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PAPUA NEW GUINEA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 93

Thursday, 23 October 2014

- 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 Parliament that a quorum of Members was not present, and announced that he would again resume 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 ten 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 Dr Allan Marat (Member for Rabaul) to say Prayers.

2 **PRESENCE OF STUDENTS - STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER:**

Mr Speaker informed the Parliament of the presence of Grade 7 students and their teachers from the Bereina School in the Public Gallery.

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

3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

4 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – RE-ARRANGEMENT OF BUSINESS:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business), by leave, moved – That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent notice no. 169, Government Business, being called on forthwith.

Question – put and passed.

5 **INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 2014:** Mr Justine Tkatchenko (Minister for Sports, Pacific Games and National Events) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax Act 1959* in so far as it relates to the application of the *Pacific Games (2015)(Amendment) Act 2011* and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Leave granted for the second reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Justine Tkatchenko moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Leave granted for the third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Justine Tkatchenko, the Bill was read a third time.

6 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA CUSTOMS SERVICE - PAPER AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Patrick Pruaitch (Minister for Treasury), presented the following paper, pursuant to statute –

Customs Act -
Papua New Guinea Customs Service-
Annual Report 2013.

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

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.

- 7 **SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM AND SERVICE DELIVERY – INVESTIGATIVE MISSIONS TO FIJI AND SAMOA AND BRISBANE AND CANBERRA REPORTS - PAPERS AND STATEMENT – MOTION FOR ADOPTION** – Mr Bire Kimisopa (Chairman) presented the following papers:

Special Parliamentary Committee on Public Sector Reform and Service Delivery –

- (i) Report on Investigative Mission to Fiji and Samoa,
- (ii) and Brisbane and Canberra,

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 paper and was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed at a subsequent sitting.

- 8 **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL – JUVENILE JUSTICE - PAPER AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Ano Pala (Minister for Justice and Attorney General), presented the following paper, pursuant to statute –

Juvenile Courts Act -
Department of Justice and Attorney General -
Juvenile Justice, Annual Report 2011.

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

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.

- 9 **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:** Mr James Marape (Leader of Government Business) moved – That the Parliament, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 18 November 2014 at two o'clock p.m.
Question – put and passed.

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

And then the Parliament, at ten minutes past one o'clock p.m. adjourned until Tuesday, 18 November, 2014 at two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at sometime during the sitting) except Mr Belden Namah, Mr Bob Dadae, Mr Daniel Mona, Mr David Arore, Mr Davis Steven, Mr Don Polye, Mr Douglas Tomuriesa, Mr Ezekiel Anisi, Mr Gisuwat Siniwin, Mr Gordon Wesley, Mr James Gau, Mr Jim Miringtoro, Mr Johnson Tuke, Mr Joseph Yopyyopy, Ms Julie Soso Akeke, Mr Kelly Naru, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Kerenga Kua, Mr Leo Dion, Ms Loujaya Toni, Mr Mark Maipakai, Mr Michael Malabag, Mr Nixon Mangape, Mr Paul Isikiel, Mr Peter Isoaimo, Mr Phillip Undialu, Mr Richard Mendani, Mr Ross Seymour, Mr Wera Mori and Mr William Tongamp.

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