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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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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 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

- (i) The Speaker informed the Assembly about the untimely passing on of Mrs. Meriam Rukoro, wife to Advocate Vekuii Rukoro.

Adv. Rukoro is the current Paramount Chief of the Ovaherero Traditional Authority, a former Member of the National Assembly and Attorney-General of the Republic of Namibia.

On behalf of the Assembly, the Speaker extended sincere condolences to Adv. Rukoro and the Tjombonde families.

- (ii) The Speaker announced that the Wellness Team of the National Assembly has arranged a Big Walk for Members and staff of Parliament for Thursday, 2 November 2017, starting from National Assembly stairs at 08h15, and everyone is invited to come and participate to the exercise.
 - (iii) The Speaker further announced that he has been informed by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Science and Technology that, in partnership with the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information and Communication Technology, are jointly organizing a Cyber Security Conference for Members of Parliament on 6 November 2017 at the Safari Conference Centre and all members are invited to attend.
3. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on poor sanitation facilities in most of our underprivileged communities.

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 26 October 2017, as moved by Ms. !Nawases-Taeyele (page 157).

Question put: That the Motion be adopted.

Agreed to.

4. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on amount paid for legal fees to lawyers for advice on genocide.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 25 October 2017, as moved by Mr. Maamberua (page 171): That the Motion be adopted.

On the motion of the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 1 November 2017.

5. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on child marriages in Namibia and harmful practices that promote them.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 25 October 2017, as moved by Ms. Van den Heever (page 149).

Question put: That the Motion be deferred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back.

Agreed to.

6. The Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 15:40 until Wednesday, 1 November 2017.

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Deputy Secretary of the National Assembly

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