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PAPUA NEW GUINEA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 43

Wednesday, 10 July 2013

- 1 The Parliament met at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Theo Zurenuoc) took the Chair.
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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 Mr Anton Yagama (Member for Usino-Bundi) to say Prayers.

- 2 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice being asked.

- 3 **DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND IMMIGRATION – NEW CHALLENGES AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWING PAPUA NEW GUINEA’S CONNECTIONS IN A GLOBALIZING WORLD - MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Rimbink Pato (Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration) made a ministerial statement on the practical efforts being made to protect and promote national interests by growing connections with actors, organizations and issues around the world.

Mr Don Polye (Minister for Treasury) moved – That the Parliament take note of the Paper.

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr James Marape – Leader of Government Business), and the resumption of debate made an order of the day for a subsequent sitting.

- 4 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – PRESENTATION OF PAPERS:** - Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business), by leave, moved – That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Minister for Treasury (Mr Don Polye) presenting the annual reports 2010, 2011 and 2012 of the Internal Revenue Commission.

Question - put and passed.

- 5 **INTERNAL REVENUE COMMISSION – ANNUAL REPORTS 2010, 2011 AND 2012 – PAPERS AND STATEMENT - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Mr Don Polye (Minister for Treasury) presented the following reports:

Income Tax Act: -

Internal Revenue Commission - Annual Reports, 2010, 2011 and 2012

and, by leave, made a statement in connection with the papers.

Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the Parliament take note of the Papers and was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed at a subsequent sitting.

- 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 fifteen minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Belden Namah, Mr Bire Kimisopa, Mr Bob Dadae, Mr Boka Kondra, Mr Byron Chan, Mr John Hickey, Mr John Pundari, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa, Mr Paul Tiensten, Mr Richard Maru, Mr Robert Atiyafa, Mr Sam Basil, Mr William Duma, Mr William Powi,

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