(citizen)

Chairman:

Now Mr. Joseph, tell us your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Joseph:

I am here to support the White Paper

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see taken away or added to the White Paper?

Mr. Joseph:

I would like to see the National Prayer, the flag and the Anthem added.

Chairman:

Any other comment?

Mr. Joseph:

On the subject of citizenship - I would like to see them go to a ceremonial sitting, that is, to bring them to the court, let them swear in, in a similar system as in the United States of America.

Chairman:

A ceremony for citizenship in which you teach them to be patriotic, that is what you are saying. Teach them the Constitution. Any question of Mr. Joseph. If not, it is only for me to thank you for coming here and making a clear statement.

Petrona Diego

10 Isla Road

(citizen)

Chairman:

Could you tell us how you feel about the White Paper?

Ms. Diego:

well, I support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added or taken away from the White Paper?

Ms. Diego:

I would like to see the National Prayer added.

Chairman:

Anything else.

Ms. Diego:

No, nothing else.

Chairman:

Then it is only left for me to thank you very much for coming before this committee and supporting the White Paper.

Inez Castillo

21 Commerce Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Would you like to tell us anything more? Would you like anything added or taken away from the White Paper?

Ms. Castillo:

I support it 100%

Chairman:

Would you like to tell us anything more? Would you like anything added or taken away from the White Paper?

Ms. Castillo:

No.

Chairman:

Then we thank you very much for coming before us.

Charles Miranda

97 Cran Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Mr. Miranda:

I have gone through it to the best of my ability and I am giving it my full fledged support.

Chairman:

Is there anything else you would like to see added or taken away.

Mr. Miranda:

Everything meets with my approval.

Chairman:

Well, we thank you very much for coming before us.

Dionicia Gamboa

19 Unity Zone

(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us Miss Gamboa how you feel about the White Paper.

Ms. Gamboa:

I agree with the White Paper 100% and I would like the national anthem, prayer and the flag to be added to it.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement and we thank you very much for coming before the committee.

Roselle Bernaldez

44 Gawai Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us how you feel about this "White Paper."

Ms. Bernaldez:

I support the White Paper 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to add or have taken away from the White Paper?

Ms. Bernaldez:

I would like to see the National Prayer, Flag and the Anthem added to the White Paper.

Chairman:

Ms. Roselle Bernaldez we thank you very much for coming before this committee.

Angel Payes

440 Cedar Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us how you feel about the "White Paper."

Mr. Payes:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the "White Paper"?

Mr. Payes:

The National Prayer, Anthem and the Flag, Sir.

Chairman:

Thank you very much Mr. Payes.

Ms. Lewis
4 Broadfruit Road
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Ms. Lewis:

I support it 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the White Paper?

Ms. Lewis:

Yes. I would like to see the Anthem, the National Prayer and the Flag added.

Chairman:

Ms. Lewis we would like to thank you for this statement.

Ms. Lewis:

We would like to have Independence now.

Alejandro Perez
40 Cedar Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Mr. Perez:

I fully support the White Paper

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to this White Paper?

Chairman:

No.

Mr. Perez:

Well then we thank you very much Mr. Perez for coming before the Committee.

Alice Swazo
9 Sabal Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us how you feel about the white paper.

Ms. Swazo:

I support it 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added in the White Paper?

Ms. Swazo:

I would like to see the National-Prayer, Belizean Flag, the soldiers, the National Anthem and we want Independence.

Chairman:

I want to thank you, on behalf of all the Members, for coming with a clear statement. We understand it very good.

Roland Lemott
1529 Unity 4one
(citizen)

Chairman:

What would you like to tell us about the White Paper?

Mr. Lemott:

I like everything about the White Paper. I support it

Chairman:

Would you like to see anything added to this white Paper?

Mr. Lemott:

The National Anthem, the National Prayer and the Flag.

Chairman:

Mr. Lemott, I would like to thank you very much for that clear statement to this committee.

James Paulino
86 Railroad Station
(citizen)

Chairman:

Would you give us your views on the white Paper?

Mr. Paulino:

I support the white Paper

Chairman:

Mr. Paulino, we want to thank you for taking the time to come before us.

Wellington Lewis
450 Polack Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Give us the benefit of your views on the white Paper please Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis:

I would just like to say please advance.

Chairman:

Is there anything else that you would like to say Mr. Lewis.
Mr. Lewis:

Absolutely nothing sir.

Chairman:

Then it is for me to thank you in the same clear and distinct manner for the time you gave us.

Izekel Sambula
8 Commerce Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Please give us your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Sambula:

I think it is very constructive. I support it 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to add to the white Paper?

Mr. Sambula:

No. Sir.

Chairman:

Well, I want to thank you very much for coming before us.

William Pabon
62 Gama Garuga Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Please tell us your views on the White Paper.

Mr. Pabon:

I support it 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything that you would like to see added?

Mr. Pabon:

Not one thing.

Chairman:

Then Mr. Pabon we thank you very much for coming.

Eferacio Mendez
14 Unity Zone
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us Mr. Mendez your feelings about the White Paper.

Mr. Mendez:

I support it 100%

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to this Paper?

Mr. Mendez:

I have nothing to add.

Chairman:

I should thank you on behalf of the Committee. Mr. Mendez we thank you.

The committee has had a long morning session well pass the hour of high noon and we will now adjourn for lunch and return at 2.00 p.m.

Adjourned at 12.15 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 2:00 p.m.

Chairman:

Before I begin this afternoon's session I would like to repeat that the authority that this Committee acts under was given to it by the House of Representatives and the Senate. It directs the Joint Select Committee to canvass the opinions of the Belizean people before presenting our final report to the National Assembly. This means that if there are any reporters around they will not be able to report or to publish what happens in this Court Room today until this Committee reports to the House of Representatives, if not, they will find themselves in a violation of the law. And we would like to begin our Sitting, I have a few names that we will take. We will take these names and then we will turn to members of the public to come up because the Clerk has not been able to get all the names, but we will call the names that we have. You will come before us; the machines are working - the tape machines which will tape your voices for the record. We will ask your name, your address and in what capacity you appear; whether as a citizen only or as the Representative of a group and then we will ask that you confine your views to the White Paper itself. We begin with the name James Bonillo.

James Bonillo

71 Commerce Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Would you please give us your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Bonillo:

I am quite satisfied with whatever the White Paper has and

myself and my wife support it fully.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the White Paper?

Mr. Bonillo:

I would like to see the National Prayer, Anthem and the Flag added to it.

Chairman:

Mr. Bonillo this Committee would like to thank you for coming forward and giving such a clear statement.

Mr. Dembigh Andrews:

Silk Grass, Stann Creek District

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Andrews would you give us your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Andrews:

I agree with everything in the White Paper.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the White Paper?

Mr. Andrews:

No.

Chairman:

Then Mr. Andrews, this Committee thanks you very much.

Frank Muslar

Silk Grass

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Muslar would you tell us how you feel about the White Paper?

Mr. Muslar:

I am in agreement with everything. I support everything.

Chairman:

Mr. Muslar, is there anything you would like to see added in the White Paper?

Mr. Muslar:

I would like to see the flag, national anthem and our national prayer.

Chairman:

Then I would like to thank you on behalf of all our colleagues for appearing before this Committee.

Phillip Serano
1209 Ghans Avenue
(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Serano, would you give us your views on the White Paper

Mr. Serano:

I support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the White Paper?

Mr. Serano:

I would like to have the National Anthem, the flag and the national prayer.

Chairman:

Mr. Phillip Serano we thank you for coming before the Committee and for making your views known.

Fred White
Silk Grass
(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. White, what are your views on the White Paper?

Mr. White:

Well, I am satisfied with the White Paper and I support it fully.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see included?

Mr. White:

I would like to see the national prayer, the anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

Mr. White you have stated your views very clear and I thank you very much.

Jose Cornelio
Bluefield No. 2 Building
(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Cornelio, is there anything you would like to say on this White Paper?

Mr. Cornelio:

I support it fully. I have nothing to add.

Chairman:

Well, Mr. Cornelio, we thank you very much for coming before this Committee.

Miss Lolita Williams
62 St. Vincent Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Miss Lolita Williams, could you tell us what is your views on the White Paper?

Miss Williams:

I support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Is there anything else you would like to see added to this White Paper?

Miss Williams:

No, sir.

Chairman:

Well, then, Miss Williams on behalf of this Committee, I would like to thank you very much.

Leon Garcia
Silk Grass
(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Garcia, could you give your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Garcia:

I feel good about it and I fully support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to it.

Mr. Garcia:

I would like to see the National Prayer, Anthem and the Flag.

Chairman:

Well, Mr. Garcia, thank you very much for your clear statement.

Mr. Robert Garcia

32 Havana Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Garcia, what would you like to tell us about the White Paper.

Mr. Garcia:

I fully support the White Paper.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to it?

Mr. Garcia:

I would like to see the prayer, flag and the anthem added.

Chairman:

Mr. Garcia, on behalf of this Committee I would like to thank you very much for your submission.

Justin Reyes

38 Cedar Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Justin Reyes, please tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Mr. Reyes:

Well, I haven't got one yet. I would like one.

Chairman:

Please give Mr. Justin Reyes one. Do you need time to consider it Mr Reyes?

Mr. Reyes:

Yes, I would like to go and check it out.

Chairman:

Please do that.

Solvin Chavez
9 Banak Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

What are your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Chavez:

I support it fully.

Chairman:

Is there anything else you would like to see added to it.

Mr. Chavez:

Our national prayer, our flage, full respect to our present government and the National anthem.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement, Mr. Chavez and we thank you for it.

Marcus Zuniga
14 Church Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Marcus Zuniga, we have the White Paper before us. Could you please tell us your views.

Mr. Zuniga:

I have read it thoroughly and I give it my full support.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like to see added to the White Paper?

Mr. Zuniga:

Our national prayer, our anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

Mr. Zuniga, I want to thank you, on behalf of the Committee for coming here this afternoon and giving us your clear view. Thank you.

John A. Martinez
106 St. Vincent Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Now, Mr. Martinez, what are your views about the White Paper?

Mr.

Mr. Martinez:

I accept it and I support it.

Chairman:

Anything else you would like to see added?

Mr. Martinez:

The national prayer, the anthem and the flag. When the anthem is playing that the people should show respect to it.

Chairman:

Mr. Martinez, that is a clear statement and before this Committee and this committee would like to thank you.

Petrona Garcia

9 Melinda Road

(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell me Ms. Garcia what are your views on the White Paper?

Ms. Garcia:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Are there any other things that you would like to see added.

Ms. Garcia:

I would like to see the prayer, national anthem and the flag and I would like Independence now.

Chairman:

You havemade yourself loud and clear Miss Petrona Garcia.

Selvin Johnson

13 Citrun Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Johnson, may we have your views on the White Paper?

Mr. Johnson:

You have my full support.

Chairman:

Mr. Johnson, would you like to see anything else included in this White Paper?

Mr. Johnson:

Yes, sir, three things. I would like to see the national prayer, the anthem and the flag. I would also like to have Independence now.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement and I thank you.

Issac Longsworth & wife Joyce Williams

34 Polak Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Now, Mr. Longsworth tell us your feelings about the White Paper.

Mr. Longsworth:

I fully support the White Paper both me and my wife.

Chairman:

Is there anything other thing you would like to see added?

Mr. Longsworth:

I would like to see the anthem, the flag and the National Prayer added. We want Independence now.

Chairman:

That is a clear statement. Mr. Longsworth this Committee is indebted to you for coming before us with such a clear statement.

Raymond Requena

Silk Grass

(citizen)

Chairman:

Mr. Requena, tell us your feelings about the White Paper.

Mr. Requena:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Is there any other thing you would like to see added to it?

Mr. Requena:

The prayer, the anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

Mr. Requena, this Committee would like to thank you for coming before us expressing those feelings.

Patrocina Martinez

11 Sabal Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Ms. Patrocina Martinez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

Ms. Martinez:

The anthem, the flag and the prayer and I would like to have Independence now.

Chairman:

Miss Martinez, thank you very much for your views.

Matilda Lino

46 Sawai Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

Now Ms. Lino, tell us your views about the White Paper.

Ms. Lino:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything else you would like added to it.

Ms. Lino:

I would like to see the national anthem, the prayer and the blue and white flag.

Chairman:

Ms. Lino we want to thank you very much.

Winnifred Flowers

2 Unity Zone

(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us how do you feel about the White Paper.

W. Flowers:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Is there anything you would like added to it?

W. Flowers:

The national anthem, the national prayer and the blue and white flag.

Chairman:

Ms. Winnifred we would like to thank you very much.

Andrea Sebastian
118 St. Vincent Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us Ms. Sebastian, how you feel about the White Paper.

Ms. Sebastian:

I fully support it.

Chairman:

Would you like to see anything else added to the White Paper.

Ms. Sebastian:

Three things, the flag, the national anthem and the prayer.

Chairman:

Very clear. We want to thank you for that very clear statement.

Emilia Partis
497 Havana Street
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us Ms. Emilia Partis how you feel about this White Paper.

Ms. Partis:

I support it fully.

Chairman:

Is there any other thing you would like to see added to it.

Ms. Partis:

Three things; the prayer, anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

Ms. Emilia Partis, I would like to thank you for your views that you have stated so clearly.

Lydia Cacho
29 Isla Road
(citizen)

Chairman:

Tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

Ms. Cacho:

I support it fully along with my husband too and my family.

Chairman:

What is your husband's name?

Ms. Cacho:

Raymond Cacho.

Chairman:

Is there anything you want added to it?

Ms. Cacho:

Yes. The prayers, the anthem and the flag.

Chairman:

Ms. Lydia Cacho, I want to thank you for bringing your views to this Committee.

Jane Lewis

20 Thomas Street

(citizen)

Chairman:

How do you feel about the White Paper?

Ms. Lewis:

Well, I am well pleased with everything that my Government are doing and I hope that God will put its grace on all the Cabinet Members.

Chairman:

Thank you. Thank you. Is there anything else you would like to see added?

Ms. Lewis:

First the prayer, the flag and the anthem.

Chairman:

We are glad to hear your views and to hear that you accept it.

Canulto Castillo
32 Yampa Street
Dangriga. (Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: What are your views on the White Paper?

CASTILLO: I fully support it, National Anthem,
Prayer and flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Thank you for your support and the clear
statement.

Paula Lucas
20 Cedar Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: What are your feelings on the White Paper?

MS. LUCAS: Fully support the White Paper.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anything else you would like to
see added?

MS. LUCAS: National Prayer, Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Paula Lucas, we thank you very much
for coming before this committee.

Sylvia Ramos
9 Melinda Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Miss Ramos, the question before us is, how
do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. RAMOS: I support the White Paper.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anything else you would like, say
including the

MS. RAMOS: The National Prayer, the Flag and the Anthem.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Miss Ramos, you have given us a clear
indication of this. Thank you very much.

Olivia Ross
28 Havana Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us how you feel about the Constitution.

MS. ROSS: Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anything else you would like to
see included?

MS. ROSS: The National Anthem, Prayer and Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Olivia Ross, thank you for bringing a clear statement.

MS. ROSS: Independence now!

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Thank you for that, too.

Rosalind Laurie
28 Isla Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now, Ms. Laurie, tell us how you feel about this White Paper.

MS. LAURIE: I feel good.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: You support it fully?

MS. LAURIE: Yes, full support. I want Anthem, Flag, National Prayer, everything.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Laurie, I want to thank you for your support and making it so clear. Thank you.

Josephine Pyke
600 C Stann Creek Valley
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Please tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

MS. PYKE: Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing you would like to see included in the White Paper?

MS. PYKE: Yes, the Flag, the Anthem and the Prayer.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Pyke, we thank you for your support and for the clear way in which you expressed yourself before the Committee.

Roda Castillo
Silk Grass Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, Ms. Roda Castillo, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing you would like to see in the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: A National Anthem, a National Prayer, and the Blue and White Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: We would like to thank you for coming up, and for making such a clear statement.

Cyril Joseph Martin
115 Sawai Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, Mr. Martin, how you feel about the White Paper?

MR. MARTIN: I support it fully.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing you would like to see included in this document?

MR. MARTIN: No.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Then we thank you, Mr. Martin, for coming before this Committee and making it very clear.

Ellen Foreman
Silk Grass Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, Ms. Foreman, how you feel about the White Paper.

MS. FOREMAN: I give it full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Miss Foreman, would you like to see anything else included in this White Paper?

MS. FOREMAN: Well, the National Prayer, the National Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Ellen Foreman, we would like to thank you for coming up and give your support.

Kathleen Santos
Silk Grass
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now Ms. Santos, how you feel about the White Paper?

MS. SANTOS: I support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Would you like to see anything else included in it?

MS. SANTOS: National Prayer, Anthem and Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Kathleen Santos, we thank you for coming before this Committee. Very proud of you.

Mekatibel Lamb
Silk Grass
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us how you feel about the White Paper.
MS. LAMB: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anythingelse you would like to see us
put into the White Paper?
MS. LAMB: Flag, the Anthem and Prayer, and independence.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Good, that will be it then.

Candida Petillo
17 Sabal Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. PETILLO: Everything, right through to the bone.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now, tell me, would you like to see anythingelse
added?
MS. PETILLO: Yes.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: What are those things?
MS. PETILLO: Anthem, Flag and National Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Candida Petillo, we thank you for coming before
us.

Katherine Garcia
492 Havana Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, how you feel about the White Paper?
MS. GARCIA: I support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Would you like to see anythingelse added to it?
MS. GARCIA: National Prayer, Flag and everything.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Well, Ms. Garcia, we thank you for coming and
giving us some ideas.

Martha Parchu
23 Canal Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now tell us, Ms. Martha, how you feel about the
White Paper?
MS. PARCHU: Gratified.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anythingelse you would like to see
added in the White Paper?

MS. PARCHU:

Our National Prayer, our Blue and White Flag and the Anthem.

C. L. B. ROGERS:

We want to thank you for expressing just clear views before this Committee.

Fidelberto Bol
Silk Grass
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Bol, we would like to know how you feel about the White Paper.

MR. BOL:

I give my full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Bol, is there anything you think should be included?

MR. BOL:

Our National Prayer, Anthem and National Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Fidelberto Bol, we thank you for coming before us and expressing yourself.

Elemencia Garcia
9 Banak Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Tell me, Ms. Garcia, how you feel about the White Paper.

MS. GARCIA:

Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Is there anything else, that you would like to see added?

MS. GARCIA:

National Prayer, Anthem and Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Ms. Garcia, those are very clear views and we appreciate that. Thank you.

Christobal Carpo
1 Mile Stann Creek Valley Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Tell me, Mr. Carpo, what are your views about this White Paper?

MR. CARPO:

I give it my full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Is there any other thing you feel should be added?

MR. CARPO:

National Prayer, Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Carpo, this Committee wish to thank you for your views.

Andrew Eljio
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Eljio, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. ELIJIO: Full support, Sir.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Elijio, do you think anything should be included in it?
MR. ELIJIO: National Prayer, National Anthem and Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Elijio, we would like to thank you for coming before us very clear.

Albert Chavez
27 Tibrose Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Chavez, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. CHAVEZ: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing else you think should be added to the White Paper?
MR. CHAVEZ: The Anthem, Flag and Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Then I want to thank you, Mr. Chavez, for coming up.

Agnes Martinez
Hopkins
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Martinez, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. MARTINEZ: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you feel that anything else should be in the White Paper?
MS. MARTINEZ: Our Prayer, National Anthem and our Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Well, Ms. Martinez, you have given us very clear instructions, thank you.

Martha Morales
25 Sawai Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now, Ms. Martha Morales, how you feel about the White Paper?
MS. MORALEZ: Full support, Blue and White Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Well, you have been very clear before us, we want to thank you for such a clear statement.

Dorothy Miranda
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, Ms. Miranda, how you feel about the White Paper?

MS. MIRANDA: Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anything else you would like to add?

MS. MIRANDA: The Prayer, the Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Miranda, we want to thank you for your views very clear.

Lufina Cayetano
26 Commerce
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Cayetano, tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

MS. CAYETANO: Everything is correct.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing you would like to include?

MS. CAYETANO: No.

C. L. B. ROGERS: Then Ms. Lufina Cayetano, I thank you on behalf of this Committee for such a clear statement.

Adelaide Augustin
9 Isla Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Augustin, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. AUGUSTIN: I support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Would you like to see anything else in there?

MS. AUGUSTIN: NO.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Augustin, we thank you for your support which was so clearly expressed.

Mavis Castillo
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Castillo, tell us how you feel about the White Paper.

MS. CASTILLO: Full support.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there anything else you would want to see in the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: National Prayer, National Anthem, and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Yes, Ms. Castillo, you have given us clear instructions we accept that.

George Ciego
17 Oak St.
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Ciego, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. CIEGO: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anything else should be included?
MR. CIEGO: Anthem, National Prayer and Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Ciego, this committee would like to thank
you for coming up and give us such clearance.
MR. CIEGO: Thank you.

Francisco Montalbo
Silk Grass
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Montalbo, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MR. MONTALBO: Well, I start to read it now, but I want either
one.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Montalbo agrees with it fully. Anything you
MR. MONTALBO: would like to see added to it, Mr. Montalbo?
MR. MONTALBO: No, up to now, no.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Well, we thank you for coming before us.

Filomena Gonzalez
40 Citrus Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Filomena Gonzalez, how do you feel about the
White Paper?
MS. GONZALEZ: Well, it's all right.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: You support it?
MS. GONZALEZ: Yes.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Now, do you think anything else should be added
there?
MS. GONZALEZ: No.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Then, Ms. Filomena Gonzalez, we thank you for
coming up here.

Raymond Palacio
10 Ramos Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us, Mr. Palacio, anything

MR. PALACIO: I have come to support the White Paper.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anything else should be in it?

MR. PALACIO: Anthem, Prayer, Law or Order and Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Palacio, we thank you for coming and giving
us your view.

Merlene Castillo
Hopkins Village
Citizen

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us what you feel about the White Paper.
MS. CASTILLO: Fully support the White Paper.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Are there any other things you would like to include in it?
MS. CASTILLO: Our Flag, our Anthem and Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Merlene Castillo, we want to thank you for coming with such clear views.

Rudolph Coleman
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Coleman, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. COLEMAN: It's all right; I support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Coleman, do you feel that anything else should be added to it?
MR. COLEMAN: Yes. Symbols of Independence; that includes the Anthem, Prayer and the Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: There was something said, that when you have Independence within the
I would support if the Governor-General would be a Belizean.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: That would be a Belizean. Well, thank you for such clear views, Mr. Coleman.

Andrew Miranda
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Miranda, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. MIRANDA: It's good. I support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is there any other thing you would like added to it?
MR. MIRANDA: Symbols of our Country.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: We have as Flag, Anthem, Prayer. Mr. Andrew Miranda, we thank you for making a clear statement before the Committee.

Peter Mark
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Mark, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. MARK:
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

I support everything in it.
Is there anything else you would like to see added to this.

MR. MARK:
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

I support my Flag, Anthem and the Prayer and beg the good Lord to help us all the time.
We need that. I wish to thank you for giving a clear statement before the Committee. Thank you Mr. Mark.

Mr. Francis Zuniga
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:
MR. ZUNIGA:

Mr. Zuniga, how do you feel about the White Paper Full support for it. Including the Belizean National Prayer, Belizean National Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Zuniga, you made a clear statement before the Committee. We appreciate that.

Timotheo Vires
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:
MR. VIRES:
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Mr. Vires, how do you feel about the White Paper I give my full support.
Do you think that anything else should be added to the White Paper?

MR. VIRES:
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

No.
Mr. Vires, we want to thank you for your clear statement. Thank you.

Jane Noralez
8 Penn Road
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:
MS. NORALEZ:
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS:

Now, Ms. Noralez, how do you feel about the White Paper?
I support the White Paper.
Do you feel that anything else should be added to the White Paper?

MS. NORALEZ:

Anthem, Prayer and the Flag.
Ms. Jane Noralez, we wish to thank you for the time you take and with the pain

Godfrey Coleman
Hookins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Godfrey, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. COLEMAN: I am quite satisfied. Fully support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Coleman, do you feel that anything else should
be added to this document?
MR. COLEMAN: No.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Then Mr. Coleman, we thank you very much for your
support.

Mary Palacio
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Palacio, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. PALACIO: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anything else should be added to this
document?
MS. PALACIO: Yes.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: What is it?
MS. PALACIO: National Anthem, National Flag and Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Mary Palacio, I want to thank you for your
clear statement before this Committee. Thank you
very much.

Kent Castillo
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Castillo, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MR. CASTILLO: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you feel that anything else should be added?
MR. CASTILLO: Belizean flag, Belizean Anthem and Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Castillo, I want to thank you on behalf of my
colleagues.

Victor Ventura
Hopkins Village
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Ventura, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MR. VENTURA: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Are there any other things you would like added
to it, Mr. Ventura?
MR. VENTURA: Belizean Flag, Anthem and the Prayer.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: You made a clear statement before the Committee, and we would like to thank you for that.

Santiago Palacio
6 Pine Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Santiago Palacio, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. PALACIO: I support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Are there any other things that you would like to see added to it?

MR. PALACIO: Prayer, Anthem and the Flag.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Palacio, I would like to thank you before this Committee. Thank you very much.

Antonio Blanco
34 Blue Field
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Blanco, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. BLANCO: I support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Mr. Blanco, do you think anything else should be added to it?

MR. BLANCO: Flag, Anthem and Prayer.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Well, Mr. Blanco, thank you very much for coming.

Elly Martinez
St. Vincent Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: How do you feel about this White Paper?

MS. MARTINEZ: I am very proud of it and support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anything else should be added to it?

MS. MARTINEZ: Anthem, Flag and Prayer.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Elly Martinez, thank you very much for your support and said clearly to me.

Veronica Castillo
112 St. Vincent St.
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Castillo, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: I support it.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: You think anything else should be added to it?

MS. CASTILLO: Blue and White Flag, Prayer and Anthem.

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Castillo, I want to thank you for your clear statement.

Ellen Arnold
106 St. Vincent St.
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. ARNOLD: Full support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anything else should be added to it?
MS. ARNOLD: Prayer, Flag and Anthem.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: I'd like to thank you very much, Ms. Arnold, for your support.

Amy Bomilla
21 Rear Pine Street.
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Bomilla, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. BOMILLA: I fully support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Would you like to see anything else added to it?
MS. BOMILLA: Flag, Anthem and Prayer and the independence.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: For such a clear statement, we want to thank you Ms. Bomilla.

Elorine Baltazar
10 Unity Zone
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Elorine Baltazar, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. BALTAZAR: I fully support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Would you like to see anything else added to it?
MS. BALTAZAR: Anthem, National Prayer and our flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: That is a clear statement and I want to thank you for that.
MS. BALTAZAR: Thank you.

Susan Palacio
21 Commerce St.
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Susan, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. PALACIO: Fully support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Is that your views? Is there anything else you think, should be added to the White Paper?
MS. PALACIO: Prayer, Anthem and the Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Susan Palacio, I thank you for such a clear statement before the committee.

Ethel Castillo
27 Banak Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Ethel, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. CASTILLO: I fully support it.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anythingelse should be added?
MS. CASTILLO: Flag, National Anthem and the Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Ethel Castillo, we thank you for your full support.

Lena Lopez
1064 Benguche Area
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Lena, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. LOPEZ: Everything is in order. Fully support.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anythingelse should be added to it?
MS. LOPEZ: The Flag, Anthem and the Prayer.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Lena, I want to thank you for that clear statement.

Henritta Augustin
Seine Bight
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us Ms. Augustin, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. AUGUSTIN: I fully support the White Paper.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anythingelse should be included in the White Paper?
MS. AUGUSTIN: Three more things; Prayer, Anthem and Flag.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Ms. Henritta, you statement was a very clear one and we want to thank you for that clear statement.
MS. AUGUSTIN: Thank you.

Catalina Francisco
34 Banak Street
(Citizen)

HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Tell us how you feel about the White Paper.
MS. FRANCISCO: Full support for the White Paper.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: Do you think anythingelse should be added?
MS. FRANCISCO: Three more things; Flag, Prayer and Anthem.
HON. C. L. B. ROGERS: That's a very clear statement. I thank you for that on behalf of the Committee.

Martin Palacio
8 Penn Road, Benguche Area
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Polonio, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. POLONIO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Is there anything you would like to add?
MR. POLONIO: Flag, Anthem and the Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: I want to thank you for your support that you so clearly stated.

John Escobar
6 Southern Foreshore

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Escobar, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. ESCOBAR: I do agree with it.
CHAIRMAN: Is there anything that you would like to see added to it?
MR. ESCOBAR: The National Anthem, National Prayer and Flag.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Escobar that is a clear statement and for that we want to thank you.

Francisco Almendarez
Unity Zone

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Francisco, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. ALMENDAREZ: I feel happy about it and support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?
MR. ALMENDAREZ: The Flag, the Prayer and the Anthem.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Francisco Almendarez, I want to thank you for making such a clear statement before this committee.

Vicente Alvarez
32 Tubrose St.

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. ALVAREZ: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added?
MS. ALVAREZ: Yes. Our National Prayer, National Anthem and our beautiful flag.
CHAIRMAN: That's a clear statement, Ms. Alvarez, and I would like to thank you on behalf of the Committee.

Josephine Lewis
20 Unity Zone
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Lewis, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MISS LEWIS: I support it. I am happy about it.

CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?

MISS LEWIS: Our National Anthem, freedom, the Flag and the Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: I would like to tell you that we appreciate your clear statement of support. Thank you Ms. Lewis.

Marciana Gamboa
79 Canal St.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Gamboa, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MISS GAMBOA: Full support.

CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added?

MISS GAMBOA: National Anthem, National Prayer and Flag. Independence now!

CHAIRMAN: Miss Gamboa, I wish to thank you on behalf of this committee for your appearance.

Ms. Susan Lopez
671 Pine St.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Susan, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. LOPEZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added?

MS. LOPEZ: National Anthem, National Prayer and Flag.

CHAIRMAN: Miss Susan, I thank you for your statement.

Mr. Ruben Nicascio
28 Commerce Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Nicascio, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. NICASCIO: I support it 100%.

CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?

MR. NICASCIO: The Flag, Anthem and Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Ruben Nicascio, I want to thank you for your statement.

Mrs. Martina Durant
1210 Channs Avenue
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Durant, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MRS. DURANT: I fully support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?
MRS. DURANT: Yes, three more things; the Anthem, Flag and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Well, I want to thank you, Mrs. Durant, for your very clear statement.

Inez Mariano
9 Gumagarugu Rd.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. MARIANO: I fully support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?
MS. MARIANO: Everything is okay.
CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

Agnes Loredo
10 Gumagarugu Rd.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. LOREDO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: What do you think should be added to it?
MS. LOREDO: There is nothing else to be added to it.
CHAIRMAN: Well, Ms. Loredo, we thank you very much for your support.

Miss Vicenta Ramos
8 Gumagarugu Rd.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Ramos, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MISS RAMOS: I feel good about it. I support it.
CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added?
MISS RAMOS: No.
CHAIRMAN: Miss Ramos, we thank you very much.

Jane Castillo
1268 Lakeland
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Jane Castillo, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: I feel good about it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be put into it?
MS. CASTILLO: Nothing else to be added to it.
CHAIRMAN: I thank you, Ms. Castillo, for your support.

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. LINO: I like the White Paper.
CHAIRMAN: Is there anything else you would like added to the
White Paper?
MS. LINO: Blue and White Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Lino, I thank you on behalf of the Committee.

Francis Rhys
44 Sabal Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Rhys, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. RHYS: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Rhys, do you think anything else should be
added to the White Paper?
MR. RHYS: National Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Francis Rhys, we thank you very much for your
support.

Jullian Berradez
28 Channs Avenue
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Jullian, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MS. BERMUDEZ: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Bermudez, do you think anything else should
be added to the White Paper?
MS. BERMUDEZ: Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Julian Bermudez, we thank you for your
support.

Rosa Sabio
1223 Channs Avenue
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Now Ms. Rosa, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MS. SABIO: Full support.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?
MS. SABIO: Yes. The Prayer, the Anthem and the Flag.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Rosa Sabio, we thank you very much.

Ms. Catherine Swazo
1209 Ghanns Avenue
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Swazo, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MISS SWAZO: I am proud of it and support it.
CHAIRMAN: Is there anything else that should be added?
MISS SWAZO: Yes, I have something else; the Anthem, Prayer and Flag.
CHAIRMAN: Miss Swazo, this committee thank you.

Daniella Flores
7 Southern Foreshore
(Citizen).

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Daniella, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. FLORES: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be put in there, like the Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
MS. FLORES: Blue and White.
CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much for your support, Ms. Flores.

Petrona Williams
7 Oak Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. WILLIAMS: I like it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added, like the Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
MS. WILLIAMS: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Petrona Williams, thank you for your support.

Elixia Bernadez
1296 Lakeland
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. BERNARDEZ: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added, like the Flag, the Anthem and the Prayer?
MS. BERNARDEZ: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Bernardez, we thank you very much.

Rosana Apolonio
17 Sabal Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. APOLONIO: I am in favour of it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you want that in there; the flag, Anthem
and Prayer?
MS. APOLONIO: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Apolonio, we thank you for your support.

Leonie Palacio
31 Canal Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MS. PALACIO: It's all right, from (a) to (z), from (1) to
(100), I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added?
MS. PALACIO: Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, this Committee thanks you.

Solomon Cayetano
61 Magoon Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Cayetano, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MR. CAYETANO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Would you like to say anything else?
MR. CAYETANO: No.
CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Cayetano.

Naemi Hemmans
13 Plum Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Hemmans, how do you feel about this White
Paper?
MS. HEMMANS: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added to it?
MS. HEMMANS: Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Naomi Hemmans, we thank you very much.

Pablo Mariano Baltazar
1 Banak St.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Baltazar, how do you feel about the White
Paper?

MR. BALTAZAR: Genuine after it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added to it?
MR. BALTAZAR: I don't think so. I think everything is going on
right.
CHAIRMAN: What about the Flag, and the Anthem and the
Prayer, would you like to see that in here?
MR. BALTAZAR: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Pablo Baltazar, thank you for coming.

Nicholasa Flores
16 Emory Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Miss Nicholasa, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MISS FLORES: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added to it?
MISS FLORES: No.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Nicholasa, we thank you very much.

Mrs. Marcelina Garcia & Simon Garcia
63 Pine Street
(Citizens)

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Garcia, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MRS. GARCIA: We support it.
CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should go into it, the
National Anthem Prayer and Flag?
MRS. GARCIA: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Garcia, we thank you very much.

Frilia Francisco
113 St. Vincent Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Francisco, how do you feel about the White
Paper?
MS. FRANCISCO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Anything else? You want your flag in there, and
your Anthem and Prayer?
MS. FRANCISCO: Yes.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Frilia, thank you very much.

Simon & Francisca Arana
Lakeland (Citizens)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Arana, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MR. ARANA: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Do you think anything else should be added to the White Paper?
MR. ARANA: The Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
CHAIRMAN: Mr. Arana, I want to thank you for your clear statement before this Committee.

Lucille Aranda
#2 Mangrove Road
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Aranda, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. ARANDA: I am proud of it.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Aranda, do you think anything else should go in; like your Flag, Anthem and Prayer?
MS. ARANDA: Everything.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Aranda, this Committee sincerely thank you for your clear statement.

Jeronima Vicente
15 Pine Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Vicente, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. VICENTE: Full support to my back-bone.
CHAIRMAN: You think anything else should be added to it?
MS. VICENTE: Everything! Prayer, Flag and Anthem.
CHAIRMAN: Ms. Vicente, we thank you very much for your support.

Dominica Santino
1071 Benguche Area
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Santino, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. SANTINO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Would you like anything else added?
MS. SANTINO: No.
CHAIRMAN: Well, Ms. Santino, we thank you very much.

Jacinta Lino
493 Havana Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Lino, how do you feel about the White Paper?
MS. LINO: I support it.
CHAIRMAN: Would you like to add anything else?

MS. LLINO:

No.

CHAIRMAN:

This Committee thank you for your clear statement.

Petronilla Escobar
6 Southern Foreshore
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Escobar, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MRS. ESCOBAR:

I support it with all my heart.

CHAIRMAN:

Would you like anythingelse added to it?

MR. ESCOBAR:

Yes, the National Anthem, the National Prayer and the Flag.

CHAIRMAN:

Mrs. Petronilla Escobar, we thank you for your clear statement.

Vicenta Rodriguez
56 Canal Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Vicenta, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. RODRIGUEZ:

I want the Flag, Prayer, and independence. I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Rodriguez, we thank you very much.

Santa Castillo
22 Polak Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Castillo, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

You think anythingelse should be added?

MS. CASTILLO:

No. It's okay.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Castillo, we thank you very much for your support.

Felix Almandarez
16 Oak Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Almandarez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. ALMANDAREZ:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you think anythingelse should be added to it?

MR. ALMANDAREZ:

Nothingelse should be added.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Almandarez, we thank you very much for your support.

Joyce Williams
34 Polak Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Joyce, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. WILLIAMS:

I support the White Paper?

CHAIRMAN:

You think anythingelse should be added?

MS. WILLIAMS:

The Anthem, the Flag and the Prayer.

CHAIRMAN:

I want to thank you for your clear statement.

Esteline Castillo
8 Zirecote St.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Castillo, do you support the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO:

Yes, I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you think anythingelse should be added?

MS. CASTILLO:

No.

CHAIRMAN:

Then we thank you very much for your support.

Ms. Francisca Apolonio
Silk Grass
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Do you support the White Paper?

MS. APOLONIO:

Yes.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you think anythingelse should be added?

MS. APOLONIO:

No.

CHAIRMAN:

Okay, Ms. Francisca Apolonio, we thank you for your support.

Amancio Butero
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CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Butero, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. BUTERO:

I support the White Paper?

CHAIRMAN:

Do you think anythingelse should be added to it?

MR. BUTERO:

Flag, Anthem and the Prayer.

CHAIRMAN:

Thank you, Mr. Butero.

Elojia Caliz
44 Cedar Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Caliz, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CALIZ:

I support it. I want it new.

CHAIRMAN:
MR. CALIZ:
CHAIRMAN:

Do you think anything else should be added?
Flag, Anthem and Prayer.
Ms. Caliz, we thank you for your straight-
forward statement.

Jane Palacio
79 Canal Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:
MS. PALACIO:
CHAIRMAN:

How do you feel about the White Paper?
I support it.
You think anything else should be added? What
about the Flag, Anthem and Prayer?
Everything.
Ms. Jane, we thank you for your support.

Dina Sabal
48 Unity Zone
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:
MS. SABAL:
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MS. SABAL:
CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Sabal, do you support the White Paper?
With whole heart and soul.
What about your flag, anthem and prayer, do
you want them in there?
I want it in the White Paper.
Ms. Sabal, I thank you for your straightforward
statement.

Peter Susuga
1340 Lakeland
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:
MR. SUSUGA:

Mr. Peter Susuga, how do you feel about the
White Paper?
I would like to add to the introduction
(Preamble) no one or group or organization
Minister or Ministers, individuals, to make or
cause to make this country a Republic, Socialist
State, Communist State or a part of Guatemala.
The history is to remain as it is; the official
language of English. The Governor-General to
be appointed by the Prime Minister and Leader
of the Opposition. The Senators be appointed
by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the
Opposition.

CHAIRMAN:
MR. SUSUGA:

Anything else, Mr. Susuga?
Yes. This Advisory Council, I would like the
Supreme Court to be the custodian of the Law.

MR. SUSUGA:

A Minister who is not a member of the House should not address. No bills to be introduced in the Senate.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you support the White Paper, otherwise, with the amendments?

MR. SUSUGA:

Yes

CHAIRMAN:

Thank you, Mr. Susuga.

Gerald Daniel
20 Gumagarugu Road
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Daniel, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. DANIEL:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you have anything you wish to add?

MR. DANIEL:

Everything is alright.

CHAIRMAN:

Do you want the Anthem, Prayer and Flag?

MR. DANIEL:

Yes.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Daniel, thank you for coming before us.

Waldin Myvett
7 Gumagarugu Road
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Myvett, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. MYVETT:

I have no dispute about it. I support.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Myvett, do you have anything you want to add?

MR. MYVETT:

No.

CHAIRMAN:

Thank you very much for coming before us.

Austin Myvett
79 Sawai Street
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

How do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. MYVETT:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Is there anything you would like to add?

MR. MYVETT:

No.

CHAIRMAN:

Thank you Mr. Myvett.

Lucille Elijio
5 St. Vincent St.
(Citizen)

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Lucille, what do you think of the White Paper?

Lucille Elijo, 5 St. Vincent Street (citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Lucille, what do you think of the White Paper?

MS. ELIJO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Anything you would like to add?

MS. ELIJO: The flag, Belizean Anthe, and the Belizean Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Ms. Elijo.

Jemott Raymond Mejia, 1313 Lakeland (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Mejia, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. MEJIA: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Anythingelse you would like to add?

MR. MEJIA: No.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

ANTONIO MARTINEZ R., 1½ Mile Stann Creek Valley Road (citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Do you support the White Paper?

MR. MARTINEZ: Yes.

CHAIRMAN: Would you like to see your flag, Anthem and your Prayer in it?

MR. MARTINEZ: Yes.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Martinez, we thank you very much.

Julia Bonillo, 25 Pine Street (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Julia Bonillo, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. BONILLO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Would you like to see your flag, Anthem and Prayer in it?

MS. BONILLO: Yes.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Ms. Bonillo.

Ofelia Alvarez, 18 Church Street (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Do you support the White Paper?

MS. ALVAREZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Tell me, is there anythingelse you want added to this?

MS. ALVAREZ: Flag, Anthem and Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

Epiphania Baltazar, 1125 Benguche Area (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Do you support the White Paper?

MS. BALTAZAR: I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN: Would you like to see anything added, like your flag, Anthem and Prayer?

MS. BALTAZAR: Yes, all of them.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Epiphania Baltazar, thank you very much.

Hilda Lewis, 1125 Benguche Area (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Hilda, do you support the White Paper?

MS. LEWIS: Yes.

CHAIRMAN: Would you like to see your flag, your Anthem and your Prayer in it?

MS. LEWIS: Yes.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Ms. Lewis, for your support.

Bonifo Martinez, 78 Sawai Street (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Martinez, do you support the White Paper?

MR. MARTINEZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Would you like to see anything else added to it?

MR. MARTINEZ: No.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Martinez, thank you for your support.

Otilia Gomez, 19 Ramos Road (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. GOMEZ: I support it. I like everything.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Otilia, we thank you very much.

Cladio Lewis, 1125 Benguche Area (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: You support the White Paper?

MR. LEWIS: Everything.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Lewis.

Francisco Miguel, 17 Ghanns Avenue (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. MIGUEL: Todo (everything). Full support.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Francisco Miguel, we thank you for your support.

Thomas Smith, Plum Street (Blanco Yard) (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Thomas, thank you very much for your support.

Julia Castillo, Lakeland (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CASTILLO: I accept it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Julia Castillo, we thank you very much for your support.

Violet Johnson, 322 Citron Street (Citizen) -

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Violet, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. JOHNSON: I support it with all my heart.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Violet Johnson, this committee thank you very much for coming.

Agnes Nolberto, #4 Moho Road (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Agnes Moho, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MRS. NOLBERTO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Anything else you would like to see in it?

MRS. NOLBERTO: I think the Prayer, Anthem and Flag and also a pledge for the schools.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Agnes Moho, we thank you very much. It was a clear statement.

Ms. Adriana Baltazar, #1 Banak Street (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Baltazar, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MRS. BALTAZAR: Everything is okay; all the way. I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Adriana Baltazar, thank you very much for coming.

Pearlene Jones, 9 Pineapple Street (Citizen)

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Pearline, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. JONES: I fully support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Pearlene Jones, we want to thank you for your support.

Helen Sambula
6 Southern Foreshore

SAMBULA:

I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN:

Helen I would like to thank you for coming before this Committee. Thank You.

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Helen Arzu
46 Magoon Street

ARZU:

I think the White Paper is suitable for us.

CHAIRMAN:

Miss Ellen Arzu, my job is to thank you for coming before this Committee. Thank you.

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Marie Zabaneh
7 Pier Road

CHAIRMAN:

How do you feel about the White Paper.

ZABANEH:

I agree with some parts of it. Independence will be a good thing. I don't have any objection but I only meant to ask about security after Independence. Do you mean we will be supported by England, after we get Independence?

CHAIRMAN:

Security is not in the Constitution but the way it will be done will be negotiated with the British. They are here already, and they are the ones who will have to stay until we build up our forces and make alliances with other people.
Thank you for your support.

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Rita Figueroa
16 Oak Street

FIGUEROA:

I support the White Paper.

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Dorothy K. Flowers
20 Magoon Street

FLOWERS:

I support the White Paper.

Olla Flores
1196 Benguche Area

FLORES:

I support the White Paper. A good job.

Dionicio Joseph
36 Gumagarruga

JOSEPH:

I feel happy about the White Paper.

Dolores Mejia
20 Sala Road

MEJIA:

I support everything in the White Paper.

Albert Lucas
15 Yampa Street

LUCAS:

With all my heart, I support the White Paper.

Florentino Alvarez
No. 3 Southern Foreshore

ALVAREZ:

I feel happy about the White Paper.

George Sabal
Dangriga Pen Road

SABAL:

A thousand times I support the White Paper.

Yvonne Lewis
No. 4 Grapefruit Road

LEWIS:

I feel proud about the White Paper.

Braulio Flowers
Dangriga

FLOWERS:

I support the White Paper.

Alice Lamby
33 Oak Street

ALICE LAMBY:

The White Paper is for us, I support
progress.

Carmen Hyde
32 Cedar Street

HYDE:

What I don't understand is Secure
Independence.

ROGERS:

Where do you find that?

MUSA:

She wants to know what it is.

ROGERS:

I want to know where it is.

HYDE:

To be more specific and not to waste time,
I was speaking to Hon. McKoy and he told
us, it doesn't mention security. I have
looked through it and I agree with it.

ROGERS:

This is the terms of a proposed Constitution
and one of the first Preambles is the Rights
of people. The defence part of it is out-
side the Constitution; something that has
to arrange separately and we'll be making
known the moment it is arranged. But I
don't think you'll find it in there. These
are only the proposed terms of the
Constitution. Thank you for coming and for
telling us you read the document.

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Carrie Boddan
5 Moho Road

BODDEN:

First of all, what do you mean by political
independence and economic independence.

CHAIRMAN:

Miss Boddan, the matter we are dealing with
here is really the terms of the Constitution.
We passed the stage of Independence. The
Constitution is rightly the rules of the
game for the new Belize. Political
Independence is the right to act without
anybody else telling you how to act. The
freedom just as individual freedom; the
freedom to travel; you can leave Belize,

you can come back to Belize, that kind of freedom which political independence means; the rest of freedom which we do not have in foreign affairs that will come.

CHAIRMAN:

Next question, please?

Mr. Carl Ramos
127 Commerce Street

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Ramos will you appear as a Representative or as a Citizen?

RAMOS:

On behalf of the People's United Party.

CHAIRMAN:

Tell us what you have in mind.

You could read it or I can read it:

"On behalf of the People's United Party to the Joint Select Committee I take this opportunity to support the White Paper, our Belizean Anthem to be included, the National Prayer, our Belizean Flag and for the Belizean Anthem to be sung in all schools, both Secondary and Primary and also at all official ceremonies with due respect from all its citizens.

Carl Ramos, Secretary
P.U.P. Dangriga

CHAIRMAN:

I tender the document. Next citizen.

Calistro Caliz
36 Banak Street

CHAIRMAN:

Do you appear as a Citizen?

CALIZ:

I appear as a citizen of Dangriga, of Belize. As a Garifuna. Is that a copy of the White Paper? Can I have a copy.

CHAIRMAN:

What would you like to tell us about it?

CALIZ:

This is the same White Paper that the Minister spoke of over the radio sometime Friday?

CHAIRMAN:

This is the same White Paper issued by the Government of Belize. Only White Paper exists. If you look at the top of the White Paper there can be no doubt issued by the Government of Belize.

CALIZ:

As a Garifuna I have to say, liberty and freedom in this country of Belize since the arrival of 160 years ago of our ancestors, I stand here to give my opinion on the propose Constitution of an Independent Belize. First of all, that clause in the new constitution, be formulated in the new constitution that an independent Belize will remain a member of the British Commonwealth. Two, that a clause in the new Constitution be formulated that an Independent Belize will never be a communist or a socialist republic. That it be formulated in the New Constitution that Belize remain for Belizeans and intact.

CHAIRMAN:

Next person.

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Carlos Sabal
494 Havana Street

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Sabal, how do you feel about the White Paper?

SABAL:

I am satisfied and I support the White Paper.

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Ferreiro Diego
1316 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Diego how do you feel about the
White Paper?

DIEGO:

I feel good, good.

Porfilio Rooches
33 Front Street

CHAIRMAN:

How do you feel about the White Paper?

ROOCHES:

I support it a hundred per cent.

Thomas Diego
28 Pen Road

CHAIRMAN:

How do you

DIEGO:

All right, all the way.

Inocente Lopez
Lakeland

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Lopez, how you feel

LOPEZ:

I feel a hundred per cent.

Marie Andrews
Silk Grass

CHAIRMAN:

How do you feel?

ANDREWS:

After reading it carefully I do support
it fully but I am disturbed because the
symbols of Independence are not included,
meaning the Belizean National Anthem, the
Belizean National Flag and the National
Prayer. I also commend government for
preparing such document for the Independence
of Belize in the near future. I thank You.

Albert Nolberto
4 Moho Road

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Albert Nolberto, how do you feel
about the White Paper?

NOLBERTO:

A Hundred per cent, I support it.

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Simon Bomillo
595 Pine Street

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Bomillo, how do you.....

BOMILLO:

I have been waiting for it a long time
Sir, oh yes.

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Adosto Ciego
52 Ramos Road

CHAIRMAN:

What are your views about the White Paper?

CIEGO:

My views about the White Paper is that I
support the White Paper Sir. All the way.

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Morris C. Flores
1196 Benguche Area

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Flores, what do you think about the
White Paper?

FLORES:

In my favour, in our favour.

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Albert Arzu Sr.
46 St. Vincent Street

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Arzu, your comments on the White Paper
Please.

ARZU:

I am not supporting the White Paper which
deals with my Constitution without making
what I consider, adequate amendm nts. On
page 5 Section 4 (5) This right to freedom
of expression shall include the right of
citizens to operate private newspapers,
magazines, radio stations, television
stations, subject only to regulations
necessary for orderly operations.

Page 8 Section 14. A Belizean citizen should lose his citizenship by renunciation and by no other cause. He should retain his citizenship unless he specifically indicates he no longer wants such citizenship.

CHAIRMAN:

That means you can be a Guatemalan and a Belizean.

ARZU:

No man, wait, wait.

CHAIRMAN:

There is no difference, if you are saying that the only way to lose his citizenship it means that if the Belizean carrying a Guatemalan Passport or nationality, he can't lose his Belizean citizenship because he hasn't renounced it. Just think carefully before you put the question.

ARZU:

The Belizean can lose his citizenship by renunciation and by no other cause.

CHAIRMAN:

That means he can be both a Guatemalan and a Belizean. You are proposing that.

ARZU:

I am proposing that.

CHAIRMAN:

You are proposing that. All right.

ARZU:

Page 12 Section 33. Change name to Belize Council of State. The Belize Council of State shall be comprised of three categories of membership as follows:

- (a) Any person who since the advent of self-government has had advocated the office of Premier, Deputy Premier, Minister of Cabinet, Leader of the Opposition and Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Former Speaker of the House of Representatives and former President of the Senate;
- (b) Any Belizean who has office of Chief Justice, Puisne Judge, Judge of Court of Appeals, Registrar

General, Attorney-at-law with status of Senior Counsel. (c) Ten other persons not below the age of Thirty, appointed by the Governor-General, six on the advice of the Premier and four on the advice of the Leader of the Opposition. The Governor-General shall be Chairman and three members from each category constitute the quorum; we are suggesting broader council of state; a broader ministry following the suggestions.

MUSA:

Will that be practical, look at (b)?

ARZU:

Well, it is a suggestion coming from me.

CHAIRMAN:

Go ahead Mr. Arzu.

ARZU:

Thirty-three. There shall be a Judicial Committee of the Council of State which shall comprise of the councillors of state under category (b) and such other councillors who are attorneys-at-law.

Page 13 Section 41. Each member of the House should represent not less than one thousand five hundred nor more than three thousand voters. There should be a Boundaries Commission of the House to supervise the establishment of constituencies. Page 14 Section 44 should be amended to read:

A Person shall be qualified to be elected to be a member of the House of Representatives or be appointed as a member of the Senate if he is a Belizean citizen 18 years old or over and has lived in Belize before the date of his nomination or election and is able to speak and read and write the English Language.

Section 17 Page 58. A vote of three quarters of the membership of each House of the National Assembly should be required for amendments of any provisions in the Constitution. Amendments of entrenchment clauses should require in addition a referendum under the Jamaica formula. No amendment shall be made to this constitution to provide that Belize shall be a one-party state. The right to form and join a political party shall be entrenched in this constitution as a Human Right. Page 17 Section 59. Standing Orders shall among other matters make provisions for the following: (a) the right of members to move motions and to speak on such motions at the time of presentation; (b) Requiring the Chairman of each committee to submit monthly progress report as Sessional Papers on all Bills, Motions and other matters pending before his committee together with reasons explaining why there has been a delay of more than one month in reporting back on any such bills, motions or other matters to the House. That the Leaders of the Opposition or someone appointed by him shall be Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee shall contain a majority of members for the Opposition Party. (b) That when a Minister introduces a Bill for the first reading he shall at the same time lay a copy of such bill on the table.

Page 19 Section 73. (a) A bi-election to fill any vacancy in the House of Representatives created by death resignation, death or otherwise of the member shall be held within six weeks when such vacancy occurs. Provided no bi-election shall be held if such vacancy occurs less than three before the life of the Assembly is due to expire by operation of the law. Page 20 Section 77. The question of the removal of the Judge be referred to Her Majesty the Queen to the Judicial Committee of Council of the Crown. Page 21 Section 80. The question of the removal of the Judge of the Court of Appeal shall be referred to her Majesty the Queen of the Judicial Committee of the Council of State. Page 21 Section 82. The term "Her Majesty the Queen in Council" is understood in this context to mean Privy Council in England. Perhaps this should be clearly stated. Page 22, Section 84. The removal of the Director of Public Prosecutions shall be referred to the Judicial Committee of the Council of State. Page 23, Section 89. And all other sections dealing with appointments to be made by the Governor-General on the advice of the Prime Minister should include the following proviso: Providing that the Prime Minister shall not present the names of any person the Governor-General for appointment unless his nomination of that person has been ratified by the Joint Committee on appointment of the House of Representatives and the Senate and by positive vote of

both Houses.

MR. ARZU:

Page 24, Section 91. Appeals on matter relating to Public Service shall lie with the Council of State.

Page 26, Section 98. The question on the removal of the Auditor General shall lie with the Council of state. Page 26, Section 100; Council of State shall be included in this section. See that no guilt shall be passed to all its stages on the same day except with unanimous consent of all members present.

CHAIRMAN:

What is it you wish to say?

MR. ARZU:

Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN:

You are not commenting on the proposals and that's what we are here for. Any questions, members?

MUSA:

Mr. Arzu mentioned something about a referendum on the Jamaican family, what do you mean?

ARZU:

That is for you people to look into when you are dealing with it.

MUSA:

I don't know. When the referendum of Jamaica.....

ARZU:

If you are going to give clear look at that and you want to accept some amendments there, you might look what I'm saying.

CHAIRMAN:

Thank you for your comments, Mr. Arzu.

Josephine Gamboa
19 Unity Zone

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Gamboa, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. GAMBOA:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Gamboa, this Committee wants to thank you for coming and support the White Paper.

Dolores Antonio
1264 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Antonio, how do you feel about the White Paper?

ANTONIO:

Everything is okay with me. I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Dolores Antonio, this committee thanks you for your support.

Martha Henry
36 Unity Zone

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Henry, how do you feel about the White Paper?

HENRY:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Martha Henry, we thank you for that support which was made so clearly.

Bernadette Locario
31 Yampa Street

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Locario, how do you feel about the White Paper?

LOCARIO:

Happy about it.

CHAIRMAN:

You support. Ms. Locario, this committee thank you very much for coming here this evening.

Edith Lino
2 Breadfruit Road

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Lino how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. LINO:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Edith Lino, I want to thank you for coming here this evening.

Apolonio Cardenas
3 Moho Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Cardenas, how do you feel about the White Paper?

CARDENAS: I support it. I want the flag, Anthem, and Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Cardenas, we thank you for this.

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Tomasita Caballero
2 Gumagarugu Road

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about the White Paper?

CABALLERO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Tomasita Caballero, we thank you very much for your support.

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Mathri Gomez
7 Rice Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Mathri Gomez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

GOMEZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Gomez, this committee thank you for coming.

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Jane Martinez
78 Savai Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Jane, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MARTINEZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Jane Martinez, thank you for your clear support.

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Mauricia Caliz
595 Pine Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Caliz, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. CALIZ: I support it, wholly and soully.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Caliz, this committee thank you for coming here and expressed yourself.

Simeon Sebastian
16 Citron Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sebastian, what do you feel about the White Paper?

SEBASTIAN: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: You feel that anything else should be added to it?

SEBASTIAN: The flag, the Anthem and the National Prayer.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sebastian, this committee thank you for coming here.

Isabel Flores
78 Sawai Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Isabel, how do you feel about the White Paper?

FLORES: Forward, I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Isabel Flores, this committee takes great pleasure in giving you thanks.

Cecil J. Ciego
51 Mahogany Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Cecil, how do you feel about the White Paper?

CIEGO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Cecil, this committee wants to thank you for coming here to support the White Paper.

Mrs. Isabela Avilez
1133 Benguche Area

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Isabel, how do you feel about the White Paper?

AVILEZ: Full support.

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Avilez, we want to thank you for coming here to support it.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Ciego
17 Plum Street

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Ciego, what do you feel about the White Paper?

MRS. CIEGO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Ciego, this committee wish to thank you for your support.

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Allan Partis, Sr.
47 Front Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Partis, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MR. PARTIS: I support it a hundred per cent.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Partis, this committee wants to thank you for making a lot of trouble of coming here to state your support so clearly.

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Terrence Olivas
31 Cedar Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Olivas, how do you feel about the White Paper?

OLIVAS: Support a hundred per cent.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Olivas, thank you for your support.

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Cynthia Palacio
10 Ramos Road

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MS. PALACIO: Satisfied, support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, on behalf of the committee I wish to thank you very much for coming here.

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Marie Palacio
29 Canal Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Marie Palacio, how do you feel about
the White Paper?

PALACIO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Marie Palacio, this committee wish to
thank you.

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Eldridge A Nuñez
23 Yampa Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Nuñez, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

NUÑEZ: I want all P.U.P., I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Nuñez, this committee wish to thank you.

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Martha Bomillo
595 Pine Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Martha, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

BOMILLO: Everything is fine, I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Martha, I want to tell you that this
committee thank you for coming.

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Mrs. Frances Nuñez
596 A Bluefield Pine Street

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Frances, how do you feel about this?

NUÑEZ: Support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Nuñez, we want to thank you for
coming here and support the White Paper.

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Lurleen Caliz
129 Sawai Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Caliz, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

MS. CALIZ: Oh yes, I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Caliz, we would like to thank you
for coming here this afternoon.

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Mrs. Victoria Rivas
49 Cedar Street

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Rivas, what do you feel about the
White Paper?

RIVAS: I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Rivas, this committee would like to
thank you for coming before it.

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Victor L. Flores
Block 575 Stann Creek Valley Road

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Flores, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

FLORES: I support it a hundred per cent.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Flores, this committee would like
to thank you for coming before it and
state your support.

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Gustavo Palacio
21 Magoon Street

CHAIRMAN: How do you feel about this White Paper?

PALACIO: I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Palacio, this committee wish to thank
you for coming before us.

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Maximo Flores
13 Channs Avenue

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Flores, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

FLORES: Support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Flores, this committee thank you
for coming before it.

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Dorothy Palacio
26 Polak Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

PALACIO: Support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Palacio, this committee would like to
thank you for making time to come out here.

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Laurie Marin
14 Magoon Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Marin, how you feel about the White
Paper?

MARIN: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Marin, that is a clear statement that
you made before this committee. The
committee would like to thank you for
coming before it.

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Crecentacion Valerio
90 Sawai Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Valerio, how do you feel about the
White Paper?

VALERIO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: This committe wish to tell you how
grateful we are for coming before it.

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Gregorio Swazo
612 Malinda Road

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gregorio, what do you feel about
the White Paper?

SWAZO: I support it a hundred percent, and I
want to add in the flag, the prayer and
the anthem.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gregorio, I want to thank you on
behalf of the Committee.

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Odeillon Arzu
120 Grapefruit Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Arzu, how do you feel about the White Paper?

ARZU: Support it.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Arzu, this committee would like to thank you for taking the time out to come before it.

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Salomi Ramirez
29 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Ramirez, what do you think of the White Paper?

RAMIREZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Salomi Ramirez, this committee wish to thank you for coming before it.

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Katherine Martinez
1295 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Martinez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

MARTINEZ: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Katherine Martinez, this committee wish to thank you for coming before it.

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Mrs. Balbina Ramirez
21 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Ramirez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

RAMIREZ: I believe this book will bring happiness to everybody. I Support.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you Mrs. Ramirez for coming.

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Miss Martha Marin
29 Canal Street

CHAIRMAN: Miss Martha Marin, how you feel about the
White Paper?

MARIN: From the bottom of my heart, I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Martha, we thank you.

Ignacia Garcia
1279 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Garcia, how you feel about the White
Paper?

GARICA: I'm ready to achieve the goal that this
paper read.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Garcia, this committee wish to thank
you.

Francisco Diego
33 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Could you tell us how you feel about the
White Paper?

DIEGO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Diego, I would like to extend the
thanks of this committee, for coming
before it.

Gregoria Lucas
1480 Unity Zone

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Lucas, how you feel about the White
Paper?

LUCAS: I support it with all my family.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you for that support. The committee
wish to extend their thanks to you.

Tintimo Arana
16 Lakeland

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Arana, how you feel about the
White Paper?

ARANA: A Hundred Percent support.

CHAIRMAN: This committee wish to thank you and I do
so on their behalf.

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Seyford Cayetano
26 Commerce Street

CHAIRMAN: What do you think of the White Paper?

CAYETANO: Support it a hundred percent.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much Mr. Cayetano.

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Margaret Palacio
27 Tibose Street

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Margaret Palacio, how you feel about
the White Paper?

PALACIO: I support it.

CHAIRMAN: Ms. Margaret, thank you very much for your
support.

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Mateo Castillo
27 Tibose Street

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Castillo, what you think of the White
Paper?

CASTILLO: I support it a million times.

CHAIRMAN: We want to give you a million thanks from
this committee.

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Leonides Morales
Melinda Road

CHAIRMAN: Mr. Morales, how you feel about the
White Paper?

NORALES: Good with me. I support.

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Leonides Norales, this committee wish to thank you for your support.

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Victoria Servio
71 Magoon Street

CHAIRMAN:

Miss Victoria Servio, how you feel about the White Paper?

SERVIO:

I support the White Paper.

CHAIRMAN:

This committee would like to thank you for support in the White Paper.

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Miss Leonie Nuñez .
1033 Benguche Area

CHAIRMAN:

Miss Nuñez, this White Paper, how do you feel about it.

NUÑEZ:

I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

Miss Nuñez, the Joint Committee would like to thank you for your support.

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Charles Lopez
488 Havana Street

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Lopez, how do you feel about the White Paper?

LOPEZ:

Support it.

CHAIRMAN:

This Joint Select Committee would like to thank you.

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Clothilda Blanco
1032 Benguche Area

CHAIRMAN:

Ms. Blanco, how you feel about the White Paper?

BLANCO:

It will bring better for everyone, I support it.

CHAIRMAN:

We thank you, Ms. Blanco, on behalf of the Committee.

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