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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2017

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**
 - (i) Mr. Muharukua (DTA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Youth and National Service (No. 153).
 - (ii) Mr. Auchab (UDF) to ask the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation (No. 154).
 - (iii) Mr. Auchab (UDF) to ask the Minister in Presidency in Charge of National Planning Commission (No. 155).
 - (iv) Mr. Murorua (UDF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Forestry (No. 156).
3. **Ministerial Statements in terms of Rule 98 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**
 - (i) The Deputy Minister of Disability Affairs in the Office of the Vice President informed the Assembly and the entire nation on the International Sight and White Cane Day, which is celebrated annually in October across the globe. This year Namibia will celebrate the day on 19th October in Erongo, Swakopmund.
 - (ii) The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Forestry provided a progress report with regard to an Agreement signed between the Government of the Republic of Namibia and the Government of the People's Republic of China on Animal Health and Quarantine in order to facilitate trade in meat, fish and other aquatic animals and their products.
 - (iii) The Minister of Education, Arts and Culture presented the situation regarding the "per capita allocation funding formula for private schools"; and also highlighted on

a study commissioned in 2006 , which had documented a significant problem with the more discretionary approach of allocating resources to the regions.

4. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 11 October 2017, as moved by the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (page 157).

Question put: That the National Plan of Action be adopted.

Agreed to.

5. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Consideration of ILO Recommendation 205 concerning Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 11 October 2017, as moved by the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation (page 164).

Question put: That the ILO Recommendation 205 be noted.

Agreed to.

6. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

(i) Mr. Nekundi (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 82) – *Stands over.*

(ii) Mr. Nekundi (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 83) – *Stands over.*

(iii) Mr. Nekundi (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Industrialisation, Trade and SME Development (No. 85) – *Stands over.*

(iv) Mr. Auchab (UDF) asked the Minister of Environment and Tourism (No. 98) – *Stands over.*

(v) Mr. Auchab (UDF) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 99) – *Replied to.*

(vi) Mr. Auchab (UDF) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 100) – *Replied to.*

7. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:48 until Tuesday, 17 October 2017.

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Deputy Secretary of the National Assembly

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