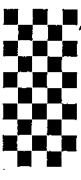


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ATTACHMENT:

Guyana is an emerging democracy after 28 years of an undemocratic regime. Its experiences are recent and it has had to make quantum leaps in regards to restoring and institutionalizing democracy at all levels. It is still at a fragile stage but

This reform process removed what was popularly known as "the imperial powers" in

Executive President and created a formidable role for the Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly stipulating that the post holder had to be meaningfully

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The experience of Guyana is instructive from the following perspectives:

i) The Consultative Process

The notable size and process of involvement encompassed two aspects

(a) large numbers of people, communities, non-governmental organizations, interest groups, political parties, civil society and the large number of submissions;

(b) the outreach component of taking the process to the people instead of depending