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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 7 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 reported that on Tuesday, 4 October 2021, Namibia celebrated the World Teachers Day and one of our own citizen, Mr. Lionga Stanley Siseho, from the Simataa Secondary School in the Zambezi Region, was awarded the African Union Continental Teacher's Prize for 2020.

On behalf of Parliament, the Speaker expressed appreciation to Mr. Siseho for his utmost commitment to the profession of teaching and congratulate him on his outstanding achievement. The Speaker added that Namibia is proud of his achievement and encouraged the rest of his colleagues in the teaching profession to emulate his commitment.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 157).
- (ii) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 158).
- (iii) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 159).
- (iv) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 160).
- (v) Ms. Dienda (PDM) to ask the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 161).

- (vi) Mr. Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Industrialisation and Trade (No. 162).
- (vii) Mr. Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 163).

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

The Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources made a Ministerial Statement by responding to an article titled, 'Angolan vessels accused of stealing Namibian fish', published in *The Namibian* newspaper dated 5 October 2021.

The Minister said the article seems to insinuate that the illegal fishing by the Angolans at the northern maritime border still continues, which is not the case. The Minister stated that the Ministry has since then increased its sea presence and in collaboration with the Namibian Navy, and that there is now a fully functional Automatic Identification System that notifies the Ministry immediately if there are any suspicious behavior.

5. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

- (i) Mr. Iipumbu (NEFF) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 90) *Replied to*.
- (ii) Mr. Smit (PDM) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 117) *Replied to*.
- (iii) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 124) *Replied to*.
- (iv) Mr. Martin (PDM) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 87) Stands over.
- (v) Mr. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 108) *Replied to*.
- (vi) Ms. Tjiveze (RP) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 109) *Stands over*.
- (vii) Mr. Iipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Public Enterprises (No. 110) *Stands over*.
- (viii) Mr. Mwilima (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 111) *Replied to*.
- (ix) Mr. Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 112) *Replied to*.
- (x) Mr. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare (No. 113) *Stands over*.
- (xi) Mr. Martin (PDM) asked the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 114) *Replied to*.
- (xii) Mr. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 115) *Stands over*.
- (xiii) Mr. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Prime Minister (No. 116) Stands over.

- (xiv) Mr. Smit (PDM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 118) *Replied to*.
- (xv) Ms. Van den Heever (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 119) Replied to.
- (xvi) Ms. Van den Heever (PDM) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 120) *Stands over*.
- (xvii) Mr. Muharukua (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 121) *Stands over*.
- (xviii)Mr. Muharukua (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 122) Replied to.
- (xix) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 123) *Stands over*.
- (xx) Mr. Auchab (UDF) asked the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation (No. 125) *Replied to*.
- 6. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:50 until Tuesday, 12 October 2021.

MS. L. KANDETU Secretary of the National Assembly

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