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(14:30 – 17:45)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

- I. Resumption of Debate on the draft Joint Declaration between the Republic of Namibia and the Federal Republic of Germany – [Muharukua].
- II. Resumption of Debate on the Transfer of Sentenced Offenders or Persons deprived of liberty between the Republic of Namibia and the Republic of Angola.
- III. Committee Stage – *State Finance Amendment Bill* [B.8 – 2021 – [Minister of Finance].
- IV. Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Income Tax Laws Amendment Bill* [B.11 – 2021 – [Mr. Smit].
- V. Resumption of Debate on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Africa.
- VI. Resumption of Debate on youth unemployment in the country which is more than twice that for adults – [Mr. Vries].
- VII. Resumption of Consideration of a Policy framework of Namibia Arts, Culture and Heritage – [Mr. Martin].
- VIII. Resumption of Consideration of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance – [Deputy Minister of Finance].

- IX. Resumption of Debate on the Prohibition of Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and their Destruction – [Mr. Seibeb].
- X. Resumption of Debate on events that led to the suspension of senior managers at NHE – [Minister of Urban and Rural Development].
- XI. Resumption of Debate on the Demarcation of Nossobville Suburb from Kalahari Constituency to Gobabis Constituency – Omaheke Region – [Minister of Urban and Rural Development].
- XII. Resumption of Debate on the preferential treatment awarded to the former Executive Director of the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation – [Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation].
- XIII. Resumption of Debate on fake qualifications in the public sector – [Ms. Dienda].

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

I. Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform:

That this Assembly –

In terms of Section 63 of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, No. 6 of 1995:

Appoint the following persons as members of the Land Tribunal by resolution, upon recommendation of the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform, for a period of three (3) years –

- (i) Hon. Justice (Rtd) Alfred Mubita Siboleka to serve as Chairperson;
- (ii) Ms. Anne Shilengudwa to serve as member of the Lands Tribunal (legal qualifications);
- (iii) Ms. Dagmar Honsbein to serve as member of the Lands Tribunal (experience of economical or financial matters)
- (iv) Mr. Vaino Povanhu Shivute to serve as member of the Lands Tribunal (experience of agriculture matters); and
- (v) Mr. Clive Kandjii to serve the Lands Tribunal (Alternate to the Chairperson).

II. Minister of Industrialisation and Trade:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the promotion and facilitation of foreign and Namibian investment to enhance sustainable economic development and reduce unemployment; to provide for the designation of certain economic sectors and business activities as reserved for certain categories of investors; to provide for approval of investments in designated economic sectors and business activities; to stipulate the rights and obligations of investors; to provide for dispute resolution mechanisms involving investments; and to provide for incidental matters.

III. Ms. Hengari:

The constrained access to higher education continues to suppress the country's ability to produce the requisite human capital needed to improve the country's competitiveness.

Therefore, that this Assembly –

Debates the removal of structural and systematic barriers that block access to higher education so that every Namibian person, irrespective of their socio-economic background may be able to pursue higher education.

IV. Mr. Kavekatora:

That this Assembly –

Discusses and *interrogates* issues that led to the devastating strike at NBC and its subsequent implications.

That this Motion eventually be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Committee for further investigation.

V. Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services:

That this Assembly –

Discusses representation and participation of women in politics in Namibia; whether women are equally represented at all levels as their menfolk and if not, for this House to come up and adopt a solution to it. (23 February 2021).

VI. Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services:

The events of colonisation on the African continent and Namibia in particular are documented since the days of the first European settlers. Much of our history is written from the perspective of the colonisers while the viewpoints and experiences of the Africans is largely ignored.

It was concluded that at independence, perhaps with the excitement and euphoria that prevailed, both the government and the people thought that the new dispensation was going to bring about the healing of wounds and help us all move on. We were all wrong and the truth is quite evident in the communities and amongst the descendants of the victims of the 1904 – 1908 Ovaherero and Nama Genocide. To the contrary, GRN established a Ministry of Veterans' Affairs which deals with matters of those who were involved in the 1966-1990 war of liberation which was fought by all Namibians including the descendants of the victims of the 1904-08 Ovaherero and Nama Genocide even those who were born in the Diaspora.

At this juncture in our lives, it is undeniable that the issue of genocide is not only about reparations and apology. It is more than that, from healing emotional wounds, re-writing our own history to preserving and sharing memoirs of our ancestors. This is an issue that will not end with reparations but it has a long way to go, it needs to be tackled head-on to find a direction, develop indulgence and deal with it on a day-to-day basis from an institutional point of view in a strategic way to help, assist and advance the communities that were almost annihilated by the Kaiser's German imperial regime.

It is therefore, against this background that I shall move:

That this Assembly –

Discusses and *Recommends* that an Office, Agency or the Commissioner for Descendants of the Victims of the Ovaherero and Nama 1904-08 Genocide be established for humanistic and historical reasons. This is best practice globally, with examples of the Azrieli Foundation in Canada, Shoah Foundations in most countries and the Holocaust Antisemitism Foundation in New Zealand.

