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**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**  
**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**OF THE**  
**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**THURSDAY, 13 JULY 2017**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

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

The Minister of Urban and Rural Development commented on the concern raised by Mr. Fleermuys regarding the fire burning incident at the dry sludge at Gammams waste water treatment plant; and also provided clarity as to what transpired as far as this incident was concerned.

3. **FIRST ORDER** lapsed in terms of Rule 24(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders.

4. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *Namibia Revenue Agency Bill* [B. 11 – 2017].

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Defence: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:**

Clause 1 – 7, 9, 12 – 20, 22 – 38 and 40 put and agreed to.

Clause 8, 10, 11, 21 and 39 as amended, put and agreed to.

Schedule put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY RESUMED:**

Bill reported with amendments.

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Finance: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

*Namibia Revenue Agency Bill* [B. 11 – 2017] read a Third Time.

5. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Reconsideration – *Liquor Amendment Bill* [B. 7 – 2016].

The Minister of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development moved, seconded by Mr. Kasuto: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clauses 1 – 7 as was amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill as Reconsidered, reported with amendments.

Bill to be referred to H.E. the President for his assent in terms of Article 56 and 64 of the Constitution.

6. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Consideration of Namibia's Policy on International Relations and Cooperation.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 12 July 2017, as moved by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (page 117).

Policy noted.

7. **FIFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the Ratification of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA).

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 12 July 2017, as moved by the Minister of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development (page 108).

Question put: That the Assembly agrees to the Ratification.

Agreed to.

8. **SIXTH ORDER** withdrawn by Mr. Muharukua on behalf of the Mover.

9. **SEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Consideration of Reports on the benchmarking visits to Singapore and to Kenya, on the Motion on the 'Urban Resettlement Scheme which aimed at providing low cost housing in Namibia'.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 12 July 2017, as moved by Ms. Jagger (page 112).

Question put: That the Reports be adopted.

Agreed to.

10. **EIGHT ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security, on the *Namibian Time Bill* [B. 28 – 2016].

Mr. Katoma moved, seconded by Ms. Namupala: That the Report be considered.

Agreed to.

Question put: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

11. **NOTICE OF A MOTION**

The Minister of Environment and Tourism moved, seconded by Mr. Hambyuka:

That this Assembly –

*Agrees* to the Ratification of the Minamata Convention and the Ban Amendment to the Basel Convention.

Question put: That the Assembly agrees to the Ratification of the Conventions.

Agreed to.

12. On the motion of the Prime Minister, seconded by the Minister of Defence, the Assembly adjourned at 16:20 until Tuesday, 12 September 2017.

**F. HARKER**

*Deputy Secretary of the National Assembly*

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