

assisted in exceeding their mandate. The South African Department of Housing has eight years left to meet its objective of having a nation free of slums by 2014 and this is a deadline it needs to meet.

In his 2007 state of the nation address, President Thabo Mbeki said that government remained committed to intensifying the integrated housing programme. Furthermore, the President emphasised the need to speed up the construction of informal settlements in South Africa, in line with the Millennium Development Goal of 2015. He added that this housing must integrate communities and build a new society.

So this piece of legislation together with all other related pieces of legislation will assist the Rental Housing Tribunal in addressing the challenges of rental households. The ANC supports this amendment Bill now. [Applause.]

Mrs C. STEYN: Chairperson, the Minister, hon members, the original Rental Housing Act, Act 59 of 1999, provides for the establishment of provincial rental housing tribunals through which conflicts between tenants and landlords can be speedily resolved and the minimum costs to the parties.

The Act does not limit the powers of a magistrate's court or the Rental Housing Tribunal and that in a ruling by the tribunal is deemed to be an order of a magistrate's court in terms of the Magistrate's Court Act of 1944.

However, an order has been granted in a court of law but the system is not enforced and enforce such an order. The lack of enforcement of such an order has been identified as one of the shortcomings of the Act.

Another shortcoming identified was in the composition of the tribunals. The Act provides for administration and deputy chairpersons to be appointed by the relevant MEC. Due to the fact that the tribunal members are not full-time employees, it has been experi-

enced on occasion that the chairperson and deputy chairperson have been absent from scheduled hearings and therefore the hearing had to be postponed.

The Rental Housing Amendment Bill before us for approval today seeks to specifically broaden the definition of what constitutes an unfair practice and the Minister referred to in it also seeks to make further provisions regarding by rental tribunals to expand the provisions pertaining to access to certain particular types of rental housing and to the tribunal.

It must be noted at this point that rental tribunals have not as yet been established in all nine provinces. Nevertheless, it is encouraging that they have indeed been established in the most populous urban provinces and are reported to be working particularly well in Gauteng, the Western Cape and KwaZulu-Natal.

It is also interesting to note that the number of cases handled by the tribunals has escalated exponentially despite very little if any marketing done by the tribunals to advertise their services.

Another housing-related Bill—the Social Housing Bill—is scheduled to be tabled before the House in October. This Bill will be as comprehensive as the existing one of the concerns raised with the Social Housing Bill will have a direct bearing on the credibility and efficiency of the rental tribunals.

It is the Minister's intention that the Social Housing Bill is to guarantee the supply of social housing. It therefore goes without saying that the role of the tribunals will become more important as the objectives of the Social Housing Bill become reality.

It is my view that some of the shortcomings noted above will be addressed by the Bill which is deemed to be an order of a magistrate's court. Furthermore, the shortcoming related to the composition

tion of such orders cannot be addressed in this Bill. It has to be done in the justice cluster, and I appeal to the Minister to liaise with that cluster in this regard.

What is of concern to me, however—and the Housing Department has not commented on this at all—is this: One of the submissions by a magistrate indicated that the magisterial powers given to tribunals were a violation of section 170 of the Constitution. Indeed, he suggested that “a tribunal is not a court and cannot in this clandestine manner obtain that status”. The state law advisers did not concur, and this clause was amended by adding a subclause that said, “The tribunal does not have jurisdiction to hear applications for eviction orders.”

The committee also inserted a clause giving the members of the tribunal the authority to elect a temporary chairperson for the purposes of a hearing if both the designated chairperson and deputy chairperson are absent.

The amending Bill before us addresses the shortcomings identified over which it has jurisdiction, and the DA therefore supports the Bill as amended. I thank you. [Applause.]

Mr A M MPONTSHANE: Hon Chair, hon Minister, I am just a carbon paper for my colleague who unfortunately cannot be here to take part in this debate.

However, the IFP supports this Bill because it protects the rights of both landlords and tenants. We hope that this will resolve difficulties which are experienced between the two and lead to a better understanding and working relationship. The other arguments are reserved, but we support the Bill. Thank you.

Ms S N SIGCAU: Chairperson, hon Ministers and hon members, the Bill before us seeks to address certain shortcomings in the Rental Housing Act of 1999, such as widening the definition of an unfair practice.

The Bill seeks to clarify and extend the powers and functions of the tribunals with regard to eviction orders, rulings that a person must comply with the Act, the power of the tribunals to issue spoliation and attachment orders and interdicts, and that rulings by tribunals must be enforced in terms of the Magistrates' Courts Act. These important amendments will hopefully improve the functioning of the tribunals and the level of redress they can offer.

Another important matter addressed in the Bill is to shift the power of making regulations from the provincial level to the national level. The intention is to ensure uniformity in procedures and the rulings made by various tribunals. The UDM supports this Bill. I thank you, Chairperson. [Applause.]

Ms S RAJBALLY: Thank you, Chairperson. Our national Constitution enshrines that everyone is entitled to adequate housing. With respect to South Africa's state of poverty, it is a harsh reality that a large number of South Africans are living in informal settlements with minimum access to basic services.

On another level, South Africans who do not have the means to own homes but rather have to rent also find themselves in financial difficulties in keeping up with rentals. In other instances, it is the landlord who is often compromised and with stringent eviction laws they often suffer a loss. Either way, the MF finds it crucial that the landlord-tenant relationship, be it private or public, is governed by legislation.

In respect of the amending Bill, the MF is supportive of all provisions, but would like the department to look into body corporates that often, with no legal authority, exercise rights over tenants and the occupancy of rental property.

There has been much aggression by persons awaiting state housing as well as by residents of informal settlements who are often relocated. We ask why the government has

only opted to build freestanding houses, and not flats and apartments.

Government has a number of properties that are not in use. The MF suggests and appeals to the government that it investigate utilising these government properties that may be converted into flats for temporary or long-term occupancy. Minister, we hope that you look into this matter as well. The MF supports the Rental Housing Bill. I thank you, Chairperson. [Applause.]

Mr L M GREEN: Chairperson, hon Minister and members, the demand for rental housing will be on the increase, with an expected 81 000 units needed per annum. As more people turn to the renting of property, the role of the Rental Housing Tribunals becomes critical to ensure that the tenants and landlords enjoy the best possible benefits rental housing can offer.

Controls on rental housing must be strengthened to protect residents against the drug trade and criminal elements. The effective functioning of the Rental Housing Tribunals is required if a fair and reasonable practice is to be enforced upon both tenants and landlords. The tribunals should be given sufficient authority, in co-operation with the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, to enforce orders of eviction when required to do so.

Our courts are overstressed with case backlogs. It would be in the best interests of the relevant parties that the tribunals be given reasonable powers to effect efficient and timely justice in cases of any unlawful or unfair practice. The FD believes that the rental housing sector must be protected with the best legal framework possible and we, therefore, wholeheartedly support the Rental Housing Amendment Bill. I thank you.

The MINISTER OF HOUSING: Thank you very much, Deputy Chair. My Whips and I are in complete agreement that this is a very good note on which to end this session of Parliament where there is complete agree-

ment between ourselves and opposition parties. I would like to thank everybody for their participation. I think we have had a very good session on this Bill.

I would like to say to the member of the MF that we are dealing with the matter you raised. I think the hon Steyn did say that there is a follow-up Bill, the Social Housing Bill, which will deal very directly with that.

We are extremely seized with this matter. Comrade Zo, this could only mean that your steering of this committee is a very good indication of things to come, and I am very grateful to you and to all the members here. Thank you very much. [Applause.]

Debate concluded.

Bill read a second time.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr K O Bapela): The Bill will be sent to the National Council of Provinces for concurrence. Before going to Member Statements, the Deputy Chief Whip of the Majority Party has requested an opportunity to move a motion. I now grant him that opportunity.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON MATTERS RELATING TO EX-MINEWORKERS UNION

(Draft Resolution)

The DEPUTY CHIEF WHIP OF THE MAJORITY PARTY: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House establishes an Ad Hoc Committee on Matters Relating to the Ex-Mineworkers Union—

- (1) the committee to consist of 13 members as follows: ANC 8; DA 2; IFP 1; and other parties 2;
- (2) the committee to investigate matters raised in submissions from the Ex-Mineworkers Union;
- (3) the committee to be drawn from members of relevant portfolio

committees, including Labour, Minerals and Energy, Health and Social Development;

- (4) the committee's deliberations to take into consideration records, reports and submissions by stakeholders who have previously been involved in this matter, including the Premier's Office of the Eastern Cape, the Office of the Executive Mayor of the O R Tambo District Municipality, the Office of the Mayor of Tshwane, the Presidency and Government Departments, such as Labour, Minerals and Energy, Health and Social Development;
- (5) the committee to exercise those powers in Rule 138 that may assist it in carrying out its task; and
- (6) the committee to make recommendations that could assist in addressing the above-mentioned and related problems by not later than 31 October 2007.

Agreed to.

CONDOLENCES TO THE HERBOLDT FAMILY

(Member's Statement)

Mr S S T NJIKELANA (ANC): Chairperson, two weeks ago Ronald Herboldt, the only African to participate in the Cuban revolution, died in Cape Town after a short illness.

In December 1958, Ronald, then a 21-year-old from Salt River, Cape Town, was working on the cargo ship, *Constantia*, which docked in Cuba to load sugar just as the Cuban revolution was reaching its climatic moment. Fraternising with the members of Fidel Castro's rebel army, Ronald was instantly attracted. He left the *Constantia* and participated in the liberation of Cuba from the Batista dictatorship. In 1962 he married Martha Rangel Sandoval and raised a family

in Cuba. Throughout his long exile, Ronald never lost his love for Cape Town and his South African family, or his desire to return home to a liberated South Africa.

In 1975 and again in 1987, Angola asked for Cuban help to repulse the South African invasion. Ronald was amongst the first to volunteer for duty in Angola. His knowledge of Afrikaans provided invaluable assistance to Cuban military intelligence. South Africa's retreat at Cuito Cuanavale marked the defeat of the racist oppressors and the collapse of apartheid. Ronald served as a Cuban representative in the Joint Military Monitoring Commission that oversaw South Africa and the Cuban military disengagement from southern Angola. He never lost his love for his adopted country, his Cuban family and his determination to come home.

Finally able to return home 10 years later in 1998, Ronald was reunited with his South African family. The ANC expresses its condolences to the Herboldt family at home and abroad. Thank you. [Applause.]

MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY STRIKE

(Member's Statement)

Mr S J MASANGO (DA): Chairperson, this is a statement by the hon Mr Labuschagne. The Department of Trade and Industry recently indicated that a revised version of their Motor Industry Development Plan was likely to be another six months away. We hope that the MIDP is not like the Lotto in this regard, for as it is, the reigning uncertainty has already resulted in South Africa being unable to compete for some export-oriented manufacturing contracts.

Given this situation, the unnecessary escalation of the current strike in the motor vehicle component industry by the National Union of Metal Workers will be irresponsible in the extreme. There exists no doubt in the DA's mind that the situation would have been much easier for employers to resolve were it not for the wrangling in the tripartite alliance

ahead of the ANC December Congress and the leadership elections. We urge Numsa as well as the industry to negotiate in earnest in order to achieve a fair wage for all. Thank you.

DURBAN SOUTH EXPLOSIONS

(Member's Statement)

Mr A M MPONTSHANE (IFP): Hon Chair, on Tuesday evening residents of the Bluff and Island View in Durban South were rocked by massive explosions and huge blazes at the Island View liquid storage tank zone.

This storage facility is home to more than 1 000 tanks, some of which contain highly volatile liquid fuels. Residents of suburbs and areas in the southern part of Durban in close proximity to all storage tanks and refineries were thereby exposed to many health and environmental risks. It is for this reason that the city should have well-working evacuation and emergency plans in place.

Residents, however, were very critical of the evacuation after the explosions, and they claim that people in the area did not know about an emergency evacuation plan. The South Durban Community Environmental Alliance claims that they have been trying to persuade the city to draw up a clear disaster management plan for 11 years.

A thorough investigation must be conducted into the cause of the explosions and the resultant risks the surrounding communities now face. Action must be taken in order to avoid such incidents from happening again in the future. We in the IFP also urge the relevant authorities to work together with communities in drafting a clear disaster management plan, and making the communities aware of such plans. Ngiyabonga. [Thank you.]

INAUGURATION OF AFRICA CHAPTER OF INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR GENETIC ENGINEERING AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

(Member's Statement)

Mr C M MORTEL (ANC): Chair, President Thabo Mbeki recently inaugurated the Africa Chapter of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology which is housed at the Cape Town Institute for Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine at the University of Cape Town, the third such centre in the world after India and Italy.

The centre has received R40 million in funding from the ANC-led government. However, a further R80 million is required in order to ensure that seven research programmes are launched by scientists ahead of 2010. This laboratory will exploit biotechnology and genetic engineering to tackle diseases such as sleeping sickness, bilharzia, malaria and HIV and Aids.

We remain on course in building a caring society where science and technology, amongst other things, will take us forward in becoming part of the knowledge economy. The most technologically advanced economies in the world today are truly knowledge-based. As we increase our investment in research and development, we must ensure unprecedented innovation and ensure that there is no chasm between research and development and products on the market to enhance our citizens' quality of life. I thank you, notwithstanding some noise. [Applause.]

CELEBRATING THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UDM

(Member's Statement)

Ms N C NKABINDE (UDM): Chairperson, the UDM is proud to announce once again that on 29 September 2007 we will be celebrating our 10th anniversary at Gal-

lagher Estate. The UDM was the first serious political party born under the new democratic Constitution. We were launched without access to taxpayer funding afforded to parties already represented in Parliament and without the artificial and immoral benefit of floor-crossing.

In September 1997 we gathered a diverse group of people from all sectors of society and embarked on the road that has brought us here today. Within less than a year of its launch, the UDM held its first national congress where we elected our national leadership, unveiled our policy documents and our party constitution. Within 18 months of our launch, we contested our first national and provincial elections in 1999 and proved that we had a legitimate place in the political landscape. Since that time, we have gone through many ups and downs and shown that we have withstood the knocks.

We are proud to say that we have reached this important benchmark in our existence, and would like to thank each and every person who has over the years contributed to the growth of the UDM. I thank you, Chairperson.

NEW CONSTITUTION AT UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA PROHIBITS STUDENTS ELEGIBLE FOR ELECTION TO STUDENT COUNCIL FROM EXPRESSING THEIR POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS VIEWS

(Member's Statement)

Mnr W D SPIES (VF Plus): Voorsitter, universiteite is sentrums van uitnemendheid waar idees vrylik uitgeruil word en nuwe idees ontgin word. Dit was nog altyd so en dit sal altyd so bly, maar klaarblyklik nie by die Universiteit van Pretoria nie.

Die Universiteit van Pretoria, waar die VF Plus reeds vir 10 jaar in 'n ry studenteraadsverkiesings wen, het vanjaar 'n nuwe studentegrondwet op die studente afgedwing wat dit onwettig maak vir studente wat aan

verkiesings deelneem om hulself te identifiseer wat hulle politieke of hulle godsdiensooriëntasies betref.

In die studenteverkiesing wat verlede week plaasgevind het, het studenteiers wat die VF Plus ondersteun byna skoonskip gemaak. Die universiteitsowerhede het egter nie die feit aanvaar nie en kla nou die suksesvolle kandidate aan dat hulle onder andere te kenne gegee het dat hulle hul vir Afrikaans, Christenskap en hoë standarde beywer.

Die bestuur van die universiteit dink waarskynlik dat dit moontlik is om 'n leierskorps groot te maak wat geen standpunt, geen lojaliteit en geen politieke oriëntasie het nie. Dit is nie duidelik wat hulle hiermee beoog nie, maar dit is wel duidelik dat daar by die Universiteit van Pretoria inbreuk gemaak word op die beginsels van demokrasie, vryheid van uitdrukking en vryheid van assosiasie. Ek dank u. (*Translation of Afrikaans member's statement follows.*)

[Mr W D SPIES (FF Plus): Chairperson, universities are centres of excellence where ideas are freely exchanged and new ideas are explored. That has always been the case and will always be the case—but apparently not at the University of Pretoria.

The University of Pretoria, where the FF Plus has now won student council elections for ten years running, has this year imposed a new students' constitution on the students, which makes it illegal for students participating in elections to identify themselves in terms of their political or religious orientation.

In the student elections that took place last week, student leaders supporting the FF Plus virtually made a clean sweep. However, the university authorities have not accepted this fact and are now charging the successful candidates with, among other things, committing themselves to Afrikaans, Christianity, and high standards.

The university management appears to be-

lieve it is possible to raise a leadership corps that has no opinions, no loyalty, and no political orientation. It is not clear what they are aiming to achieve, but what is clear is that the principles of democracy, freedom of expression and freedom of association are being infringed upon at the University of Pretoria. I thank you.]

DEATH OF INKOSI MTHETHWA

(Member's Statement)

Mnu Z KOTWAL (ANC): Sihlalo, amalungu ahloniphekile, isizwe senkosi yase-Mkhono ngase-Piet Retief, inkosi u-David Mthethwa, sihlezi emanzini siyalila emuva kokukhothama kwenkosi ngoLwesibili mhla ka-18 Septhemba 2007.

Inkosi izotshalwa ngoMgqibelo ngomhla ka-29 Septhemba 2007. Inkosi uMthethwa ibingumuntu olungileyo isebenzela abantu bayo. Ubelamula phakathi kwabantu abasebenza futhi abahlala emapulazini nabaqashi okungabanikazi bamapulazi. Inkosi ibingumuntu ohloniphekile futhi inguSihlalo Wedlu Yabaholi Bendabuko eMpumalanga. I-ANC ithanda ukwedlulisa amazwi enduzo emalungeni onke omndeni nasesizweni sonke. Sithi kini nonke dudu. Hamba kahle, nkosi. Ngiyabonga. [Ihlombe.] (*Translation of isiZulu member's statement follows.*)

[Mr Z KOTWAL (ANC): Chairperson, hon members, the subjects of the inkosi of Mkhono, near Piet Retief, inkosi David Mthethwa, are in mourning after the death of the inkosi on Tuesday, 18 September. The inkosi will be laid to rest on Saturday, 29 September 2007.

Inkosi Mthethwa was a kind person who worked hard for his people. He was the mediator between people who are working and living on farms and the employers, who are the owners of farms. He was a respectable person and he was Chairperson of the House of Traditional Leaders in Mpumalanga. The ANC would like to extend its condolences to all members of the family

and the nation at large. Rest in peace, Nkosi. Thank you. [Applause.]]

GRADE 12 PUPILS AFFECTED BY KHUTSONG UPRISINGS

(Member's Statement)

Mr I S MFUNDISI (UCDP): Chairperson, there has always been debate on what is in a name. On the one hand, there are those who believe that if you give a dog a bad name, you really consign it to be hung, while others feel that it doesn't matter. The question of Khutsong in Carletonville in the North West province has come to dominate the news. If it is not people marching, it is this or that teacher in court for having caused a strike.

Khutsong may mean a place of rest or a cursed place. It is clear that the first definition doesn't fit in with what is going on there. That place is tending to answer to that of a curse and that is unfortunate. The North West provincial government has done much to ensure that schooling is salvaged, particularly for the Grade 12 learners.

We appeal to all concerned: the central government, the North West provincial government and the residents of Khutsong to make that place a place of peace. The UCDP further appeals to the residents of Khutsong to await the decision of the Constitutional Court and refrain from mounting marches and stayaways while their concerns are being attended to.

The fact that pupils were taken to Taung to prepare for exams against the will of the majority of residents is inconsequential, as these learners were not abducted. They boarded buses voluntarily and their parents have access to them, as and when they wish to see their children. The UCDP calls on all involved in this matter to allow the students to prepare themselves for the future without any disturbance. I thank you.

MEDICATION CONTAINING PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE LINKED TO BLEEDING ON THE BRAIN

(Member's Statement)

Ms S RAJBALLY (MF): Chairperson, it is reported that more than 100 000 people in America die every year as a result of adverse reactions to medication. I hereby inform you that all drugs containing phenylpropanolamine, also known as PPA, have been recalled. It has been linked to bleeding on the brain. There has also been certain medication that causes strokes and seizures in children.

There are a number of medications containing these ingredients. We feel it is necessary that we introduce strict investigations into medication administered with no prescription, as that is the method that needs to be introduced to keep South Africa informed of these medical findings, and ensure that all medication vendors are kept abreast of these advancements. We would also like a study to be conducted on fertility as a result of adverse reactions to medications in South Africa. I thank you, Chairperson.

SALARY INCREASES FOR EDUCATORS WELCOMED

(Member's Statement)

Mr G G BOINAMO (DA): Thank you, Chairperson. It is a pity the Minister is not here. The DA welcomes the substantial salary increases announced this week for educators, and we are delighted that the Minister of Education has been able to obtain approval for them.

Educators are the backbone of our country. Every one of us sitting here has benefited from their dedication and hard work. The success of our economy rests on the quality of teaching that our children receive in the classroom. For those educators who are committed to their responsibilities, it must

be said that even with these increases their salaries will not begin to match what they do.

As the Minister of Education herself has stated, "We need to assert excellence and challenge mediocrity." While there is a great amount of work involved in doing this, one of the most important steps is to offer salaries that do not deter the best and the brightest from the profession. These salary increases will be a significant step in that direction. Thank you.

SABC HANDS HOUSE TO FAMILY IN KHAYELITSHA

(Member's Statement)

Mr M R SONTU (ANC): Chairperson, on Friday, 7 September 2007, the SABC handed over a house to a blind woman and her family in Khayelitsha on the Cape Flats. The house was built through a joint venture by the broadcaster, the Department of Correctional Services and the provincial department of housing and local government.

The house was constructed by prisoners after the SABC highlighted the plight of the woman during Women's Month. The woman's daughter is a rape survivor and they will share the house with another daughter and her mentally unstable husband. The recipient is fortunate to be alive today because the shack in which she previously lived was flattened by a stolen vehicle shortly after she was moved out of her shack to a place of safety.

SABC staff dedicated a full Saturday, about four weeks ago, to assisting in the construction of the house. On that day, the woman broke down in tears when she heard that she would soon become a homeowner.

The ANC congratulates the SABC, sponsors and government departments on contributing to making the dream possible for this family to own their house. We further call on other institutions and sponsors to follow the

example they set and to join hands in the fight against poverty. Thank you very much.

SECTION 21 INGWAVUMA SCHOOLS HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS

(Member's Statement)

Mr A M MPONTSHANE (IFP): Hon Chair, the IFP notes with concern that in the education district of Ingwavuma, a number of section 21 schools have not, to date, received their annual allocations from the provincial department of education.

What is more worrying is the fact that some of these schools are schools which have been declared no-fee schools. What an irony. These schools indeed have no money to run their day-to-day activities. We urge the national Ministry to investigate this unacceptable state of affairs before the provision of basic education suffers further damage. I thank you.

Mr M J ELLIS: Mr Chairman, I certainly didn't want to interrupt the hon Mpontshane in his second statement of the afternoon.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr K O Bapela): Is that a point of order?

Mr M J ELLIS: This is a point of order, Mr Chairman, yes. As I say, I didn't want to interrupt the hon member in his second statement of the afternoon, but I do believe that it is in fact a Rule of the House that a member can only make one statement. Consequently, the IFP member, in making two statements, was out of order.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr K O Bapela): We will come back to that one. We will note the point of order.

DIVISION OF LAND GIVEN TO LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Member's Statement)

Rre M S MOATSHE (ANC): Modulasetilo, e ne e le ka 1867 fa barongwa ba Maje-remane ba sedumedi ba kereke ya Lutere ba

ne ba ikabela lefatshe la Wallmansthal, mme ba le aroganya ka dikarolo di le nne. Tse tharo tsa tsona ba di rekisetsa batho ba bontsi ba bona ba neng ba sa dumelane le kereke ya bona. Ba ikabela karolo e e mo gare go nna lefelo la kereke. Ba amogela batho ba e leng ba kereke go aga, go rua le go lema mo lefelong leo. Lefelo le la itsega jaaka lefelo la baruti, fa mafelo a mangwe a itsege jaaka kwa diteng.

Ka 1967 baagi ba Wallmansthal ba tloswa ka pateletso fa lefelo leo le ne le kaiwa e le la basweu. Ba rwelwe ka dilori tsa puso go ba latlhela mo gare ga dikgwa kwa Radium. Go ne go se na ditlhabololo dipe e bile go le kgakala le madirelo a kwa Tswane. Bana ba bona ba ne ba tlogela dikolo gonne ba tlositswe mo gare ga ngwaga. Lefelo leo la Radium e ne e ka nna dikilometara di le tlhano go tloga Belabela le go feta dikilometara di le 80 go tloga Wallmansthal eo e nene e ka nna dikilometara di le 20 go tloga mo Tshwane. Ba ba sa rateng go ya Radium ba ne ba fudugela kwa Leboneng kwa Temba, bangwe ba ya Ga-Rankuwa, Mabopane, Soshanguve, jalo le jalo.

Re galaleletsa e bile re rorisa ka boipelo puso e, e e eteletsweng pele ke ANC, ka go busetsa batho ba Wallmansthal lefatshe la bona. Ka 8 Lwetse 2007 re bone Tona ya Temothuo le Merero ya Mafatshe, Mme Xingwana, a neela baagi makwalo a boagi [title deeds]. Se ke sesupo sa go bontsha gore ANC e a dira, e bile e kgathalela batho. Re re seno a e nne selo-modiro, batho ba boelwe ke mafatshe a bona, ba boele mo go robetseng badimo ba bona. Re a leboga. *(Translation of Setswana member's statement follows.)*

[Mr M S MOATSHE (ANC): Chairperson, it was in 1867 that the German Missionaries of the Lutheran church annexed the Wallmansthal land and divided it into four parts. Three of those parts were sold to the majority of people who did not concur with their church. The central part of the land was given to a missionary and only church

members were allowed to use it for farming and housing. This land became a sacred place for the missionary, while other places were neglected.

In 1967 residents of Wallmansthal were forcibly removed from that land when it was declared a whites-only area. They were transported with government lorries and dumped in the middle of a forest in Radium. There were no developments and that area was far from Tshwane industries. The fact that they were removed in the middle of the year, resulted in children being forced to leave school. Radium was about 5 kilometres from BelaBela and more than 80 kilometres from Wallmansthal which was about 20 kilometres from Tshwane. Those who did not want to go to Radium went to Leboneng in Temba, and others went to Ga-Rankuwa, Mabopane, Soshanguve, etc.

We would like to praise and congratulate the ANC-led government for restoring land to the residents of Wallmansthal. On 8 September 2007, we saw the Minister for Agriculture and Land Affairs, Mrs Xingwana, giving the residents their title deeds. This is evidence that the ANC really works and cares for the people. We say this should be a continuous thing; people should get their land back, where their ancestors were laid to rest. Thank you.]

PERFORMANCE BONUSES PAID TO STAFF AND BOARD OF NATIONAL LOTTERIES BOARD

(Member's Statement)

Mrs S V KALYAN (DA): Chairperson, it is now 153 days since the suspension of the Lotto. This week the DA lodged a complaint with the Public Service Commission over a 42,4% increase in the performance bonuses that were awarded to the staff and board of the National Lotteries Board, the NLB.

It is impossible that this increase in performance bonuses could be justified or even deemed reasonable, because the NLB had neither a staff performance appraisal system in place as required by the Public Financial Management Act; nor did it succeed in carrying out its mandate in terms of advising

the Minister properly on the issuing of a licence to conduct the lottery. It also could not carry out or administer the lottery distribution agencies, as they were disabled for much of the year.

While the actual National Lotteries Board is claiming no wrongdoing and that the Minister signed off on the bonuses personally, the Department of Trade and Industry tells the press it is a matter that is entirely internal to this troubled lotteries board.

Who is wrong and who is right? One can only surmise that it is the same chaos and confusion that can ultimately be blamed for the suspension of the Lotto.

SOCCER PROGRAMME IN ALEXANDRA

(Member's Statement)

Ms M D NXUMALO (ANC): Chairperson, the community policing forum in Alexandra recently initiated a two-month, one per street, soccer tournament in the parking lot of the Alexandra Stadium. According to the CPF's community liaison officer, the goal of the programme is to uplift the youth in Alexandra and to take them off the street away from crime.

The programme further aims to encourage the youth to participate in sport, to change community perceptions about the policy and to reach out to the youth. Plans are also being made to organise a similar women's tournament.

The tournaments bring together young men and women between the ages of 16 and 25, from 1st Avenue to 22nd Avenue in the township. Each week the CPF volunteer goes door-to-door looking for aspiring strikers, fullbacks and goalkeepers, who stand a chance to ultimately compete for 15 bursaries donated by the local business school.

Registration in the programme is free and participants are provided with T-shirts and meals for the day. Through this initiative, learners in Grades 8 and 9 have been recruited to volunteer at police events and at the station's youth desk.

The ANC congratulates the CPF and police in Alexandra on their efforts to fight crime and their commitment to reaching out to the youth and building safer communities.

Ngiyabonga sihlalo. [Thank you, Chairperson.]

MEMBERS' STATEMENTS—ONE PER MEMBER

(Ruling)

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr K O Bapela): The point of order that was raised is indeed valid and it is in order. Therefore, to the member who made the second statement: that statement is invalid and is ruled out. We are warning the hon member that in future he should not do so, because indeed it is within the Rules and we need to respect the Rules. So the second statement is therefore ruled out.

That concludes the members' statements. There were quite a number of Ministers in the House earlier. I see two Deputy Ministers over there. Are there any Ministerial responses?

PERFORMANCE BONUSES PAID TO STAFF AND BOARD OF NATIONAL LOTTERIES BOARD

(Minister's Response)

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (Ms E Thabethe): Chair, I just want to give some clarity on the last statement raised on the matter of the distribution agencies of the lottery and its suspension. As far as we are concerned, from the Department of Trade and Industry, it was the court order that challenged how the award was given to Gidani—not the running of the distribution agencies and all that. So, the suspension was based on that.

As the Minister reported before, he was looking at that issue and the Lotteries Board met with him and discussed different options. He said that he would make an announcement at the appropriate time. I hope the hon member can wait for that and

then deal with the other issues. If she has a problem with the distribution agencies, she can put this in writing and send it to the department, but must not make assumptions because that is why there is a lot of confusion and all other issues that she raised. That is not why the Lotto was suspended. The suspension was based on the agency that was going to run it and not the distribution agencies.

I think that all the other statements were for the different clusters and for Agriculture which is part of Land Affairs, etc. But they were all appropriate, I'm sure. We wish hon members well in doing their constituency work. Thank you.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr K O Bapela): Thank you, hon Deputy Minister. Are there any other Ministerial responses? There are none.

Before concluding the business of the day, I wish to remind members that buses are waiting outside to take them to the book launch at the Cape Town International Convention Centre.

The House adjourned at 18:33.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

FRIDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2007

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*National Assembly and National Council
of Provinces*

The Speaker and the Chairperson

1. Translation of Bill submitted

(1) The Minister of Finance

- (a) *Spesiale Aansuiweringsbe-
grotingswetsontwerp
(Finansiële Jaar 2007-08)
[W 37—2007] (National As-
sembly—sec 77).*

This is the official translation into Afrikaans of the *Special Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2007/08 Financial Year)* [B 37—2007] (National Assembly—sec 77), as introduced in Parliament.

TABLINGS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. The President of the Republic

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of Vote 1—The Presidency for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of Vote 1 for 2006-07 [RP 198-2007].

2. The Minister of Labour

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the Safety and Security Sector Education and Training Authority (SAS-Seta) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 84-2006].
- (b) Report and Financial Statements of the Construction Education and Training Authority (CETA) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Assembly

- 1. Report of the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development on the *Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill* [B 24-2007] (National Assembly—sec 74), dated 13 September 2007:

The Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development, having considered the subject of the *Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill* [B 24—2007] (National Assembly—sec

74), referred to it and classified by the Joint Tagging Mechanism as a section 74 Bill, endorses the classification of the Bill and reports the Bill without amendments.

The Committee wishes to report further, as follows:

1. Background

- 1.1 The Constitution Twelfth Amendment Act of 2005 (the Twelfth Amendment), amended the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 (the Constitution), by re-determining the geographical areas of the nine provinces of the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.2 The Cross-boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Act, 2005 (Act No. 23 of 2005) (the Repeal Act), provided for consequential matters arising from the re-alignment of former cross-boundary municipalities and the re-determination of the geographical areas of provinces.
- 1.3 In terms of the Twelfth Amendment and the Repeal Act, which came into operation on 1 March 2006, the provincial boundary between, amongst others, the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal was altered so that the area that previously formed the local municipality of Matatiele (the Matatiele municipality) was relocated to the province of the Eastern Cape and new municipal boundaries were created as a consequence.
- 1.4 The constitutional validity of the Twelfth Amendment and the Repeal Act was challenged in the Constitutional Court. On 18 August 2006 the Constitutional Court, in *Matatiele Municipality and Others v President of the*

Republic of South Africa and Others 2007 (1) BCLR 47 (CC) (the *Matatiele* case), declared that part of the Twelfth Amendment which effectively relocated the Matatiele municipality to the province of the Eastern Cape to be inconsistent with the Constitution and therefore invalid. The order of invalidity was based on a procedural defect, namely the failure of the KwaZulu-Natal provincial legislature to facilitate public involvement, as required by section 118(1)(a) of the Constitution, when it considered whether or not to approve that part of the Constitution Twelfth Amendment Bill of 2005 that effectively relocated the Matatiele municipality from the province of KwaZulu-Natal to the province of the Eastern Cape. As a result of the interrelationship between the Twelfth Amendment and the Repeal Act, the Court also declared that part of the Repeal Act which relates to the Matatiele municipality to be inconsistent with the Constitution and therefore invalid. The orders of invalidity were suspended for a period of 18 months, during which period Parliament has the opportunity to correct the constitutional defect that led to the orders of invalidity.

1.5 It is apparent from the above dates that the Constitutional Court's judgment in the *Matatiele* case was handed down after the provincial boundary between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal was altered and the Matatiele municipality was relocated to the province of the Eastern Cape.

1.6 In the *Matatiele* case the Constitutional Court dealt with the question whether the Twelfth

Amendment was adopted in a manner that is consistent with the provisions of the Constitution. This question was raised by the Court itself and not by any of the applicants in the case. The judgment specifically dealt with the procedural defect by the provincial legislature of KwaZulu-Natal, namely its failure to hold oral hearings or to invite written representations to facilitate public involvement as required by section 118(1)(a) of the Constitution. In this context the Committee noted that the Constitutional Court did not find any defect in the procedures adopted by the National Assembly (the Assembly) in the processing and passing of the Twelfth Amendment and the Repeal Act.

2. Objects of the Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill [B 24-2007] and the Cross-boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Amendment Bill [B 25-2007]

2.1 The Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill [B 24-2007] (the Thirteenth Amendment Bill) deals with all the provincial boundaries pertaining to the province of KwaZulu-Natal as a natural consequence of the Constitutional Court's finding that the provincial legislature of KwaZulu-Natal failed to facilitate public involvement in its processes pertaining to the consideration and approval of certain portions of the Constitution Twelfth Amendment Bill of 2005, that concerned it and consequently the related Cross-boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Bill, 2005. This failure being considered to be fatal in respect of that provincial

legislature's approval of the boundary change between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal in respect of the Matatiele municipality is equally fatal to the alteration of the other, less contested, areas of the provincial boundary between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal.

2.2 In the light of the above, the objects of—

- (a) the Thirteenth Amendment Bill are to amend the Constitution so as to substitute and re-enact the provisions of the Constitution; and
- (b) the Cross-boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Amendment Bill [B 25-2007] (the Repeal Amendment Bill) are to amend the Repeal Act so as to substitute and re-enact the provisions of the said Act,

that are necessary to re-determine the provincial boundary between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal and to provide for consequential matters arising from that re-determination, in accordance with the directions given by the Constitutional Court to Parliament.

3. Constitutional requirements for the passing of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill

3.1 In terms of section 74(3) of the Constitution, a Bill amending the Constitution must also be passed by the National Council of Provinces (the NCOP), with a supporting vote of at least six provinces, if the amendment, amongst others,

alters provincial boundaries, powers, functions or institutions. Provision is further made in section 74(8) of the Constitution that if such a Bill, or any part of such a Bill, concerns only a specific province or provinces, the NCOP may not pass the Bill or the relevant part unless it has been approved by the legislature or legislatures of the province or provinces concerned. These constitutional provisions effectively give provincial legislatures a veto right in respect of proposed constitutional amendments that affect them directly.

3.2 As mentioned in paragraph 2.2 above, the objects of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill are to amend the Constitution so as to substitute and re-enact those provisions of the Constitution that have been declared to be inconsistent with the Constitution and therefore invalid by the Constitutional Court in the *Matatiele* case. The Thirteenth Amendment Bill is therefore intended to re-determine the provincial boundary between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal.

3.3 In light of the above constitutional provisions and the objects of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, it is clear that the Thirteenth Amendment Bill falls within the ambit of section 74(3)(b) of the Constitution, and therefore requires the approval of both the Assembly and the NCOP. However, in terms of section 74(8) of the Constitution, the NCOP may not pass the Thirteenth Amendment Bill unless it has been approved by the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal.

4. **Obligation to facilitate public involvement in legislative processes**

4.1 The Committee, during its consideration of the Constitution Twelfth Amendment Bill of 2005, engaged the public through a process of calling for written submissions. The Committee considered the written submissions so received, as well as written submissions received from the public and provincial legislatures on that Bill that were submitted to the Speaker of the Assembly and the Chairperson of the NCOP by the Minister for Justice and Constitutional Development in terms of the public involvement procedure contained in the Constitution itself, namely in section 74(5) and (6)(a) and (b). The content of those submissions remains relevant for purposes of re-enacting, by means of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, those provisions of the Constitution that have been declared to be inconsistent with the Constitution and therefore invalid by the Constitutional Court in the *Matatiele* case.

4.2 In terms of section 74(5) of the Constitution, the Thirteenth Amendment Bill was—

- (a) published in the national *Gazette* for public comment; and
- (b) submitted to the provincial legislatures for their views.

On 29 June 2007 written submissions received from the public and provincial legislatures on the Thirteenth Amendment Bill were submitted to the Speaker of the Assembly and the Chairperson of the NCOP by the Minister for Justice and Constitutional Development

in terms of section 74(6)(a) and (b) of the Constitution, for tabling in the Assembly and the NCOP, respectively. Those written submissions were referred to the Committee by the Speaker of the Assembly and to the Select Committee on Security and Constitutional Affairs by the Chairperson of the NCOP.

4.3 The Committee, in terms of the Rules of the National Assembly, conferred with the Portfolio Committee on Provincial and Local Government (the PLG Committee) in its deliberations on the Thirteenth Amendment Bill. Both Committees received a briefing on the written submissions that were referred to the Committee by the Speaker, as well as the written submissions received from members of the public in response to an invitation by the Committee to make written submissions on the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, together with written submissions relating to the Repeal Amendment Bill.

4.4 The Committee, sitting with the PLG Committee (the Committees) considered and deliberated extensively upon those submissions. The Committees noted that the content of those submissions may broadly be categorized into three distinct themes:

- (a) The majority of the submissions contained no matters of substance, but merely stipulated personal preferences, either for the retention of Matatiele in the province of the Eastern Cape or the inclusion thereof in the province of KwaZulu-Natal.
- (b) Some submissions substanti-

ated their call for incorporation of Matatiele into the province of KwaZulu-Natal based on ethnic and cultural links with that province.

- (c) In a few submissions concerns were raised relating to the possible future lack of service delivery by the province of the Eastern Cape, in particular in respect of health and education.

From the submissions received from the relevant provincial legislatures, the Committee further noted that the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal do not oppose the introduction of the Bill.

- 4.5 After having considered all the written submissions referred to in paragraph 4.3 above, the Committee was not persuaded that those submissions contained adequately substantive reasons for the Committee to amend the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, given that many of the submissions were head-count exercises, whilst in other submissions emphasis was placed on ethnic and cultural differences which are contrary to the basic principles espoused in the Constitution.

- 4.6 During the consideration of, and deliberations on, the written submissions, the Committee called for a briefing on the status of service delivery in the area of the Matatiele municipality, as well as on the trends of expenditure of the province of the Eastern Cape. Information presented to the Committees by the Department of Provincial and Local Government indicated no material breakdown in respect of service delivery lev-

els in that area and that there is a significant committal by the newly constituted Matatiele municipality to the development of infrastructure up to 2009. The Committee noted that there is no material under-expenditure in respect of, *inter alia*, services relating to health and education by the province of the Eastern Cape in relation to expenditure by the province of KwaZulu-Natal, or indeed other provinces.

- 4.7 The Committees also received a briefing and deliberated on the implications of the Constitutional Court's judgments in *Doctors for Life International v Speaker of the National Assembly and Others* 2006 (12) BCLR 1399 (CC) (the Doctors for Life case) and the *Matatiele* case, where the Constitutional Court considered the nature and scope of the constitutional obligation of a legislative organ of state to facilitate public involvement in legislative processes.

- 4.8 Having noted the Constitutional Court's findings in the *Doctors for Life* case and the *Matatiele* case, and understanding what is required of Parliament to comply with its constitutional obligation to "facilitate public involvement" in the promotion of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, the Committee submits that it has taken all the steps that, in its view, are necessary and reasonable to comply with that obligation.

5. Consideration of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill by the provincial legislatures

- 5.1 Having noted the specific findings by the Constitutional Court in the *Doctors for Life* case and the

Matatiele case that relate to the obligation of provincial legislatures to facilitate public involvement in their legislative processes, it is clear to the Committee that the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal must, in considering whether or not to approve that part of the Thirteenth Amendment Bill that concerns them, facilitate public involvement as required by section 118(1)(a) of the Constitution.

5.2 The Committees were informed that officials of the relevant Departments held meetings with the Speakers of the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal to discuss what is required of those provincial legislatures to comply with their constitutional obligation to "facilitate public involvement" when they consider the question whether or not to approve the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, as required by section 74(8) of the Constitution. The Committees were further informed that it was suggested to those provincial legislatures that they should consider the possibility of holding joint public hearings in the affected areas. The Committees were also informed that the following motivation for that suggestion was given to those provincial legislatures:

(a) The effect of the suspension of the Constitutional Court's orders of invalidity of the Twelfth Amendment and the Repeal Act is that the provincial boundary between the provinces of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal was changed with effect from 1 March 2006 when those two Acts came into opera-

tion. This means that the provincial legislature of KwaZulu-Natal would not on its own be able to hold hearings in the Eastern Cape where, for instance, *Matatiele* is now situated.

- (b) From the Constitutional Court's judgment in the *Matatiele* case it is clear that the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal are required to facilitate public involvement in all the affected areas, in other words in the affected areas that they release, as well as the affected areas that they receive.
- (c) It would, from a financial and practical point of view, be more feasible to hold joint public hearings.
- (d) Once the joint public hearings have been held, the provincial legislatures of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal should individually consider the question whether or not to approve the Thirteenth Amendment Bill.

It was indicated to the Committees that after the above-mentioned meetings with the Speakers of the provincial legislatures concerned, there is an indication that those provincial legislatures may opt for holding joint public hearings in the affected areas, although the Committee noted that there are other options available to those provincial legislatures.

5.3 Accordingly, the Committee calls on all the provincial legislatures, and more particularly those of the Eastern Cape and KwaZulu-Natal,

to take all the steps that, in their view, are necessary and reasonable to comply fully with the spirit and direction of the Constitutional Court's judgment when considering whether to approve or support the Thirteenth Amendment Bill, as the case may be.

Report to be considered.

2. **Report of the Portfolio Committee on Provincial and Local Government on the *Cross-Boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Amendment Bill* [B 25—2007] (National Assembly—sec 75) dated 13 September 2007:**

The Portfolio Committee on Provincial and Local Government, having considered the subject of the *Cross-Boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matters Amendment Bill* [B 25—2007] (National Assembly—sec 75)), referred to it and classified by the Joint Tagging Mechanism as a section 75 Bill, reports the Bill without amendment.

The Committee wishes to report further, as follows:

Having conferred jointly with the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development on the Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill [B 24-2007] and the Cross-boundary Municipalities Laws Repeal and Related Matter Amendment Bill [B 25-2007], the Committee has noted the report of the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development on the Constitution Thirteenth Amendment Bill [B 24-2007] and concurs with its content.

Report to be considered.

3. **Report of the Portfolio Committee on Correctional Services on the *Correctional Services Amendment Bill* [B32-2007] (National Assembly—sec 75), dated 14 September 2007:**

The Portfolio Committee on Correctional Services, having considered the subject matter of the *Correctional Services Amendment Bill* [B32-2007] (National Assembly—sec 75), referred to it, and classified by the Joint Tagging Mechanism as a section 75 Bill, reports the Bill with amendments [B32A-2007].

MONDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2007

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. **The Speaker and the Chairperson**

The Speaker and the Chairperson called a Joint Sitting of the National Assembly and the National Council of Provinces, as follows:

CALLING OF JOINT SITTING OF PARLIAMENT

The Speaker of the National Assembly, Ms B Mbete, and the Chairperson of the National Council of Provinces, Mr M J Mahlangu, in terms of Joint Rule 7(2), have called a Joint Sitting of the Houses of Parliament for Thursday, 20 September 2007, at 11:00 in order for the Houses to commemorate Heritage Day.

2. **Membership of Committees**

Defence

Dr E A Schoeman has been elected as Chairperson of the Joint Standing Committee on Defence, with effect from 14 September 2007.

National Assembly**The Speaker****1. Membership of Assembly**

Ms F Batyi lost her seat in the National Assembly with effect from 28 August 2007. The vacancy caused by the loss of seat by Ms Batyi has been filled, with effect from 11 September 2007, by the nomination of Mr I E Jenner.

2. Membership of Assembly (floor-crossing)

Membership status of the following member has in terms of Schedule 6A of the Constitution (floor-crossing) changed as follows:

- Mr S Simmons has, on 14 September 2007, left the United Party of South Africa and joined the National Alliance, which is a new party in the National Assembly.

3. Membership of Committees

The following changes have been made to the membership of **Portfolio Committees**:

Arts and Culture

Appointed: Tshivhase, Mrs T J

Communications

Appointed: Vadi, Mr I

Disharged: Mohlaloga, Mr M R;
Oliphant, Mr G G

Correctional Services

Disharged: Vadi, Mr I

Provincial and Local Government

Disharged: Mogase, Mr I D

Science and Technology

Appointed: Oliphant, Mr G G

Social Development

Disharged: Tshivhase, Mrs T J

Water Affairs and Forestry

Disharged: Mogase, Mr I D

TABLINGS**National Assembly and National Council of Provinces****1. The Minister of Trade and Industry**

- Report and Financial Statements of the South African Bureau of Standards for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements and Performance Information for 2006-07 [RP 105-2007].
- Report and Financial Statements of the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements and Performance Information for 2006-07.
- Report and Financial Statements of the Small Enterprise Development Agency for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements and Performance Information for 2006-07.

2. The Minister of Housing

- Report and Financial Statements of the Rural Housing Loan Fund for 2006-07, including the Report of the Independent Auditors on the Financial Statements for 2006-07.
- Report and Financial Statements of the National Urban Reconstruction and Housing Agency for 2006-07, including the Report of the Independent Auditors on the Financial Statements for 2006-07.

3. The Minister of Transport

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the South African Rail Commuter Corporation Limited (SARCC) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 188-2007].

4. The Minister for the Public Service and Administration

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the State Information Technology Agency (Proprietary) Limited (SITA) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 33-2007].

5. The Minister of Safety and Security

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of Vote 24—Department of Safety and Security for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of Vote 24 for 2006-07 [RP 199-2007].
- (b) Report of the Independent Complaints Directorate (ICD) for July 2006 to December 2006, in terms of section 18(5)(c) of the Domestic Violence Act, 1998 (Act No 116 of 1998).

TUESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2007

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Assembly

The Speaker

1. Membership of Committees

Science and Technology

Mr G Oliphant has been elected as Chairperson of the **Portfolio Committee on Science and Technology** with effect from 18 September 2007.

Communications

Mr I Vadi has been elected as Chairperson of the **Portfolio Committee on Communications** with effect from 18 September 2007.

TABLINGS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. The Minister of Finance

- (a) Government Notice No 522 published in Government Gazette No 30013 dated 29 June 2007: Exemption for High Capacity Municipalities in terms of section 122(2) and (3) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 (Act No 56 of 2003).

2. The Minister of Science and Technology

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 131-2007].

National Assembly

1. The Speaker

- (a) The President of the Republic submitted the following letter dated 6 September 2007 to the Speaker of the National Assembly informing Members of the Assembly of the employment of the South African National Defence Force in the Central African Republic:

EMPLOYMENT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE FOR A SERVICE IN FULFILMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA TOWARDS THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

This serves to inform the National Assembly that I have authorised the employment of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) personnel to the Central African Republic (CAR), in fulfilment of the international obligations of the Republic of South Africa towards the CAR. The SANDF members will be deployed, amongst others, to assist with the capacity building of the Central African Republic Defence Force and to renovate military bases in the CAR.

This employment was authorised in accordance with the provisions of section 201(2)(c) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, read with section 93 of the Defence Act, 2002 (Act No 42 of 2002).

A total of eighty five (85) members were employed as soon as all logistic arrangements have been completed. The deployment will be until 31 March 2008.

I will communicate this report to members of the National Council of Provinces and wish to request that you bring the contents hereof to the attention of the National Assembly.

Regards

signed

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Assembly

1. Report of the Portfolio Committee on Education on the *Education Laws Amendment Bill* [B33-2007] (National Assembly—sec 76), dated 14 September 2007:

The Portfolio Committee on Education having considered the subject of the *Education Laws Amendment Bill* [B33-2007] (National Assembly—sec 76), referred to it and classified by the Joint Tagging Mechanism as a Section 76 Bill, reports the Bill with amendments [B33A—2007].

WEDNESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2007

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Assembly

The Speaker

1. Membership of Committees

- (1) Mrs T J Tshivhase has been elected as Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Arts and Culture with effect from 18 September 2007.
- (2) Mr M Masutha has been elected as Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Social Development with effect from 12 September 2007.

TABLINGS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. The Minister of Finance

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the South African Revenue Service (SARS) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-

General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 205-2007].

- (b) Report and Financial Statements of the Reconstruction and Development Programme Fund for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 179-2007].
 - (c) Government Notice No 809 published in Government Gazette No 30247 dated 31 August 2007: Determination of interest rate for purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of "official rate of interest" in paragraph 1 of the Seventh Schedule, in terms of the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No 58 of 1962).
 - (d) Government Notice No 1062 published in Government Gazette No 30220 dated 31 August 2007: Rate on the interest on Government loans made in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No 1 of 1999).
 - (e) Government Notice No R.815 published in Government Gazette No 30254 dated 7 September 2007: Amendment of Schedule No. 1 (No. 1/1/1342) in terms of the Customs and Excise Act, 1964 (Act No 91 of 1964).
 - (f) Government Notice No R.816 published in Government Gazette No 30254 dated 7 September 2007: Amendment of Schedule No. 3 (No. 3/618) in terms of the Customs and Excise Act, 1964 (Act No 91 of 1964).
2. **The Minister of Communications**
 - (a) Report and Financial Statements of the South African Broadcasting Corporation Limited (SABC) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Independent Auditors on the Financial Statements for 2006-07.

3. **The Minister of Science and Technology**

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of Vote 31—Department of Science and Technology for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of Vote 31 for 2006-07 [RP 200-2007].

4. **The Minister for Agriculture and Land Affairs**

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the Agricultural Research Council (ARC) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 168-2006].

National Assembly

1. **The Speaker**

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) for 2006-07, including the Report of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 206-2007].

THURSDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2007

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

The Speaker and the Chairperson

1. **Bills passed by Houses—to be submitted to President for assent**

- (1) Bills passed by National Council of Provinces on 20 September 2007:
 - (a) *Housing Consumers Protection Measures Amendment Bill* [B. 6B—2007 (Reprint)] (National Assembly—sec 76(1))
 - (b) *Tobacco Products Control Amendment Bill* [B. 24B—2006] (National Assembly—sec 75)

- (c) *Banks Amendment Bill* [B 12B—2007] (National Assembly—sec 75)
- (d) *Diamond Export Levy Bill* [B 22—2007] (National Assembly—sec 77)
- (e) *Diamond Export Levy (Administration) Bill* [B 23—2007] (National Assembly—sec 75)
- (f) *Special Adjustments Appropriation Bill* (2007/2008 Financial Year) [B 37—2007] (National Assembly—sec 77)
- (g) *Repeal of the Black Administration Act and Amendment of Certain Laws Amendment Bill* [B 34—2007] (National Assembly—sec 75)

National Assembly

The Speaker

1. Referral to Committees

- (1) Request from the Minister in The Presidency to recommend four candidates for appointment by the President to the Media Development and Diversity Agency Board in terms of section 4(1)(b) of the Media Development and Diversity Agency Act, 2002 (Act No 14 of 2002).

Referred to the **Portfolio Committee on Communications** for consideration and report.

- (2) Request from the Minister for Justice and Constitutional Development for the National Assembly, in terms of section 193(5) of the Constitution, to recommend a candidate from the nominations submitted for appointment by the President to the Commissioner for

Gender Equality. The nominations and CV's of prospective candidates have been submitted by the Minister for processing.

Referred to the *ad hoc* Committee on Filling of Vacancy on the Commission for Gender Equality for consideration and report

2. Message from National Council of Provinces to National Assembly in respect of Bills passed and transmitted

- (1) Bills passed by National Council of Provinces on 20 September 2007 and transmitted for concurrence:

- (a) *Choice on Termination of Pregnancy Amendment Bill* [B 21—2007] (National Council of Provinces—sec 76(2))

The Bill has been referred to the **Portfolio Committee on Health** of the National Assembly.

- (b) *Traditional Health Practitioners Bill* [B 20—2007] (National Council of Provinces—sec 76(2))

The Bill has been referred to the **Portfolio Committee on Health** of the National Assembly.

TABLINGS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. The Speaker and the Chairperson

- (a) Report and Financial Statements of the Auditor-General for 2006-07, including the Report of the Independent Auditors on the Financial Statements for 2006-07 [RP 134-2007].

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Protein

Protein is a complex molecule made of amino acids. It is essential for the growth and repair of tissues. The body uses protein to build muscles, bones, and organs. It also helps to regulate the body's metabolism and immune system. Protein is found in many foods, including meat, fish, eggs, and dairy products. It is also found in plant-based foods like beans, lentils, and tofu. The body needs a certain amount of protein every day to function properly. If you don't get enough protein, you may experience muscle loss, weakness, and other health problems. It's important to eat a balanced diet that includes a variety of protein sources.

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