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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY, 24 MARCH 2017

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.

2. Remarks by the Speaker in terms of Rule 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:

The Speaker reported about a terror attack that took place a day before yesterday at the grounds of the British Parliament at Westminster, where lives of innocent people who happened to be in the vicinity of the British Houses of Parliament were lost.

Against this background, the Speaker expressed sincere condolences on behalf of the Namibian Parliament to the victims, their families as well as to the Westminster Parliament and its leadership; and called on the rest of the global family to denounce terrorism and extremism.

3. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Appropriation Bill [B. 7 – 2017].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 23 March 2017, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 24): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Deputy Speaker, seconded by Ms. Ipinge-Nakale, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 28 March 2017.

4. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Regional Councils Amendment Bill* [B. 23 – 2016].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 23 March 2017, as moved by the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (page 29): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Deputy Minister of Urban and Rural Development Ms. Makgone, on behalf of her Minister, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Environment and Tourism, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 11 April 2017.

5. THIRD ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Local Authorities Amendment Bill [B. 25 – 2016].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 9 March 2017, as moved by the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (page 30): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Deputy Minister of Information and Communication Technology, seconded by Mr. Katoma, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 28 March 2017.

- 6. **FOURTH ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Justice to Tuesday, 28 March 2017.
- 7. **FIFTH ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Justice for further consultation.
- 8. On the motion of the Speaker, the Assembly adjourned 12:19 until Tuesday, 28 March 2017.

F. HARKER Deputy Secretary of the National Assembly

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