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SCHOOL BUS OPERATORS – REPRESENTATIONS

(No. B/1471) **Mrs L. D. Dookun-Luchoomun (Third Member for La Caverne & Phoenix)** asked the Minister of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport & Shipping whether, in regard to the school bus operators, he will state if he has received representations therefrom in relation to the time at which they will have to pick up students from schools as from January 2009.

Mr Bachoo: Mr Speaker, Sir, concern was expressed by bus operators at meetings held at my Ministry and the Ministry of Education, Culture & Human Resources, regarding the extension of school hours as from January 2009.

The matter is being looked into, with a view to finding a solution.

Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun: Mr Speaker, Sir, may I ask the hon. Minister whether he has received representations or not?

Mr Bachoo: Mr Speaker, Sir, I have received a letter from the bus owners. My colleague, the hon. Minister of Education, and I had a few meetings, and we are looking into all the intricacies. But, I can assure the House that we will see to it that all our students get their bus in time.