THE RODRIGUES REGIONAL ASSEMBLY (AMENDMENT) BILL

(No. XXIII of 2006)

Explanatory Memorandum

The object of this Bill is to amend the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act 2001 –

- (a) vest back the aerodrome at Plaine Corail, Rodrigues, to the State;
- (b) amend section 59 thereof in order to give to the Rodrigues Regional Assembly the discretion to appoint a Committee of the whole Assembly, or other Committees as it thinks fit.

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- 4. Section 59 of principal Act amended
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A BILL

To amend the Rodrigues Regional Assembly Act 2001

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows –

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Rodrigues Regional Assembly (Amendment) Act 2006.

2. Interpretation

In this Act -

"principal Act" means the Rodrigues Regional Act 2001.

3. New Section 54A added to principal Act

54A. Vesting back of aerodrome at Plaine Corail

- (1) Notwithstanding section 54, the undertaking of the Government relating to the aerodrome at Plaine Corail, Rodrigues, and specified in the Civil Aviation (Transfer of Undertaking) (Rodrigues) Act 2001, transferred to the Rodrigues Assembly in the manner specified in section 54 shall, with effect from the coming into operation of this section, vest back in the State.
- (2) This section shall not affect the operation of sections 54(b) and 55 in respect of the undertaking referred to in subsection (1) for period between their coming into operation until the coming into operation of this section.

4. Section 59 of principal Act amended

Section 59 of the principal Act is amended –

- (a) by repealing subsection (5) and replacing it by the following subsection -
 - (5) The Regional Assembly may appoint, with or without delegated powers of the Assembly -
 - (a) a Committee of the whole Assembly; and
 - (b) such other Committee as it thinks fit.
- (b) by repealing subsection (6).

5. Sixth Schedule to principal Act repealed

The principal Act is amended by repealing the Sixth Schedule.

6. Consequential amendment

Section 3 of the Civil Aviation (Transfer of Undertaking) (Rodrigues) Act 2001 is amended in subsection (1), by adding after the words "vest in the Company", the words "in consideration of 99.99% of the shares of the Company being owned by the Government of Mauritius".