



SIXTEENTH SESSION, SIXTH NATIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

(09:30 - 13:00)

No. 6 – 2025

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

1.0 The Vice-Chairperson took the Chair.

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

3.0 The Vice-Chairperson read the affirmation.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

4.1 The Vice-Chairperson acknowledged the presence of Honourable Phillipus Katamelolo, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, in the public gallery.

4.2 The Vice-Chairperson further acknowledged the presence of teachers and learners from the Holy Cross Convent Primary School, who came to observe the proceedings of the National Council, while on an educational tour to Parliament.

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 40, 13, 14, 18, 23 and 24 of the *Appropriation Bill* [B.6 – 2025], not be interrupted if still under consideration beyond 13:00 hours.

5.2 Honourable Karondo gave notice: That on Wednesday, 21 May 2025, he shall move the Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Health, Social Welfare and Labour Affairs on its oversight visit to Hardap, Khomas and Erongo Regions on the effects of hubbly bubbly from 19th to 28th August 2024.

6.0 INTRODUCTION AND MOTIVATION OF REPORT(S)

6.1 FIRST ORDER READ

Hon. Kazongominja, seconded by Hon. Shiimi, moved the *Report of the National Council Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Economy on the Regional Oversight visit to //Kharas, Otjozondjupa, Zambezi, Kavango West and Oshana Regions on Agro Processing Development Projects conducted from 13th to 24th January 2025.*

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

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted

The Council suspended business at 10:34 and resumed at 11:05.

6.2 SECOND ORDER READ

Hon. Benson, seconded by Hon. Muteka, moved the *Report of the National Council delegation to the Tenth Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians held in Yerevan, Armenia from 12th to 14th September 2024.*

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

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

6.3 THIRD ORDER READ

Hon. Busihu, seconded by Hon. Motinga, moved 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*.

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

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted

6.4 FOURTH ORDER READ

Hon. Labuschagne, seconded by Hon. Abraham, moved 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*.

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

Agreed to.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

7.0 DEBATE ON COMMITTEE STAGE

FIFTH ORDER READ

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

[Votes 40, 13, 14, 18, 23 and 24]

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:

Vote 40 was put and agreed to.

The Council suspended business at 13:08 and resumed at 14:10.

Council Resumed:

Votes 13, 14, 18, 23 and 24 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.

8.0 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 16:33 until Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 09:30.

Adv. Tousy Namiseb
Secretary to the National Council
