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FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

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

**WEDNESDAY, 20 APRIL 2022**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **The Speaker presented and laid upon the Table in terms of Rule 96(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders –**

Two Petitions submitted to his Office, one by the *Concerned Artists* and the other by *Otjomuise Landless Group*.

The Petition by the *Concerned Artists* is calling on the National Assembly to implement a new *Bill* and *Policy* that favours the Arts industry in Namibia as a separate entity from the Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture.

The Petition by *Otjomuise Landless Group* is requesting the National Assembly to look into it that they are resettled from the unconducive environment they are currently finding themselves with their families.

The Speaker reported that these Petitions are going to be submitted to the Standing Committee dealing with Petitions, to draw up rules governing the treatment of requests and complaints and shall use them as the basis for its decisions in each case.

3. **Announcements by the Speaker in terms of Rule 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Speaker reported to the House that he has been informed that Hon. Mike Kavekatora has been elected as the Chairperson of the Select Committee on Budget, and Hon. Evelyn !Nawases-Taeyele as Deputy Chairperson.

The Speaker further reported that he has been informed by the All People's Party (APP) that they have re-assigned their Members to various Parliamentary Standing Committees as follows:

Hon. Erastus Shuumbwa to serve on:

- (i) Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders and Internal Arrangements;
- (ii) Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defense and Security;
- (iii) Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs; and
- (iv) Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Hon. Maria Kamutali to serve on:

- (i) Standing Committee on Natural Resources;
- (ii) Standing Committee on Economics and Public Administration;
- (iii) Standing Committee on Human Resources and Community Development; and
- (iv) Standing Committee on Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs.

The Speaker declared these Members as duly elected to the said Parliamentary Standing Committees.

4. **The Minister of Finance laid upon the Table:**

- (i) Annual Report of NAMFISA for the financial year ended 2021; and
- (ii) Annual Report of NAMFISA for the financial year ended 2020.

5. **Mr. Hambyuka moved without notice:**

That the proceedings on Votes 8, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 31 and 39 of the *Appropriation Bill* be, in terms of Rule 103(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, not interrupted if still under consideration at 17:45.

Agreed to.

6. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Committee Stage – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 3 – 2022].

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

Agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:**

The Chairperson of the Whole House Committee stated that when progress was reported yesterday, 19 April 2022, Votes 8, 18, 19, 27 and 31 had been introduced, while Votes 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 13, 14, 26, 28, 30 and 32 had been discussed and agreed to. Votes 15, 16, 21 and 29 had been discussed but stood over for adoption as there was no quorum, while Vote 39 was deferred to today for discussion and adoption.

For adoption:

Vote 15 – Mines and Energy: Put and agreed to.

Vote 16 – Justice: Put and agreed to.

Vote 21 – Judiciary: Put and agreed to.

Vote 29 – Information and Communication Technology: Put and agreed to.

For introduction:

Vote 17 – Urban and Rural Development: Introduced by the Minister.  
Vote 22 – Fisheries and Marine Resources: Introduced by the Minister.  
Vote 23 – Works: Introduced by the Deputy Minister.  
Vote 24 – Transport: Introduced by the Minister.

For discussion:

Vote 39 – Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security: Discussed and agreed to.  
Vote 8 – Defence: Discussed and agreed to.  
Vote 31 – Veterans Affairs: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Thursday, 21 April 2022 due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.  
Vote 18 – Environment, Forestry and Tourism: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Thursday, 21 April 2022 due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.  
Vote 19 – Industrialisation and Trade: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Thursday, 21 April 2022 due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.  
Vote 27 – Sport, Youth and National Service: Discussed but due to a lack of a working quorum of 26 voting Members, Vote deferred for the Minister’s response and adoption.

**ASSEMBLY RESUMED:**

Progress reported and leave given to sit again.

7. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 24:45 until 14:30.

**MS. L. KANDETU**  
*Secretary of the National Assembly*

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