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SEVENTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MONDAY, 3 APRIL 2023

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

The Speaker reported that the RDP Party has nominated Mr. Kennedy Shekupakela, who is the Vice President of the Party, to replace Honourable Kavekatora who resigned as a Member of the National Assembly with effect from Friday, 31st March 2023. Honourable Shekupakela was sworn in this morning by Chief Justice Peter Shivute.

On behalf of the National Assembly, the Speaker warmly welcomed Honourable Shekupakela, and urged Members to give him the necessary support and guidance.

Having said that, the Speaker declared Honourable Kennedy Shekupakela as a duly elected Member of the National Assembly.

3. **Hon. Hambyuka moved without Notice in terms of Rule 27(d) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

That the proceedings on Votes 14, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 36, 37 and 38 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.

4. **Hon. Katjimune moved without Notice in terms of Rule 27(h) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

That leave of absence due to official business, be granted to Hon. McHenry Venaani until further notice.

Agreed to.

5. **ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Committee Stage – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 1 – 2023].

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by Hon. Dr. Aupindi: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

The Chairperson of the Whole House Committee reported that when progress was reported on Friday, 31 March 2023, Votes 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 18, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 39 had been discussed and agreed to, while Votes 14, 27, 37 and 38 had been introduced. Votes 17, 19, 22, 23 and 24 had stood over for adoption due to a lack of a voting quorum.

For adoption:

Vote 17 – Urban and Rural Development: Put and agreed to.

Vote 19 – Industrialisation and Trade: Put and agreed to.

Vote 22 – Fisheries and Marine Resources: Put and agreed to.

Vote 23 – Works: Put and agreed to.

Vote 24 – Transport: Put and agreed to.

Vote 16 – Justice: Introduced by the Minister.

Vote 21 – Judiciary: Introduced by the Minister.

Vote 36 – Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare: Introduced by the Deputy Minister.

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

Vote 27 – Sport, Youth and National Service: Discussed and agreed to.

Vote 37 – Agriculture and Land Reform: Discussed and deferred for adoption due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

Vote 38 – Water: Discussed and deferred for adoption due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Progress reported and leave given to sit again.

6. In terms of Rule 90(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 20:21 until Tuesday, 4 April 2023.

MS. L. KANDETU
Secretary of the National Assembly

