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

TUESDAY, 12 JULY 2022

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Deputy Speaker in terms of Rule 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Deputy Speaker announced that she has been informed by the Chief Whip of the LPM Party about the following nominations:

- (i) Hon. Bernadus Swartbooi will serve on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts; and
- (ii) Hon. Henny Seibeb is to serve on the International Parliamentary Union (IPU). Hon. Utaara Hoveka was erroneously announced as having to serve on the IPU Group.

The Deputy Speaker declared Hon. Swartbooi and Hon. Seibeb as duly nominated Members to the said Committee and Group.

3. **The Minister of Industrialisation and Trade laid upon the Table:**

Annual Report of Namibian Standards Institution (NSi) for the year 2020/2021.

4. **URGENT QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Ms. Dienda (PDM) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 53) – *To be put in writing.*
- (ii) Ms. Dienda (PDM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 54) – *Replied to.*

(iii) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare (No. 55) – *Replied to.*

(iv) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 56) – *Replied to.*

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

The Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare informed the public that it has completed the first run of the Integrated Social Assistance System (ISAS), which replaces the Social Assistance System (SAS) with effect from June 2022.

The ISAS verifies authenticity of national documents, life status and help to prevent duplications.

The Minister reported that when the migration from SAS to ISAS was done, it was discovered that the system rejected 18 503 beneficiaries, which included 4 156 deceased beneficiaries and 249 expired Disability Grants. The deletion of the 4 156 deceased beneficiaries has already realized a saving of N\$5 million.

6. FIRST ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the Agreement between SADC Member States regarding the establishment of SADC Centre for Renewal Energy and Efficiency (SACREEE).

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 5 July 2022, as moved by the Minister of Mines and Energy (page 141).

Question put: That the SACREEE Agreement be adopted.

Agreed to.

7. SECOND ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on the Treaty between Namibia and Russia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 6 July 2022, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 41): That the Ratification of Cooperation be adopted.

On the motion of the Minister of Justice, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Works and Transport, debate adjourned until Thursday, 14 July 2022.

8. In terms of Rule 99(a) and of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:47 until Wednesday, 13 July 2022.

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Secretary of the National Assembly

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