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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

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No. 104

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Thursday, 19 February 2015

- 1 The Parliament met at ten o'clock a.m. pursuant to adjournment. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.
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*Absence of quorum:* The Deputy 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 Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

*Resumption of sitting:* At five minutes past 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.

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

3 **JOINT REVIEW OF BOUGAINVILLE'S AUTONOMY – REPORT NO. 1 — PAPER AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:-** Mr Peter O'Neill (Prime Minister), presented the following paper:

*Joint Review of Bougainville's Autonomy Arrangements by the National Government and the Autonomous Bougainville Government,*

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.

4 **PAPUA NEW GUINEA NATIONAL PARLIAMENT MEMBERS AND THE JOINT POLITICAL PARTIES DELEGATION REPORT ON THEIR STUDY TOUR TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA – PAPER AND STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PRAYER:-** Mr Anton Yagama (Member for Usino-Bundi and Delegation Leader) presented the following paper:

*Papua New Guinea – Delegation Report -  
Members of Papua New Guinea National Parliament and the  
Joint Political Parties Delegation Report on their Study Tour  
to the People's Republic of China, 23 September – 1 October 2014,*

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.

- 5 **DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL PLANNING AND MONITORING - NATIONAL POPULATION POLICY 2015-2024 – PAPER AND STATEMENT - MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF THE PAPER:** Mr Charles Abel (Minister for National Planning), presented the following paper:

*Department of National Planning and Monitoring –  
National Population Policy 2015-2024, Volume 1 – Policy Statement*

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

Mr Don Polye (Leader of the Opposition) 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.

- 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 ten minutes to two o'clock p.m. adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present (at sometime during the sitting), except Mr Anderson Agiru, Mr Belden Namah, Mr Boka Kondra, Mr Davis Steven, Mr Ezekiel Anisi, Dr Fabian Pok, Mr Francis Marus, +Mr Francis Potape, Mr Jim Simatab, Mr Johnson Tuke, Ms Julie Soso Akeke, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa, Mr Nixon Duban, Mr Peter Ipatas, Sir Puka Temu, Mr Robert Atiyafa and \*Mr Ronny Knight.

**KALA AUFA**  
Acting Clerk of the National Parliament

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