

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2012

1. The House met at 14:03.
2. The Speaker took the Chair and requested members to observe a moment of silence for prayers or meditation.
3. [14:04] Notices of motion.
4. [14:11] The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved without notice: That the House –
 - (1) notes that the United Nations' (UN) World Tourism Day is annually held on 27 September to raise awareness of the benefits of tourism;
 - (2) further notes that the day aims to foster awareness among the international community of the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value;
 - (3) acknowledges that the theme for World Tourism Day 2012 is *Tourism and Sustainable Energy: Powering Sustainable Development*;
 - (4) further acknowledges this year's theme aims to highlight tourism's role in a brighter energy future, a future in which the world's entire population has access to modern, efficient and affordable energy services; and
 - (5) urges all tourism stakeholders – government, businesses and tourists themselves – to play their part in reaching the UN goal of achieving sustainable energy for all by 2030 and to position tourism at the centre of the clean energy economies of the future.

Agreed to.

5. Mrs S V Kalyan moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that 12 September marked the 35th anniversary of Steve Biko's tragic death;
- (2) further notes that Steve Biko became a prolific leader during the Durban Moment, a period where the City of Durban became the centre of anti-apartheid activities, alongside unionist and philosopher Richard 'Rick' Turner in the early 1970s;
- (3) recalls that Steve Biko was expelled from the University of Natal in 1973 for his anti-apartheid and pro-Black Pride views and involvement as founding member and president of the Black People's Convention;
- (4) further recalls that Steve Biko was banned from King Williams Town by the apartheid regime in 1973 where he established numerous grassroots organisations to promote black consciousness and assist the families of political prisoners as well as self-reliance projects;
- (5) acknowledges that Biko's influential leadership was instrumental in the success of the Black Consciousness Movement and that his writings and activism against the oppressive apartheid regime was highly regarded amongst the youth;
- (6) further acknowledges the integral role Steve Biko and the Black Consciousness Movement played in rallying the youth to oppose and reject *Bantu* education;
- (7) recognises that Biko dedicated his life to democracy, freedom, self-respect and human rights for all South Africans; and
- (8) urges South Africans to celebrate the life of Steve Biko and to honour the causes for which he fought.

Agreed to.

6. Rev. K R J Meshoe moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that Nolwazi Madlala, who is wheelchair bound, has overcome extraordinary circumstances and is pursuing her dream of becoming a psychologist and one day owning a practice;
- (2) further notes that Nolwazi, who was orphaned at the age of 12, was placed under the guardianship of her uncle together with her two siblings;
- (3) acknowledges that a year after her mother's death, Nolwazi was involved in a car accident that injured her spine and resulted in the death of her brother, whose funeral she could not attend because she was still in hospital;

- (4) appreciates the fact that her family tragedies and her disability did not take away her love for education;
- (5) commends Nolwazi for entering a competition for South African youth in the *Extraordinary Champions* category, which recognises people with disabilities who have overcome difficulties;
- (6) congratulates her for winning the Presidential Award at a special ceremony and for earning the top honour of the evening; and
- (7) wishes her well in her studies towards a Master's degree at the University of KwaZulu-Natal and encourages her to pursue her dream of one day owning her own practice.

Agreed to.

7. Mr M A Nhanha moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that 7 September marked the 20th year since the occurrence of the 1992 Bisho massacre in the then so-called Ciskei homeland;
- (2) further notes that freedom fighters died or were wounded during that fateful protest march;
- (3) recognises with great sadness the brave souls who paid the ultimate price and sacrificed their lives for Ciskei's reincorporation into South Africa during the final years of apartheid;
- (4) acknowledges their brave contribution to the freedom we enjoy as South Africans to this day;
- (5) extends its gratitude to the victims of the Bisho massacre and the appreciation of the nation for the liberation achieved through the sacrifices they have made; and
- (6) commends Minister Paul Mashatile and the Premier of the Eastern Cape, Noxolo Kiviet for organising a very successful commemoration in honour and recognition of our fallen heroes and heroines.

Agreed to.

8. The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that September 2012 marks the first global World Alzheimer's Month;
- (2) further notes that World Alzheimer's Day, held on 12 September each year, is a day on which Alzheimer's organisations around the world concentrate their efforts on raising awareness about Alzheimer's and dementia;

- (3) acknowledges that the theme for World Alzheimer's Month 2012 is *Dementia: Living together*;
- (4) further acknowledges that last year's United Nations' convened Summit on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) recognised neurological diseases, including Alzheimer's and other dementias, as an important cause of morbidity, contributing to the global NCD burden, for which there is a need to provide equitable access to effective health-care programmes; and
- (5) calls on everyone to help reduce the stigma associated with dementia and encourage the creation of dementia-friendly communities.

Agreed to.

9. Dr A Lotriet moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that veteran South African actor Goliath Davids passed away on Tuesday, 11 September 2012;
- (2) further notes that Oom Gollie, as he was commonly known, starred in movies such as *Fiel se Kind* and the TV-series *Onder Engele*;
- (3) acknowledges the impact that Davids had on the lives and careers of famous South African actors like Christo Davids and Theodore Jantjies, known for their roles in *7de Laan*, and Maurice Page that appeared in *Isidingo*;
- (4) further acknowledges Davids' contribution to the development of the performing arts in South Africa; and
- (5) extends its heartfelt condolences to his family.

Agreed to.

10. The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that Friday, 21 September 2012, marks the International Day of Peace that was established by a United Nations (UN) resolution in 1981 to coincide with the opening of the General Assembly and was officially declared in 2002 as the permanent date for the International Day of Peace;
- (2) further notes that this year's theme for the International Day of Peace is *Sustainable Peace for a Sustainable Future*;

- (3) recalls that by creating the International Day of Peace, the UN devoted itself to worldwide peace and encouraged all humankind to work towards the achievement of this goal;
- (4) believes that this day provides an opportunity for individuals, organisations and nations to create practical acts of peace; and
- (5) calls upon peace loving South Africans to commemorate and strengthen the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples of the world.

Agreed to.

11. Mrs S V Kalyan moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that Phillippa Hutton-Squire recently became the first South African woman to skipper a yacht around the world when she completed the Global Ocean Race for 2011-12;
- (2) further notes that Hutton-Squire, who co-skipped with Nick Leggatt, finished in third place after the circumnavigation of the globe, having completed 30 000 miles and 168 days of racing;
- (3) acknowledges that Hutton-Squire and Leggatt was the only team to have completed the race without changing co-skippers; and
- (4) congratulates Hutton-Squire and Leggatt on this incredible achievement and hopes that it will inspire a new generation of South African yacht skippers

Agreed to.

12. Mrs S V Kalyan moved without notice: That the House -

- (1) notes that South African writer Sifiso Mzobe has won the prestigious Wole Soyinka Prize for Literature in Africa for his work, *Young Blood*;
- (2) further notes that Mzobe, who has become only the second South African to win this prize, also won the Sunday Times Fiction Award and the Media24 Herman Charles Bosman prize for English Literature in 2011;
- (3) acknowledges that the Wole Soyinka Prize for Literature, which was established by the Lumina Foundation in 2005 to honour Mr Wole Soyinka as the African continent's first Nobel laureate in Literature, is bestowed upon the author who has best applied his or her talents to affect the lives of others in a positive manner; and
- (4) congratulates Mr Mzobe on this impressive achievement and wishes him well with his future career.

Agreed to.

13. [14:23] The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved: That the House -
- (1) in terms of section 2(1) of the Remuneration of Public Office Bearers Act, Act 20 of 1998 (the Act), and having due regard to the criteria listed in that subsection, determines that the salary payable to the President of the Republic of South Africa shall be R2 622 561 with effect from 1 April 2012; and
 - (2) in terms of section 2(2) of the Act, further determines the amount of R120 000 per annum as that portion of the remuneration of the President to which section 8(1)(d) of the Income Tax Act, Act 58 of 1962, shall apply.

Agreed to.

14. [14:24] Members' statements.
15. [15:00] The Minister of Mineral Resources made a statement on hydraulic fracturing for shale gas.

Debate concluded.

16. FIRST ORDER [15:34]

Consideration of Report of Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements on **Follow-up Oversight Visit to Eastern Cape Province from 27 November to 2 December 2011** (Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, 17 September 2012, p 3062).

Ms B N Dambuza, as Chairperson of the Committee, introduced the Report.

There was no debate.

The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved: That the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Report accordingly adopted.

17. SECOND ORDER [15:40]

Consideration of Report of Portfolio Committee on Higher Education and Training on **Oversight Visit to Walter Sisulu University, University of Fort Hare, Buffalo City FET College, Lovedale FET College and Port Elizabeth FET College between 18 and 22 June 2012** (Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, 4 September 2012, p 2918).

Mr M I Malale, as Chairperson of the Committee, introduced the Report.

There was no debate.

The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved: That the Report be adopted.

Declarations of vote made on behalf of the Democratic Alliance, Congress of the People, Inkatha Freedom Party and African National Congress.

Motion agreed to.

Report accordingly adopted.

18. THIRD ORDER [15:59]

Consideration of **Code of Judicial Conduct** (First Report of Ad Hoc Committee on Code of Judicial Conduct and Regulations on Judges' Disclosure of Registrable Interests, see Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, 31 August 2012, p 2825).

Mr J B Sibanyoni, as Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee, addressed the House on the Code.

There was no debate.

Declarations of vote made on behalf of the Democratic Alliance and Congress of the People.

Code of Judicial Conduct accordingly approved.

19. FOURTH ORDER [16:08]

Consideration of Report of Standing Committee on Appropriations on **Third Quarter Expenditure for 2011/12 Financial Year** (Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, 5 July 2012, p 2506).

Mr E M Sogoni, as Chairperson of the Committee, introduced the Report.

There was no debate.

The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved: That the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Report accordingly adopted.

20. FIFTH ORDER [16:13]

Consideration of Report of Standing Committee on Appropriations on **Strategic Plan and Budget of Department in the Presidency for Performance Monitoring and Evaluation** (Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, 11 May 2012, p 1453).

Mr E M Sogoni, as Chairperson of the Committee, introduced the Report.

There was no debate.

The Chief Whip of the Majority Party moved: That the Report be adopted.

Motion agreed to.

Report accordingly adopted.

21. SIXTH ORDER [16:19]

Debate on **Citizenship, identity, linguistic and cultural diversity in a globalised world** (IPU topic).

Debate concluded.

22. The House adjourned at 17:17.

M B COETZEE
Acting Secretary to Parliament