

COS REMARKS – REMEMBRANCE DAY (SUN NOV 10, 2013)

Honourable Prime Minister Mr Samuel Hinds, Brigadier Ret'd David Granger, Leader of the Opposition, President of the Guyana legion Mr Duncan Stuart, General Secretary of the Guyana Legion Mr Kingsley Nelson, Past President Colonel Ret'd Carl Morgan, Distinguish Guests, all.

First let me acknowledge the presence of the World War Two veterans who are still with us today. Also, I am told that we have a total of twenty-nine WW2 Veterans in Guyana. To you our veterans, today we enjoy relative peace in our country and the world and the opportunity to pursue social and economic development through our democratic process because of your service and sacrifice over 60 years ago.

Also, I am taking this opportunity of our Remembrance Day Observance today to compliment the leadership and the young and not so young members of the Guyana Legion for their work on the welfare issues of our surviving WW2 veterans. On behalf of the Disciplined Services – GDF, GPF, GFS, GPS, City Constabulary – I am pledging once again our continued support for the work of the Guyana Legion. The commitment – “We shall remember them” is indeed better than the caution “Lest we forget”. I assure therefore that we will continue to remember our veterans, for their service and sacrifice during WW2.