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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 31

Thursday, 28 March 2013

- 1 The Parliament met at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Theo Zurenuoc) took the Chair.

Absence of quorum: The Speaker reported to the Parliament that a quorum of Members was not present and announced that he would again take the Chair at the ringing of the Bells.

Suspension of sitting: At ten o'clock a.m., the Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting: At half past ten o'clock a.m., the Speaker resumed the Chair, and a quorum of Members being present and in accordance with Standing Order 34, invited Ms Delilah Gore (Member Sohe) to say Prayers.

- 2 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – REARRANGEMENT OF BUSINESS:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business), by leave, moved – That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the order of the day no. 37 (Government Business) being called on forthwith.
Question – put and passed.
- 4 **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN BILL:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of debate on the motion – That the Bill be now read a second time –

Debate resumed.

Closure: Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the question be now put.

Question – put and passed – Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor General – Recommendation of Imposition of Taxation:

Mr Speaker announced that he had received a message from His Excellency the Governor General dated 27 March 2013, recommending the imposition of taxation in accordance with Section 210 of the *Constitution* insofar as the Bill relates to and provides for such imposition.

Mrs Loujaya Toni (Minister for Community Development and Family Affairs) moved – That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question – put and passed.

And the question – That the Bill be now read a third time – put.

Ordered – That the Bells be rung.

The Parliament voted (the Speaker, Mr Theo Zurenuoc, in the Chair) -

Ayes, 66

Mr Amkat Mai	Mr Joe Lera
Dr Allan Marat	Mr Joe Sungi
Mr Ano Pala	Mr John Pundari
Mr Asik Tommy Tomscoll	Mr Johnson Tuke
Mr Ati Wobiro	Mrs Julie Soso Akeke
Mr Benjamin Philip	Mr Kerenga Kua
Mr Benjamin Poponawa	Mr Kila Haoda
Mr Bob Dadae	Mr Koi Trape
Mr Boka Kondra	Mr Labi Amaiu
Mr Byron Chan	Mrs Loujaya Toni
Mr Camillus Dangima	Mr Louta Atoi
Mr Charlie Benjamin	Mr Mai Dop
Mr Daniel Mona	Mr Malakai Tabar
Mr Davis Steven	Mr Mao Zeming
Mr De Kewanu	Mr Mark Maipakai
Ms Delilah Gore	Mr Mehrra Minne Kipefa
Mr Don Polye	Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei
Mr Douglas Tomuriesa	Mr Nixon Mangape
Mr Ereman ToBaining Jnr	Mr Noah Kool
Dr Fabian Pok	Mr Patrick Pruaitch
Mr Francis Awesa	Mr Paul Isikiel
Mr Garry Juffa	Mr Pesab Paul Komal
Mr Gisuwat Siniwin	Mr Peter Ipatas
Mr Gordon Wesley	Mr Peter O'Neill
Mr James Marape	Sir Puka Temu
Mr Jeffery Kuave	Mr Rimbink Pato
Mr Jim Kas	Mr Robert Ganim
Mr Jim Miring Toro	Mr Ron Ganarafa
Mr Jim Simatab	Mr Ronny Knight
Mr Joe Koi Komun	Mr Roy Biyama

Mr Sasindra Muthuvel
Mr Solan Mirisim
Mr Steven Kamma

Mr Titus Philemon
Mr Tobias Kulang
Mr Wera Mori

Noes, 0

And so it was resolved in the affirmative with the concurrence of an absolute majority as required by the *Constitution* – Bill read a third time.

- 5 **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the Parliament at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 14 May 2013 at two o'clock p.m.
Question – put and passed.

- 6 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the Parliament do now adjourn.
Question – put and passed.

And then the Parliament at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 14 May 2013, at two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except *Mr Anderson Agiru, Mr Anton Yagama, Mr Beldan Namah, Mr Benny Allan, *Mr Bire Kimisopa, Mr Charles Abel, Mr David Arore, Mr Francis Marus, *Mr Francis Potape, Mr Havila Kavo, Mr Isaac Waigavara, Mr James Gau, Mr John Hickey, Mr John Simon, Mr Joseph Lelang, Sir Julius Chan, Mr Justin Tkachenko, Mr Kelly Naru, *Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Leo Dion, Mr Michael Malabag, Sir Michael Somare, *Mr Nixon Duban, Mr Paias Wingti, Mr Paul Tiensten, Mr Philip Undialu, Mr Powes Parkop, Mr Richard Maru, Mr Richard Mendani, Mr Robert Atiyafa, Mr Ross Seymour, Mr Sam Basil, *Mr Tony Aimo Mr William Powi and Mr William Tongamp.

SIMON ILA
Acting Clerk of the National Parliament

* *Leave of Absence.*