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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 14 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**

On the Motion of the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations on the approval of the nominees for the 8th Employment Equity Commission that was under discussion on the floor of the House on Tuesday, 13 October 2026.

Hon. Mulunga moved for the adjournment of the debate until the next sitting day, while Hon. Emvula also moved for the closure of the debate. Thus, the Speaker indicated that when a closure for the debate is called, the Question must immediately be put, unless the Presiding Member is of the view, that the Mover is abusing that provision of the rules.

The Speaker also took note of the intention of Hon. Emvula, to withdraw his Motion for the closure of the debate. Thus, the Speaker formally, put the Question to Hon. Emvula, whether he still proceed with his call for the closure of the debate or wants to formally withdraw it.

Hon. Emvula, formally withdrew his Motion for closure of the debate, thus the Speaker gave the floor to Hon. Mulunga to proceed with his intervention.

3. **Hon. Shiimi laid upon the Table for discussion and consideration:**
Report of the Standing Committee on Economy and Industry, Public Administration and Planning on the Benchmarking Visit to the Parliament and Government Entities of the Republic of Singapore, held in May 2026.

4. **Hon. Hilma Iita laid upon the Table for discussion and consideration:**
Report of the Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) and the European Union (EU) Partnership meeting and 1st Africa meeting held in Ezulwini Valley, Eswatini from 7 – 14 May 2026

5. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 756).
- (ii) Hon. Thomas (BCP) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 757).
- (iii) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 758).
- (iv) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 759).
- (v) Hon. Mbinge – Tjeuondo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 760).
- (vi) Hon. Mbuti (IPC) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 761).
- (vii) Hon. Kandorozi (NUDO) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 762).
- (viii) Hon. Hishoono (IPC) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 763).

6. **URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Kambala (AR) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 380) – *Replied to.*
- (ii) Hon. Mouton (IPC) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 381) – *Replied to.*
- (iii) Hon. April (SWAPO) asked the Leader of the Official Opposition (No. 382) – *Replied to.*
- (iv) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) asked the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 383) – *Replied to.*
- (v) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 384) – *Replied to.*
- (vi) Hon. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 385) – *Replied to. (Minister informed the House that she will issue a full statement coming week on the matter raised by the Member).*

7. **NOTICES OF MOTIONS:**

- (i) **Hon. Emvula on behalf of Hon. Eigub moved without Notice:**
That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Utaara Mootu, for the period 15 – 20 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. Klazen moved without Notice on behalf of Hon. !Naruseb**
That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Uahekua Herunga, for the period 14 – 15 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.

Agree to.

8. **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.

Question put: That the Motion be approved.

Agreed to unanimously.

9. **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.

Honourable Ihemba, seconded by Hon. Mwashindange demanded for the division of the House.

Members from the opposition parties walked out from the chamber, alleging a delay in the conducting of the procedure for division, thus the proceedings for the division of the House could not proceed as only 40 Members of the required 49 voting Members were present.

10. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:44 until Thursday, 15 October 2026.

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Secretary: National Assembly

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