



Thursday, 17 April 2025

No. 10 – 2025

FIRST SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

# **REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

## **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

### **OF THE**

## **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**THURSDAY, 17 APRIL 2025**

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

The Deputy Speaker announced that, in terms of Rule 6 of the Establishing, Functioning and Procedures of Parliamentary Standing Committees, the Selection Committee considered the nominations submitted by the various political parties to serve on the Parliamentary Standing Committees of the 8<sup>th</sup> Parliament of Namibia as established by Rule 7, and confirmed as follows:

**(i) Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs and Petitions:**

1. Hon. Modestus Amutse
2. Hon. Sirkka Ausiku
3. Hon. Werner Iita
4. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
5. Hon. Salomon April
6. Hon. Hillma Iita
7. Hon. Alexia Ncube
8. Hon. Alpheus G. !Naruseb
9. Hon. Iipumbu Shiimi
10. Hon. Royal /Ui/oo/o
11. Hon. Elder Filipe
12. Hon. Nono Katjingisua
13. Hon. Fenny Tutjavi
14. Hon. Elvis Lizazi
15. Hon. Isra Kanyemba
16. Hon. Micheal Mulunga
17. Hon. Lilani Brinkman
18. Hon. Aloisius Kangulu

19. Hon. Job S. Amupanda
20. Hon. Tuhaeni K. Kalola
21. Hon. Inna Hengari
22. Hon. Bernadus Swartbooi
23. Hon. Longinus Iipumbu
24. Hon. Martin Lukato Lukato

(ii) **Committee on International Relations, Defense and Security:**

1. Hon. James Uerikua
2. Hon. Fenny Turjavi
3. Hon. Derek Klazen
4. Hon. Modestus Atshipara
5. Hon. Elder Filipe
6. Hon. John Likando
7. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
8. Hon. Marius Sheya
9. Hon. Martha Itope
10. Hon. Royal /Ui/oo/o
11. Hon. Ephraim T. Negongo
12. Hon. Uahekua Herunga
13. Hon. Paula Kooper
14. Hon. Rodney Cloete
15. Hon. Aloisius Kangulu
16. Hon. Isra Kanyemba
17. Hon. Nelson Kalangula
18. Hon. Rodrick Likando
19. Hon. Job S. Amupanda
20. Hon. Ester Haikola-Sakaria
21. Hon. McHenry Venaani
22. Hon. Utaara Mootu
23. Hon. Nico Somaeb
24. Hon. Martin Lukato Lukato

(iii) **Committee on Economy and Industry, Public Administration and Planning:**

1. Hon. Iipumbu Shiimi
2. Hon. Hilma Iita
3. Hon. Willem Amutenya
4. Hon. Sharonice Busch
5. Hon. Marlyn Mbakera
6. Hon. Clemencia Coetzee
7. Hon. Justina Jonas
8. Hon. Fenny Nanyeni
9. Hon. Sebastiaan Karupu
10. Hon. Tobie Aupindi
11. Hon. Sirkka Ausiku
12. Hon. Martha Itope
13. Hon. James Uerikua
14. Hon. Micheal Mulunga
15. Hon. Immanuel Nashinge
16. Hon. Ferdinand Hengombe
17. Hon. Lilani Brinkman
18. Hon. Elvis Lizazi
19. Hon. Vaino TT Hangula

20. Hon. George H. Kambala
21. Hon. McHenry Venaani
22. Hon. Dawid Eigub
23. Hon. Nico Somaeb
24. Hon. Matthias Mbundu

(iv) **Committee on Natural Resources:**

1. Hon. Tobie Aupindi
2. Hon. Tuuliki Abrahams
3. Hon. Fenni Nanyeni
4. Hon. Elder Filipe
5. Hon. John Likando
6. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
7. Hon. Ephraim T. Nekongo
8. Hon. Uahekua Herunga
9. Hon. Modestus Amutse
10. Hon. Sebastiaan Karupu
11. Hon. Clemencia Coetzee
12. Hon. Marius Sheya
13. Hon. Willem Amutenya
14. Hon. Ferdinand Hengombe
15. Hon. Armas Amukoto
16. Hon. Immanuel Nashinge
17. Hon. Rodrick Likando
18. Hon. Otilie Haitota
19. Hon. Tuhafeni K. Kakola
20. Hon. George H. Kambala
21. Hon. Diederik Vries
22. Hon. Aina Kodi
23. Hon. Longinus Iipumbu
24. Hon. Vetaruhe Kandorozi

(v) **Committee on Urban and Rural Development and Land Reform:**

1. Hon. Elifas Dingara
2. Hon. Clemencia Coetzee
3. Hon. Salomon April
4. Hon. Marius Sheya
5. Hon. Malayn Mbakera
6. Hon. Austin Samupwa
7. Hon. Derek Klazen
8. Hon. Fenni Nanyeni
9. Hon. Elder Filipe
10. Hon. John Likando
11. Hon. Sirkka Ausiku
12. Hon. Royal /Ui/oo/o
13. Hon. Werner Iita
14. Hon. Vilho Ihemba
15. Hon. Otilie Haitota
16. Hon. Abednego Hishoono
17. Hon. Isra Kanyemba
18. Hon. Micheal Mulunga
19. Hon. Job S. Amupanda
20. Hon. George H. Kambala

21. Hon. Rosa Mbinge-Tjeundo
22. Hon. Eneas Emvula
23. Hon. Nico Somaeb
24. Hon. Festus Thomas

(vi) **Committee on Education, Youth, Civic Relations and Community Development:**

1. Hon. Marlayn Mbakera
2. Hon. Austin Samupwa
3. Hon. Alexia Ncube
4. Hon. Tuuliki Abraham
5. Hon. Willem Amutenya
6. Hon. Sharonice Busch
7. Hon. Fenny Tutjavi
8. Hon. Derek Klazen
9. Hon. Modestus Atshipara
10. Hon. James Uerikua
11. Hon. Uahekua Herunga
12. Hon. Nono Katjingisua
13. Hon. Sophia Shaningwa
14. Hon. Bertha Nghifikwa
15. Hon. Abednego Hishoono
16. Hon. John Louw Mouton
17. Hon. Lilian Lutuhezi
18. Hon. Vilho Ihemba
19. Hon. Tuhafeni K. Kalola
20. Hon. George H. Kambala
21. Hon. Rosa Mbinge-Tjeundo
22. Hon. Utaara Mootu
23. Hon. Nico Somaeb
24. Hon. Ambrosius Kumbwa

(vii) **Committee on Poverty Eradication, Labour and Industrial Relations:**

1. Hon. Justina Jonas
2. Hon. Salomon April
3. Hon. Alexia Ncube
4. Hon. Clemencia Coetzee
5. Hon. Sirkka Ausiku
6. Hon. Royal /Ui/oo/o
7. Hon. Ephraim T. Negongo
8. Hon. Hilma Iita
9. Hon. Alpheus G !Naruseb
10. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
11. Hon. Uahekua Herunga
12. Hon. Elifas Dingara
13. Hon. Modestus Atshipara
14. Hon. Rodrick Likando
15. Hon. Otilie Haitota
16. Hon. Borniface Susiku
17. Hon. Lilian Lutuhezi
18. Hon. Lucia Mbuti
19. Hon. Fredrick T. Shitana
20. Hon. Vaino TT Hangula
21. Hon. Winnie Moongo

22. Hon. Eneas Emvula
23. Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb
24. Hon. Ambrosius Kumbwa

(viii) **Committee on Gender Equality, Health and Social Welfare:**

1. Hon. Nono Katjingisua
2. Hon. Fenny Nanyeni
3. Hon. Sharonice Busch
4. Hon. Fenny Tutjavi
5. Hon. Justina Jonas
6. Hon. Tuuliki Abrahams
7. Hon. Ephraim T. Nekongo
8. Hon. Helaria Mukapuli
9. Hon. Paula Kooper
10. Hon. Alpheus G. !Naruseb
11. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
12. Hon. Alexia Ncube
13. Hon. Sophia Shaningwa
14. Hon. Lilian Lutuhezi
15. Hon. Lucia Mbuti
16. Hon. Lilani Brinkman
17. Hon. Borniface Susiko
18. Hon. Armas Amukoto
19. Hon. Ester Haikola
20. Hon. Frederick Shitana
21. Hon. Winnie Moongo
22. Hon. Aina Kodi
23. Hon. Longinus Iipumbu
24. Hon. Vetaruhe Kandorozi

(ix) **Committee on Information and Communication Technology:**

1. Hon. Sebastian Karupu
2. Hon. Martha Itope
3. Hon. Elifas Dingara
4. Hon. Modestus Amutse
5. Hon. Willem Amutenya
6. Hon. Iipumbu Shiimi
7. Hon. Paula Kooper
8. Hon. Hilaria Mukapuli
9. Hon. Fenni Nanyeni
10. Hon. Tuuliki Abraham
11. Hon. Tobi Aupindi
12. Hon. Hilma Iita
13. Hon. Salomon April
14. Hon. John Louw Mouton
15. Hon. Borniface Susiku
16. Hon. Michael Mwashindange
17. Hon. Immanuel Nashinge
18. Hon. Elvis Lizazi
19. Hon. Vaino TT Hangula
20. Hon. Frederick T. Shitana
21. Hon. Winnie Moongo
22. Hon. Dawid Eigub

23. Hon. Mattias Mbundu
24. Hon. Evalistus Kaaronda

(x) **Committee on Public Accounts:**

1. Hon. Pohamba Shifeta
2. Hon. Modestus Atshipara
3. Hon. Sebastiaan Karupu
4. Hon. Tobi Aupindi
5. Hon. Martha Itope
6. Hon. Werner Iita
7. Hon. Modestus Amutse
8. Hon. Iipumbu Shiimi
9. Hon. Helaria Mukapuli
10. Hon. Nono Katjingisua
11. Hon. Derek Klazen
12. Hon. Marlyn Mbakera
13. Hon. James Uerikua
14. Hon. Micheal Mwashindange
15. Hon. Nelson Kalangula
16. Hon. Rodney Cloete
17. Hon. Bertha Nghifikwa
18. Hon. John Louw Mouton
19. Hon. Job Amupanda
20. Hon. Vaino Hangula
21. Hon. Inna Hengari
22. Hon. Bernadus Swartbooi
23. Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb
24. Hon. Evalistus Kaaronda

(xi) **Committee on Budget and Finance:**

1. Hon. Helaria Mukapuli
2. Hon. Marius Sheya
3. Hon. Austin Samupwa
4. Hon. Werner Iita
5. Hon. Elifas Dingara
6. Hon. Michael Mwashindange
7. Hon. Nelson Kalangula
8. Hon. Ester Haikola-Sakaria
9. Hon. Diederik Vries

The Deputy Speaker declared the Parliamentary Standing Committees fully constituted. However, the Committees are reminded that before commencement, Rule 13 and 14 of the Establishing, Functioning and Procedures of Parliamentary Standing Committees provides for the election of a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson from one of its Members, provided that the Chairperson of the Committee on Public Accounts must not be a Member of the Ruling Party.

The Members are kindly advised and directed to acquaint themselves with the Establishing and Procedures of Parliamentary Standing Committees Rules and the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements of the National Assembly.

The Deputy Speaker congratulated the Honourable Members on their appointments and encouraged them to carry out their functions and duties with efficiency, effectiveness, professionalism and diligence.

3. **ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 6 – 2025].

Questions before the Assembly on Wednesday, 16 April 2025, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 6): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

4. **ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The Deputy Speaker brought to the attention of the House that, based on his earlier announcement in terms of Rule 13 of the Establishing, Functioning and Procedures of Parliamentary Standing Committees and considering that Parliament will not have a session on Tuesday, 22 April 2025:

The Acting Secretary of the National Assembly will host the Parliamentary Standing Committee Meetings, in the **Dr. Theo-Ben Gurirab Conference Room** (previously known as C1 Conference Room), to conduct the election of the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons, in terms of Rule 14, as follows:

**On Tuesday, 22 April 2025:**

- |                                                               |   |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|-------|
| • Constitutional and Legal Affairs and Petitions              | - | 09h00 |
| • International Relations, Defense and Security               | - | 10h00 |
| • Economy and Industry, Public Administration and Planning    | - | 11h00 |
| • Natural Resources                                           | - | 12h00 |
| • Urban and Rural Development and Land Reform                 | - | 14h15 |
| • Education, Youth, Civic Relations and Community Development | - | 15h00 |
| • Poverty Eradication, Labour and Industrial Relations        | - | 16h00 |

**On Wednesday 23 April 2025:**

- |                                              |   |       |
|----------------------------------------------|---|-------|
| • Gender Equality, Health and Social Welfare | - | 09h00 |
| • Information and Communication Technology   | - | 10h00 |
| • Public Accounts                            | - | 11h00 |
| • Budget and Finance                         | - | 12h00 |

All Members, as per the names read are required to attend their respective Committee Meetings. The schedule will be shared on all platforms for the benefit of the Members.

5. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 12:43 until Wednesday, 23 April 2025.

**MR. O.S MUYATWA**

*Acting Secretary: National Assembly*

*Compiled by Ms. H. Christiaans*