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- 86 MR MICHAEL MARUM (Member for East New Britain Provincial): To present a Bill for an Act
 - (a) to enable the establishment, development, operation and regulation of free zones in the East New Britain Province of Papua New Guinea as a pilot scheme for free zone as an independent stand-alone administrative entity specifically constituted for the purpose of regulating and administering zones; and
 - (b) to establish the East New Britain Free Zones Corporation
 - (i) to define its powers and functions; and
 - (ii) to administer and regulate the free zones and to provide for the promotion and facilitation of investments and the development of enabling environment for such investments in free zones; and
 - (iii) to grant the Corporation partial extraterritoriality status to administer and regulate the developmental areas of a zone independently but attached to the existing Governmental framework; and
 - (c) to enable the downstream processing of products for the New Guinea Island region, Papua New Guinea and other pacific island countries; and
 - (d) to encourage the undertaking of developmental activities, local and foreign direct investment, capital and talent in a zone under independent and separate regulatory frameworks; and

- (e) to encourage the establishment, conduct and expansion of enterprises and investments in and for the granting of certain exemptions and fiscal incentives to persons engaging in such enterprises and investments in a zone; and
- (f) the successful lessons learnt from the pilot projects will inform the national policy on special economic zones,

and for related purposes. (Notice given 1 December 2023)

- 90 SIR JULIUS CHAN (Member for New Ireland Provincial): To present a Bill for an Act to amend the **Mining Act 1992**, to apply and give effect to the customary law relating to land and inheritance of property rights generally and in particular to
 - (a) legally recognise and protect the rights of customary landholders to benefit from revenues gained from minerals on, in or below customary land; and
 - (b) facilitate the organisation and legal recognition of all customary landholders to be engaged in constructive development activities in mining,

and for related purposes. (Notice given 15 February)

- 91 SIR JULIUS CHAN (Member for New Ireland Provincial): To present a Bill for an Act to amend the Land Act 1996, to empower provinces to reserve land for certain purposes and compulsorily acquire land in the province, and for related purposes. (Notice given 15 February)
- *108 MR POWES PARKOP (Member for National Capital District): To present a Bill for an Act to amend the **National Capital District Commission Act 2001**.

KALA AUFA

Clerk of the National Parliament

Notice to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

SPEAKER

Mr Job Pomat

DEPUTY SPEAKER

AND

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

Mr Koni Iguan

+ASSISTANT SPEAKERS

Mr Casmiro Aia

Mr Kansol Kamdaru

COMMITTEES

PERMANENT

- **APPOINTMENTS:** Mr Philip Undialu (*Chairman*), Mr Tony Wouwou (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Noah Kool, Mr Sasindran Muthuvel, Mr Simon Kaiwi and Mr Taboi Yoto.
- **+BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS:** Mr Speaker (Chairman) ex-officio Member, Mr Gordon Wesley (Deputy Chairman) and Mr Kansol Kamdaru. (one vacancy)
- *+CITIZENSHIP MATTERS: Mr Garry Juffa and Mr Ramsey Pariwa. (five vacancies Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members)
- **+COMMUNICATIONS:** Mr Marsh Narewec (Chairman), Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr, Mr Ricky Morris and Mr Sasindran Muthuvel. (three vacancies Deputy Chairman and members)
- *CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS AND ACTS AND SUBORDINATE LEGISLATIONS: Sir Peter Ipatas (Chairman), Mr Wai Rapa (Deputy Chairman), Mr Charlie Benjamin and Mr Chris Haiveta. (three vacancies)

- **+CULTURE AND TOURISM:** Mr Charlie Benjamin (*Chairman*), Mr Ekime Gorosahu, Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr, Mr Freddie Kumai, Mr Maso Hewabi, Mr Ricky Morris and Mr Theo Pelgen. (*four vacancies Deputy Chairman and members*)
- **ECONOMIC AFFAIRS:** Ms Rufina Peter (Chairperson), Mr Casmiro Aia, Mr Freddie Kumai, Mr John Kaupa and Mr Saki Soloma. (two vacancies Deputy Chairman and member)
- **EDUCATION:** Mr Benjamin Mul (Chairman), Mr Simon Kaiwi (Deputy Chairman), Mr Johnson Wapunai and Mr Michael Marum. (three vacancies)
- **+EMERGENCY:** Mr Marsh Narewec (Deputy Chairman), Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Maino Pano, Mr Michael Marum and Mr Ramsey Pariwa. (two vacancies Chairman and member)
- **FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE:** Mr Taboi Yoto (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Gordon Wesley, Mr Tony Wouwou and Mr William Powi. (*one vacancy Chairman*)
- **GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT:** Mr Powes Parkop (*Chairman*), Mr Allan Bird (*Deputy Chairman*), Ms Rufina Peter, Mr Marsh Narewec, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel and Mr Ricky Morris. (*one vacancy*)
- *+LAW AND ORDER: Mr Luther Wenge. (six vacancies Chairman, Deputy Chaiman and members)
- **LEGISLATION:** Mr Speaker (Chairman) ex-officio Member, Mr Keith Iduhu (Deputy Chairman), Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Robert Atiyafa and Mr William Hagahuno. (two vacancies)
- **NATIONAL PARLIAMENT:** Mr Speaker (Chairman) ex-officio Member, Mr Michael Marum (Deputy Chairman), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Chris Haiveta and Mr Taboi Yoto.
- **PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS:** Mr Chris Haiveta (*Chairman*), Sir Peter Ipatas (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Luther Wenge, Mr Robert Atiyafa and Mr Sasindran Muthuvel.
- **PLANS AND ESTIMATES:** Mr Joseph Yopyyopy (*Chairman*), Mr Johnson Wapunai (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Simon Kaiwi and Mr Wai Rapa.
- **PRIVATE BUSINESS:** Mr Speaker (Chairman), Mr Deputy Speaker (Deputy Chairman) exofficio Members, Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Philip Undialu, Mr Taboi Yoto and Mr William Powi.
- **+PRIVILEGES:** Mr Charlie Benjamin (Chairman), Mr Casmiro Aia (Deputy Chairman) and Mr Chris Haiveta. (two vacancies)

- *+PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: Mr Freddie Kumai (Deputy Chairman), Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Casmiro Aia, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Ramsey Pariwa and Mr Theo Pelgen. (six vacancies Chairman and members)
- **+PUBLIC WORKS:** Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr (*Chairman*), Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Mr Kansol Kamdaru, Mr Maino Pano and Mr Marsh Narewec. (eight vacancies Deputy Chairman and members)
- *STANDING ORDERS: Mr Speaker (Chairman), Mr Deputy Speaker (Deputy Chairman) exofficio Members, Mr Allan Bird, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Garry Juffa, Mr Luther Wenge and Mr Taboi Yoto. (one vacancy)

SELECT COMMITTEE

*OMBUDSMAN COMMISSION: Mr Luther Wenge (Chairman), Dr Allan Marat (Deputy Chairman), Mr Allan Bird, Mr Keith Iduhu, Sir Peter Ipatas and Sir Puka Temu. (three vacancies)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

- *+2022 GENERAL ELECTION: Mr Allan Bird (Chairman), Sir Puka Temu (Deputy Chairman), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Keith Iduhu and Mr Saki Soloma. (four vacancies)
- *PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM AND SERVICE DELIVERY: Mr Garry Juffa (Chairman), Mr Allan Bird, Mr Marsh Narewec, Sir Peter Ipatas, Ms Rufina Peter and Mr William Powi. (one vacancy Deputy Chairman)
- *+HEALTH MATTERS: Mr Freddie Kumai (Deputy Chairman), Mr Lohia Boe Samuel and Mr Ricky Morris. (three vacancies Chairman and members)
- CUSTOMARY LAND AND LAND REFORM IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Mr Keith Iduhu (Chairman), Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Ricky Morris and Mr Wai Rapa. (two vacancies)
- **+EASE OF DOING BUSINESS IN PNG:** Mr Theo Pelgen (Chairman), Mr Marsh Narewec, Mr Maso Hewabi, Mr Noah Kool and Mr Simon Sia. (two vacancies Deputy Chairman and member)
- **MEDIUM TERM DEVELOPMENT PLAN 4:** Mr Sasindran Muthuvel (*Chairman*), Ms Rufina Peter (*Deputy Chairperson*), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Michael Marum, Mr Philip Undialu and Mr Simon Sia.

+AIRPORT OPERATIONS AND AIRLINE INDUSTRIES: Mr Freddie Kumai, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Mr Kansol Kamdaru and Mr Michael Marum. (three vacancies – Chairman, Deputy Chairman and member)

- (*) Members removed due to appointment as Minister on 25 September 2024 (National Gazette No. G799).
- (+) Members removed due to appointment as Vice Ministers on 18 October 2024 (National Gazette No. G890).