



Order of  
Excellence  
Guyana  
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## *Instrument Appointing a Member of the Order of Excellence of Guyana*

*His Excellency Cheddi Berret Jagan  
President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana,  
Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces and  
Chancellor of the Orders of Guyana*

*Cheddi Jagan*  
President

To *Janet Jagan*

*Greetings!*

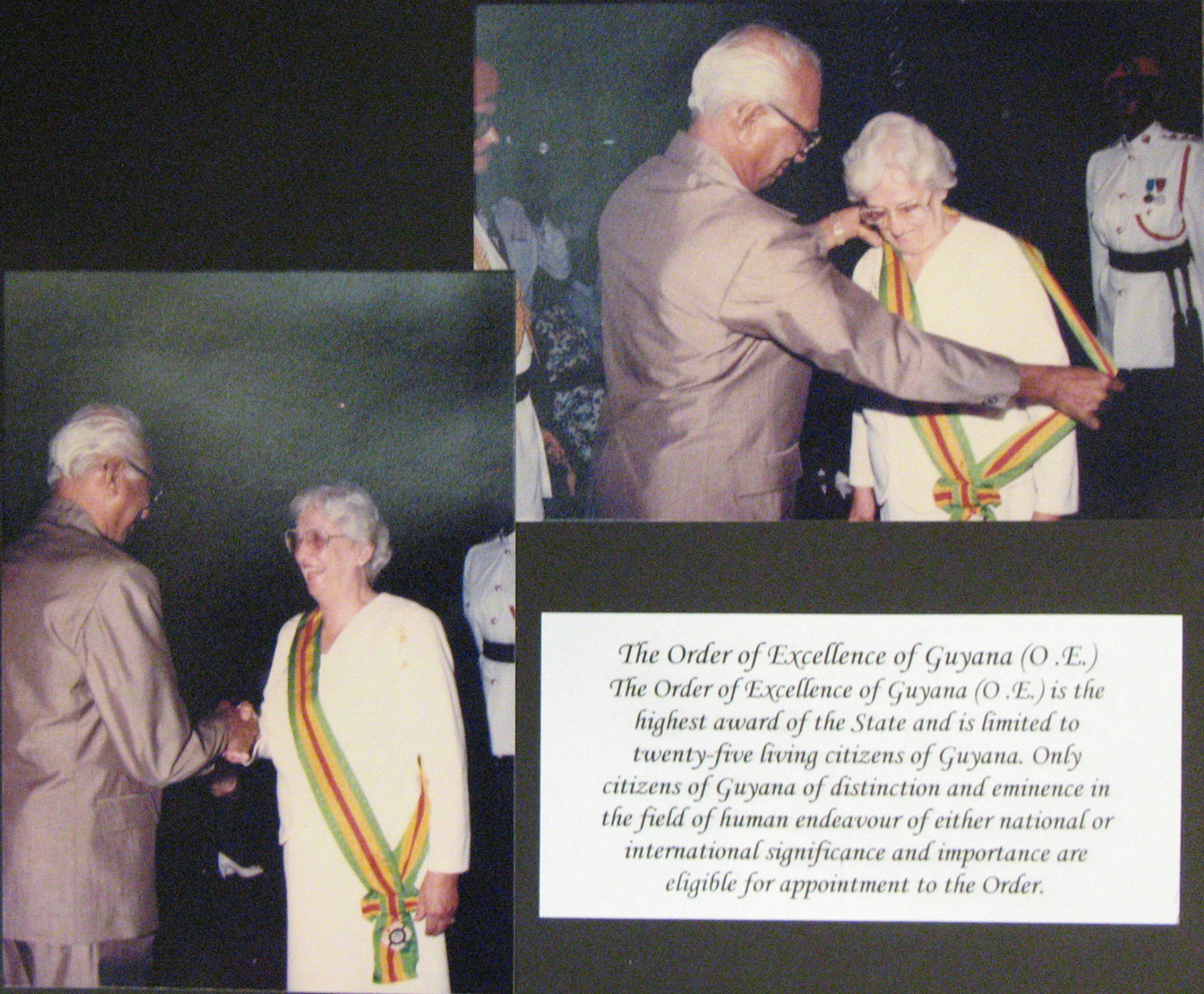
*In pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of the  
Orders of Guyana and by virtue and in exercise of all other powers enabling  
me in that behalf, I hereby appoint you a Member of the Order of Excellence of  
Guyana for your selfless role, your unflagging commitment and the eminence  
and distinction achieved by you in the struggle for the independence of Guyana and  
more recently, in the restoration of democracy in Guyana.*

*Given under my hand and the Seal of the  
Republic of Guyana, at Georgetown, this  
26th day of May, 1993 and in the  
twenty-fourth year of the Republic.*

*By His Excellency's Command*

*S. W. S. S.*  
Secretary-General of the Orders of Guyana

*Order of Excellence, Guyana*  
*Presented to Mrs. Janet Jagan on May 26, 1993*



*The Order of Excellence of Guyana (O .E.)  
The Order of Excellence of Guyana (O .E.) is the  
highest award of the State and is limited to  
twenty-five living citizens of Guyana. Only  
citizens of Guyana of distinction and eminence in  
the field of human endeavour of either national or  
international significance and importance are  
eligible for appointment to the Order.*



CREDENTIALS OF SPECIAL ENVOY

I, CHEDDI JAGAN, President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana do hereby appoint JANET JAGAN, my trusty and worthy countrywoman as my Special Envoy to the First Session of the Preparatory Committee of the World Summit for Social Development which will be held at United Nations Headquarters, New York, United States of America from 31 January 1994 to February 10, 1994.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have signed these Presents and caused the Seal of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana to be affixed.

DONE at Georgetown this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four in the Twenty-fifth year of the Republic.



*Cheddi Jagan*

CHEDDI JAGAN  
President of the Co-operative  
Republic of Guyana

**Ministry of Tourism, Industry and Commerce**

in collaboration

with

**Roraima Airways and Rain Forest Tours**

Hereby present this Certificate of Accomplishment

to

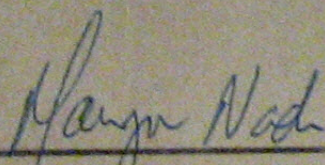
*Honourable Janet Jagan O.E.*

For the successful completion of the Overland Expedition

to

**Kaieteur Falls**

in the year 1947

  
MINISTER OF TOURISM

  
RORAIMA AIRWAYS

*Janet Jagan at Kaieteur Falls in 1947 & 2004*



Order of Liberator, Simon Bolivar, Venezuela



Carlos Andrés Pérez

Presidente de la República de Venezuela

Al Excelentísimo Señor Doctor

Cheddi B. Jagan,

Presidente de la República Cooperativa de Guyana

Excelentísimo Señor Presidente:

Tengo a honra participar a Vuestra Excelencia que por Decreto Ejecutivo de fecha 15-02-93, O.S. ha sido conferido el Collar de la Orden del Libertador, que es la Condecoración de la propia Orden en su más alto Grado.

Esta Orden, instituida en memoria del Héroe fundador de cinco Repúblicas de la América del Sur, es el galardón más preciado que la Patria acuerda a sus servidores distinguidos, así como a aquéllos que siendo o no venezolanos, se hacen dignos de ese honor por sus méritos sobresalientes o por los servicios que han prestado o presten a la Humanidad.

Al hacerlos complacido, esta participación, me es satisfactorio entregaros las Insignias correspondientes y elevar cordiales votos por la prosperidad de esa Nación y por la ventura personal de Vuestra Excelencia.

Respetada:

El Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores,

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

Palacio de Miraflores, en Caracas, a los quince días del mes de febrero de mil novecientos noventa y tres.



DECRETO N° . 2.823

CARACAS, 15 de febrero de 1993

CARLOS ANDRÉS PÉREZ  
PRESIDENTE DE LA REPÚBLICA DE VENEZUELA

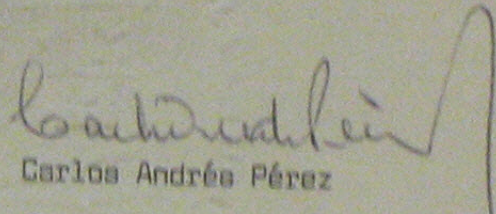
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LIBERTADOR

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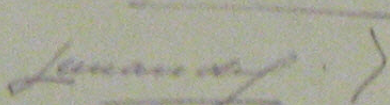
Artículo Único: Se confiere el Collar de la Orden del Libertador al Ex-  
celentísimo Señor Doctor CHEDDI B. JAGAN, Presidente de la República  
Cooperativa de Guyana.

Palacio de Miraflores, en Caracas a los quince días del mes de febrero  
del año mil novecientos noventa y tres. Año 182º de la Independencia  
y 133º de la Federación.

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Carlos Andrés Pérez

Refrendado  
El Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores

  
Fernando Ochoa Antich

*Order of Liberator, Simon Bolivar  
Presented to President Cheddi Jagan by  
President Carlos Perez on Feb. 15, 1993 in  
Venezuela.*

*It is the highest award of the Venezuelan Republic  
and intended to reward distinguished service to the  
country, outstanding merit and beneficent works  
for the community. Simón José Antonio de la  
Santísima Trinidad Bolívar Palacios y Blanco  
(1783-1830) was a major historical figure and  
revolutionary leader instrumental in liberating the  
northern countries of South America, including his  
native Venezuela, from Spanish colonial rule.  
Widely revered in those countries, he is referred to  
as 'El Libertador'.*



# Order Francisco Estaban Gomez, Venezuela

República de Venezuela  
Estado Nueva Esparta



GOBERNACION  
OFICINA DE PROTOCOLO

Nº: .....

MOREL RODRIGUEZ AVILA  
GOBERNADOR DEL ESTADO NUEVA ESPARTA  
Y PRESIDENTE DEL CONSEJO DE LA ORDEN  
CIVICO MILITAR GENERAL DE DIVISION  
" FRANCISCO ESTEBAN GOMEZ "

En uso de mis atribuciones legales y previo el voto favorable del Consejo de la Orden, se confiere la Condecoración Cívico-Militar General de División " Francisco Esteban Gómez ", al Ciudadano:

EXCMO. SR. CHEDDI JAGAN

En su Clase ORO

Como un reconocimiento a sus Méritos acreditados en el cumplimiento de sus labores Profesionales y Ciudadanos en el ámbito territorial, del Estado Nueva Esparta.

Dado, firmado, sellado y refrendado en la Ciudad de la Asunción, a los diez días del mes de Octubre de mil novecientos noventa y cinco: Años: 187 de la Independencia y 137 de la Federación

(L.S.)

Refrendado.

*Mr*  
MOREL RODRIGUEZ AVILA  
GOBERNADOR DEL ESTADO NUEVA ESPARTA

*Ovidio Vasquez*  
PROF. OVIDIO VALERIO VASQUEZ  
SECRETARIO GENERAL DE GOBIERNO  
Y CANCELLER DE LA ORDEN

*Order Francisco  
Estaban Gomez  
Venezuela*





**We Serve**

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS  
**HEAD OF STATE MEDAL**

Presented to

*Dr. Cheddi Jagan*

*We recognize your unselfish dedication to humanity,  
a determination to labor for the public welfare, and outstanding  
achievements from which all mankind benefits, and in  
testimony to the fact that in such humanitarian  
endeavors you have always upheld the ideals and objectives of  
Lions Clubs International, the world's largest service organization.*

*By Authority of:*

*William H. Wunder*

International President

1995 1996



The National Order of the Southern Cross  
Grand Cross - Brazil

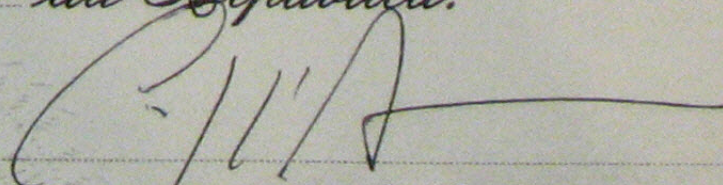


O Presidente da República  
Federativa do Brasil, Grão-Mestre  
da Ordem Nacional do Cruzeiro do Sul,  
hoje, por bem outorgar a *Alu. Circulário o Honr.º*  
*Cred.º Jap.º, Presidente da República Cooperativista*  
*do Japão,*

o grau de *Gr. Cruz* da mesma Ordem,  
por Decreto de 11 de novembro de 1935.

É para constar, mandou expedir-lhe o presente  
diploma, que vai por mim assinado, e selado com  
o selo da Ordem.

Brasília, 12 de novembro de 1935, 172º da  
Independência e 105º da República.

  
Chanceler da Ordem

*The National Order of the Southern Cross – Grand  
Cross - Brazil*

*Presented to President Cheddi Jagan on Nov. 11, 1993*

*The National Order of the Southern Cross is Brazil's highest order of merit. It was originally known as the Imperial Order of the Southern Cross. It was founded on December 1, 1822 by Emperor Peter I of Brazil (IV of Portugal), on the day of his Coronation as Brazil's first Emperor, but was suppressed after the proclamation of the Republic in Brazil by decree of February 24, 1891. However, the Order was re-established by President Getúlio Vargas on December 5, 1932, and is now only conferred as an act of foreign relations on the part of the Brazilian Government. Membership of the order comes in five classes: Grand Cross, Grand Officer, Commander, Officer, Knight.*

Unofficial Translation

THE PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL,  
GRAND MESTRE OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS BESTOWS  
ON HIS EXCELLENCY DR. CHEDDI JAGAN, PRESIDENT OF THE CO-OPERATIVE  
REPUBLIC OF GUYANA THE TITLE OF GRAND CROSS OF THE ABOVE ORDER BY  
DECREE OF 11/11/1993.

AND FOR THE RECORD, ORDERS THAT HE BE SENT THE  
SAID DIPLOMA, SIGNED BY ME AND SEALED WITH THE ORDER'S OFFICIAL  
SEAL.

BRASÍLIA, 12th NOVEMBER, 1993, 172th YEAR OF IN-  
DEPENDENCE AND 105th AS A REPUBLIC.

(Signature) .....  
Chancellor of the Order

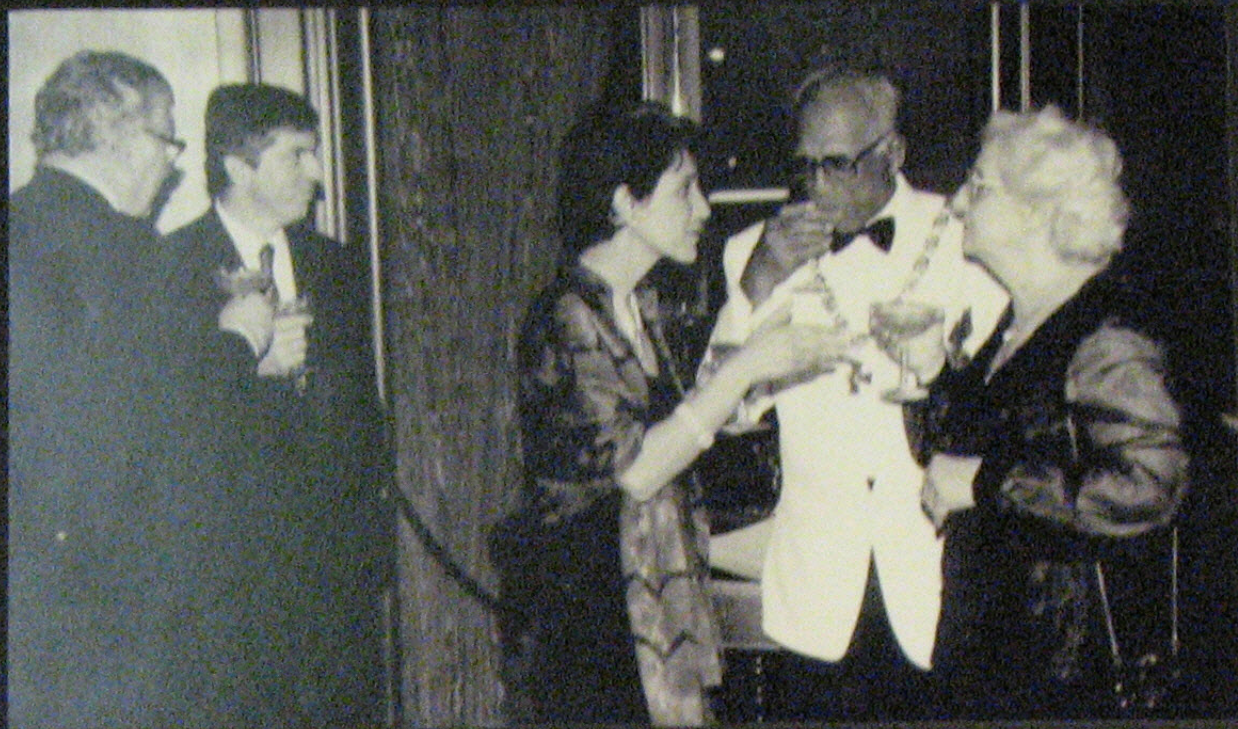


*Order of Boyaca – Gran Cruz Extraordinaria,  
Colombia*



*Order of Boyaca – Gran Cruz  
Extraordinaria, Colombia  
Presented to President Cheddi Jagan in 1994*

*The Order of Boyaca is awarded for exceptional services to the armed forces of Colombia, as well as to extraordinary citizens who have not served in the military forces, and is often given in recognition of 50 years military service. Presented in six classes: Gran Cruz Extraordinaria (reserved for Heads of State and President-elects), Gran Cruz, Gran Official, Comendador, Official, Caballero, and Compañero.*



Confederation of  
cities of Cauca  
Colombia



Order of Abel  
of Bogota,  
Colombia



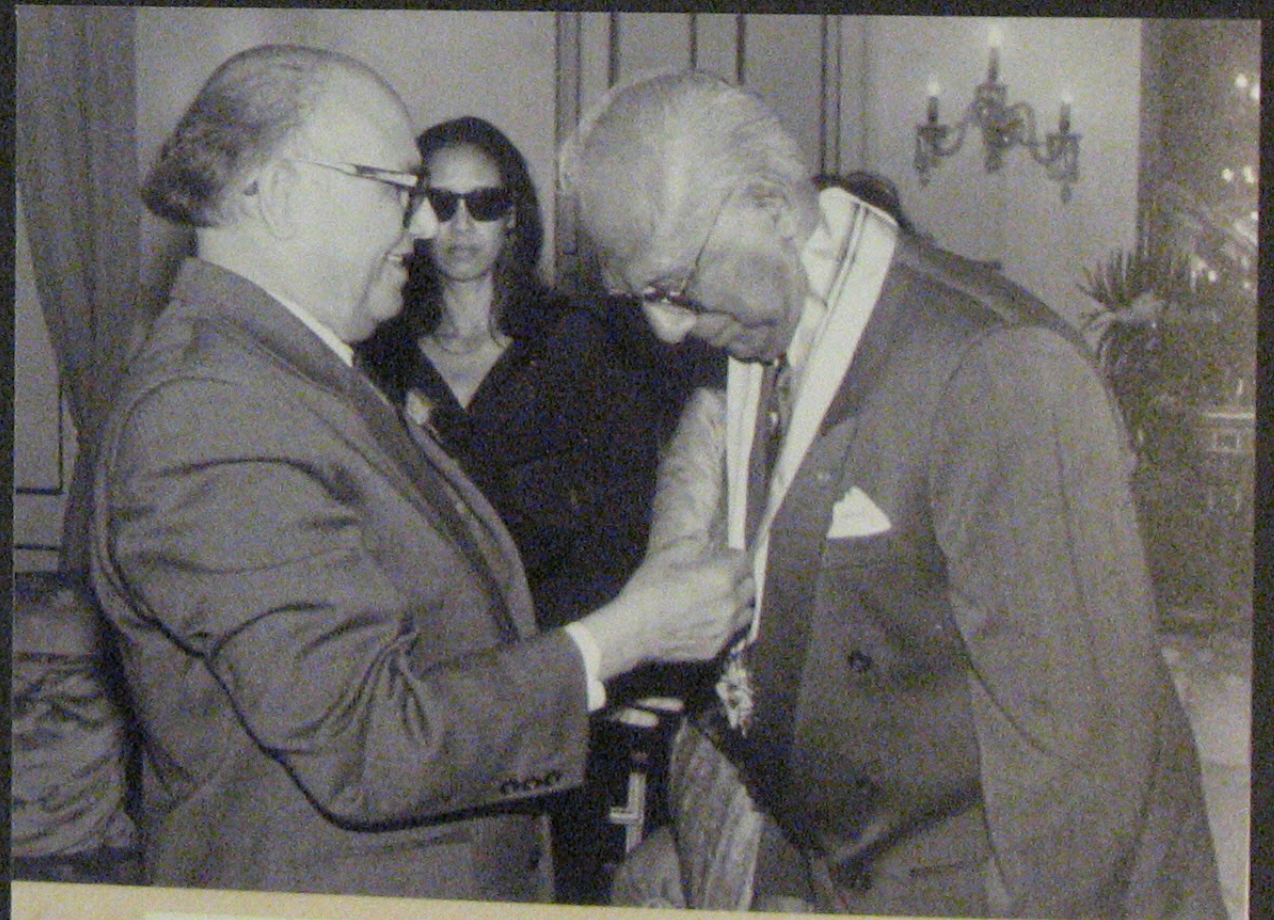
*Order of Grand Commander of the State – Mauritius*



*Order of Grand  
Commander of the State  
– Mauritius*

*Presented to President  
Cheddi Jagan in 1994*

*The medal of Grand  
Commander of the Order of  
the Star and Key of the  
Indian Ocean is a very rare  
distinction usually reserved  
for heads of state and prime  
ministers.*



*Presentation award of the Grand Commander of the order of the star and key of the Indian Ocean (G.C.S.K.) to H.E. Dr. Cheddi Jagan.*

# *Order of the Companions of O.R. Tambo in Gold, South Africa*

## *Dr Cheddi Jagan (1918 - 1997)*

ORDER OF THE COMPANIONS OF O R TAMBO IN GOLD



**AWARDED TO CHEDDI JAGAN  
FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION  
TO THE STRUGGLE AGAINST RACIAL OPPRESSION  
AND COLONIAL EXPLOITATION**

Dr. Cheddi Jagan was born on a sugar plantation, Port Mourant, on March 22, 1918 to parents who were indentured labourers from Uttar Pradesh, India. He attended secondary school in the capital, Georgetown. Between 1936 - 1942 he attended Howard University, Washington DC, Northwestern University Dental School and the Central YMCA College where he obtained a B. Sc. In 1943 he married Janet Rosenberg. They had two children.

Jagan returned home in 1943 and quickly emerged himself in politics as the social conditions of especially the majority African and Indian population deteriorated. In 1946 he formed the Political Affairs Committee, the aim of which was the formation of a political party. He scaled down his dental practice and in 1947 contested and won a seat in the Legislature, where, almost single-handedly, he took on the colonial authorities.

In 1950 he formed the People's Progressive Party whose main goal was independence from colonial rule. To that end a massive national campaign was launched. In 1953 he surprised the British by winning the national elections, the first ever under adult suffrage. He became Minister of Agriculture and leader of the Assembly. His pro-worker programme infuriated the British who labeled him a communist, suspended the constitution, sent in British troops and deposed Jagan and his colleagues. In 1954 he was jailed for breaking a restriction order.

In spite of the shenanigans of the British which engineered a split in the PPP, Jagan won the 1957 and 1961 elections and became the country's first Premier. His government embarked on an aggressive social programme in health, education and housing, making land available to farmers and bringing about improved labour laws.

Between 1962-1964 opposition forces with covert and overt support by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency fomented political and ethnic strife in an effort to overthrow the government. The British opposed independence under the Jagan government and openly sided with the opposition and again sent in troops. Jagan, although he won the highest number of votes in the 1964 elections, did not gain a majority and two opposition parties formed a coalition government.

Jagan became opposition leader and for twenty-eight years struggled against the government which continued in power through successive rigged elections and attacks on human rights. His long struggle for a return to democracy bore fruit when in 1992 he was elected President of the Republic. He continued his people-oriented development and internationally advocated a new world dispensation of peace and co-operation.

In the Caribbean and South America, Dr Jagan was a leading advocate against *apartheid* in South Africa, becoming close friends with O R Tambo and Usuf Dadoo.

Cheddi Jagan will be remembered for his committed opposition to oppression and exploitation.

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*At a ceremony at the PPP Freedom House headquarters in Georgetown, Mrs Jagan said, "I am happy because finally Cheddi (Jagan) is ranked where he belonged all along."*



*Order of the Companions of O.R. Tambo  
in Gold, South Africa*

*Presented posthumously to Dr. Cheddi Jagan  
on April 27, 2005*

*The order of O.R. Tambo was instituted in 2002 to  
award heads of state and senior diplomats of other  
countries for showing friendship towards South  
Africa. It was awarded to Dr. Jagan for his  
exceptional contribution to the struggle against  
racial oppression and colonial exploitation.*

*Mrs Janet Jagan receives the award from PPP  
General Secretary Donald Ramotar.*





Walking Stick

## The Order of the Companions of O R Tambo

The late Oliver Reginald Tambo played a central role in the freedom struggle against *apartheid*, and remains a true icon of our liberation history.

From an early age, Tambo rose through the ranks of the liberation movement. He was a founder member of the African National Congress Youth League (ANCYL) in 1944. In 1948, he was elected President of the Transvaal ANCYL and national Vice-President of the ANCYL in 1949. In 1955, when the then Secretary General, the late Walter Sisulu, was banned in terms of the Suppression of Communism Act, it was Tambo who was appointed to fill his post. In 1958, Tambo was elected to the post of Deputy President of the ANC. Finally, in 1967, after the death of ANC President General Chief Albert Luthuli, Tambo was appointed acting President of the ANC, an appointment confirmed by the Morogoro Conference in 1969. He held this position until 1991 when he had to relinquish it due to ill health.

Tambo dedicated his life to overthrowing the *apartheid* regime by mobilising fellow citizens to resist the *apartheid* government and relentlessly mobilising world opinion against the odious *apartheid* ideology and regime.

Tambo was known in the liberation movement for his gentle character and compassionate qualities. His benevolence and personal concern for the plight of freedom fighters and their conditions in the field endeared him to thousands of liberation fighters.

It is thus appropriate that the central motif of the design of the Order named after O R Tambo is the *majola* (mole snake), which, in African mythology, visits babies in a spirit of benevolence. The snake comes as a friend and protector to prepare the baby for a successful and safe adult life, and it is said that the only non-threatening way to drive it away is for the mother to squirt it with her own breastmilk.

Although the mole snake can be aggressive when cornered and can give painful bites, it is non-venomous. The African myth interprets the snake as a friend and a member of a dynamic ecology. The *majola's* visitation is thus seen less as a benign demonstration of goodwill, and more as an active expression of solidarity and support, encouraging long-term success of the young and, by extension, the human race. In the design of the main badge of this Order, the enveloping and watchful eye of the *majola*, with fangs extending from both the top and bottom, symbolises the active expression of solidarity and support for South Africa. In the centre is a tomoye of four sections, inspired by the universal ying and yang that speak of a meeting point for diverse spiritual energies. This is enclosed by north and south pointers representing the relationship between countries of the north and countries of the south.

The Order of the Companions of O R Tambo comprises four elements: a neck badge (a gold, silver or bronze medallion on a neck band); a miniature (a miniature gold, silver or bronze medallion for wearing as a brooch or on the breast pocket); a lapel rosette (also in gold, silver or bronze) and a wooden ceremonial staff incorporating an entwined mole snake. The stick, carved out of dark, indigenous wood, symbolises appreciation for the support and solidarity shown, and also symbolises a commitment to support and stand by the recipient in return.

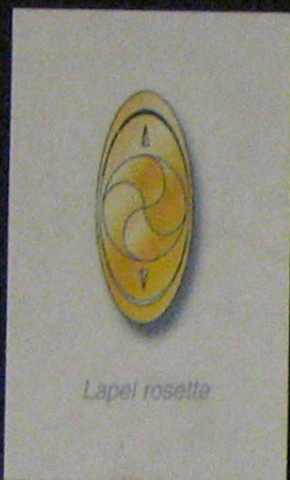
Recipients of the Order are entitled to indicate that they have been invested with the relevant category of the Order by the use of the following post-nominal letters:

- SCOT for recipients of the Supreme Companion of O R Tambo (gold)
- GCOT for recipients of the Grand Companion of O R Tambo (silver)
- COT for recipients of the Companion of O R Tambo (bronze).

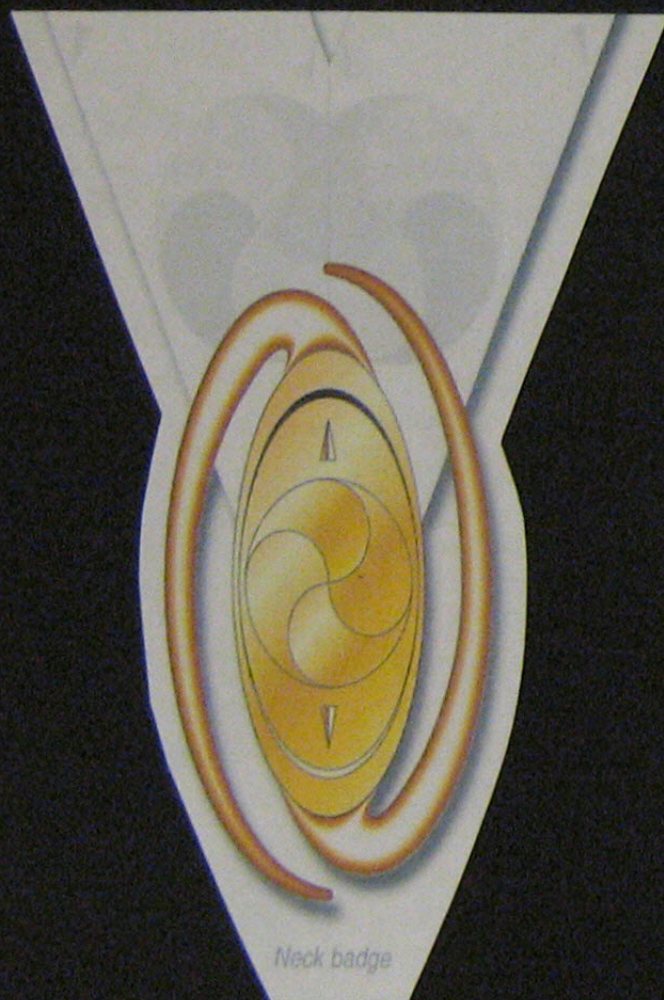
The Order of the Companions of O R Tambo is awarded in three categories to eminent foreign nationals and other foreign dignitaries for friendship shown to South Africa. It is therefore concerned primarily with matters of peace, co-operation, international solidarity and support and is integral to the execution of South Africa's international and multilateral relations. The Supreme Companion of O R Tambo in gold is awarded to those who have actively promoted the interests and aspirations of South Africa through excellent co-operation and active expression of solidarity and support. The Grand Companion of O R Tambo in silver is awarded to those who have actively promoted the interests and aspirations of South Africa through outstanding co-operation, solidarity and support. The Companion of O R Tambo in bronze is awarded to those who have actively promoted the interests and aspirations of the Republic through co-operation, solidarity and support.



Miniature



Lapel rosette



Neck badge



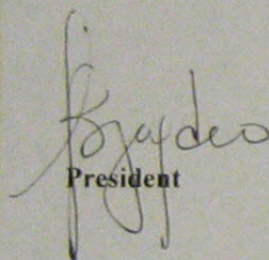
# *Order of Liberation, Guyana*

*Presented posthumously to Dr. Cheddi Jagan December 18, 2007*



Instrument Appointing a Member of the  
**ORDER OF LIBERATION OF GUYANA**

His Excellency Bharrat Jagdeo  
President of the Republic of Guyana  
Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces and  
Chancellor of the Orders of Guyana

  
President

To **CHEDDI JAGAN**

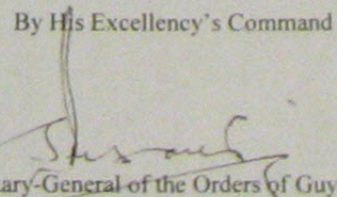
Greetings!

In pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of the Orders of Guyana and by virtue and in exercise of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby appoint him posthumously a Member of the Order of Liberation of Guyana for his life-long struggle to improve the living conditions of the people of Guyana and the world at large, and for his dedicated, persistent and purposeful leadership of the national movement resulting in the winning of universal adult suffrage, political independence and the restoration of democracy and for his visionary promotion and pursuance of the National Democratic State in Guyana and the New Global Human Order in the World.



Given under my hand and the Seal of the Republic of Guyana, at Georgetown, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007 and in the Thirty-eighth year of the Republic.

By His Excellency's Command

  
Secretary-General of the Orders of Guyana

*Order of Liberation, Guyana  
Presented posthumously to Dr. Cheddi Jagan December 18, 2007.*

*The Order of Liberation is a 'one-time' Award in recognition of Dr. Jagan's struggles for Independence from Colonialism. It ranks above the Order of Excellence (OE) and the Arrow of Achievement. Mrs. Janet Jagan accepted the Order from President Bharat Jagdeo.*



*Appointment of Prime Minister  
Janet Jagan - March 17, 1997*

GUYANA

Seal No. 13 1997



INSTRUMENT APPOINTING THE PRIME MINISTER



By the President of the Co-operative  
Republic of Guyana.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Samuel Hinds".

PRESIDENT.

WHEREAS the Office of Prime Minister of Guyana became vacant on the sixth day of March, 1997, under article 183(3)(c) of the Constitution:

AND WHEREAS Janet Jagan, O.E., has been declared elected as a member of the National Assembly in the election of members of the National Assembly held on the fifth day of October, 1992;

NOW, THEREFORE, acting under article 101 (1) of the Constitution and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I do hereby appoint the said

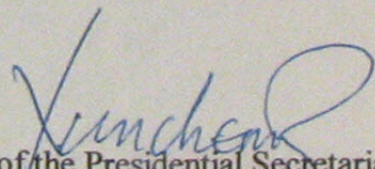
JANET JAGAN, O.E.

to be the Prime Minister of Guyana with effect from seventeenth day of March, 1997.



Given under my hand and the Seal of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana at the Office of the President, Georgetown, this seventeenth day of March, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-seven in the Twenty-eighth year of the Republic.

By the President's Command

  
Head of the Presidential Secretariat.

# *Oath of Office of President of Guyana*

*Janet Jagan -December 19, 1997*



OATH OF OFFICE  
OF THE  
PRESIDENT OF THE CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA

I, JANET JAGAN, do hereby solemnly declare that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the People of Guyana, that I will faithfully execute the Office of the President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana without fear or favour, affection or ill-will and that in the execution of the functions of that Office, I will honour, uphold and preserve the Constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Taken and subscribed by me  
this 19th day of December, 1997

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Janet Jagan", written over a horizontal dotted line.

Janet Jagan

President

Administered by me  
this 19th day of December, 1997

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Cecil C. Kennard", written over a horizontal dotted line.

Cecil C. Kennard

Chancellor of the Judiciary

*"This is indeed a remarkable occasion. Today as I address you as the first woman Head of State, fond memories of the long and hard struggles of our people come to mind. I particularly recall the plight of women in the late forties and fifties. I remember the courage of many women who came forward in those dangerous times to join the struggle."*

*"We as a nation must have a common approach to our history, our difficulties and where we go from here. As a nation we have to constantly move forward... We cannot move forward and have a strong society, a strong economy where we can eliminate poverty and unemployment, unless all the people work together and all feel safe and secure in our society."*



*Unesco, Gandhi Gold Medal*



The United Nations  
Educational, Scientific and  
Cultural Organization

hereby attests that

The UNESCO  
Gandhi Gold Medal

has been awarded to

Honourable Janet Jagan

in recognition  
of her outstanding contribution towards  
the culture of peace,  
democracy and women's rights

Paris, 13 June 1997

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Federico Mayor".

Federico Mayor  
Director-General

*Unesco, Gandhi Gold Medal  
Presented to Janet Jagan in 1997*

*In 1994, UNESCO issued a commemorative medal marking the 125th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi, India's "Father of the Nation" and the world's advocate of non-violence, peace and tolerance. The irregularly-shaped medal bears a portrait of Gandhi engraved by the French artist Pierre-Yves Trémois. Etched underneath is the Mahatma's message of hope: "In the midst of darkness light prevails." The reverse side carries the UNESCO logo. Available in gold, silver and bronze. UNESCO awarded the Mahatma Gandhi Gold Medal to Mrs. Jagan in recognition of her outstanding achievements in the struggle for peace, democracy, and the promotion of women's rights.*





# A resolution

adopted by *The City Council*  
of the *City of Chicago, Illinois*



Presented by ALDERMAN CHARLES R. BERNARDINI on JANUARY 14, 1998

*Whereas*, On December 19, 1997, the Honorable Janet Jagan, who earlier this year became Guyana's first woman Prime Minister and First Vice-President, was sworn in as Guyana's President, newly elected to replace her deceased husband, the popular Cheddi Jagan; and

*WHEREAS*, Janet Jagan was born in Chicago in 1920, attended the University of Detroit, Wayne University, Michigan State College and Cook County School of Nursing before her marriage to Cheddi Jagan, August 5, 1943. She moved with her husband to British Guiana and, in against the domination of British colonialists. Among her many activities, she co-founded the Political Affairs Committee and edited the *PAC Bulletin*; and

*WHEREAS*, Over the years, the Honorable Janet Jagan became a vital member of the People's Progressive Party and held many political, elective and appointed offices. A pioneer in women's rights, she was jailed for six months following the ouster of PPP government by British colonialists in 1955, and restricted to Georgetown in 1957. That year she returned to the Legislature to which she first had been elected in 1953, and served there, on and off, for many years. From 1973 to 1997 she was the outspoken Editor of the *Mirror* newspaper, and in 1992, following Guyana's first free and fair elections, Cheddi Jagan became President and Janet Jagan was designated First Lady of the Republic; and

WHEREAS, A vital, learned, progressive, and imaginative leader and writer, the Honorable Janet Jagan has authored a history of the ousted government as well as a book on rigged Elections in Guyana, and four children's story books including *When Grandpa Cheddi was a Boy* and *Children's Stories of Guyana's Freedom Struggles*. She is recipient of Guyana's highest honor: Order of Excellence, Women of Achievement, by the University of Guyana, and this year received UNESCO's coveted Gold Medal for Peace, Democracy and Women's Rights; and

WHEREAS, Her election as President of Guyana crowns the Honorable Janet Jagan's long and distinguished struggle on behalf of Guyana and the exalted principles of freedom and equality; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 14th day of January, 1998, A.D., do hereby extend our heartiest congratulations to the Honorable Janet Jagan, the newly elected, Chicago-born President of Guyana, and extend to this outstanding leader our very best wishes for mounting successes in her new position; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and presented to President Janet Jagan of Guyana.



*Richard M. Daley*  
MAYOR

*James J. Laske*  
CITY CLERK

*Honorary Junior Citizen of Chicago*

FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

*rendered in publicizing Chicago and promoting attendance at*  
A CENTURY OF PROGRESS EXPOSITION *for* 1934

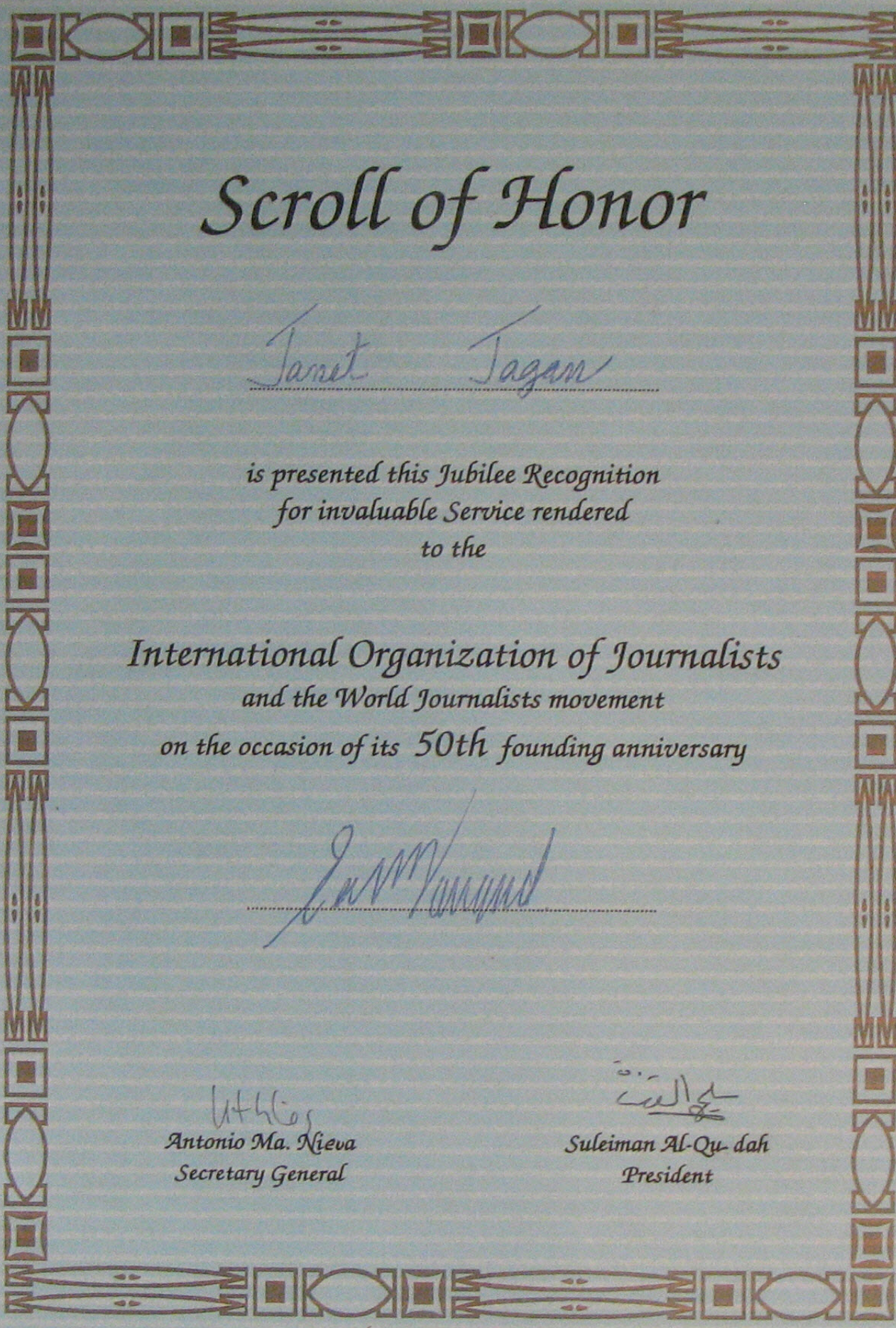
*Janet Rosenberg*

*is hereby designated*

AN HONORARY JUNIOR CITIZEN of CHICAGO

*Given under my hand and seal this* 4<sup>th</sup> *day of* June *1934*

*Edward Kelly*  
MAYOR



# Scroll of Honor

*Janet Tagan*

is presented this Jubilee Recognition  
for invaluable Service rendered  
to the

*International Organization of Journalists  
and the World Journalists movement  
on the occasion of its 50th founding anniversary*

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*  
Antonio Ma. Nieva  
Secretary General

*[Signature]*  
Suleiman Al-Qu-dah  
President

# Order of Liberator, Simon Bolivar, Venezuela



*Rafael Caldera*

*Presidente de la República de Venezuela*

*A la Excelentísima Señora*

*Janet Jagan*

*Presidente de la República Cooperativa de Guyana*

*Excelentísima Señora Presidente:*

*Tengo a honra participar a Vuestra Excelencia que Es ha sido conferido el Collar de la Orden del Libertador, que es la condecoración de la propia Orden en su más alto grado.*

*Esta Orden, instituida en memoria del Héroe fundador de cinco Repúblicas de la América del Sur, es el galardón máspreciado que la Patria acuerda a sus servidores distinguidos, así como a aquellos que, siendo o no venezolanos, se hacen dignos de ese honor por sus méritos sobresalientes o por los servicios que han prestado o presten a la humanidad.*

*Al haceros complacido esta participación, me es satisfactorio entregaros las insignias correspondientes y elevar cordiales votos por la prosperidad de la República Cooperativa de Guyana y por la ventura personal de Vuestra Excelencia.*

*Representada:*

*El Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores:*

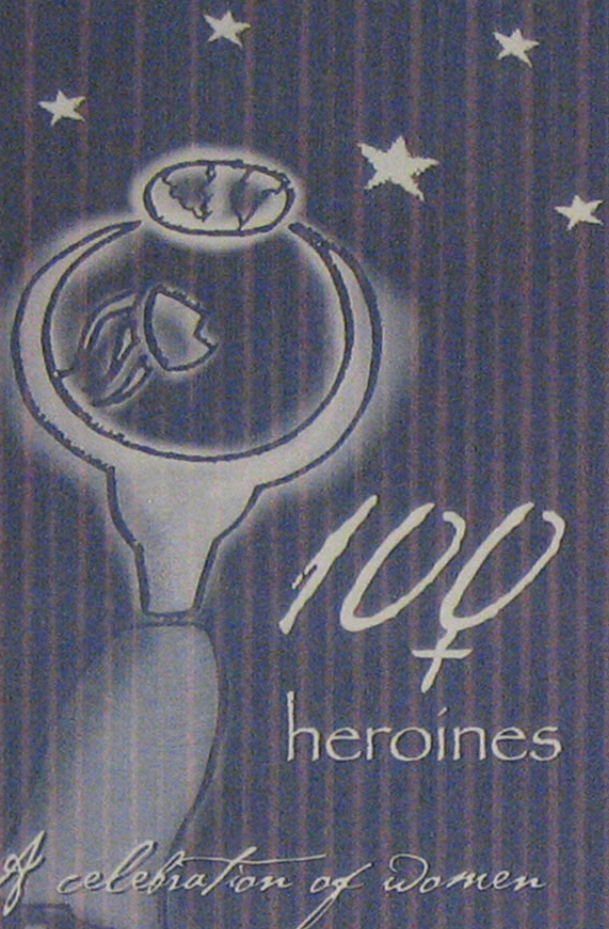
*Palacio de Miraflores, en Caracas, a los veintita días del mes de Julio de mil novecientos noventa y ocho.*



*Order of Liberator, Simon Bolivar, Venezuela  
Presented to President Janet Jagan  
by President Rafael Caldera  
in 1998 in Venezuela.*

*It is the highest award of the Venezuelan Republic and intended to reward distinguished service to the country, outstanding merit and beneficent works for the community. Simón José Antonio de la Santísima Trinidad Bolívar Palacios y Blanco (1783-1830) was a major historical figure and revolutionary leader instrumental in liberating the northern countries of South America, including his native Venezuela, from Spanish colonial rule. Widely revered in those countries, he is referred to as 'El Libertador'.*





*A celebration of women  
whose courageous lives  
bring hope and equality to  
women around the world*

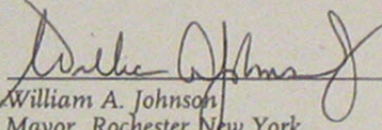
# Janet Jagan

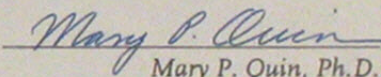
*is honored as one of the*

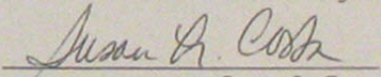
## 100 heroines OF THE WORLD

*In recognition of her  
Courageous acts and Lifetime achievement  
Furthering the cause of women's rights,  
freedom, health, and equal opportunities.  
And for Serving as a role model for  
women and girls around the world.*

Presented  
October 29, 1998  
Rochester, New York, U.S.A.

  
William A. Johnson  
Mayor, Rochester New York

  
Mary P. Quin, Ph.D.  
Chair, 100 Heroines Project

  
Susan L. Costa  
Director, Health Association

*The 100 Heroines project arose from a small group of women in Rochester, NY, who attended the UN Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China in September 1995. This group created the 100 Heroines Project to identify and give recognition to one hundred women around the world who meet the following criteria:*

- 1) They act courageously to achieve freedom and equality for women.*
- 2) They risk their social acceptance, financial security, health, or even their lives on behalf of women's rights.*
- 3) They serve as role models for women and girls.*

*The project grew to include the sponsorship of The Health Association in Rochester and the involvement of many volunteers. In October 1998, the 100 Heroines project recognized 100 women from all over the world at a reception and dinner in Rochester.*



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## APRECIATION CERTIFICATE

*Presented to*

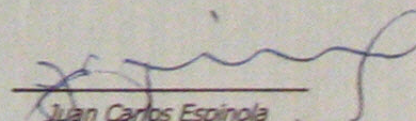
*Mrs. Janet Jagan*

THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND

IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND RECOGNITION OF THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO

*Child Rights Promotion*

*In support of the work of UNICEF to benefit the Children of Guyana*

  
Juan Carlos Espinola  
UNICEF Representative A.

November 20, 1999



*The Board of Directors,  
Governing Board of Editors  
and Publications Board  
of the  
American Biographical Institute  
do hereby recognize that*

**Janet Jagan**

*Has been chosen for distinguished standing and has  
been conferred with an honorary appointment to the*

**Professional  
Women's  
Advisory Board**

Member Since: 2002



*Cindy White*  
Cindy White  
Managing Editor

*"I first wanted to be a doctor. Didn't want to be merely a specialist and craftsman and cure individual aches and ills. I wanted to cure the ills of society. I want to know that I have served humanity as a human being. All of us want recognition - I am not interested in recognition conferred on the basis of my bankroll. When I would have passed away, I would like it to be recorded that Jagan did his bit in the service of humanity."*

*Cheddi Jagan 1964*

*"I have always associated myself with the ideology of the working class and I have led a strong working class party for the past 47 years. Different people see and call working class ideology by different names. But what was important were the concrete historical conditions in Guyana and the creation of a programmatic platform that caters to the needs of the working class.*

*In many ways we were different from the mould in which many people placed us ....*

*For me Marxism neither was nor is a dogma, but a scientific guide to action.*

*It gave me strong ethical beliefs in social justice, particularly in helping the poor, the underprivileged and the exploited."*

*Cheddi Jagan 1997*

*"A special thanks to my colleagues in the PPP and its leadership who have walked with me and my husband all these years. I want to thank the thousands from all walks of life who have welcomed me in their homes, who have visited me in my office, who have written me and have sent me photographs, messages of support and have kept me aware of the problems and aspirations of the Guyanese people. Meeting you, my Guyanese friends, was the best part of the job."*

*Janet Jagan August 8, 1999*