

National Council

CLOSING STATEMENT

BY

Hon. Lukas Sinimbo Muha, MP Chairperson of the National Council

at

The Official Closing of the 17^{th} and the Final Session of the 6^{TH} National Council

National Council Chamber

11 October 2025

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Honourable Vicky Mbawo Kauma, MP Vice-Chairperson of the National Council,

Honourable Gerhard Shiimi, Chief whip and all Whips,

Honourable Members of the National Council,

Adv. Tousy, Johannes Namiseb, Secretary to the National Council,

Staff Members of the National Council,

Members of the Media,

Distinguished Guests,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good Morning,

Today marks the final day of the 18th and the last Session of the 6th National Council. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to each of you for your dedication, commitment, and valuable contributions during our deliberations.

I wish to equally thank you for successfully passing the Appropriation Amendment Bill (B11-2025) during this session and for endorsing 28 reports of the National Council Standing Committee and inter-Parliamentary Organisations.

As we draw the curtain on this legislative term, I am concluding with deep gratitude and pride by briefly reflecting on the remarkable journey we have undertaken together over the past five years.

The 6th National Council remained steadfast in its Constitutional mandate of reviewing all bills referred to us by the National Assembly. We have been representing the Namibian people with integrity, and exercising oversight over the Executive with diligence and resolve.

Our collective efforts have not only upheld the decorum and dignity of this August House but have also advanced the democratic values upon which our Republic is founded and stands on. Accordingly, I wish to convey my profound appreciation to each Honourable Member of the 6th National Council, both past and present. Through your collective efforts, this House has remained a beacon of democracy and a true reflection of the aspirations of the Namibian people.

As we conclude the term of the 6th National Council, we do so with our heads held high, knowing that the Namibian people who entrusted us with the solemn responsibility to represent their interests and to be their voice in this august House are happy.

I wish to particularly acknowledge the Secretariat of the National Council, whose tireless support has been instrumental in our transition towards an e-Parliament. Their technical expertise and administrative excellence have enabled us to modernize our operations, expand public access, and enhance institutional efficiency.

We are also grateful for the successful implementation of some capital projects that have strengthened the infrastructure and capacity of the National Council.

Our working relationship with Regional Councils and the regions has been a cornerstone of our success. Our special thanks, therefore, go to the Regional Governors, Chairpersons of the Regional councils and the CRO's.

To the electorates who entrusted us with their mandate, we are saying thank you. Your support has been our compass.

To our President, Her Excellency Dr. Netumbo Nandi Ndaitwa and the entire leadership, thank you for wisdom and constant guidance.

Hon members,

The following, are important work awaits the 7th National Council. Among the key priorities are the finalization and operationalization of the Regional and Constituency Development Fund Bill, the Parliamentary Service Commission Bill, and the Regulations relating to Benefits for Public Office Bearers.

As we approach the 26 November elections, I wish all Honourable Members contesting,, the very best! May your campaigns be guided by democratic values, humility, and unity of purpose.

Hon. Members,

I now present and send you forth with a copy of your collective achievements and tireless efforts, duly captured in the "6th National Council Legacy Report 2020–2025." This document stands as a testament to your dedication, resilience, and unwavering service to the Namibian people.

Thank you so much

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