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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)

MATTER REFERRED TO THE PERMANENT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS AND ACTS AND SUBORDINATE LEGISLATIONS

131 VAGRANCY BILL 2025 (Member for National Capital District): Second reading – Resumption of debate (from 20 March).

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MOTION OF NO CONFIDENCE IN THE PRIME MINISTER

SIR PUKA TEMU (Member for Abau): To move – That, this Parliament has no confidence in the Prime Minister and Member for Tari Open Electorate, Mr James Marape, MP and nominates the Member for Enga Provincial, Grand Chief, Sir Peter Ipatas, GCL, KBE, MP to be elected Prime Minister of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea.

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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 Ms Francesca Semoso Mr Robert Naguri

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 Ricky Morris (Chairman), Dr Allan Marat (Deputy Chairman), Ms Francesca Semoso, Mr Garry Juffa, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Ramsey Pariwa and Mr Tony Wouwou.
- **COMMUNICATIONS:** Mr Marsh Narewec (*Chairman*), Mr Aimos Joseph Akem (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Casmiro Aia, Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr, Mr Ricky Morris, Mr Robert Naguri, Mr Sasindran Muthuvel and Mr Wai Rapa.
- CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS AND ACTS AND SUBORDINATE LEGISLATIONS: Sir Peter Ipatas (Chairman), Mr Wai Rapa (Deputy Chairman), Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Chris Haiveta, Mr Michael Marum and Mr Taboi Yoto. (one vacancy)

- **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*), Mr Francis Alua, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Marsh Narewec, Mr Ricky Morris, Ms Rufina Peter and Mr William Hagahuno.
- **LAW AND ORDER:** Mr Aimos Joseph Akem (*Chairman*), Mr Michael Marum (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Ereman ToBaining Jr, Mr Peter Isoaimo, Mr Luther Wenge, Mr Marsh Narewec, and Mr Simon Kaiwi. (*one vacancy*)
- **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), Mr Chris Haiveta, Ms Francesca Semoso and Mr Joseph Yopyyopy.

- **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS:** Mr Freddie Kumai (*Chairman*), Mr Keith Iduhu (*Deputy Chairman*) Mr Aimos Joseph Akem, Mr Alexander Orme, Dr Allan Marat, Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Casmiro Aia, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Mr Libert Kapris, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Michael Marum, Mr Ramsey Pariwa and Mr Theo Pelgen.
- **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)

*BI-PARTISAN COMMITTEE

BI-PARTISAN COMMITTEE ON BOUGANVILLE MATTERS: Dr Allan Marat (Chairman), Mr Sasindran Muthuvel (Deputy Chairman), Ms Francesca Semoso, Mr Keith Iduhu, Mr Lino Tom, Sir Peter Ipatas, Sir Puka Temu, Mr Robert Naguri and Mr William Powi.

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 Robert Naguri (*Chairman*), Mr Freddie Kumai (*Deputy Chairman*), Mr Benjamin Mul, Mr Johnson Wapunai, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, Mr Maso Hewabi and Mr Ricky Morris.
- 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 Francesca Semoso *(Deputy Chairperson)*, Mr Libert Kapris, Mr Lohia Boe Samuel, 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)
 - (*) Establishment and appointment of Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members made on 21 March 2025
 - (+) Discharged and appointment of members made on 21 March 2025