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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2026

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Ruling by the Speaker in terms of Rule 6 of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements:**

DETERMINATION OF A REQUEST FOR A SECRET BALLOT -

The Speaker have considered the Notice of Motion by Hon. Vaino Tuhafeni Hangula concerning the determination of a request for a secret ballot. Standing Rule 124(k) permits a Motion for a secret ballot without Notice. However, Rule 152 provides that it is for the majority of Members present to determine whether the subject of a vote should be treated as a conscience issue, after which the secret-ballot procedure under Rules 153 and 154 applies.

The Rules do not provide that this preliminary decision must itself be taken by secret ballot. The Motion therefore seeks to introduce a procedure which is not presently provided for in Rule 152.

The Speaker further noted that substantially the same Notice was submitted on 8 September and again on 22 September 2026 respectively. If the first Notice was duly given and remains pending, the second Notice does not create a separate Motion.

If the Member seeks to change the procedure under Rule 152, this should be dealt with as a proposed amendment or supplementation of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements in accordance with the applicable Rules.

So, the Speaker ruled.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Likando (IPC) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 717).
- (ii) Hon. Mootu (AR) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 718).
- (iii) Hon. Hangula (AR) to ask the Minister of Finance (No. 719).
- (iv) Hon. Kandorozi (NUDO) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 720).
- (v) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 721).
- (vi) Hon. Mbuti (IPC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 722).
- (vii) Hon. Kambala (AR) to ask the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 723).
- (viii) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 724).

4. **URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Mulunga (IPC) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 356) – *Replied to.*
- (ii) Hon. Kalangula (IPC) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 357) – *Replied to.*
- (iii) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 358) – *Replied to.*
- (iv) Hon. Kaaronda (SWANU) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 359) – *Replied to.*
- (v) Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 360) – *Replied to.*
- (vi) Hon. Amutenya (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 361) – *Replied to.*

5. **NOTICES OF MOTIONS:**

Hon. Kaaronda moved without Notice:

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Mathias Mbundu during the period 13 – 15 October 2026, due to official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d)(f) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to.

Hon. Mbundu moved without Notice:

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Evalistus Kaaronda during the period 13 – 15 October 2026, due to official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d)(f) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to.

Hon. Kooper on behalf of Hon. !Naruseb moved without Notice:

That leave of absence be granted to Hons. Paula Kooper, Sharonice Busch, and John Likando during the period 13 – 15 October 2026, due to official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) and for Hon. Shifeta during the period 6 – 8 October 2026, due to death in the family in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(b) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements respectively.

Agreed to.

Hon. Likando moved without Notice:

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Nelson Kalangula during the period 13 – 15 October 2026, due to official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to.

6. The Minister of Information and Communication Technology in terms of Rule 86 rose to:

Withdraws the statement she made on Tuesday, 29 September 2026, with reference to Hon. Nghifikwa.

7. QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:

- (i) Hon. Kumbwa (APP) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 206) – *Question withdrew by the Mover*.
- (ii) Hon. Ihemba (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 213) – *Replied to*.
- (iii) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 215) – *Replied to*.
- (iv) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 220) – *Replied to*.
- (v) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 234) – *Stands over*.

- (vi) Hon. Likando (IPC) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 238) – *Replied to*.
 - (vii) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 246) – *Replied to*.
 - (viii) Hon. Kandorozi (NUDO) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 247) – *Replied to*.
 - (ix) Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 248) – *Replied to*.
 - (x) Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 249) – *Replied to*.
 - (xi) Hon. Hengombe (IPC) asked the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 251) – *Stands over*.
 - (xii) Hon. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 254) – *Replied to (24 September 2026)*.
 - (xiii) Hon. Cloete (IPC) asked the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 255) – *Replied to*.
 - (xiv) Hon. Jonas (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 256) – *Stands over*.
 - (xv) Hon. Mbundu (RP) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 257) – *Replied to*.
 - (xvi) Hon. Mbinge – Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 258) – *Replied to*.
 - (xvii) Hon. W. Iita (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 259) – *Replied to*.
 - (xviii) Hon. Likando (IPC) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 260) – *Replied to*.
 - (xix) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 287) – *Replied to*.
8. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:46 until Tuesday, 6 October 2026.

MS. E.N KAAPANDA
Secretary : National Assembly

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