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PAPUA NEW GUINEA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

No. 112

Thursday, 4 June 2015

- 1 The Parliament met at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Deputy Speaker (Mr Aide Ganasi) 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 five minutes past ten o'clock a.m., the Deputy 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 Mr Bire Kimisopa (Member for Goroka) to say Prayers.

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

- 3 **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 day Nos. 136 and 137 (Government Business) being called on forthwith.
Question – put and passed.
- 4 **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (PAPUA NEW GUINEA’S OWNERSHIP OF HYDROCARBONS AND MINERALS AND THE CONSOLIDATION AND COMMERCIALISATION OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA’S BUSINESS) LAW, 2014:** The order of the day having been read for the First required opportunity for debate and First vote -
Mr Peter O’Neill (Prime Minister), moved – That the Proposed Law be now read a second time and commenced the first required opportunity for debate.
Debate ensued.
Conclusion: Mr Peter O’Neill, by leave, moved – that the Proposed Law be now agreed to without amendments.
Question – That the question be now put – put and passed.
Ordered – That the Bells be rung.
And the question – That the Proposed Law be now agreed to without amendments - put
First Vote: The Parliament voted (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Aide Ganasi, in the Chair) -

AYES, 80

Mr Aide Ganasi
Mr Ano Pala
Mr Anton Yagama
Mr Assik Tommy Tomscoll
Mr Ati Wobiro
Mr Ben Micah
Mr Benjamin Philip
Mr Benny Allan
Mr Bire Kimisopa
Mr Byron Chan
Mr Camillus Dangima
Mr Charles Abel
Mr Charlie Benjamin
Mr Davis Steven
Mr De Kewanu
Ms Delilah Gore
Mr Douglas Tomuriesa
Mr Ereman Tobaining Jnr
Mr Francis Marus
Mr Gisuwat Siniwin

Mr James Lagea
Mr James Marape
Mr Jeffery Kuave
Mr Jim Kas
Mr Jim Miringtoro
Mr Jim Simatab
Mr Joe Koim Komun
Mr Joe Lera
Mr Joe Sungi
Mr John Pundari
Mr John Simon
Mr Johnson Tuke
Mr Joseph Lelang
Mr Joseph Yopyyopy
Sir Julius Chan
Mr Justin Tkachenko
Mr Kelly Naru
Mr Kerenga Kua
Mr Kila Haoda
Mr Koi Trape

Mr Labi Amaiu
 Ms Loujaya Toni
 Mr Louta Atoi
 Mr Mai Dop
 Mr Malakai Tabar
 Mr Mao Zeming
 Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa
 Mr Michael Malabag
 Sir Michael Somare
 Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei
 Mr Nick Kuman
 Mr Noah Kool
 Mr Paias Wingti
 Mr Patrick Pruaitch
 Mr Paul Isikiel
 Mr Pesab Jeffrey Komal
 Mr Peter Ipatas
 Mr Peter Isoaimo
 Mr Peter O'Neill
 Mr Philip Undialu

Mr Powes Parkop
 Sir Puka Temu
 Mr Richard Maru
 Mr Richard Mendani
 Mr Rimbink Pato
 Mr Robert Ganim
 Mr Ron Ganarafa
 Mr Ronny Knight
 Mr Ross Seymour
 Mr Roy Biyama
 Mr Salio Waipo
 Mr Sasindra Muthuvel
 Mr Solan Mirisim
 Mr Theo Zurenuoc
 Mr Tobias Kulang
 Mr Wera Mori
 Mr Westley Nkundj
 Mr William Duma
 Mr William Powi
 Mr William Tongamp

NOES, 5

Dr Allan Marat
 Mr Don Polye
 Mr James Gau

Mr Nixon Mangape
 Mr Sam Basil

The Speaker, (Mr Theo Zurenuoc), had a casting vote with the ayes.

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 second time.

Ordered – That the Second Required Opportunity for Debate (third reading) and Second Vote be adjourned to another meeting separated by two months as required by the *Constitution*.

5 ORGANIC LAW ON PAPUA ENW GUINEA'S OWNERSHIP OF HYDROCARBONS AND MINERALS AND THE CONSOLIDATION AND COMMERCIALISATION OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA'S BUSINESS) LAW, 2014: The order of the day having been read for the First required opportunity for debate and First vote:-

Mr Peter O'Neill (Prime Minister), moved – That the Proposed Law be now read a second time and commenced the first required opportunity for debate.

Debate ensued.

Conclusion: Mr Peter O'Neill, by leave, moved – that the Proposed Law be now agreed to without amendments.

Question – That the question be now put – put and passed.

Ordered – That the Bells be rung.

And the question – That the Proposed Law be now agreed to without amendments - put

First Vote: The Parliament voted (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Aide Ganasi, in the Chair) –

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Mr Aide Ganasi	Mr Kerenga Kua
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Mr Anton Yagama	Mr Koi Trape
Mr Assik Tommy Tomscoll	Mr Labi Amaiu
Mr Ati Wobiro	Ms Loujaya Toni
Mr Ben Micah	Mr Louta Atoi
Mr Benjamin Philip	Mr Mai Dop
Mr Benny Allan	Mr Malakai Tabar
Mr Bire Kimisopa	Mr Mao Zeming
Mr Byron Chan	Mr Mehrra Minnie Kipefa
Mr Camillus Dangima	Mr Michael Malabag
Mr Charles Abel	Sir Michael Somare
Mr Charlie Benjamin	Mr Mogerema Sigo Wei
Mr Davis Steven	Mr Nick Kuman
Mr De Kewanu	Mr Noah Kool
Ms Delilah Gore	Mr Paias Wingti
Mr Douglas Tomuriesa	Mr Patrick Pruaitch
Mr Ereman Tobaining Jnr	Mr Paul Isikiel
Mr Francis Marus	Mr Pesab Jeffrey Komal
Mr Gisuwat Siniwin	Mr Peter Ipatas
Mr James Lagea	Mr Peter Isoaimo
Mr James Marape	Mr Peter O'Neill
Mr Jeffery Kuave	Mr Philip Undialu
Mr Jim Kas	Mr Powes Parkop
Mr Jim Miringtoro	Sir Puka Temu
Mr Jim Simatab	Mr Richard Maru
Mr Joe Koim Komun	Mr Richard Mendani
Mr Joe Lera	Mr Rimbink Pato
Mr Joe Sungi	Mr Robert Ganim
Mr John Pundari	Mr Ron Ganarafo
Mr John Simon	Mr Ronny Knight
Mr Johnson Tuke	Mr Ross Seymour
Mr Joseph Lelang	Mr Roy Biyama
Mr Joseph Yopyyopy	Mr Salio Waipo
Ms Julie Soso Akeke	Mr Sam Basil
Sir Julius Chan	Mr Sasindra Muthuvel
Mr Justin Tkachenko	Mr Solan Mirisim
Mr Kelly Naru	Mr Theo Zurenuoc

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- 6 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS – PRESENTATION OF PAPER:** Mr James Marape, (Leader of Government Business), by leave, moved – That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Minister for Treasury presenting a ministerial statement.
Question – put and passed.
- 7 **UPDATE ON 2015 BUDGET AND STATE OF THE ECONOMY – MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Patrick Pruaitch, (Minister for Treasury), made a ministerial statement informing the Parliament of the State of the Economy.
Mr Don Polye, (Leader of the Opposition), 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 **ISSUE OF AND RETURN TO WRIT – POMIO OPEN ELECTORATE – BY-ELECTION - STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER:** The Speaker (Mr Theo Zurenuoc) announced that he had received the Return to the Writ which His Excellency, the Governor-General had issued on 12 March 2015, for a by-election of a Member to serve for the Pomio Open Electorate and that by the endorsement on the Writ, it was certified that Mr Elias Kapavore was duly elected as the Member for Pomio Open Electorate.
- 9 **DECLARATION OF LOYALTY AND DECLARATION OF OFFICE:** Mr Elias Kapavore was introduced and made his Declaration of Loyalty and Declaration of Office before the Speaker as required by the *Constitution*.

- 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 fifteen minutes to two 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 Belden Namah, Mr Benjamin Poponawa, Mr Bob Dadae, Mr Boka Kondra, Mr David Arore, Mr Ezekiel Anisi, Dr Fabian Pok, Mr Francis Awesa, Mr Francis Potape, Mr Garry Juffa, Mr Havila Kavov, Mr Isaac Waigavara, Mr John Hickey, Ms Julie Soso Akeke, Mr Ken Fairweather, Mr Leo Dion, Mr Mark Maipakai, Mr Nixon Duban, Mr Robert Atiyafa, Mr Steven Kamma and Mr Titus Philemon.

KALA AUFA
Acting Clerk of the National Parliament

*Sick leave