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NINTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

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

WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH 2024

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

- (i) The Deputy Speaker further reported that in accordance with the responsibility of the Executive Branch of Government to the Legislative Branch, His Excellency the President of the Republic of Namibia Dr. Nangolo Mbumba by virtue of Article 32(2) of the Namibian Constitution, will address the joint sitting of Parliament tomorrow at 14:30 on the State of the Nation.

All Hon. Members are kindly requested to be in attendance for this important occasion.

- (ii) The Deputy Speaker reported that she has been informed that following Hon. Modestus Amutse's appointment as Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology; that a vacancy occurred for a position of a Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Information, Communication, Technology and Innovation. As a result, Hon. Maria Elago has been elected as Chairperson whereas Honourable Sebastiaan Karupu has been elected as Deputy Chairperson of the aforesaid Standing Committee.
3. **NOTICE OF A QUESTION:**

Hon. Hamata (PDM) to ask the Minister of Justice (No. 26).
 4. **URGENT ORAL QUESTION:**

Hon. Shekupakela (RDP) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 12)
– *Replied to.*

5. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Consideration and approval of the nomination of members of the Electoral Commission of Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 12 March 2024, as moved by Hon. Hambyuka (page 27).

Question put: That the Motion be approved.

Agreed to.

6. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 1 – 2024].

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 12 March 2024, as moved by the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises (page 15): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Tjirare, seconded by Hon. Hengari, debate adjourned until Monday, 18 March 2024.

7. **THIRD ORDER** deferred by the Deputy Speaker.

8. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on government to avail adequate resources for public schools to also excel like private schools.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 6 March 2024, as moved by Hon. Hamata (page 14): That the Motion be deferred to a Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Kandumbu, seconded by Hon. Elago, debate adjourned until Monday, 18 March 2024.

9. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:47 until Monday, 18 March 2024.

MS. L. KANDETU
Secretary of the National Assembly

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