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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA ORDER PAPER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 21 JUNE 2023 (14:30 – 17:45)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Police Act 1990, so as to authorise the Inspector-General to share information obtained during investigations of money laundering and associated predicate offences, the financing of terrorism or proliferation activities or any other offences of interest with foreign law enforcement agencies and foreign non-law enforcement agencies; and to provide for incidental matters.

II. Minister of Justice:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 so as to provide for the access, search and seizure of electronic records; to provide for arrangements for giving of evidence through an audio-visual link or similar electronic transmission; to provide for the postponement of criminal proceedings through audio-visual links; to include the requirements for audio-visual appearance by accused persons and to provide for the protection of communication between the accused person and the legal representative; to include requirements for the technical requirements for audio-visual links in courtrooms; to provide for police powers to obtain information; to provide for the furnishing of evidence to a judge of the High Court or a magistrate without the need for appearance; to provide for the application to criminal proceedings of certain provisions of the Electronic Transactions Act, 2019, relating to data messages and computer evidence; to provide for police powers to use traps or undercover

operations and for the admissibility of evidence obtained from such traps or undercover operations; and to provide for incidental matters.

III. Minister of Justice:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Prevention of Organised Crime Act, 2004 so as to substitute and insert new definitions; to provide for the exclusion of a conviction on a predicate offence as a ground for committing the offence of money laundering; to provide for the offences of smuggling of migrants, illicit trafficking of stolen goods, piracy and related offences; to provide for the seizure of pirate ships or aircrafts; to provide for the forfeiture of intended instrumentalities of offences and unexplained assets; to provide for condonation after cessation of impossibility to give notice; to provide for staff members to perform certain functions in relation to property; to provide for the allocation of money from the Fund to the Financial Intelligence Centre or supervisory bodies and recommendations for such allocation under the powers and functions of the Committee; to extend the investigation powers of the Inspector-General to the Director-General of the Anti-Corruption Commission; to subject backing institutions to property tracking orders; to provide for the seizure of tainted property without a warrant; to extend the police powers of requesting for information to authorised officers of the Anti-Corruption Commission and to include banking institutions as one of the bodies from which information may be requested from; to provide authority for the Prosecutor-General to carry out functions as a legal practitioner; and to provide for incidental matters.

IV. Minister of Justice:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Extradition Act, 1996 so as to delete the ground of refusal of extradition where a person is convicted in his or her absence by a court in a requesting country.

V. Minister of Justice:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the International Cooperation in Criminal Matters Act, 2000 so as to provide for certain definitions; to provide for further grounds for refusal of foreign requests for assistance in obtaining evidence; to provide for requests for assistance in enforcing preservation and forfeiture orders, to provide for registration of foreign preservation and forfeiture orders, to provide for the setting aside of registration of foreign preservation or forfeiture orders; and to provide for incidental matters.

VI. Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of virtual asset service providers; to designate a Regulatory Authority to regulate and supervise virtual asset service providers and related activities, for purposes of ensuring consumer protection, preventing market abuse and preventing or mitigating the risk of money laundering and terrorist financing posed by virtual assets markets; and to provide for incidental matters.

VII. Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Prevention and Combating of Terrorist and Proliferation Activities Act, 2014, so as to substitute the definitions of "competent authority" and

"organisation"; to provide for the intentional provision of funds or other assets; to finance terrorist and proliferation activities; to provide for the designation of certain persons, organisations or countries by the United Nations Security Council; to provide for changes in the implementation of the United Nations Security Council resolutions; and to provide for incidental matters.

VIII. Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1981 so as to amend the long title; to amend certain definitions and insert new definitions; to change the name of the board and amend the objectives of the board; to include in the Act provisions relating to livestock products in general; to provide that poultry is livestock for purposes of the Act and that dairy products are livestock products for purposes of the Act; to amend the short title of the Act; and to provide for incidental matters.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- I. Resumption of Debate on Second Reading *Financial Intelligence Amendment Bill* [B. 3 2023].
- II. Resumption of Debate on Second Reading *Civil Registration and Identification Bill* [B. 2 2023] [Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security].
- III. Resumption of Debate on the brave deeds of the Late Hompa Kandjimi-Hauwanga of VaKwangali against the racist German and Portuguese imperialists and to have his skull and of others Namibians repatriated from Germany [Hon. Kauandenge].
- IV. Resumption of Debate on the Double Taxation Regime (DTR) and its implications for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the country [Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises].
- V. Resumption of Debate on the unconstitutional Supreme Court judgment on same sex marriage.
- VI. Resumption of Debate on the establishment of a Genocide Memorial Museum for the 1904 genocide perpetuated against the OvaHerero and Nama community [Hon. Hengari].
- VII. Resumption of Debate on the possibility to investigate the unethical multiple charges resulting in over profiteering by Commercial Banks in Namibia's perpetual colonial legacy of class and race discrimination against their clients [Hon. Masua].
- VIII. Resumption of Debate on the initiation and development of the Green Hydrogen industrial sector in the Republic of Namibia with a view to becoming a global hub in the Green Hydrogen space [Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises].
- IX. Resumption of Debate to provide every Namibian one million Namibian Dollars from the existing valuable resources found in the country.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Minister of Industrialisation and Trade:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Companies Act, 2004 so as to insert new definitions; to appeal certain provisions authorizing public companies with share capital to issue warrants entitling bearers of share capital to shares or stock specified in the warrants, to require bearers of share warrants to convert the share warrants into ordinary par value shares; to require companies to keep and maintain registers of beneficial owners; and to provide for incidental matters.

II. Minister of Industrialisation and Trade:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Close Cooperations Act, 1988 so as to insert new definitions; to require close cooperations to keep and maintain registers of beneficial owners; and to provide for incidental matters.

III. Hon. Hengari:

The state of prison cells and holding facilities countrywide calls for an urgent revamp and even a total reconstruction of most of these facilities, as it constitutes a serious violation of human rights. The ongoing problem of overcrowding at over 980 percent of the police cells worsens the prevailing appalling conditions under which trial-awaiting prisoners and accused persons are held.

That this Assembly -

Debate the deplorable conditions in which holding facilities and prison cells are in with the objective of protecting the rights of all human beings to dignity.

IV. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly, discuss the following –

By 2014 the project titled Groundwater Investigations in the north of Namibia could identify and demarcate a vast multi-layered groundwater system, the Ohangwena Groundwater System (OGS), with its main aquifers of Kalahari-Ohangwena (KOH-1 and KOH-2). The OGS is a high yielding aquifer system with an enormous volume of stored potable water. The amount of stored groundwater in the KOH-2 aquifer on the Namibian side is conservatively calculated ro 20 billion cubic meters.

As climate change worsens, groundwater stores will become more and more critical to maintain our access not only to safe, drinkable water, but also for agricultural, industrial and other purposes. Consequently, a country (or region) with an abundance of water has the potential to attract investment, create massive jobs, and become self-sufficient in food.

I therefore move that it is of national interest to develop and protect this aquifer against any illegal activities such as drilling and potential pollution.

Further, that this Assembly discusses the potential, protection and sustainable utilization of this massive resource.

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on the safety and protection of children, and where necessary, make recommendations to line Ministries and Agencies to introduce and or strengthen mechanisms for the protection of children countrywide – [Hon. Muharukua].

TUESDAY, 27 JUNE 2023

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on what appears to be a bitterly unscrupulous power struggle unfolding at the National Petroleum Corporation of Namibia (NAMCOR), warranting concern and suspicion surrounding the management and possible looting of Namibia's natural resources, promoting public distrust – [Hon. Tjirare].

TUESDAY, 4 JULY 2023

NOTICE OF A MOTION

Hon. McHenry Venaani:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the most recent census which indicates that we have 464 839 households, of which 6% are headed by single persons. Typically, we understand a great proportion of these households to be headed by women, with same census report citing that 43.8% of Namibian households are female headed. This supported by trends which indicate that women are generally more likely than their male counterparts to parent and raise their children.

According to a report of the Office of the Judiciary, by 2018 we had 31 104 active maintenance of which 15 097 were default cases. We are also aware that a great proportion of single parents opt not to pursue child maintenance order. This indicates a skewed socio-economic burden placed on women in caring for children and families. Single parent households generally have lower incomes and are more vulnerable to food insecurity.

I thus further move, that this House explore possible remedies such as subsidized utilities and public transport in order to create better safety nets for single mothers, and alleviate some of the disproportionate socio-economic burden placed on them.

Further, that this motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee.