

MONDAY 25TH APRIL 2016

The Speaker, Mr Ajilon Nasiu took the Chair at 9.32am.

Prayers.

ATTENDANCE

All were present with the exception of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs & External Trade; Agriculture & Livestock; Peace & Reconciliation; Infrastructure Development; Communications and Aviation; Rural Development; Environment, Conservation, Climate Change, Disaster Management & Meteorology; Provincial Government & Institutional Strengthening and the Members for Fataleka; East Honiara, Malaita Outer Islands; Shortlands and West Kwaio.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS

- Report on the Lands and Titles (Amendment) Bill 2016.
(National Parliament Paper No.3 of 2016)

STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

MOTIONS

Motion on Special Adjournment

Hon Manasseh Sogavare (Prime Minister): I beg to move that at the adjournment of Parliament on Monday 25th April 2016, Parliament shall then stand adjourned to Wednesday 27th April, 2016.

In moving this motion I would like to first of all thank the Chairman and members of the Bills & Legislation for the progress they have been making to look into the Bills. Two reports by the Committee are being tabled now indicating that these two bills are ready for Parliament's consideration and of course, the reports of the other bills are also progressing and will be provided to the House later.

The other reason too is that I believe there are certain national issues affecting the smooth and effective operations of this Parliament, which I believe the 50 Members of Parliament, and especially the government side need to sit down and consider before this Parliament Meeting can continue.

Without saying anymore, I beg to move.

Hon Jeremiah Manele: I would like to thank the Prime Minister for moving this motion of special adjournment that when this House adjourns today it will meet again on Wednesday 27th April, 2016.

I believe the reasons outlined by the Prime Minister in terms of the Government needing space and time to deal with some important national matters is self explanatory and so this House does not have any problem supporting this motion. I support the motion moved by the Prime Minister.

Hon Manasseh Sogavare: I thank the Leader of Opposition for responding positively to this motion. I beg to move that at the adjournment of Parliament on 25th April, 2016, Parliament shall then stand adjourned to Wednesday 27th April, 2016.

The House adjourned at 9.40am