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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE

THIRD SESSION – EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 20TH JULY, 2016

Half Past Two o'clock pm.

The President of the Senate in the Chair.

PRAYERS.

Bhebe M,
Bhobho H.
Buka F,
Carter M.N,
Chabuka K.
Charumbira Chief,
Chiduku R.M. Chief
Chifamba J,
Chimanikire A,
Chimbudzi A,
Chimhini A.
Chipanga T.S,
Chitanga Chief,
Gampu Chief IV,
Goto R,
Gwenzi Chief,
Jadagu G.T,
Juba A,

Khumalo D.T,
Komichi M,
Machingaifa T,
Makone T.
Makore J,
Makwarimba C.
Maluleke O,
Mapungwana V,
Masendu Chief,
Mashavakure N,
Masuku A,
Mathuthu T.A
Mavhunga M,
Mawire J,
Mkwebu A,
Mlotshwa S,
Moeketsi V,
Mohadi T.B,
Mtshane Chief,
Mumvuri D. D. E,
Muronzi M,
Murwira T,
Musaka M.B,
Mutsvangwa M,
Ncube S,
Ndlovu J,
Nembire Chief,
Ngungumbane Chief,
Ntabeni Chief,
Rtd. Gen. Nyambuya M.R,
Nyangazonke Chief,
Nyathi R,
Shiri A,
Siansali Chief,
Sibanda B,
Sinampande H,
Tawengwa C.Z,

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Absent with leave

Hon. Sen. Chimutengwende C.C.C, Hon. Sen. Chizema C, Hon. Sen. Matiirira A, Hon. Sen. Musarurwa Chief, Hon. Sen. Muchenje V, Hon. Sen. Timveos.

1. Papers Tabled:

Hon. Sen. Mumvuri

First Report of the Thematic Committee on Peace and Security on the State of the Country's Borders. (S. C. 16, 2016).

Minutes of Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Peace and Security on the State of the Country's Borders. (S. C. 16, 2016).

Hon. Sen. Makore

First Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on the Status of Children's Homes (S. C. 14, 2016).

Minutes of Proceedings and Minutes of Evidence of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on Children's Homes (S. C. 14, 2016).

2. The President of the Senate informed the House that there would be a Liaison and Coordination Committee Retreat to be held at Rainbow Hotel in Bulawayo from Friday 22nd to Monday 25th July, 2016 and the following were expected to attend:
 - (a) All Portfolio and Thematic Committees Chairpersons;
 - (b) Parties Chief Whips and their Deputies;
 - (c) Chairperson of the Parliamentary Legal Committee;
 - (d) President and Deputy President of the Chief's Council;
 - (e) Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Women's Caucus;
 - (f) The Leader of Government Business;
 - (g) The Leader of Opposition; and
 - (h) Members of the President of the Senate's Panel.

Senators were also informed that buses would leave Parliament on Friday, 22nd July, 2016 at 0900 hours. Consequently, Thematic Committees that were scheduled for Monday, 25th July, 2016 were cancelled.

3. Hon. Sen. Mlotshwa, seconded by Hon. Sen. Mapungwana, moved: That Notice of Motion No. 1, for today, stands over until Notices of Motions Nos. 2 and 3 and Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 15 have been disposed of.

Motion put and agreed to.

4. Hon. Sen. Mumvuri, seconded by Hon. Sen. Chief Ngungumbane, moved: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Peace and Security on the State of the Country's Borders. (S. C. 16, 2016).

On the motion of Hon. Sen. Mumvuri, seconded by Hon. Sen. Chipanga: Debate adjourned until tomorrow.

5. Hon. Sen. Makore, seconded by Hon. Sen. Buka, moved: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on the Status of Children's Homes. (S. C. 14, 2016).

On the motion of Hon. Sen. Makore, seconded by Hon. Sen. B. Sibanda: Debate adjourned until tomorrow.

6. On the motion of Hon. Sen. Masuku, seconded by Hon. Sen. Mlothswa: The Senate adjourned at nineteen minutes to five o'clock pm.

E. MADZONGWE,
President of the Senate.

THURSDAY, 21ST JULY, 2016

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

◆ QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

*** QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE.**

- *1. HON. SEN. CHIMHINI: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care to explain the measures the Ministry has in place to ensure that every person who is on ART can have their viral load tested at no cost to the person living with HIV as a way of achieving the 90 – 90 – 90 by 2030.
[Deferred from 7th April, 2016]
- *2. HON. SEN. MUSAKA: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care to state plans the Ministry has for paediatric (children) diabetes to access state of the art medication for free as is the case with paediatric HIV treatment.
[Deferred from 14th April, 2016]
- *3. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care to explain to the people of Zimbabwe why user fees are needed in hospitals.
- *4. HON. SEN. MUSAKA: To ask the Minister of Rural Development and Preservation of Cultural Heritage to state the measures the Ministry is taking to address the problem of squatters in resettlement areas of Mhondoro – Ngezi and Sanyati Districts in view of the fact that the problem is now causing conflicts, environmental degradation and stifling economic development.
[Deferred from 17th March, 2016]
- *5. HON. SEN. MUSAKA: To ask the Minister of Rural Development and Preservation of Cultural Heritage to state the measures in place to urgently address settlement of disputes in accordance with traditional customs and culture in resettlement areas.
Deferred from 17th March, 2016]

- *6. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Public Service, Labour and Social Services the Ministry's Policy regarding children in the streets who beg on road sides with their parents.
- *7. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Public Service Labour and Social Welfare to inform the House whether churches understand the Ministry's policy on how they should operate.
- *8. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructural Development to inform the House on the measures in place to increase awareness to the public on the importance of observing road signs in the country.
- *9. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructural Development to explain how a disabled person can be identified by a driver when crossing the road.
- *10. HON. SEN. CHIBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Small and Medium Enterprises and Cooperative Development what the Ministry's Policy is regarding compensation for informal sector goods that are destroyed by fire, for example the case of Glen View and Mupedzanhamo.
- *11. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Small and Medium Enterprises and Cooperative Development whether the ministry gives its members in the informal sector opportunities to attend expos in other countries so that they learn what other countries are doing.
- *12. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Women Affairs, Gender and Community Development whether the Ministry has put in place plans to educate women about marriage laws.
- *13. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Women Affairs, Gender and Community Development the Ministry's Policy in educating victims of rape so that all cases of sexual abuse are reported.
- *14. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: to ask the Minister of Women Affairs, Gender and Community Development whether women are being educated on sexual abuse and what needs to be done if one is abused.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

- 1. HON. SEN. MAKORE
HON. SEN. BUKA

That this House takes note of the Second Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on Early Child Marriages. (S. C. 11, 2016)- *Hon. Sen. Makore.*

- 2. HON. SEN. TIMVEOS
HON. SEN. MOHADI

That this House takes note of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on HIV and AIDS on the National AIDS Council Capacity Building Workshop and Tour conducted in Chingwizi, Ngundu, and Beitbridge on TB, Malaria, HIV and AIDS and Key Populations. (S.C. 17, 2016).

3. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Peace and Security on the State of the Country's Borders (*Adjourned 20th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. Mumvuri*).

[Day elapsed: 1]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Peace and Security on the State of the Country's Borders (S. C. 16, 2016) - *Hon. Sen. Mumvuri*.

4. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on the Status of Children's Homes (*Adjourned 20th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. Makore*).

[Day elapsed: 1]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Thematic Committee on Gender and Development on the Status of Children's Homes (S. C. 14, 2016) - *Hon. Sen. Makore*.

5. Adjourned debate on motion on the report on the Transformational Leadership Seminar held at Kenyatta University in Nairobi, Kenya (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. Mutsvangwa*).

[Days elapsed: 4]

That this House takes note of the report on the Transformational Leadership Seminar held at Kenyatta University from 13 to 19 September 2015, in Nairobi Kenya—*Hon. Sen. Mutsvangwa*.

6. Adjourned debate on motion on monitoring the Executive performance in dealing with reported cases of corruption. (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016 – Hon. Sen. B. Sibanda*).

[Days elapsed: 6]

Question proposed: That this House-

NOTING that corruption is now endemic in the land;

ALARMED at the rate at which incidents of corruption are occurring unabated;

CONCERNED at the implications that this trend has on the economic recovery; the international status of the country and its international credit ratings;

NOW, THEREFORE, this House calls upon:

- (a) Legislators to take an unequivocal stance against this scourge;
- (b) Legislators to closely monitor the Executive performance in dealing with reported cases for corruption; and
- (c) Citizens to report to law enforcement agents, and the Anti – Corruption Commission any suspected cases of corruption-**Hon. Sen. B. Sibanda.**

7. Adjourned debate on motion on alarming incidents of road carnage due to dilapidated infrastructure, obsolete vehicles and human error (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. Musaka*).

[Days elapsed: 8]

Question proposed: That this House-
CONCERNED at the alarming number of road carnage incidents on our roads which are as a result of dilapidated road infrastructure and obsolete motor vehicles coupled with human error due to flagrant breach of road regulations by unlicensed drivers;

FURTHER CONCERNED of the deterioration in the railway system in the country, a situation which is further compounded by the lack of efficient and economic air transportation system in the country;

ACKNOWLEDGING the need to establish a special budget / fund for upgrading and improving the transportation system in the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, calls upon government to-

- (a) Embark on a robust modernization infrastructure programme for roads, air and Railways which is user friendly and accommodative of goods services and passengers at large, a situation which will eliminate road carnage substantially; and
- (b) Support the development of efficient and economic air transportation as a matter of urgency-**Hon. Sen. Musaka.**

8. Adjourned debate on motion on the report of the First Afro-Arab Legislators and Business Summit held in Addis Ababba, Ethiopia (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. Mumvuri*).

[Days elapsed: 9]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the report of the delegation to the First Afro-Arab Legislators and Business Summit held at the Sheraton Addis Hotel in Addis Ababba, Ethiopia from 1st to 2nd August 2015-**Hon. Sen. Mumvuri.**

9. Adjourned debate on motion on the call for Government to implement the devolution of power as provided for in the Constitution (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016-Hon. Sen. S. Ncube*).

[Days elapsed: 10]

Question proposed: That this House-

COGNISANT that Parliament must defend the Constitution at all times;

ACKNOWLEDGING the current Executive had endeavored to align some of the Acts to the Constitution at a painstakingly slow pace;

DISMAYED that the current progress in the devolution of power at various levels may not see the dawn of a new day;

CONCERNED that no meaningful efforts have been embarked to ensure the constitutional requirements are met to devolve central power to the provinces particularly on local and the corporate governance issue;

ALARMED that the wishes of the general populace of Zimbabwe are short changed by such indifferent attitude by the Executive;

NOW THEREFORE, calls upon the Executive to;

- (a) set a time limit for devolution issues to be urgently addressed for the benefit of the nation;
- (b) commit itself to the dictates of our Constitution and observe that it is the Supreme Law of the land;
- (c) set aside resources to cater for the devolution of power in the respective Provinces -*Hon. Sen. S. Ncube.*

10. Adjourned debate on motion on the resuscitation of the Zambezi water project (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016- Hon. Sen. B. Sibanda*).

[Days elapsed: 11]

Question proposed: That this House-

NOTING the declining rainfall pattern over the years in Zimbabwe more specifically in the central and southern regions;

AWARE that this phenomenon is likely to persist into the foreseeable future;

CONCERNED that the people's livelihoods, agricultural, industrial productivity and wildlife survival will be negatively affected by the scarcity of water in future;

NOW THEREFORE this House calls upon government to resuscitate the Zambezi Water Project through;

- (a) Committing specific budget allocations towards the project each financial year;
- (b) Identifying internal and external partners to team up with; and / or
- (c) Seeking partners for the build, operate and transfer option, in order to hedge the

nation against impending calamities. – *Hon. Sen. B. Sibanda.*

11. Adjourned debate on motion on malnutrition among urban and rural communities (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016— Hon. Sen. D.T. Khumalo*).

[Days elapsed: 11]

Question proposed: That this House-

NOTING that the first cluster in ZIMASSET is food security and nutrition and addresses challenges of food insecurity and under nourishment;

CONCERNED that despite government efforts to prioritise its programs and projects to address the country's economic challenges, malnutrition is taking its toll among the urban and rural communities;

FURTHER CONCERNED that children of school going age are the most vulnerable as they easily fall victim to starvation thereby impacting negatively on their ability to effectively comprehend their lessons, a situation which creates nightmares for teachers;

COGNISANT that poor nutrition affects health of individuals and communities and retards economic growth and health standards;

ALARMED by lack of awareness on basic nutrition, even among leaders who do not appreciate the consequences of under nourishment in economic development;

NOW THEREFORE resolves that government provides adequate information to community leaders including members of Parliament on how to reduce incidents of malnutrition among children and adults in the country. **-Hon. Sen. D.T. Khumalo.**

12. Adjourned debate on motion on the Zimbabwe Delegation Report on the 133rd Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016- The Deputy Minister of Media, Information and Broadcasting Services*).

[Days elapsed: 21]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the Zimbabwe Delegation Report on the 133rd Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 17-23 October, 2015- **Hon Sen Chief Siansali.**

13. Adjourned debate on motion calling for the rehabilitation and maintenance of War Shrines (*Adjourned 19th, July 2016 – Hon Sen Mohadi*).

[Days elapsed: 21]

Question proposed: That this House-

NOTING with pride the immense sacrifice, courage and commitment made by the freedom fighters in their quest to liberate Zimbabwe;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the liberation of our country came at a heavy cost and needs to be selflessly and jealously guarded;

DISTURBED by the utter neglect and dilapidation and continued deterioration of War Shrines in neighbouring countries despite the fact that Government identified and made efforts to rehabilitate war shrines in Nyadzonja, Tembwe, Doroie; Chibawawa and Nyango in Mozambique as well as Freedom Camp, Nyampundwe, Mulungushi, Mkushi and Kavalamaya in Zambia;

CONCERNED that rehabilitation works have not been undertaken at Kabanga, Sinda, Solwezi in Zambia and other sites in Tanzania and Botswana;

FUTHER CONCERNED that to this day the bullet riddled home of His Excellency, the President and the home of the late Joshua Nkomo our founding Fathers have not been declared National Heritage Sites;

Now, Therefore, this House calls upon Government to address the rehabilitation of our war shrines and to give due recognition to our departed brave sons and daughters of our liberation struggle; – **Hon. Sen. Mohadi.**

14. Adjourned debate on motion to congratulate His Excellency, the President Cde. R.G. Mugabe and the Government of Zimbabwe on successfully leading the African Union (AU) and Southern African Development Community (SADC) as Chairperson. (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016 – Hon. Sen. Chief Musarurwa.*)

[Days elapsed: 21]

Question proposed: That this House-

CONGRATULATES His Excellency the President, Cde. Robert Gabriel Mugabe and the Government of the Republic of Zimbabwe for successfully leading the African Union as its Chairperson;

WARMLY APPRECIATES his distinguished leadership qualities during his tenure in Office, an achievement that has earned the Nation pride;

NOW THEREFORE, resolves that this House conveys its gratitude and sentiments to His Excellency and the Nation as a whole and wishes our President many more years of good leadership and wise counsel.- **Hon. Sen. Chief Musarurwa.**

15. Adjourned debate on motion on the role of traditional leaders (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016 – Hon. Sen. Mawire.*)

[Days elapsed: 21]

Question proposed: That this House-

ACKNOWLEDGING that Traditional Leaders play a pivotal role and yet they are not given the due respect that they deserve, a situation that has led to many illegal activities perpetrated in their areas of jurisdiction;

CONCERNED that such disrespect for our Traditional Leaders has led to unwanted developments such as moral decadence, environmental degradation and child marriages;

NOW THEREFORE calls upon this Government to revisit policies that give Traditional Leaders their mandate so that they can effectively deal with issues of moral decadence, environmental pollution and degradation, children's rights among communal communities as well as other incidental issues that they may fall under the purview of the Traditional Chiefs' Mandate-**Hon. Sen Mawire.**

16. Adjourned debate on motion in reply to the Presidential Speech (*Adjourned 19th July, 2016 –Hon. Sen. Tawengwa.*)

[Time elapsed: 3 hours 59 minutes]

Question proposed: That a respectful address be presented to the President of Zimbabwe as follows: -

May it please you, Your Excellency, the President;

We, the Members of Parliament of Zimbabwe, desire to express our loyalty to Zimbabwe and beg leave to offer our respectful thanks for the speech, which you have been pleased to address to Parliament – **Hon. Sen. Tawengwa.**

MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES

Thursday, 21st July, 2016

At 0900 hours in Government Caucus Room.

Peace and Security: Hon. Sen. Mumvuri D.D.E - (*Chairperson*) Hon. Sen. Carter M, Hon. Sen. Chabuka K., Hon. Sen. Charumbira Chief, Hon. Sen. Chiduku Chief, Hon. Sen. Chimbudzi A, Hon. Sen. Chipanga, Hon. Sen. Dandawa Chief, Gampu Chief, Hon. Sen. Hlalo M, Hon. Sen. Jadagu G.T, Hon. Sen. Komichi M, Hon. Sen. Machingaifa T, Hon. Sen. Makone T, Hon. Sen. Makore J, Hon. Sen. Marava M, Hon. Sen. Mawire J, Hon. Sen. Mohadi T.B, Hon. Sen. Musaka M.B, Hon. Sen. Musarurwa Chief, Hon. Ncube S., Hon. Sen. Nembire Chief, Hon. Sen. Ngungumbane Chief, Hon. Sen. Rtd Gen. Nyambuya M, Hon. Sen. Nyamukoho Chief, Hon. Sen. Ntabeni Chief, Hon. Sen. Sibanda A, Hon. Sen. Sinampande H.M, Hon. Sen. Timveos. (*Committee Clerk—Mr. A. Kunzwa*)

At 0900 hours in Committee Room No.4.

Indigenisation and Empowerment: Hon. Sen. Chizema M- (*Chairperson*), Hon. Sen. Bhebe M, Hon. Sen. Bhobho H. Hon. Sen. Chief Chitanga, Hon. Sen. Dandawa Chief, Hon. Sen. Goto R, Hon. Sen. Juba A, Hon. Sen. Maluleke O. M, Hon. Sen. Marozva Chief, Hon. Sen. Mashavakure N, Hon. Sen. Matiriira A, Hon. Sen. Mavhunga M, Hon. Sen. Mlotshwa S, Hon. Sen. Murwira T, Sen. Ndlovu J, Hon. Sen. Chief Nembire, Hon. Sen. Nyamukoho Chief, Hon. Sen. Nyangazonke Chief, Hon. Sen. Nyathi R, Hon. Sen. Tawengwa C.Z. (*Committee Clerk—Mrs. E. Mafuruse*)