



NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS

TENTH PARLIAMENT – FIRST SESSION – SIXTH MEETING

MINUTES

No. 115

Tuesday 29 August 2017

NP/05/1/11

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:14 a.m.

Prayers were said by the Clerk.

The following Members were:

**Present:** Hon. Peter Shanel Agovaka  
Hon. Ishmael Mali Avui  
Hon. Heinz Horst Bodo Dettke  
Hon. Douglas Ete  
Hon. Jackson Fiulaua  
Hon. John Moffat Fugui  
Hon. Moses Garu  
Hon. Alfred Ghiri  
Hon. Nestor Giro  
Hon. Rick Nelson Houenipwela  
Hon. Shemuel Sam Iduri  
Hon. Martin Kealoe  
Hon. Duddley Kopu  
Hon. John Dean Kuku  
Hon. Christopher Laore  
Hon. Manasseh Maelanga  
Hon. Augustine Auga Maeue  
Hon. Samson Maneka  
Hon. Jeremiah Manele  
Hon. John Maneniaru  
Hon. Andrew Manepora'a  
Hon. Samuel Manetoali  
Hon. Willie Bradford Marau  
Hon. Commings Aston Mewa

Hon. Elijah Doro Muala  
Hon. David Day Pacha  
Hon. Dickson Mua Panakitasi  
Hon. Bartholomew Parapolo  
Hon. Danny Philip  
Hon. Lionel Alex Qora  
Hon. Snyder Rini  
Hon. Connelly M. Sandakabatu  
Hon. Charles Sigoto  
Hon. Dr Derek Sikua  
Hon. Stanley Festus Sofu  
Hon. Manasseh D. Sogavare  
Hon. Freda Tuki Soriacomua  
Hon. Jimson Fiau Tanangada  
Hon. Silas K. Vaqara Tausinga  
Hon. Dr Culwick Togamana  
Hon. Peter Tom  
Hon. Bradley Tovosia  
Hon. Milner Tozaka  
Hon. Namson Tran  
Hon. Matthew Cooper Wale

**Absent:** Hon. Steve William Abana  
Hon. Dr Tautai Agikimua Kaituu  
Hon. Jimmy Lusibaea  
Hon. Derick Rawcliff Manu'ari  
Hon. David Wanesiofa Tome

**In-Attendance:** Mr. James Apaniai, *Attorney General*

#### **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS**

Hon. Rick Houenipwela, Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee presented the following paper:

Report on the 2017 Supplementary Appropriation (No.2) Bill 2017.  
(*National Parliament Paper No.27 of 2017*).

#### **ASKING AND ANSWERING OF QUESTIONS**

##### **Question No.130 – Western and Choiseul Provincial Elections**

Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu, MP for North West Choiseul asked the Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening a question relating to the Western and Choiseul provincial elections.

The Supervising Minister, Hon. Samson Maneka answered the question.

Supplementary questions were asked by:

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| Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu | - | Chairman of the Bills and Legislation Committee and MP for North West Choiseul     |
| Hon. Dr Culwick Togamana  | - | Chairman of the Environmental and Conservation Committee and MP for Maringe/Kokota |
| Hon. Matthew Wale         | - | Chairman of the Constitution Review Committee and MP for Aoke/Langalanga           |
| Hon. Rick Houenipwela     | - | Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and MP for Small Malaita                 |
| Hon. Dr Derek Sikua       | - | Leader of the Independent Group and MP for North West Guadalcanal                  |

Supplementary questions were answered by:

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| Hon. Samson Maneka     | - | Supervising Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening, Minister for National Unity, Reconciliation and Peace and MP for North Guadalcanal |
| Hon. Manasseh Maelanga | - | Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Home Affairs and MP for East Malaita   |
| Mr. James Apaniai      | - | Attorney General   |

Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu thanked the Ministers for answering the questions.

Question No.132 – Pest Control

Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu, MP for North West Choiseul, asked the Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Development a question relating to issue of invasive pests such as the Rhinoceros Beetle and Giant African Snails.

The Minister, Hon. Duddley Kopu answered the question.

Supplementary questions were asked by:

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| Hon. Matthew Wale            | - | Chairman of the Constitution Review Committee and MP for Aoke/Langalanga           |
| Hon. Heinz Horst Bodo Dettke | - | MP for North West Guadalcanal  |
| Hon. Rick Houenipwela        | - | Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and MP for Small Malaita                 |
| Hon. Douglas Ete             | - | MP for East Honiara  |
| Hon. Dr Derek Sikua          | - | Leader of the Independent Group and MP for North East Guadalcanal                  |
| Hon. Dr Culwick Togamana     | - | Chairman of the Environmental and Conservation Committee and MP for Maringe/Kokota |

Supplementary questions were answered by:

Hon. Duddley Kopu - Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Development and MP for Temotu Pele

Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu thanked the Minister for answering the questions.

Question No.140 – Cannery Project earmarked for Bina Harbour

*Hon. Peter Tom withdrew the question on the floor because the Minister responsible for answering the question will give a Ministerial Statement regarding the matter.*

## BILLS

## Bills – Second Reading

**'The 2017 Supplementary Appropriation (No.2) Bill 2017'.**

The Minister for Finance and Treasury moved that Standing Order 61(2) be suspended in accordance with Standing Order 81.

The Minister gave his remarks.

Debate ensued and the following member spoke:

Hon. Dr Derek Sikua - Leader of the Independent Group and MP for North East Guadalcanal

The Minister for Finance and Treasury gave his closing remarks.

Question put and passed.

Debate on the '2017 Supplementary Appropriation (No.2) Bill 2017' commenced.

The following members spoke:

Hon. Rick Houenipwela - Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and MP for Small Malaita

*Parliament suspended at 12:10 p.m. until 2:00 p.m.*

*Parliament resumed at 2:15 p.m.*

*Point of Order was raised by Hon. Douglas Ete regarding the divisional vote which was taken the previous day concerning the withdrawal of the 'Anti-Corruption Bill 2016' He wanted to put on record that he was not absent. He wanted to clarify that he was present and had voted 'No'.*

Debate on the '2017 Supplementary Appropriation (No.2) Bill 2017' continued and the following members spoke:

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| Hon. Jeremiah Manele | - | Leader of Opposition and MP for Hograno/Kia/Havulei                      |
| Hon. Dr Derek Sikua  | - | Leader of the Independent Group and MP for North East Guadalcanal        |
| Hon. Matthew Wale    | - | Chairman of the Constitution Review Committee and MP for Aoke/Langalanga |

At 4:30pm the Prime Minister moved *"that Standing Order 10 be suspended in accordance with Standing Order 81 to permit the continuation of the business of the House until adjourned by the Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 10(5)."*

Question put and passed.

Hon. Matthew Wale continued and concluded his remarks.

The Prime Minister moved:

*"That the debate on the question be now adjourned until the next sitting day."*

Question put and passed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Speaker adjourned Parliament in accordance with *Standing Order* 10(5) at 4:45 p.m. until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday 30 August 2017.

**Confirmed.**

**Mr. Ajilon Jasper Nasiu**  
**Speaker of National Parliament**

**29 August 2017**