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The Parliament met at 2 p.m., according to the terms of Resolution of 3 February 2017.

The Acting Speaker (**Mr John Simon**) took the Chair and invited **Bishop Danny Bray Guka**, Chairman of the Papua New Guinea Council of Churches, to say Prayers:

‘Here, is my servant whom I have chosen. The one I love and with whom I am pleased. I will send my spirit upon him and he will announce my judgement to the nation. He will not argue or shout or make loud speeches in the streets. He will not break off a bend reed nor put off a flickering lamp. He will persist until he causes justice to triumph.

God, our Heavenly Father, we thank you, for this nation of Papua New Guinea. We thank you, Lord, for your blessing upon this nation and her people.

We thank you, Lord, for calling men and women to positions of responsibility. Lord, we thank you, for calling your servant, Bob, to be the tenth Governor-General of this nation.

Father, we pray for your wisdom as he takes upon this significant responsibility. Fill him with your wisdom and guide him by your spirit that he may represent peace, justice and unity of this nation.

Bless him and his wife Hannah as they take this responsibility. Bless their home and their family, and their life together. We pray this to Christ our Lord. Amen.’

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENT PROCEEDINGS – STATEMENT BY MR ACTING SPEAKER

Mr ACTING SPEAKER – Honourable Members, I have to inform Parliament that the Permanent Parliamentary Committee on Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings met today and resolved that the *National Broadcasting Commission (NBC)* and *EMTV* will be allowed to broadcast and/or televise live the swearing-in of the 10th Governor-General of Papua New Guinea, Mr Bob Dadae, within the precincts and the Chamber for news purposes and its community obligations.

**PRESENCE AND INTRODUCTION OF HIS HONOUR
THE CHIEF JUSTICE**

Mr ACTING SPEAKER – Honourable Members, I wish to inform Parliament that His Honour, the Chief Justice of Papua New Guinea, Sir Salamo Injia Kt, GCL, is in the precincts of the Parliament. I invite His Honour to be seated on the Floor of the Parliament.

02/01

**PRESENCE AND INTRODUCTION OF HIS EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL DESIGNATE**

Sergeant-At-Arms announced the arrival of His Excellency the Governor-General designate of Papua New Guinea.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER – Honourable Members, I have to advise that in accordance with *Section 90 (1) of the Constitution*, the Governor-General is required before entering upon the duties of his office to take the Oath of Allegiance and to make the Declaration of Loyalty and Office before the Chief Justice and in the presence of Parliament.

I will now ask His Honour, the Chief Justice to perform the *Constitutional* duties of his Office.

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE –
DECLARATION OF OFFICE AND LOYALTY**

The Governor-General designate, Mr Bob Dadae, took the Oath of Allegiance and made the Declaration of Loyalty and Office.

Mr SPEAKER – Your Excellency, on behalf of the Parliament and the people of Papua New Guinea whom they represent, I offer you our congratulations and wish you every success in the high office you now occupy.

03/01

MOTION BY LEAVE

Mr JAMES MARAPE (Tari-Pori Minister for Finance) – I ask leave of Parliament to move a motion without notice.

Leave granted.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - RE-ARRANGEMENT OF BUSINESS

Motion (by **Mr James Marape**) agreed to-

That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the discharge and appointment of Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Citizenship Advisory Committee.

CITIZENSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT AND DISCHARGE OF CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Motion (by **Mr James Marape**) agreed to-

That Mr Solan Mirisin be appointed Chairman of the Citizenship Advisory Committee and Mr Salio Waipo appointed Deputy Chairman replacing Sir Bob Dadae who was the previous chairman.

SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Motion (by **Mr James Marape**) agreed to –

That Parliament at its rising adjourn until 28 March 2017 at 2.p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (by **Mr James Marape**) agreed to-

That Parliament do now adjourn.

Parliament adjourned at 2.25p.m.