



SIXTEENTH SESSION, SIXTH NATIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Monday, May 19, 2025

(09:30 - 13:00)

No. 5 – 2025

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

1.0 The Vice-Chairperson took the Chair.

2.0 The Vice-Chairperson asked Honourable Busihu in terms of Rule 23(2), to pray and Honourable Busihu read the prayer.

3.0 The Vice-Chairperson read the affirmation.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Vice-Chairperson announced that there will be an information session for all Members in Conference Room G.4, immediately after the chamber.

5.0 NOTICE OF MOTION(S)

5.1 Honourable Shiimi moved a motion without notice: That in accordance with Rule 31 of the Standing Rules and Orders of the National Council, the proceedings on **Votes 09, 04, 21, 39, 08 and 31** of the *Appropriation Bill* [B.6 – 2025], not be interrupted if still under consideration beyond 13:00 hours.

5.2 Honourable Muteka gave notice: That on Wednesday, 21 May 2025, she shall move the Report of the National Council delegation to the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)

148th Assembly and Related meetings held in Geneva, Switzerland from 23rd to 27th March 2024.

5.3 Honourable Benson gave notice: That on Tuesday, 20 May 2025, he shall move the Report of the National Council's delegation to the Tenth Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians held in Yerevan, Armenia from 12th to 14th September 2024.

5.4 Honourable Busihu gave notice: That on Tuesday, 20 May 2025, he shall move the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and Housing on the Benchmark visit to the Parliament of Rwanda from 21st to 28th September 2024.

5.5 Honourable Labuschagne gave notice: That on Tuesday, 20 May 2025, he shall move the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources delegation to the 29th Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP29) and related meetings to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference (UNFCCCC) held in Baku, Azerbaijan from 11th to 22nd November 2024.

6.0 STATEMENT BY MEMBER(S) / MAIDEN SPEECH

The Vice-Chairperson informed the House that Honourable Kennedy Simasiku and Honourable Israel Hukura wish to deliver their maiden speeches today.

The Vice-Chairperson further reminded the House in terms of Rule 52, Sub-Rule 2 that a “maiden speech may not be subjected to interruption, interjection, dismissal or attack by other Members”. The Vice-Chairperson then call upon the Honourable Members to deliver their maiden speeches.

7.0 DEBATE ON REPORT(S)

FIRST ORDER READ

Resumption of Debate on *Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Education, Science, ICT and Youth Development on the oversight visit to selected Youth Projects in the Erongo, Kunene, Omusati, Oshana, Ohangwena and Otjozondjupa Regions.*

The Vice-Chairperson put the question: That the Report be adopted.

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

8.0 DEBATE ON COMMITTEE STAGE

SECOND ORDER READ

Debate on Committee Stage – *Appropriation Bill* [B.6 – 2025].

[Votes 09, 04, 21, 39, 08 and 31]

The Vice-Chairperson put the question: That she leaves the Chair.

Agreed to:

The Vice-Chairperson of the National Council then called upon Hon. Tjaveondja, the First Vice-Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council, to take the Chair.

The First Vice-Chairperson then took the Chair.

Council in Committee:

The Council suspended business at 10:33 and resumed at 11:05.

Council Resumed:

Votes 09, 04, 21, 39, 08 and 31 were put and agreed to.

Hon. Tjaveondja, First Vice-Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Council, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

9.0 AUTOMATIC ADJOURNMENT

In terms of Rule 30(1) of the National Council Standing Rules and Orders, Honourable Kauma, the Vice-Chairperson of National Council adjourned the House at 14:23 until Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 09:30.

Adv. Tousy Namiseb
Secretary to the National Council
