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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2026

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcements by the Speaker in terms of Rule 117(b) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements:**
 - (i) The Speaker acknowledged in the Public Gallery, the presence of Sisters of the Benedictine Congregation (OSB) of Oshikuku, led by Sr Ottilie Endjala, OSB, Prioress General and the following members of the delegation:
 1. Sr Petronella Shetunyenga, OSB
 2. Sr Hermina Shimbashike, OSB
 3. Sr Monika Amungulu, OSB
 4. Sr Katarina Severeni, OSB
 5. Sr Lydia Shithigona, OSB
 6. Sr Leticia Nakale, OSB
 7. Sr Anna Uzombala, OSB and
 8. Sr Andy Anna Sakeus, OSB

They are accompanied by their driver, Mr Benjamin Iita. The Speaker warmly welcome them to National Assembly and trust their visit will provide them with valuable opportunity to learn more about the work, mandate and functions of the National Assembly.

- (ii) The Speaker also shared with the House that she has been informed about the passing of Ms. Florence Nightygale “Vroukie” Karuaihe, sister of Hon. Evaristus Kaaronda, on the 8th October 2026. The Speaker expressed on behalf of the National Assembly, collective sympathy and condolences to Hon. Kaaronda and the entire bereaved family during this time of the bereavement.

3. NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Vries (PDM) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 748).
- (ii) Hon. Kangulu (IPC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 749).
- (iii) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 750).
- (iv) Hon. Haikola – Sakaria (AR) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 751).
- (v) Hon. Mouton (IPC) to ask the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 752).
- (vi) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 753).
- (vii) Hon. Cloete (IPC) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 754).
- (viii) Hon. Mwashindange (IPC) to ask the Minister of Finance (No. 755).

4. URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Hengari (PDM) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 375) – *Replied to.*
- (ii) Hon. Susiku (IPC) asked the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 376) – *Replied to.*
- (iii) Hon. Kandorozu (NUDO) asked the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 377 – *Replied to.*
- (iv) Hon. Emvula (LPM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 378) – *Replied to (however, the Minister indicated that she will continue to provide update on the FMD matter).*
- (v) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister in the Presidency (No. 379) – *Replied to.*

5. **NOTICES OF MOTIONS:**

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

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Ambrosius Kumbwa, for 14 October 2026, while on an official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to.

(ii) **Hon. Samupwa moved without Notice on behalf of Hon. !Naruseb**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Phillipus W. Katamelu, for the period 13 – 14 October 2026, while on sick leave in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(a) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements and to Hons. Emma Theofelus, Peya Mushelenga and Modestus Atshipara for the period 13 – 15 October 2026, while on official business in terms of Rule 124(h) read together with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agree to.

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

That leave of absence be granted to Hons. Hendrik Gaobaeb and Nico Somaeb for the period 13 – 15 October 2026, while on official parliamentary business in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to

6. **FIRST ORDER READ**

Resumption of the Debate to the appointment of the following nominees to serve on the 8th Employment Equity Commission, which commence on 1 March 2025 and ends on 29 February 2028.

- 1) Mr Patrick Hamunyera Ntupi
- 2) Ms Joyce Mukupi
- 3) Ms Ingrid Kalangula
- 4) Mr Matheus Shishiveni Hashoongo
- 5) Ms Rochelle Wima-Dean
- 6) Mr Henry Bruwer
- 7) Ms Racquel R. Handura
- 8) Ms Nellie Dina Kahua
- 9) Mr Johannes //Gowaseb
- 10) Ms Salome Kambala
- 11) Ms Rosalia Gabriel
- 12) Ms Amber-Ivana Coerecius
- 13) Ms Elizabeth Salome Matroos

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 7 October 2026, as moved by the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (page 246): That the Motion be approved.

Hon. Mulunga, seconded by Hon. Kambala moved to adjourned the debate until Wednesday, 14 October 2026.

Hon. Emvula, in terms of Rule 161 of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements moved for the closure of the debate.

Objection registered on the Motion of Hon. Emvula, for the closure of the debate.

The Speaker deferred the ruling on the two proposals.

7. **SECOND ORDER READ**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – Petroleum (Exploration and Production) Amendment Bill [B. 12 – 2025].

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 6 October 2025, as moved by the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (page 4): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

8. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:45 until Wednesday, 14 October 2026.

MS. ESTHER N. KAAPANDA
Secretary: National Assembly

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