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

**THURSDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 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 reported that Namibia, as a Member of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), joins the rest of the world in observing the “*International Day of Democracy*”, adopted by the United Nation’s General Assembly in 2007.

The significance of this day is to honour the values that democracy upholds and to draw attention to how important it is for all UN Member countries to exercise and maintain democracy. The day presents an opportunity to all Member States of the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union to evaluate the state of Democracy and to promote and uphold its principles on a global scale.

3. **QUESTIONS WITH NOTICES:**
  - (i) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 98).
  - (ii) Mr. Smit (PDM) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 99).
  - (iii) Mr. McHenry Venaani (PDM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 100).
4. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**
  - (i) Mr. Van Wyk (PDM) asked the Prime Minister (No. 80) – *Replied to.*

- (ii) Mr. Van Wyk (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 81) – *Replied to.*
- (iii) Mr. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 82) – *Replied to.*
- (iv) Mr. Iipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation (No. 83) – *Replied to.*

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

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by Ms. Kavetuna:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the abolition of the use of cheques as a method of payment in Namibia; to amend or repeal certain laws that refer to cheques as a method of payment or require the opening or maintenance of cheque or current accounts; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

*Abolition of Payment by Cheque Bill* [B. 5 – 2022] read a First Time.

The Minister of Finance moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Ms. Dienda, seconded by Ms. Tjirare, debate adjourned until Thursday, 22 September 2022.

6. **SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Mr. Karondo:

That leave be given to amend the Administration of Estates Act, 1965 by the repeal of the provision that requires the payment of certain moneys in respect of minors and persons under curatorship into the guardian's fund; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

*Administration of Estates Amendment Bill* [B. 7 – 2022] read a First Time.

The Minister of Justice moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by Mr. Hambyuka: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Minister of Industrialisation and Trade, seconded by Mr. Kasuto, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 21 September 2022.

7. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:48 until Tuesday, 20 September 2022.

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

*Compiled by I. Nehoya*