

**NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS**

**NINTH PARLIAMENT - FIRST SESSION - FOURTH MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday 20 September 2012**

**NP/05/1/11**

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:45 am.

Prayers were said by the Clerk.

The following Members were:

**Present:** Hon. Peter Shanel Agovaka  
Hon. Horst Heinz Bodo Dettke  
Hon. Douglas Ete  
Hon. Jackson Fiulaua  
Hon. Walter Folotalu  
Hon. John Moffat Fugui  
Hon. Moses Garu  
Hon. Alfred Ghiro  
Hon. Seth Gukuna  
Hon. Dick Ha'amori  
Hon. Rick Houenipwela  
Hon. Shemuel Sam Iduri  
Hon. Martin Kealoe  
Hon. Christopher Laore  
Hon. Gordon Darcy Lilo  
Hon. Alex Lional  
Hon. Vika Lusibaea  
Hon. Manasseh Maelanga  
Hon. Martin T. Magga  
Hon. John Maneniaru  
Hon. Andrew Manepora'a  
Hon. Commings Aston Mewa  
Hon. Elijah Doro Muala  
Hon. Joseph Onika  
Hon. David Day Pacha  
Hon. Dickson Mua Panakitasi  
Hon. Danny Philip  
Hon. Snyder Rini  
Hon. Selwyn Riumana  
Hon. Connelly M. Sandakabatu  
Hon. Charles Sigoto  
Hon. Clay Forau Soalaoi

Hon. Stanley Festus Sofu  
Hon. Manasseh D. Sogavare  
Hon. Martin Sopage  
Hon. Hypolite Taremae  
Hon. Job Dudley Tausinga  
Hon. Silas Kerry Vaqara Tausinga  
Hon. Peter Tom  
Hon. David Tome  
Hon. James Tora  
Hon. Bradley Tovosia  
Hon. Milner Tozaka  
Hon. Namson Tran  
Hon. Matthew Cooper Wale

**Absent:** Hon. Steve W. Abana  
Hon. Varian Loñamei  
Hon. Samuel Manetoali  
Hon. Dr Derek Sikua

**In-Attendance:** Mr. Billy Titiulu, *Attorney-General*

Under *Standing Order* 21(4) the Speaker granted leave to Hon. Matthew Wale, MP for Aoke/Langalanga to ask a question without notice to the Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening.

Hon. Silas Tausinga, Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening answered the question.

The MP for Aoke/Langalanga asked a supplementary question.

The Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening answered the question.

The MP for Aoke/Langalanga thanked the Minister for answering the questions.

## **MOTIONS**

### **Motion No.3**

#### **Special Adjournment**

**The Prime Minister has moved:**

*"That at its adjournment on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012, Parliament shall stand adjourned to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012."*

Debate on the question continued and the following members spoke:

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| Hon. Job Dudley Tausinga | - Deputy Speaker and MP for North New Georgia                                 |
| Hon. John Maneniaru      | - Leader of the Independent Group and MP for West Are'are                     |
| Hon. Alfred Ghiri        | - Minister for Fisheries & Marine Resources and MP for East Makira            |
| Hon. Milner Tozaka       | - Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and MP for North Vella La Vella |

The Speaker welcomed form three students of Selwyn College who were sitting in the public gallery.

Debate on the question continued and the following members spoke:

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| Hon. Seth Gukuna          | - Minister of Infrastructure Development and MP for Rennell/Bellona   |
| Hon. Connelly Sandakabatu | - Minister for Agriculture & Livestock and MP for North West Choiseul |

*Parliament suspended at 11:56am until 2:00pm.*

*Parliament resumed at 2:10pm.*

The Deputy Speaker welcomed in the Speaker's gallery Lord Fakafanua, Speaker of the Parliament of Tonga, Lord Vaea, Minister of Internal Affairs, Parliament of Tonga and Lopeti Senituli, Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Government of Tonga.

Debate on the question continued and the following Members spoke:

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| Hon. Elijah Doro Muala    | - Minister of Commerce, Industries, Labour & Immigration and MP for South Choisl                      |
| Hon. Manasseh Sogavare    | - Chairman of the Bills and Legislation Committee and MP for East Choieul                             |
| Hon. Danny Philip         | - Chairman of the Environment & Conservation Committee and MP for South New Georgia/Rendova/ Tetepare |
| Hon. Dick Ha'amori        | - Minister for Education & Human Resources Development and MP for West Makira                         |
| Hon. Andrew Manepora'a    | - MP for East Are'are   |
| Hon. Peter Shanel Agovaka | - Chairman of the Education & Human Resources Committee and MP for Central Guadalcanal                |
| Hon. Vika Lusibaea        | - MP for North Malaita  |
| Hon. Rick Houenipwela     | - Minister for Finance & Treasury and MP for Small Malaita  |

At 4:30pm, business of the House was interrupted.

The Prime Minister sought leave to suspend *Standing Order 10* in accordance with *Standing Order 81* to permit the continuation of the business of the House until adjourned by the Speaker under *Standing Order 10(5)*.

Leave granted.

Question *“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 under Standing Order 10(5)”* put and passed.

Hon. Rick Houenipwela continued and concluded his remarks.

Debate on the question continued and the following Members contributed:

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| Hon. Matthew Wale      | - MP for Aoke/Langalanga  |
| Hon. John Moffat Fugui | - Minister of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology and MP for Central Honiara |
| Hon. Joseph Onika      | - Minister of Lands, Housing & Survey and MP for East Central Guadalcanal                               |

The Prime Minister, Hon. Gordon Darcy Lilo made his closing remarks.

Question *“That at its adjournment on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012, Parliament shall stand adjourned to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012”* put and passed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Deputy Speaker adjourned Parliament in accordance with earlier resolution of the House and pursuant to *Standing Order 10(5)* at 6:40pm until 9:30am on Monday 22 October 2012.

Confirmed.

**Sir Allan Kemakeza, KBE**  
**Speaker of National Parliament**

Confirmed.

**Hon Job Dudley Tausinga, MP**  
**Deputy Speaker of National Parliament**

**20 September 2012**