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SPECIAL SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**TUESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2025**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Speaker in terms of Rule 117(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Speaker announced that he has learned with sorrow about the passing on of Mr. Petrus Itshipotsha Nekundi, father of Honourable Veikko Nekundi, the Deputy Minister of Works and Transport on the 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

The Speaker expressed collective heartfelt condolences to Honourable Nekundi and the entire family.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**
  - (i) Hon. Kauandenge (NUDO) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 99).
  - (ii) Hon. Kauandenge (NUDO) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 100).
  - (iii) Hon. Diergaardt (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 101).
  - (iv) Hon. Diergaardt (PDM) to ask the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 102).

4. **URGENT ORAL QUESTION:**

Hon. Kauandenge (NUDO) asked the Minister of Justice (No. 24) – *Replied to.*

5. **ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Committee Stage – *Roads Bill* [B. 5 – 2024].

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport moved, seconded by the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:**

The Deputy Chairperson of the Whole House Committee stated that when progress was reported on Tuesday, 11 February 2025, the *Arrangement of Sections, Clauses 1 – 58, Clauses 60 – 69, Schedule 1 and 2, and the Title* were put and agreed to. Clause 59 stood over to be amended.

Clause 59 put.

Clause 59 as amended by the Minister, agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY RESUMED:**

*Bill* reported with amendment with 53 voting Members present.

In terms of Article 75(3) of the Namibian Constitution, the Speaker shall refer the *Bill* to His Excellency the President to deal with it under Article 56 and 64 of the Constitution.

6. **FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises moved, seconded by Hon. Ithete:

That this Assembly –

*Approve* the submission to amend the rules of the Members of Parliament and Other Office Bearers Pension Fund.

Rules considered and the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises replied but due to the absence of 49 voting Members, Motion stands deferred for adoption.

7. **SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport moved, seconded by the Minister of Mines and Energy:

That this Assembly –

*Agree* to the Ratification of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as Amended.

Convention considered and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport replied but due to the absence of 49 voting Members, Motion stands deferred for adoption.

8. **THIRD NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport moved, seconded by Hon. Dingara:

That this Assembly –

*Agree* to the Ratification of the Revised African Maritime Transport Charter.

Charter considered and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport replied but due to the absence of 49 voting Members, Motion stands deferred for adoption.

9. **FOURTH NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises:

That this Assembly –

*Agree* to the Ratification of the draft Southern African Development Community (SADC) Protocol on the Inter-State Transfer of Sentenced Offenders.

Protocol considered and the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security replied but due to the absence of 49 voting Members, Motion stands deferred for adoption.

10. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:49 until Wednesday, 19 February 2025.

**MS. L. KANDETU**  
*Secretary of the National Assembly*

*Compiled by I. Nehoya*

