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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL 2023

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 all Members are being invited by the National Assembly's Wellness Committee to a Fun Walk to be held on Friday, 21 April 2023 starting at 08:00 from the Daan Viljoen roadblock. The purpose of the Fun Walk is to foster a stronger bond among employees and Members of Parliament.

3. Hon. Ithete laid upon the Table for discussion:

- (i) Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Economics and Public Administration on the Oversight visits to Namibia Revenue Agency Domestic Tax Offices and Customs Entry Points in Oshana, Ohangwena and Erongo Regions; and
- (ii) Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Economics and Public Administration on the 60th Meeting of the Organisation of the African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) and the 41st Session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) held in Strasborg, France from 29 March 2022 to 3 April 2022; and Report on the 61st Session of the OACPS-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly and the 42nd Session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly held in Maputo, Mozambique from 25 October 2022 to 2 November 2022.
- 4. Hon. Hambyuka moved without notice in terms of Rule 27(h):

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah until further notice.

Agreed to.

5. FIRST ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate to carry out a comprehensive inquiry into all aspects of the procedures dictating the tender awarding processes of the Central Procurement Board of Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 18 April 2023, as moved by Hon. Smit (page 61): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Smit, seconded by Hon. Van den Heever, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 25 April 2023.

6. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of debate on Human Wildlife Conflict Policy on whether it is adequately applied to mitigate HWC and the need to review it to elevate the problem.

Question to refer the Motion to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee stands deferred due to the absence of 49 voting Members.

7. THIRD ORDER READ:

Resumption of debate on the necessity of OMAs that have workplace policy on HIV and AIDS to review and expand it to an inclusive employee wellness program and for those where the program does not exist to start implementing it.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 18 April 2023, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services (page 27): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

Motion deferred for the reply by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services.

8. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate to investigate the expenditure of the N\$14.1 Billion allocated to the Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture with a comprehensive view into infrastructure and textbook expenditure.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 12 April 2023, as moved by Hon. Smit (page 67): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Tjiveze, seconded by Hon. Mbundu, debate adjourned until Tuesday, April 2023.

9. On the motion of the Prime Minister, seconded by Hon. Ithete, the Assembly adjourned at 17:41 until Thursday, 20 April 2023.

MS. L. KANDETU

Secretary of the National Assembly

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