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FROM: Permanent Secretary,
Public Service Ministry

TO: All Permanent Secretaries,
Heads of Departments and
Regional Executive Officers

SUBJECT: May Week Activities.

DATE: 11th April, 1980.

Labour Day, Thursday, 1st May, 1980, a National Holiday is fast approaching. As customary, the Guyana Trades Union Congress is focusing its attention on the celebrations for "May Week" – 1980. To this end, an organizing Committee comprising representatives of the Public Sector and other organizations have been meeting to finalize arrangements with the sole objective of generating maximum interest and participation of workers in general.

2. The May Week celebrations will commence on Sunday 27th April, 1980 at 4.00 p.m. with a Wreath Laying Ceremony at the statue of the late Hubert Nathaniel Critchlow in the Parliament Buildings Compound. There will be several speakers at this ceremony where affiliates of the Trades Union Congress and other representative organizations will pay tributes. Public Servants are urged to attend this ceremony to which the general public is also being invited.
3. The highlight of the week of celebrations, however, will be the activities on May Day itself, when rallies will be held throughout the country. In this connection, Public Servants are requested to make a special effort to participate in the march around the city of Georgetown.
4. Information pertaining to the assembly points and departure times, as well as the entire route of the march on May Day will be published through the media of radio and press. Workers who are members of organized Unions are asked to march under the banner of their respective Unions. Those persons who are not members of Unions as such, are also expected to participate fully in the Workers Day Parade which will culminate at the National Park where addresses will be given by leading members of the community. The Cde. Prime Minister will also deliver the traditional feature address.
5. Permanent Secretaries and Heads of Departments are asked to co-operate in the May Day exercises by identifying a suitable officer within each Ministry/Department who will assist in coordinating the mobilization of all workers so as to ensure the overall success of these events.

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for Permanent Secretary.