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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 55

Thursday, 19 September 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 five minutes past 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 for Sohe) to say Prayers.

- 2 **BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS – STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER:** The Speaker informed the Parliament that the Permanent Parliamentary Committee on Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings met today and resolved that EMTV would be allowed to televise questions without notice for the duration of this meeting.
- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

- 4 **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 order of the day Nos. 71 and 72, Government Business, being called on forthwith. Question – put and passed.
- 5 **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (CALLING OF PARLIAMENT) LAW 2013:** The order of the day having been read for the second required opportunity for debate and Second Vote –

The Speaker presented the following paper:-

Permanent Parliamentary Committee on Constitutional Laws and Acts and Subordinate Legislations

Report relating to Constitutional Amendment (Calling of Parliament) Law 2013 and Constitutional Amendment (Motions of No Confidence) Law 2013.

Mr Solang Mirisim (Chairman), made a statement in connection with the report.

Mr Peter O'Neill (Prime Minister), moved - That the proposed law be read a third time and commenced the second required opportunity for debate.

Debated ensued.

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

And the question – That the proposed law be now agreed to without amendments– put Ordered – That the Bells be rung.

Second Vote: The Parliament voted (the Speaker, Mr Theo Zurenuoc, in the Chair).

AYES, 81

Mr Ano Pala
Mr Anton Yagama
Mr Asik Tommy Tomscoll
Mr Ati Wobiro
Mr Ben Micah
Mr Benjamin Philip
Mr Benjamin PoPONAWA
Mr Benny Allan
Mr Bire Kimisopa
Mr Bob Dadae
Mr Boka Kondra
Mr Byron Chan
Mr Charles Abel
Mr Daniel Mona
Mr De Kewanu
Mr Deililah Gore

Mr Don Polye
Mr Douglas Tomuriesa
Mr Ereman Tobaining, Jnr
Dr. Fabian Pok
Mr Francis Awesa
Mr Francis Marus
Mr Francis Potape
Mr Garry Juffa
Mr Gisuwat Siniwin
Mr Havila Kavo
Mr Isaac Waigavara
Mr James Gau
Mr James Lagea
Mr James Marape
Mr Jeffery Kuave
Mr Jim Miringtoro

Mr Jim Simatab
Mr Joe Sungi
Mr John Hickey
Mr John Pundari
Mr Johnson Tuke
Mr Joseph Lelang
Mrs Julie Soso Akeke
Sir Julius Chan
Mr Justin Tkachencko
Mr Ken Fairweather
Mr Kerenga Kua
Mr Kila Haoda
Mr Koi Trape
Mr Leo Dion
Mr Loujaya Toni
Mr Mai Dop
Mr Malakai Tabar
Mr Mao Zeming
Mr Mark Maipakai
Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa
Mr Michael Malabag
Sir Michael Somare
Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei
Mr Nixon Mangape
Mr Noah Kool

Mr Paias Wingti
Mr Patrick Pruaitch
Mr Paul Isikiel
Mr Pesab Jeffery Komal
Mr Peter Ipatas
Mr Peter O'Neill
Mr Philip Undialu
Sir Puka Temu
Mr Richard Maru
Mr Rimbink Pato
Mr Robert Atiyafa
Mr Robert Ganim
Mr Ron Ganarafo
Mr Ronny Knight
Mr Roy Bijama
Mr Salio Waipo
Mr Sasindra Muthuvel
Mr Solan Mirisim
Mr Steven Kamma
Mr Titus Philemon
Mr Westley Nkundj
Mr William Duma
Mr William Powi
Mr William Tongamp

NOES, 2

Mr Sam Basil

Mr Tobias Kulang

And so it was resolved in the affirmative with the concurrence of a two-thirds absolute majority as required by the *Constitution* – Proposed Law read a third time.

6 **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (MOTIONS OF NO CONFIDENCE)**

LAW 2013: The order of the day having been read for the second required opportunity for debate and Second Vote –

Mr Peter O'Neill (Prime Minister) moved – That the proposed law be read a third time and commenced the second opportunity for debate.

Debated ensued.

Conclusion: Mr Don Polye (Minister for Treasury), moved – That the question be now put

Question – that the question be now put - put and passed.

And the question – That the proposed law be now read a third time – put

Ordered – That the Bells be rung.

Second Vote: The Parliament voted (the Speaker, Mr Theo Zurenuoc, in the Chair).

AYES, 81

Mr Ano Pala	Mr Ken Fairweather
Mr Anton Yagama	Mr Kerenga Kua
Mr Asik Tommy Tomscoll	Mr Kila Haoda
Mr Ati Wobiro	Mr Koi Trape
Mr Ben Micah	Mr Leo Dion
Mr Benjamin Philip	Ms Loujaya Toni
Mr Benjamin Poponawa	Mr Mai Dop
Mr Benny Allan	Mr Malakai Tabar
Mr Bire Kimisopa	Mr Mao Zeming
Mr Bob Dadae	Mr Mark Maipakai
Mr Boka Kondra	Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa
Mr Byron Chan	Mr Michael Malabag
Mr Charles Abel	Sir Michael Somare
Mr Daniel Mona	Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei
Mr De Kewanu	Mr Nixon Mangape
Ms Delilah Gore	Mr Noah Kool
Mr Don Polye	Mr Paias Wingti
Mr Douglas Tomuriesa	Mr Patrick Pruaitch
Mr Ereman Tobaining, Jnr	Mr Paul Isikiel
Dr Fabian Pok	Mr Pesab Jeffery Komal
Mr Francis Awesa	Mr Peter Ipatas
Mr Francis Marus	Mr Peter O'Neill
Mr Francis Potape	Mr Philip Undialu
Mr Garry Juffa	Sir Puka Temu
Mr Gisuwat Siniwin	Mr Richard Maru
Mr Havila Kavō	Mr Rimbink Pato
Mr Isaac Waigavara	Mr Robert Atiyafa
Mr James Gau	Mr Robert Ganim
Mr James Lagea	Mr Ron Ganarafo
Mr James Marape	Mr Ronny Knight
Mr Jeffery Kuave	Mr Roy Biyama
Mr Jim Miringtoro	Mr Salio Waipo
Mr Jim Simatab	Mr Sasindra Muthuvel
Mr Joe Sungi	Mr Solan Mirisim
Mr John Hickey	Mr Steven Kamma
Mr John Pundari	Mr Titus Philemon
Mr Johnson Tuke	Mr Westley Nukundj
Mr Joseph Lelang	Mr William Duma
Mrs Julie Soso Akeke	Mr William Powi
Sir Julius Chan	Mr William Tongamp
Mr Justin Tkachenko	

Noes, 2

Mr Sam Basil

Mr Tobias Kulang

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

- 7 **MID-YEAR ECONOMIC AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 2013 – MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Don Polye (Minister for Treasury), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook Report to provide fiscal information for the current financial year.

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

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

And then the Parliament at half past one 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 Amkat Mai, Dr. Allan Marat, Mr Anderson Agiru, Mr Belden Namah, Mr Camillus Dangima, Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr David Arore, Mr Davis Steven, Mr Gordon Wesley, Mr Jim Kas, Mr Joe Koim Komun, Mr Joe Lera, Mr John Simon, Mr Kelly Naru, Mr Louta Atoi, Mr Paul Tiensten, Mr Richard Mendani and Mr Ross Seymour.

VELA KONIVARO
Clerk of the National Parliament