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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 27 JUNE 2023

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

The Hon. Speaker acknowledged the presence of the visiting delegation of officials from the Senate of the Parliament of Kenya, who are on a benchmarking visit to our Parliament.

3. **RULING BY THE HON. SPEAKER:**

The Hon. Speaker reported that yesterday, 26 June 2023 during the “*Notices of Questions*” time, his attention was drawn to the usage of unparliamentary words by Hon. Seibeb, and that he promised to consult the Hanzard on that and report back today. The Hon. Speaker confirmed that indeed, Hon. Seibeb who was having the floor at that moment remarked “*Ons sal hom moer*”. To this, the Speaker ruled that it was unparliamentary and requested Hon. Seibeb to withdraw those words unconditionally.

Hon. Seibeb refused to withdraw saying that he never uttered such words, and instead walked out of the Chamber followed by his fellow LPM Parliamentarians.

4. **The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises laid upon the Table:**

Reports of the Auditor-General on the Accounts of the –

- (i) National Assembly for the financial year ended 31 March 2022;

- (ii) Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation for the financial year ended 31 March 2022;
- (iii) Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service for the financial year ended 31 March 2022;
- (iv) National Road Safety Council for the financial year ended 31 March 2022; and
- (v) Village Council of Stampriet for the financial years ended 30 June 2016, 2017 and 2018.

5. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) to ask the Hon. Prime Minister (No. 107).
- (ii) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) to ask the Hon. Prime Minister (No. 108).
- (iii) Hon. Mukwiilongo (NEFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 109).
- (iv) Hon. Shekupakela (RDP) to ask the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 110).
- (v) Hon. Hamata (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 111).

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

That the proceedings on the First Notice of a Motion, and the First up to the Twelfth Orders on the Order Paper be, in accordance with Rule 99 of the Standing Rules and Orders, not interrupted if still under consideration at 17:45.

Agreed to.

In terms of Rule 78 of the Standing Rules and Orders, Hon. McHenry Venaani requested that the PDM opposition to this Motion to extend time be formally recorded in the Minutes of Proceedings.

Noted.

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

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by the Minister of Works and Transport:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment, management, administration, operation, regulation, oversight and supervision of payment, clearing and settlement systems in Namibia; provide for the continuation of the Payment System Management Body as the Payments Association of Namibia; provide for the powers and functions of the Bank in relation to ensuring an accessible, safe, secure, efficient and effective national payment system; provide for the licencing and authorisation of payment instruments, payment service providers and payment system

operators; regulate the issuance of electronic money and operations of trust accounts; provide for the designation of payment, clearing and settlement systems; provide for the settlement of disputes between payment service providers and disputes between the Association or payment system operators, payment service providers and the Bank; provide for the repeal of the Payment System Management Act, 2003; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

Payment System Management Bill [B.14 – 2023] read a First Time.

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by the Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Dienda, seconded by Hon. Van Wyk, debate adjourned until Thursday, 29 June 2023.

8. **FIRST ORDER** deferred to Wednesday, 28 June 2023 by the Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises, on behalf of the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security.
9. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *Extradition Amendment Bill* [B. 8 – 2023].

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Hon. Elago: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 put and agreed to.
Clauses 2 put and agreed to
Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendments.

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Minister of Sport, Youth and National Service: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

Extradition Amendment Bill [B. 8 – 2023] read a Third Time.

10. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *International Co-operation in Criminal Matters Amendment Bill* [B. 7 – 2023].

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Hon. Katjingsua: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 put and agreed to.

Clause 2 put and agreed to.

Clause 3 put and agreed to.

Clause 4 put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendments.

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by Hon. Mareka: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

International Co-operation in Criminal Matters Amendment Bill [B. 7 – 2023] read a Third Time.

11. FOURTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Livestock and Livestock Products Amendment Bill* [B.4 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 26 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (page 118).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Livestock and Livestock Products Amendment Bill [B.4 – 2023] read a Second Time.

12. FIFTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Prevention of Organised Crime Amendment Bill* [B.11 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 26 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 116).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Prevention of Organised Crime Amendment Bill [B.11 – 2023] read a Second Time.

13. SIXTH ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Criminal Procedure Amendment Bill* [B.10 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Justice (page 115).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Criminal Procedure Amendment Bill [B.10 – 2023] read a Second Time.

14. **SEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Virtual Assets Bill* [B.12 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises (page 117).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Virtual Assets Bill [B.12 – 2023] read a Second Time.

15. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Prevention and Combating of Terrorist and Proliferation Activities Amendment Bill* [B.13 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (page 118).

Question put: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Agreed to.

Prevention and Combating of Terrorist and Proliferation Activities Amendment Bill [B.13 – 2023] read a Second Time.

16. **NINTH ORDER** deferred by Hon. Van den Heever to Wednesday, 28 June 2023

17. **TENTH ORDER** deferred by Hon. Van den Heever to Wednesday, 28 June 2023

18. **ELEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Civil Registration and Identification Bill* [B.2 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 21 June 2023, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (page 104): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

Due to various concerns raised by the Members of the Assembly, the Speaker ruled that the Deputy Minister be given the opportunity to go and consult further, and to come and address the issues raised.

Agreed to.

19. **TWELFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Banking Institutions Bill* [B.15 – 2023].

Question before the Assembly on Monday, 26 June 2023, as moved by the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises (page 124): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

20. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 21:43 until Wednesday, 28 June 2023.

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Secretary of the National Assembly

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