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PAPUA NEW GUINEA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 91

Tuesday, 21 October 2014

- 1 The Parliament met at two o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the resolution of 5 September 2014. The Speaker (Mr Theo Zurenuoc) took the Chair.

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

Suspension of sitting: At five minutes past two o'clock p.m., the Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting: At twenty five minutes to three o'clock p.m., the Speaker resumed the Chair, and a quorum of Members being present, and in accordance with Standing Order 34, invited Mr Ati Wobiro (Governor for Western Province) to say Prayers.

- 2 **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS:** Mr Speaker informed the Parliament that a parliamentary delegation from the Queensland Parliament consisting of Madam Speaker, Hon. Fiona Simpson, MP (Leader of the Delegation), Mr Steve Davies MP (Member for Capalaba), Mr Trevor Ruthenberg MP (Member for Kallangur), Mrs Liz Cunningham MP (Member for Gladstone), Mr Darren Grimwade MP (Member for Morayfield), Mr Dale Shuttleworth, MP (Member for Ferny Grove) and officers were present in the Speaker's Gallery.

On behalf of the Parliament, Mr Speaker extended to the distinguished visitors a warm welcome.

- 3 **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: –

- (a) National Broadcasting Corporation be allowed to broadcast live questions without notice for the duration of this meeting;
- (b) The National Television Service “Kundu 2” would be allowed to televise live questions without notice for the duration of this meeting; and
- (c) EMTV be allowed to film questions without notice for news purposes only for the duration of this meeting.

- 4 **CERTIFICATION OF ACTS:** Mr Speaker informed the Parliament that he had, in accordance with Section 110 of the *Constitution*, certified the following Acts made by the National Parliament:

Civil Registration (Amendment) Act 2014

Companies (Amendment) Act 2014

Customs Tariff (Amendment) Act 2014

Excise Tariff (Amendment) Act 2014

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Income Tax (International Agreements)(Amendment) Act 2014

Internal Revenue Commission Act 2014

Marine Pollution (Sea Dumping) Act 2013

Public Services (Management) Act 2014

Roman Catholic Diocese of Kimbe Act 2014

- 5 **DEATH OF FORMER MEMBER (MR JOHN YAKA):** Mr Speaker informed the Parliament of the death on 30 September 2014 of Mr John Yaka, a former Member for Kandep Open seat. He was elected to the Second National Parliament from 1977 to 1982. He was appointed member of the Constitutional Laws and Acts Committee in 1977 then Minister for Justice from 1981 to 1982. He was re-elected to the Third National Parliament from 1982 to 1987 for the same seat.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, all Members present stood in silence.

- 6 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

- 7 **OMBUDSMAN COMMISSION OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA - INVESTIGATION REPORT INTO THE CONDUCT OF MR KEN KAI AH, GOVERNMENT PRINTER OF GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, FINAL REPORT - PAPER – MOTION FOR ADOPTION:** Mr Speaker presented the following paper, pursuant to statute:

Ombudsman Commission of Papua New Guinea –
Investigation Report into the conduct of the Mr Ken Kai ah,
Government Printer of the Government Printing Office,
Final Report, June 2014.

Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the report and its recommendations be adopted and the resumption of debate made an order of the day for a subsequent sitting.

Question – put and passed.

- 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 twenty minutes past three o'clock p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m..

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at sometime during the sitting) except Mr Anderson Agiru, Mr Ano Pala, Mr Anton Yagama, Mr Assik Tommy Tomscoll, Mr Belden Namah, Mr Ben Micah, Mr Benjamin Phillip, Mr Benjamin Poponawa, Mr Benny Allan, Mr Bire Kimisopa, Mr Bob Dadae, Mr Byron Chan, Mr Camillus Dangima, Mr Charlie Benjamin, Mr Daniel Mona, Mr Davis Steven, Mr Don Polye, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Ezekiel Anisi, Mr Fabian Pok, Mr Francis Marus, Mr Francis Potape, Mr Gisuwat Siniwin, Mr Havila Kavo, Mr Isaac Waigavara, Mr James Gau, Mr Joe Koim Komun, Mr Joe Lera, Mr John Hickey, Mr John Simon, Mr Johnson Tuke, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Ms Julie Soso Akeke, Sir Julius Chan, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Labi Amaiu, Ms Loujaya Toni, Mr Mai Dop, Mr Malakai Tabar, Mr Mark Maipakai, Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa, Mr Michael Malabag, Mr Nixon Mangape, Mr Peter Ipatas, Mr Peter Isoaimo, Mr Peter O'Neill, Mr Phillip Undialu, Mr Richard Mendani, Mr Rimbink Pato, Mr Robert Atiyafa, Mr Ross Seymour, Mr Salio Waipo, Mr Tobias Kulang, Mr Wera Mori and Mr William Powi.

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