

NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS

8TH PARLIAMENT – 1ST SESSION – 10TH MEETING

MINUTES

Monday 7 December 2009

NP/05/1/11

The Speaker took the Chair at 10:18 am.

Prayers were said by the Clerk.

The following Members were:

Present: Hon. Peter Shanel Agovaka
Hon. Peter J. Boyers
Hon. Walter Folotalu
Hon. Bernard Ghiro
Hon. Seth Gukuna
Hon. Francis B. Hilly
Hon. Edward Justus Huniehu
Hon. Shemuel Sam Iduri
Hon. Sir Allen Kemakeza
Hon. Mark Roboliu Kemakeza
Hon. Clement Kengava
Hon. Johnson Koli
Hon. Daniel Enele Kwanairara
Hon. Nollen Cornelius Leni
Hon. Varian Loñamei
Hon. Martin Magga
Hon. Samuel Manetoali
Hon. Silas Milikada
Hon. Severino Nuaiasi
Hon. Trevor Olavae
Hon. Snyder Rini
Hon. Selwyn Riumana
Hon. Dr. Derek Sikua
Hon. Clay Forau Soalaoi
Hon. Stanley Festus Sofu
Hon. Manasseh Damukana Sogavare
Hon. Martin Sopage
Hon. Augustine Taneko
Hon. James Tora
Hon. Isaac Inoke Tosika

Hon. Milner Tozaka
Hon. Siriako Usa
Hon. Patrick Vahoe (Jnr)
Hon. Japhet Waipora
Hon. Matthew Cooper Wale
Hon. Francis John Zama

Apologies: Hon. Rev. Leslie Boseto (Sick)
Hon. Fred I. Fono
Hon. William Nii Haomae
Hon. Toswel Kaua
Hon. Nelson Ne'e
Hon. David Wote Sitai

Absent: Hon. Steve Abana
Hon. Laurie Chan
Hon. Gordon Darcy Lilo
Hon. Manasseh Maelanga
Hon. Patteson J. Oti
Hon. David Day Pacha
Hon. Job Dudley Tausinga
Hon. Peter Tom

READING BY THE SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker acknowledged the presence of the Speaker of the Guadalcanal Provincial Assembly, the Speaker of the Ysabel Provincial Assembly and their respective Clerks. They will be joined later by the Speaker of Western Provincial Assembly and his Clerk.

National Parliament together with the UNDP Governance and the Provincial Governance Strengthening Program of the Ministry of Provincial Government have organized a three day attachment for the respective Speakers and Clerks over the next three days here at Parliament. The Speaker therefore encouraged members to take time to speak to the Speakers and Clerks during the course of their attachment here at Parliament.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS

By Hon. Milner Tozaka – Minister for Public Service:

“Ministry of Public Service 2008 Annual Report.”
(National Parliament Paper No. 42 of 2009).

By Hon. Francis Billy Hilly – Minister for Commerce, Industry, Labour and Immigration:

Audit Report in respect of the Audit of Commodities Export Marketing Authority for the Years ended 31st December 2000 to 2007. **(National Parliament Paper No. 43 of 2009).**

STATEMENT BY MINISTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

According to standing order 24 the Speaker called on the Minister for Public Service Hon. Milner Tozaka to make a statement on the Code of Conduct of Solomon Islands Public Service.

Standing Order 24(2) provides for short questions for the purpose of elucidating were asked by:

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| Hon. Manasseh Sogavare | - Leader of the Opposition and MP for East Choiseul |
| Hon. Japhet Waipora | - MP for West Makira |
| Hon. Isaac Inoke Tosika | - Leader of the Independent Group and MP for West Honiara |

STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS for the week ending Friday 11 December was announced by the Prime Minister.

BILLS

Bills – First Reading

‘The 2009 Supplementary Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 2009’

Parliament deemed to have ordered **‘The 2009 Supplementary Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 2009’** to be set down for a second reading.

‘The 2010 Appropriation Bill 2009’

Parliament deemed to have ordered **‘The 2010 Appropriation Bill 2009’** to be set down for a second reading.

MOTIONS **Motion No. 12** “Report on the Inquiry into the Facilitation of International Assistance Notice 2003 and RAMSI Intervention.”
‘National Parliament Paper No. 37 of 2009’

The Hon Peter James Boyers (Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and MP for West New Georgia/Vona Vona) moved:

“That Parliament resolves itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider National Parliament Paper No. 37 of 2009, Report of the Foreign Relations Committee on the Inquiry into the Facilitation of International Assistance Notice 2003 and RAMSI Intervention.”

The Chairman delivered his speech.

Parliament suspended at 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm.

Parliament resumed at 2:45 pm.

Debate ensued.

The Hon. Manasseh Sogavare (Leader of Opposition and MP for East Choiseul) raised a point in reference to a private individual mentioned in the Chairman’s opening speech. The Leader called for the Speaker’s ruling on whether the House should debate the report by this person Patrick O’Connor and if so the report should be tabled as part of the FRC Report.

The Deputy Speaker ruled that the House is to debate the Foreign Relations Committee Report National Parliament Paper No. 37 of 2009 and no other reports.

The Hon. Peter James Boyers – Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee pursuant to Standing Order 35(1) moved:

“That the debate on the motion ‘That Parliament resolves itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider National Parliament Paper No. 37 of 2009, Report of the Foreign Relations Committee on the Inquiry into the Facilitation of International Assistance Notice 2003 and RAMSI Intervention’ be adjourned until the next sitting day.”

Question put and passed.

ADJOURNMENT

The Prime Minister moved:

“That Parliament do now adjourn.”

Question put and passed.

Parliament adjourned at 3:52 pm until 9:30 am Tuesday 8 December 2009.

Confirmed.

Rt. Hon. Sir Peter Kenilorea KBE PC
Speaker of National Parliament

Confirmed.

Hon. Clement Kengava MP
Deputy Speaker of National Parliament

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