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OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 2 JULY 2026

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Speaker in terms of Rule 117(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Speaker announced to the House that, in terms of Rule 14(1) of the Rules for the Establishment, Functioning and Procedures of Parliamentary Standing Committees of the National Assembly, the Parliamentary Standing Committee on International Relations, Defence and Security had, on 1 July 2026, elected Hon. Peya Mushelenga as its Chairperson.

The Speaker, on behalf of the House, extended sincere congratulations to Hon. Mushelenga on his election.

3. **SPEAKER'S RULINGS:**
 - (i) During the proceedings of Thursday, 18 June 2026, Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda and Hon. Kambala sought to move Motions for the withdrawal of items appearing on the Order Paper in the names of the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy, namely **Namibia's ICT Innovation and Digital Sovereignty** and the **Revitalisation of Aquaculture in Namibia**, and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform, namely the **Appointment of Members to the Land Tribunal**, purportedly on behalf of those Ministers.

The Speaker reserved her ruling, noting that no basis had been provided to explain the proposed withdrawal of the Motions from the Order Paper.

During the proceedings of Thursday, 2 July 2026, following confirmation by the Ministers concerned that they had not authorised any Member to withdraw the Motions on their behalf, the Speaker ruled that the purported Motions for withdrawal moved by Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda and Hon. Kambala on Thursday, 18 June 2026, are declined.

Following this ruling, the Minister of Works and Transport, Hon. Nekundi, raised a **Point of Order** and sought the Speaker's guidance on whether the actions of Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda and Hon. Kambala, in seeking to withdraw the Motions on behalf of the Ministers without their authority, amounted to deliberately misleading the House in terms of Rule 110(3), read together with Appendix B(2) of the Standing Rules and Orders, and, if so, whether such conduct constituted contempt of the House and warranted further action in accordance with the Standing Rules and Orders.

The Speaker reserved her ruling on the **Point of Order**.

- (ii) The Speaker ruled that, with regard to the Motion tabled by Hon. Somaeb on Wednesday, 1 July 2026, it had been established that the Motion is substantially identical to the Motion standing in the name of Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda, which is already on the Order Paper. Accordingly, the Motion cannot be admitted, as its inclusion would result in the duplication of a matter already before the House.

Agreed to.

4. **Hon. Dr. Aupindi laid upon the Table for discussion:**

Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Natural Resources on the benchmarking visit to the Parliament of the Republic of Ghana from 8 – 12 December 2025.

5. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 599).
- (ii) Hon. Ihemba (IPC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 600).
- (iii) Hon. Mwashindange (IPC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 601).
- (iv) Hon. Likando (IPC) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 602).
- (v) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 603).
- (vi) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 604).
- (vii) Hon. Hengombe (IPC) to ask the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 605).

6. **URGENT ORAL QUESTION:**

Hon. Kandorozi (NUDO) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 292) – *Replied to.*

7. **NOTICES OF MOTIONS:**

(i) **Hon. Hangula moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. George Kambala for 2 July 2026, while on official business, in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules and Orders.

Agreed to.

(ii) **Hon. Moongo moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Diederik Vries from 2 - 9 July 2026, in terms of Rule 76(1)(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders.

Agreed to.

(iii) **Hon. Kooper moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Dr. Elijah Tjitunga Ngurare and Hon. Selma Ashipala-Musavyi for 2 July 2026, while on official business, in terms of Rule 124(h), read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules and Orders; and to Hon. Fenny Tutjavi, Hon. Elder Filipe and Hon. Modestus Atshipara for 2 July 2026, to enable them to attend to urgent private matters, in in terms of Rule 124(h), read with Rule 76(1)(c) of the Standing Rules and Orders.

Agreed to.

(iv) **Notice of Motion by Hon. Hangula on the Amendment of the Road Traffic and Transport Act, 1999 (Act No. 22 of 1999):**

The Minister of Works and Transport informed the House that, pursuant to the undertaking he gave during the proceedings of Wednesday, 1 July 2026, he had consulted with the Mover, Hon. Hangula, and provided him with the relevant documents as promised. The Minister thereby confirmed that this commitment had been fulfilled.

8. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

(i) Hon. Ihemba (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 143) – *Stands over.*

(ii) Hon. Lukato (NDP) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 146) – *Stands over.*

(iii) Hon. Cloete (IPC) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 152) – *Stands over.*

- (iv) Hon. Cloete (IPC) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 159) – *Stands over.*
- (v) Hon. Cloete (IPC) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 165) – *Stands over.*
- (vi) Hon. Iipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 167) – *Stands over.*
- (vii) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 174) – *Replied to.*
- (viii) Hon. Mouton (IPC) asked the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 178) – *Stands over.*
- (ix) Hon. Cloete (IPC) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 181) – *Stands over.*
- (x) Hon. Likando (IPC) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 184) – *Stands over.*
- (xi) Hon. Mbuti (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 185) – *Replied to.*
- (xii) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 187) – *Stands over.*
- (xiii) Hon. Ihemba (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 188) – *Stands over.*
- (xiv) Hon. Lukato (NDP) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 191) – *Stands over.*
- (xv) Hon. Haikola-Sakaria (AR) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 194) – *Stands over.*
- (xvi) Hon. Hishoono (IPC) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 196) – *Replied to.*
- (xvii) Hon. Lukato (NDP) asked the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 197) – *Replied to.*
- (xviii) Hon. Likando (IPC) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 198) – *Stands over.*
- (xix) Hon. Moongo (PDM) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 199) – *Stands over.*
- (xx) Hon. Nghifikwa (IPC) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 200) – *Replied to.*
- (xxi) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 202) – *Replied to.*
- (xxii) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 203) – *Stands over.*

- (xxiii) Hon. Kumbwa (APP) asked the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 205) – *Stands over*.
- (xxiv) Hon. Kumbwa (APP) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 206) – *Stands over*.
- (xxv) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 207) – *Stands over*.
- (xxvi) Hon. Mulunga (IPC) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 208) – *Replied to*.
9. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:50 until Tuesday, 7 July 2026.

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