



THIRD SESSION, FIFTH NATIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Monday, 09 May, 2016

(09:30 - 13:00)

No. 9 – 2016

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

- 1.0 The Chairperson took the Chair.
- 2.0 The Chairperson recited the Prayer and Affirmation.
- 3.0 NOTICE OF MOTION(S)
 - 3.1 Hon. Shiimi gave notice: That on Tuesday, 10 May 2016, he shall move the Report of the Omusati Regional Council.
 - 3.2 Hon. Muharukua gave notice: That on Tuesday, 10 May 2016, he shall move the Report of the Kunene Regional Council.
- 4.0 MESSAGE FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Chairperson announced that she has received a message from the Speaker of the National Assembly: That the National Assembly has passed and referred the following Bills to the National Council for review in accordance with Article 75(1) of the Namibian Constitution:

- a) *Income Tax Amendment Bill* [B.4 – 2016]
- b) *Export Levy Bill* [B. 5 – 2016]
- c) *Presidential Remuneration and Other Benefits Bill* [B.2 – 2016]
- d) *Credit Agreements Amendment Bill* [B.3 – 2016]

The Chairperson then called upon the Secretary to read the Bills a First Time.

The Secretary then read the Bills a First Time.

The Bills stood referred to a **Second Reading**.

5.0 STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRPERSON RELATING TO SUBMISSION OF REGIONAL REPORTS

Hon. Margaret-Mensah Williams, Chairperson of the National Council drew the attention of the House to Rule 188 of the National Council Standing Rules and Orders. The Rule is reproduced verbatim hereunder.

“Submission of Regional Reports

1. Regional Reports shall be submitted to the House on a date not more than 90 days after the commencement of each annual session by either of the Members from each Region.
2. Either of the Members from each Region shall table the report by Notice of Motion.
3. On the proposed date for bringing such Motion, the Member in question moves such report, explaining the contents of the report.
4. The House may –
 - a) Refer the report to the Standing Committee of Regional Development and Report, if deemed necessary for advice;
 - b) Consider the report;
 - c) Require a Member tabling the report for more information; or
 - d) Take note of the report.
 - e)
5. In its report, a Region shall state its –
 - a) Achievements and failures;
 - b) Future and past activities;
 - c) Challenges;
 - d) Recommendations; and

e) Any other matter incidental thereto”.

6.0 On the motion of Hon. Tobias, seconded by Hon. Nicanor, the Council was adjourned at 10:30 until Tuesday, 10 May 2016.

E. Mkusa
Secretary to the National Council
