

THIRD SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 13 APRIL 2021

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Speaker in terms of Rule 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Speaker announced that he has been informed by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Namibia Dr. Hage Geingob that by virtue of the powers vested in him by Article 32(6) of the Namibian Constitution, he has decided to withdraw Rear Admiral (Rtd) Peter Vilho as a Member of Parliament, for which he had appointed him in terms of the same Article, with effect from 8 April 2021.

The withdrawal follows after he tendered his resignation as a Member of the Executive and as Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs on Tuesday, 6 April 2021.

3. **The Minister of Finance laid upon the Table and made a brief comment on:**

The Annual Report of the Development Bank of Namibia for the year 2019/2020.

4. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Mr. Kavekatora (RDP) to ask the Minister of Industrialisation and Trade (No. 76).
- (ii) Dr. Iijambo (SWANU) to ask the Minister of Finance (No. 77).
- (iii) Dr. Iijambo (SWANU) to ask the Prime Minister (No. 78).

5. **Ministerial Statement in terms of Rule 98 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Minister of Works and Transport gave an overview on the feasibility study for the railway extension, that is; the Trans-Zambezi Railway Line.

6. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 5 – 2021].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 31 March 2021, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 36).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Appropriation Bill [B. 5 – 2021] read a Second Time.

7. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Magistrates' Court Amendment Bill* [B. 3 – 2021].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 24 March 2021, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 8).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Magistrates' Court Amendment Bill [B. 3 – 2021] read a Second Time.

8. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *High Court Amendment Bill* [B. 2 – 2021].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 24 March 2021, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 9).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

High Court Amendment Bill [B. 2 – 2021] read a Second Time.

9. **FOURTH ORDER** deferred by Ms. Mootu on behalf of Ms. Hengari.

10. **FIFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Combating of Domestic Violence Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2021].

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 16 March 2021, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 5): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Mr. Swartbooi, seconded by Mr. Seibeb, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 14 April 2021.

11. On the motion of the Prime Minister, seconded by the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, the Assembly at 17:40 until Wednesday, 14 April 2021.

MS. L. KANDETU
Secretary of the National Assembly

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