



Tuesday, 19 April 2022

No. 29 – 2022

FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 19 APRIL 2022

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 30(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Speaker reported that a vacancy has occurred in the National Assembly as a result of the resignation of Hon. Leon Jooste from the National Assembly on 31 March 2022,

In terms of Article 48(2) of the Namibian Constitution, the SWAPO Party has nominated Hon. Veikko Nekundi, being the next on the SWAPO Party list of the National Assembly, to take up his voted position with immediate effect.

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

Reports of the Auditor-General on the Accounts of the –

- (i) National Assembly for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (ii) Ministry of Defence and Veteran Affairs: Vote 31 Department of Veteran Affairs for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (iii) Ministry of Mines and Energy for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (iv) Ministry of Public Enterprises for the financial year ended 31 March 2021; and
- (v) National Planning Commission for the financial year ended 31 March 2021.

4. **URGENT QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Mr. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Prime Minister (No. 38) – *Replied to.*

(ii) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Speaker (No. 39) – *Ruled out of Order*.

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

That the proceedings on Votes 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 27, 29, 30, 31 and 32 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 Ms. Kafula: 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 on Thursday, 14 April 2022, Votes 11, 14, 15, 16, 21 and 29 had been introduced, while Votes 1, 2, 4, 7, 26 and 28 had been discussed and agreed to. Vote 3 stood over for the Speaker's reply and Votes 9, 10, 13, 30 and 32 were discussed but stood over for adoption as there was no quorum, while Vote 39 has been deferred by the Minister to Wednesday, 20 April 2022 for discussion and adoption.

The Minister of Finance moved, that Vote 3 – National Assembly, Vote 9 - Finance and Vote 11 – National Council be deferred to Thursday, 21 April 2022 as consultation is still under way.

Agreed to.

For adoption:

Vote 10 – Education, Arts and Culture. Put and agreed to.

Vote 13 – Health and Social Services. Put and agreed to.

Vote 30 – Anti-Corruption Commission. Put and agreed to.

Vote 32 – Higher Education, Training and Innovation. Put and agreed to.

For introduction:

Vote 8 – Defence: Introduced by the Minister.

Vote 31 – Veterans Affairs: Introduced by the Minister of Defence.

Vote 18 – Environment, Forestry and Tourism: Introduced by the Minister.

Vote 19 – Industrialisation and Trade: Introduced by the Minister.

Vote 27 – Sport, Youth and National Service: Introduced by the Minister.

For discussion:

Vote 14 – Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation: Discussed and agreed to.

Vote 15 – Mines and Energy: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Wednesday, 20 April 2022, due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.

Vote 16 – Justice: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Wednesday, 20 April 2022, due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.

Vote 21 – Judiciary: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Wednesday, 20 April 2022, due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.

Vote 29 – Information and Communication Technology: Discussed and deferred for adoption to Wednesday, 20 April 2022, due to a lack of 49 Members entitled to vote.

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 23:55 until Wednesday, 20 April 2022.

MS. L. KANDETU
Secretary of the National Assembly

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