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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 60

Friday, 15 November 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 twenty five minutes to eleven 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 Gisuwat Siniwin (Member for Nawae) to say Prayers.

- 2 **MATTER OF PRIVILEGE – REFERRAL BY THE SPEAKER:** The Speaker referred to the matter of privilege raised by Mr Peter O'Neill (Prime Minister), in relation to questions raised by Mr Belden Namah (Leader of Opposition), on Thursday, 14 November, 2013 and stated that the Chair had considered the matter and

decided to refer the Leader of Opposition to the Privileges Committee regarding questions in relation to the Prime Minister's trip to Israel and the allegations that LR Group would take over Papua New Guinea Sustainable Development Programme, and on the second matter to engage two psychiatrist, the Chair decided not to refer that matter.

- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
4. **GRIEVANCE DEBATE:** Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 108 – Question proposed – That grievances be noted.
Debate ensued.
Question – That grievances be noted – put and passed
- 5 **BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS - STATEMENT BY SPEAKER -** The Speaker informed the Parliament that the Permanent Parliamentary Committee on Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings met this morning and resolved that:
- (a) the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) and Kundu II be allowed to respectively broadcast live coverage of the budget presentation on Tuesday, 19 November, 2013; and
 - (b) EMTV would be allowed to film the budget presentation for news purposes only.
- 6 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the Parliament at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 19 November 2013 at two o'clock p.m..
Question – put and passed.

And then the Parliament, at five minutes to one o'clock p.m. adjourned until Tuesday, 19 November 2013 at two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Aide Ganasi, Dr Allan Marat, Mr Amkat Mai, Mr Anderson Agiru, Mr Belden Namah, Mr Ben Micah, Mr Benjamin Philip, Mr Boka Kondra, Mr Camillus Dangima, Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr David Arore, Mr De Kewanu, Mr Don Polye, Mr Eremman Tobaining Jnr., Mr Fabian Pok, Mr Francis Awesa, Mr Gordon Wesley, Mr Havila Kavo, Mr Isaac Waigavara, Mr Jim Miringtoro, Mr Joe Sungi, Mr John Simon, Mr Johnson Tuke, Mr Joseph Yopyopy, Ms Julie Soso Akeke, Mr Kelly Naru, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Kerenga Kua, Mr Kila Haoda, Mr Koi Trape, Mr Leo Dion, Mr Mai Dop, Mr Malakai Tabar, Mr Mark

Maipakai, Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa, Sir Michael Somare, Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei, Mr Patrick Pruaitch, Mr Paul Isikiel, Mr Paul Tiensten, Mr Pesab Jeffery Komal, Mr Peter Ipatas, Mr Philip Undialu, Mr Richard Mendani, Mr Rimbink Pato, Mr Robert Atiyafa, Mr Ross Seymour, Mr Roy Biyama, Mr Sam Basil, Mr Steven Kamma, Mr Tobias Kulang, Mr Wera Mori and Mr Wesley Nukundji.

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