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HGP NIGHTLY NEWS – APNU Member of Parliament Sherod Duncan is questioning the large-scale registration exercise involving hundreds of foreign nationals at the Ministry of Health's Brickdam compound.

Duncan said that during a visit to the compound on Monday, September 14, he observed several hundred people, predominantly Spanish-speaking, gathered at the location, where two large tents had been erected and passports were reportedly being presented and logged.

According to the Opposition MP, there has been no clear official explanation of the purpose of the exercise. He said conflicting accounts have suggested it may involve the registration of foreign healthcare workers or the processing of national identification and Electronic ID cards.

"The Guyanese people cannot be left to rely on street rumor to understand state operations occurring on public property," Duncan said.

He linked the Brickdam exercise to recent questions surrounding the Government's migration arrangement with the United States involving third-country nationals, contending that insufficient information has been placed in the public domain about aspects of that framework.

Duncan stressed that his concerns are not directed at migrants themselves, but at the systems being used by the State to manage migration and registration.

"Welcoming foreign nationals must occur within a structured, lawful and coherent statutory framework," he said, adding that large-scale exercises conducted without adequate public explanation risk undermining confidence in state institutions.

Duncan is now calling on Health Minister Dr. Frank Anthony, Home Affairs Minister Oneidge Walrond and the Government to disclose the purpose of Monday's exercise, the agencies involved, the documentation being processed or issued and the legal authority under which the exercise was conducted.

He is also demanding greater parliamentary scrutiny of the Government's migration arrangements, insisting that matters involving Guyana's borders and national identification systems should be subjected to clear legal and institutional oversight.

"The governance of Guyana's borders, public health apparatus, and national identity records cannot be executed in the shadows," Duncan declared.



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