

**NATIONAL PARLIAMENT OF SOLOMON ISLANDS**

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

**MINUTES**

**Monday 26 November 2012**

**NP/05/1/11**

The Speaker took the Chair at 9:43 am.

Prayers were said by the Clerk.

The following Members were:

<b><u>Present:</u></b>	Hon. Peter Shanel Agovaka
	Hon. Douglas Ete
	Hon. Jackson Fiulaua
	Hon. Walter Folotalu
	Hon. John Moffat Fugui
	Hon. Moses Garu
	Hon. Seth Gukuna
	Hon. Rick Houenipwela
	Hon. Shemuel Sam Iduri
	Hon. Christopher Laore
	Hon. Varian Loñamei
	Hon. Vika Lusibaea
	Hon. Manasseh Maelanga
	Hon. John Maneniaru
	Hon. Andrew Manepora'a
	Hon. Samuel Manetoali
	Hon. Commings Aston Mewa
	Hon. Elijah Doro Muala
	Hon. Joseph Onika
	Hon. David Day Pacha
	Hon. Dickson Mua Panakitasi
	Hon. Danny Philip
	Hon. Selwyn Riumana
	Hon. Connelly M. Sandakabatu
	Hon. Stanley Festus Sofu
	Hon. Manasseh D. Sogavare
	Hon. Hypolite Taremae
	Hon. Silas Kerry Vaqara Tausinga
	Hon. Peter Tom
	Hon. David Tome
	Hon. Namson Tran
	Hon. Matthew Cooper Wale

**Absent:** Hon. Steve W. Abana  
Hon. Horst Heinz Bodo Dettke  
Hon. Alfred Ghiro  
Hon. Dick Ha'amori  
Hon. Martin Kealoe  
Hon. Gordon Darcy Lilo - (Apologies)  
Hon. Alex Lionai  
Hon. Martin T. Magga  
Hon. Snyder Rini - (Apologies)  
Hon. Charles Sigoto  
Hon. Dr Derek Sikua - (Apologies)  
Hon. Clay Forau Soalaoi - (Apologies)  
Hon. Martin Sopage  
Hon. Job Dudley Tausinga - (Apologies)  
Hon. James Tora  
Hon. Bradley Tovosia  
Hon. Milner Tozaka - (Apologies)

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

### **READING BY THE SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Speaker also welcomed in the Speaker's Gallery the Australian High Commissioner, His Excellency Mr. Matt Anderson and Her Excellency Ms Penny Williams, Australia's Ambassador for Women and Girls and Mr. Peter Topura from the Bougainville Parliament who is here on a week's attachment and observation. The Speaker announced the second day of the **"16 Days of activism campaign to Eliminate Violence Against Women"** and asked all members to stand and read the pledge.

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

By Hon. Manasseh Sogavare, Chairman of the Bills and Legislation Committee:

"Report on the 'Customs and Excise (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2012'." (*National Parliament Paper No.19 of 2012*)

**STATEMENT OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS** for the week ending Friday 30 November 2012 was announced by the Deputy Prime Minister.

### **BILLS**

Bills – Second Reading

'Customs and Excise (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2012'

Debate on the Second Reading of the 'Customs and Excise (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2012' continued and the following members spoke:

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| Hon. Manasseh Sogavare | - | Chairman of the Bills and Legislation Committee and MP for East Choiseul                             |
| Hon. Danny Philip      | - | Chairman of the Environment and Conservation Committee and MP for South New Georgia/Rendova/Tetepare |
| Hon. John Maneniaru    | - | Leader of the Independent Group and MP for West Are'are  |
| Hon. Matthew Wale      | - | MP for Aoke/Langalanga   |
| Hon. Douglas Ete       | - | Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee and MP for East Honiara                                    |

The Minister for Finance and Treasury, Hon. Rick Houenipwela delivered his speech in reply.

Question that "the 'Customs and Excise (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2012' be read a second time" was put and passed.

Parliament committed the 'Customs and Excise (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2012' to Committee of the Whole House.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Deputy Prime Minister moved:

*"That Parliament do now adjourn."*

Question put and passed.

Parliament adjourned at 12:06 pm until 9:30am on Tuesday 27 November 2012.

**Confirmed.**

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

**26 November 2012**