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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 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 informed the Members that they are all invited to attend a one-day workshop on CANCER AWARENESS at National Assembly on Friday, 22 October 2021, at 09:00 in the C1 Conference Hall

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Dr. Iijambo (SWANU) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 171).
- (ii) Dr. Iijambo (SWANU) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 172).

4. **ORAL QUESTION:**

Ms. Mootu (LPM) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 79) – $Replied\ to$.

5. **NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

Dr. Iijambo move without Notice –

That leave of absence be granted to Mr. Shuumbwa until further notice.

Agreed to.

6. **FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform moved, seconded by Ms. Witbooi:

That this Assembly -

Approve the propose revised rate of Land Tax on Agricultural Commercial Land in terms of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act 1995 (Act No. 6 of 1995) as amended, to mitigate the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the Sector.

Question put: That the revised rate of Land Tax be approved.

Agreed to.

7. **SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Industrialisation and Trade: moved, seconded by the Minister of Public Enterprises:

That this Assembly –

Agree to the withdrawal of Namibia from the Declaration made in terms of Article 14(5) of the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) – Administered Protocol relating to the Madrid Agreement concerning the International Registration of Marks.

Question put: That the Motion be approved.

Agreed to.

8. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the draft Joint Declaration between the Republic of Namibia and the Federal Republic of Germany.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 13 October 2021, as moved by the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (page 115): That the Motion be discussed.

On the motion of the Minister of Mines and Energy, seconded by Mr. Ithete, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 26 October 2021.

9. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Access to Information Bill [B. 4 – 2020].

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 19 October 2021, as moved by the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (page 109).

Question put: That the Bill be referred to a Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

Agreed to.

10. On the motion of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation, seconded by the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, the Assembly adjourned at 17:43 until Thursday, 21 October 2021.

MS. L. KANDETU

Secretary of the National Assembly

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