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FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 16 JUNE 2022

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.

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

- (a) The Speaker announced that today, the 16th June is the Day of an African Child. He therefor wished all children of the continent a prosperous future, and urged all leaders to continue to honour the commitment to make the world a better place for our children.
- (b) Secondly, the Speaker announced the following nominations of Members as received from the political parties:
 - (i) Nomination by the Popular Democratic Movement (PDM):

Honourable Charmaine Tjirare to serve on:

- Committee on Public Accounts;
- Committee on Human Resources and Community Development; and
- Committee Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs'

Honourable Nghidipohamba Hamata to serve on:

- Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security; and
- Committee on Natural Resources.

Honourable Maximalliant Katjimune to serve on:

- Committee on Information, Communication, Technology and Innovation; and
- Committee Human Resources and Community Development.

Honourable Reginald R. Diergaardt to serve on:

- Committee on Economics and Public Administration; and
- Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs.

Honourable Yvette Araes to serve on:

- Committee on Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs; and
- Committee on Human Resources and Community Development.

Honourable Mike Rapuikua Venaani to serve on:

- Committee on Natural Resources; and
- Committee on Foreign Affairs Defence and Security.

Honourable Kaviao Hengari to serve on:

Committee on Public Accounts.

(ii) Nomination by the SWAPO Party:

Honourable Paula Kooper to serve on:

- Committee on Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs.

Honourable Ephraim Nekongo to serve on:

- Committee on Human Resources and Community Development; and
- Committee on Natural Resources.

(iii) Nomination by the Rally for Democracy and Progress (RDP):

Honourable Mike Kavekotora:

- Committee on Public Accounts.

(iv) Nomination by the Landless People's Movement (LPM):

Honourable Bernadus Swartbooi:

- Pan African Parliament.

The Speaker declared all the above-mentioned Members as duly nominated to the said Standing Committees and Group.

- (c) The Speaker further announced that he has been informed by the Chief Whip of the SWAPO Party that Honourable Sophia Shaningwa has been withdraw from the following Standing Committees:
 - Committee on Economics and Public Administration
 - Committee on Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs; and
 - Committee on Human Resources and Community Development.
- (d) That he has also been informed by the Chief Whip of PDM that Honourable Honourable Koviao Hengari has been withdrawn from the following Standing Committee:
 - Committee on Gender Equality, Social Development and Family Affairs.
- (e) And that he has also been informed by the Chief Whip of the SWAPO Party that they have nominated the following Members to serve on the Committee on Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA):
 - Honourable Natangwe Ithete;

- Honourable Elifas Dingara and; and
- Ephraem Nekongo.

3. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

- (i) Mr. Iipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 24) *Replied to*.
- (ii) Mr. Van Wyk (PDM) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 27) *Replied to*.
- (iii) Mr. Van Wyk (PDM) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 28) Replied to.
- (iv) Mr. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Minister of Sport, Youth and National Service (No. 29) *Stands over*.
- (v) Mr. Shuumbwa (NEFF) asked the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 30) *Stands over*.
- (vi) Ms. Hengari (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 31) Stands over.
- (vii) Mr. lipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 32) Replied to.
- (viii) Mr. Mukwilongo (NEFF) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 33) Stands over.
- (ix) Mr. Isaacks (LPM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 34) *Replied to*.

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

The Minister of Industrialisation and Trade moved, seconded by Dr. Ndjoze-Ojo:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the administration and supervision of metrology; to designate the Namibian Standards Council as the governance board for metrology; to provide for the functions of the Namibian Standards Institution and the appointment of the head of metrology and other professionals in metrology; to provide for legal units of measurements and legal metrology technical regulations, national measurement standards and to ensure their comparability to international measurement standards;; to provide for metrological supervision and control; to provide for type approval and verification of measuring instruments; to provide for repair of measuring instruments and registration of metrology technicians; to repeal the Measuring Units and National Measuring Standards Act, 1973 and the Trade Metrology Act, 1973; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

Metrology Bill {B. 9 – 2021] read a First Time.

The Minister of Industrialisation and Trade moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by the Minister of Mines and Energy: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Ms. Dienda, seconded by Mr. Vries, debate adjourned until Thursday, 23 June 2022.

- 5. **SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION** deferred by Mr. Hambyuka on behalf of the Deputy Minister of Finance to Thursday, 23 June 2022.
- 6. **THIRD and FOURTH NOTICES OF MOTIONS** deferred by Mr. Kavekotora on behalf of Mr. Shuumbwa to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.

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

Mr. Kavekotora moved, seconded by Mr. Van Wyk:

That this Assembly –

Discuss, evaluate and *deliberate* on the notion of One Namibia One Nation and how it relates to various opportunities, equitable wealth distribution and resources allocation.

That this motion subsequently be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further investigation and recommendations.

Question put: That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further investigation and recommendations.

Agreed to.

- 8. **SIXTH NOTICE OF A MOTION** deferred by the Minister of Health and Social Services on behalf his Deputy to Tuesday, 28 June 2022.
- 9. **FIRST ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Information and Communication Technology to Tuesday, 21 June 2022.

10. SECOND ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the appointment of Dr. Sindano as a member of the Electoral Commission of Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday 7 June 2022, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 42): That the Motion be approved.

On the motion of Ms. Dienda, seconded by Mr. Iipumbu, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 21 June 2022.

- 11. **THIRD ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Justice to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.
- 12. **FOURTH ORDER** deferred by the Deputy Minister of Sport, Youth and National Service on behalf of the Deputy Minister of Works and Transport to Tuesday, 21 June 2022.
- 13. **FIFTH ORDER** deferred by Ms. Dienda on behalf of Mr. Muharukua to Tuesday, 21 June 2022.
- 14. **SIXTH ORDER** deferred by Ms. Dienda on behalf of Mr. Muharukua to Tuesday, 21 June 2022.
- 15. **SEVENTH ORDER** deferred by Mr. Ithete on behalf of the Deputy Minister of Finance to Thursday, 23 June 2022.
- 16. **EIGHTH ORDER** deferred by Ms. Dienda on behalf of Mr. Seibeb to Thursday, 23 June 2022.

- 17. **NINTH ORDER** deferred by the Deputy Minister of Marginalised People on behalf of the Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.
- 18. **TENTH ORDER** deferred by Ms. Dienda on behalf of Ms. Becker to Tuesday, 21 June 2022.

19. ELEVENTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the representation and participation of women in politics.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 8 June 2022, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services (page 19): That the Motion be adopted.

On the motion of the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security, seconded by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 22 June 2022.

20. In terms of Rule 99(a) and of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:46 until Tuesday, 21 June 2022.

MS. L. KANDETU Secretary of the National Assembly

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