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PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The House met at 14:02.

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and requested members to observe a moment of silence for prayer or meditation.

MOTION OF CONDOLENCE

(The late Ms B E E Molewa)

The CHIEF WHIP OF THE MAJORITY PARTY: Deputy Speaker, I move the draft resolution printed in my name on the Order Paper, as follows:

That the House –

- (1) notes with great shock the death of the Minister of Environmental Affairs, Ms Edna Molewa, on

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Saturday, 22 September 2018, at a Pretoria hospital after a short illness;

- (2) further notes that the 61-year-old Molewa was a member of the African National Congress's National Executive Committee (ANC NEC) as well as the ANC Women's League National Working Committee (ANCWL NWC);
- (3) recalls that she was the first female ever to become a provincial chairperson of the ANC; and in 2004, she became the first female Premier of the North West provincial government, a post she filled until 2009;
- (4) further recalls that before being appointed Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs in 2010, among other government accolades, she served as MEC for Social Development in the North West Province;
- (5) remembers that it was under her stewardship of the Environmental Affairs Department that the

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historic Paris Agreement to combat climate change was signed at the United Nations in April 2016, a global feat that she was credited as having played a large part in;

(6) further remembers that in July 2016 she was awarded one of France's top honours, the *Officier de 'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur*, the honour celebrating accomplishments of distinguished individuals, irrespective of where they are from;

(7) believes that her death is a devastating loss to our nation and to the global community as she was a champion nationally and globally for the environmental integrity of a sustainable planet earth; and

(8) conveys its deepest condolences to the family of Minister Molewa as well as to her colleagues in cabinet and across all spheres of government who have had the privilege to work alongside her.

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Agreed to.

The MINISTER OF DEFENCE AND MILITARY VETERANS: Hon Deputy, hon members, the family of our beloved Comrade, Edna Molewa; Mama, Nono, Didi, Michael and Basie, the extended family and friends who are here with us this afternoon, we acknowledge you.

Lest we forget that there is a good number of people who have passed on who were deployed as members of our country's Cabinet, following the democratic breakthrough of 1994. They all graced this hon House as members; some were ex-members of the Cabinet when they met their death, while others were serving Cabinet members at the point of their death.

There are many Members of Parliament, who did not become members of Cabinet who, nonetheless, served our people with distinction as members of this House, deployed in various Portfolio Committees where they worked tirelessly.

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We were saddened when they passed but remember them fondly. The deceased Cabinet members came from the three political organisations/parties, the ANC, the National Party and the IFP; organisations that formed the Government of National Unity under President Nelson Mandela and during President Thabo Mbeki's first term between 1999 and 2004.

The ANC Cabinet members who were still in service when they died were; Comrade Joe Slovo in 1995; Comrade Steve Tshwete in 2002; Comrade Dullah Omar in 2004; Comrade Stella Sigcau in 2006; Comrade Roy Padayachie in 2012, and now, Comrade Edna Molewa in 2018. All of those comrades were highly trusted members of the ANC who were dedicated servants of our people and completely loyal to the cause of thoroughgoing democracy for all our people, black and white.

Comrade Edna was the next generation of leadership after the likes of our Joe Slovo, Steve Tshwete, Dullah Omar, Stella Sigcau and Roy Padayachie, and many other leaders of our movement who have since left the world of the living and those who continue to contribute to the

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consolidation and advancement of the democratic project in our country.

Comrade Edna was part of the first contingent that assumed membership of our Parliament in 1994. In that very year, she was elected chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Trade and Industry, making history as the first woman to occupy leadership of such a committee. She was redeployed to the North West Legislature in 2000, where she became a member of the executive council for Agriculture, Conservation and Environment Affairs and later became that province's Premier. It was those deployments that prepared her to serve as Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs in 2010, where she served with distinction.

The first five years of our new democratic dispensation were very difficult, where the legislators were charged with the heavy task of breaking down the walls of apartheid by expunging from our statutes all the laws that for many years had buttressed racism in South Africa to produce a new ethos which, according to our Constitution, would:

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“Heal the divisions of the past and establish a society based on democratic values, social justice and fundamental human rights”

A period such as that required energetic and committed cadres like Edna Molewa, who had to put in their effort long hours working to define a better South Africa for their children and many forthcoming generations of South Africa's population. The following years were not easy as the newly established democratic order needed to be consolidated and advanced on the basis of honest and loyal service to all the country's people. The government, in order for it to articulate a programme to deliver a better life for all, would necessarily rely on cadres like Comrade Edna Molewa to succeed in its effort to turn our people's dreams of unadulterated freedom into reality.

Edna's impact in all her tasks for our people cannot be gainsaid, except by those cynics who thrive in extreme negativity. She was able to turn all her tasks, including very difficult ones, into success stories. The question must then be asked; what shapes people like Edna? I am

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convinced that the discipline she displayed in her work and other tasks she was given and the commitment she showed as she discharged all her functions, originate from her involvement in our struggle, for our freedom, especially when she was recruited into the underground structures of the ANC.

Comrade Edna, as a matter of course, was identified for recruitment by the ANC because of the work she did in the labour movement and the signs she showed of her discipline, loyalty and commitment to the cause. She never said no to assignments she was given to advance the cause for freedom.

When she arrived in North West in 2000, she picked up the political conflicts in the ANC which, in the beginning were subtle. But, the conflict soon produced clear-cut groups that were bitterly opposed to one another. Those had to do with the disastrous craving for power. At the time, Comrade Popo Molefe, was the chairperson of the ANC and the Premier of the North West. In the other corner, there was Comrade Rocky Malebane the late, who coveted Molefe's positions.

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Each of the leaders had massive support in the province and nationally. Comrade Edna, seeing how damaging the infighting was to the ANC, approached some senior comrades in the province and nationally, imploring them to intervene. That intervention was slow and ineffective. North West has not recovered from the division of those days.

Those of us, who worked with Comrade Edna, are proud to have worked with her in the many projects that were undertaken to consolidate our democratic dispensation. She had a sharp mind and contributed immensely to the many strategic sessions we had to find answers to the vexing questions of the threats to our democracy. Many of those threats have been popping up now and again, exploiting at times, our inability to provide the services that our people so sorely need but exploding into violent confrontations between the people themselves and the entities, like the police that represent our government.

The confrontations have culminated in the destruction of property and the murders of innocent people who, in many

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cases, were simply casualties of the confrontation. On other occasions, those threats would be defined by some chauvinistic tendencies that include a return to racism and various kinds of phobias, including homophobia and xenophobia, as well as sexual discrimination.

Does all of this mean we have failed to heal the divisions of the past and that we have failed, as our Constitution enjoins us, to build a united and democratic non-sexist South Africa? If that is so, then losing cadres like Comrade Edna, makes our situation that much more difficult for us to change course and realign ourselves to the work at hand to produce a South Africa of the dreams of our forebears.

We talk about the kind of South Africa that the ANC's Freedom Charter envisages in the following terms as it sets out what would be necessary to do - to haul the country out of the quagmire of racial oppression and where, therefore, all our people live in brotherhood, enjoying equal rights and opportunities; and that only a democratic state can secure to all their birth-right without distinction of colour, race, sex or belief.

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She was a strong resilient woman; an activist for the liberation of our people; a leader, a mother, sister and a daughter. She loved life and lived it to the full. She committed mistakes because she was human. She was selfless. She was beautiful, with a beautiful smile. She expressed her views without fear of favour. She stuck to what she believed was right. Rest in peace daughter of the soil!

Setswana:

Robala ka kgotso ngwanyana. Ahee, le seke la ntshega jaanong.

Ahee! O a tshégateha mathobo, ge ke bone ke bone kgokolo, ke bone ntlo ya mme Motshabi le Molobane, Ke bone ntlo ya mosadi waka, ke bone ntlo mo ke tla robalang teng. Ke ngwana wa bo Kwankwata a bo Molatelo, ngwana wa bo lefeelo le tlhoba naga. Ke ngwana wa bo Mmakgolo-Mosima, ngwana wa bo phiri e mo thabeng mashila dithalala! [Tsenoganong.]

English:

Rest in peace comrade Edna!

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Setswana:

Robala ka kgotso ngwanyana.

English:

We will pick up your spear and continue to march on and fight to ensure that our people receive all the services they were fighting for and that we deepen democracy in our country. Thank you to the family of comrade Edna for being here with us this afternoon. Thank you. [Applause.]

The CHIEF WHIP OF THE MAJORITY PARTY: Deputy Speaker, if I may have your indulgence. There is an emergency that has occurred that the Minister has to attend to. That is why we asked her to speak first so she has to rush to this emergency now. I was just informing the House so she should not be seen as showing disrespect to this debate when she leaves. Thank you very much hon Deputy Speaker.

Mr T Z HADEBE: Hon Deputy Speaker and Minister Molewa's family, it is indeed a sad day as we celebrate the life of hon Molewa whose untimely passing left the country and the world devastated. On behalf of the Democratic Alliance and the DA members serving on the environment

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affairs committee, I offer my deepest condolences to the Minister's family and to the ANC. I would like to say to the family and the ANC, your grief is our grief. The country, continent and world communities have lost an environmental and climate change champion.

She was a Minister who took criticism and understood the role of opposition parties in our democracy. As the Chief Whip of the Majority Party alluded, under her leadership, we have seen South Africa taking on a growing leadership role on international environmental matters. Minister Molewa's leadership saw the country hosting two major environmental conferences. The 17th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change held in Durban in 2011, which laid the footing for what is known today as the Paris Agreement.

It was also under her leadership that South Africa, as the Chair of the G77, generated a paradigm shift from the mitigation-centric approach to a holistic and comprehensive approach in order to meaningfully address climate change. In 2016, the country hosted the 17th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the

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International Trade in Endangered Species of Fauna and Flora. Minister Molewa championed a multidisciplinary approach to combating rhino poaching which has resulted in good progress towards a decline in poaching activity. She was able to partner with the security cluster in our conservation efforts, and she recognised the need for an integrated approach that would draw together all sectors of society including government, private sector, nongovernment organisation, NGO, and donor community as well as local communities.

She worked extensively on the translocation of rhino to establish new rhino ranges in countries whose rhino had been lost to poaching. Minister Molewa saw the need for cross-border collaboration in order to eliminate all sanctuaries for poachers in and around South Africa. The Minister spearheaded women and environment programme, and saw to the dedication of the SA Agulhas II to Miriam Makeba, another beloved South African icon. It is impossible to capture all Minister Molewa's contributions to protecting the environment for the benefit of future generations, but her tireless and passionate efforts for the global environment were recognised worldwide.

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Just this year, Minister Molewa was awarded one of France's top honours, the French Legion of Honour. The award recognised not only her work in environmental protection, but also her commitment to the struggle for freedom of women's rights. We have been privileged as a nation to be led by an environmental champion of her calibre. She will be missed at home and abroad. Her contribution to the full realisation of the environmental rights enshrined in our Constitution will not be forgotten. May her soul rest in eternal peace! I thank you, Deputy Speaker. [Applause.]

Dr S S THEMBEKWAYO: Hon Deputy Speaker, the EFF joins thousands of South Africans in sending our deep-felt condolences to the family of the late Minister Edna Molewa, her comrades in the ANC and the staff members who dearly loved her at the Department of Environmental Affairs. We were shocked at her premature departure because the country still needed her extensive experience, her passionate love for her people and her complete dedication to particularly her last assignment as the Minister of Environmental Affairs.

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She led this portfolio during a very challenging time, not only in this country, but as the world is busy grappling with the devastating effects of human induced climate change. Climate change is the single most important threat to the preservation of the human species. Minister Molewa understood this fully and led a group of professionals at the Department of Environmental Affairs in developing climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies. As a result, South Africa is a global thought leader on climate change. This is partly due to her leadership.

If we were truly to honour her, we ought to commit ourselves further to rethinking about our pathways to development as a nation, and realise that continuing on the current path of exploiting finite and nonrenewable fossil fuels for development is the surest way to destruction. We must promote ecologically sustainable development, and strengthen the protection of our previous biodiversity in a manner that allows for sustainable extraction of natural resources to support livelihoods. May her beautiful soul rest in perfect peace! I thank you. [Applause.]

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Mr N SINGH: Hon Deputy Speaker, hon colleagues, the IFP wishes to express its deepest condolences to the family, friends, the ANC, colleagues in cabinet and staff of Minister Molewa on a sad and sudden passing after a short illness on 22 September 2018.

I met with the hon Minister a week before she departed for overseas, at a colloquium on the Lion Bone Trade, which she addressed for Parliament, despite many activists saying she would not attend. Well, she did just that! And, not only placed government's position on the issue before them but also undertook to engage further with them on this very contentious matter. She looked hail and hearty.

I also had the distinct privilege of working with Minister Molewa when we were both MECs for Agriculture and Environment some 20 years ago. In 2016, I remember with fondness our interactions, although sometimes spirited, as regards wildlife conservation and the courtesies she extended to me as a colleague and representative of the IFP at the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species Conference of

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Parties, Cites Conference of Parties, held in Sandton that year.

Minister Molewa served with distinction in any role to which she had been deployed by her party and played a critical role in South Africa's predemocracy liberation politics. During a lunchtime meeting that I had just now with delegate ambassadors from the European Union, they went lyrical about their association with Minister Molewa and her ability to ensure that African ambassadors were brought together when they signed the Paris Agreement recently.

In her portfolio as Minister of Environmental Affairs, she will be remembered for working tirelessly towards bringing an end to the scourge of rhino-horn poaching in South Africa. Her balanced approach between environmental and socio-economic rights will be remembered as she came to the assistance of subsistence fisherman in areas in which certain NGO's were advocating for 'no fishing' zones. She appreciated that local communities used as a means of their very survival.

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Her successor has huge shoes to fill and will have to measure up to the environmental challenges that we face today as humanity.

Minister Molewa would have been up for this challenge, in respect of enacting legislation and policies that would ensure the sustainable protection of our environment, its wild life and natural resources for our current and future generations.

Before I conclude, there is a lesson that we must learn from this sad and untimely passing. I had spoken to a medical doctor soon after talking about this matter. He said: You, as Members of Parliament travel a lot, abroad especially. Just take a broad-spectrum antibiotic and put it in your medicine packs. As soon as you feel a hint of a fever or anything like that, start taking those antibiotics. This is a lesson we learn from the passing of Minister Molewa.

In conclusion, to the family, on behalf of our party, I would like to convey our heartfelt condolences. Let me say: Lives are like rivers. Eventually, they go where

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they must. May her soul rest in peace! Thanks you.

[Applause.]

Prof N M KHUBISA: Deputy Speaker, members of this House, the president of the NFP, hon V Z Ka Magwaza-Msibi, and the NFP as a whole, I would wish to convey condolences and our heartfelt words of comfort and sympathy to the Molewa family on the passing of Minister Edna Molewa. We wish also to convey our condolences to the ANC, friends, relatives and all South Africans.

It is sad that in the passing of the Minister Molewa, the country was robbed of the most noble and highly principled leader and a servant of the people. Minister Molewa passed on a very young age but her resume gives us a classical example of what it meant to be purpose-driven and people-centred.

She was first and foremost a teacher, researcher, scholar, unionist, politician, activist, environmentalist and an internationalist whose work was rewarded with regional honours and international accolades. She will be remembered for that Paris agreement on Climate change.

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She was the first the Chairperson of Trade and Industry in 1994 and was also the MEC of various portfolios. As premier of the North West she demonstrated all attributes of ethical- and principle-centred leadership, always leading by example as a professional, a methodical thinker and an organiser. She worked within our shores, regionally and internationally, on the curbing of rhino poaching and trafficking of rhino horns, coming up with innovative strategies in SADC, UN and globally, to deal with climate change.

As Minister of Environmental Affairs she worked to advance the integrated strategic management of rhinos through a variety of conservation-minded efforts approved by Cabinet. She introduced a lot of rhino antipoaching initiatives and law enforcement collaborations at all levels within the ambit of his subject.

From her book, we can take a leaf of a disciplined and a committed servant of the people. From Unisa, she achieved a BCom degree, a leadership course at Harvard Kennedy School of Government, a Certificate of Economic Leadership and Development Programme from Wharton

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Business School. She was also a chancellor of Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University and was awarded a PhD *honoris causa*. May her soul rest in peace! Thank you.

[Applause.]

Mr M L W FILTANE: What a life! What a loss for South Africa and the world indeed. I stand here on behalf of the UDM which joins the masses of the people of South Africa, and the world over, in expressing its deepest sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Mme Edna Molewa.

She was the guardian of our earth for the benefit of generations yet to come. Mme Molewa was and shall remain a force for progress and a strong representative of the country in global forums and on issues, such as, climate change, anti-rhino poaching campaign and many others. Her death is truly a great loss to the nation as well as her political home, the African National Congress!

She was one of the most humble and hardworking servants of the people and a true champion of our constitutional democracy. Her appointment as the Chancellor at the

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Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University was a confirmation and a declaration of confidence on her as a woman of rare calibre. Indeed, it indicates that South Africa was blessed by this calibre of leadership that is always required to drive the Nation's aspirations to logical conclusion and deliver a better life for all.

Mme Molewa follows in the steps of Mama Sisulu in South Africa, losing its great leaders whose wisdom, guidance, commitment and the true love for the people shall always be missed. Without people like her, we and our environment are left poorer.

As we remember the daughter of the nation, who always kept her eyes on the ball, we must recall on the task that is left with us to remember her great legacy. We must not let her legacy go in vain. We should ensure the integrity of our global environment and strive for sustainable living so that we can live, share and enjoy. May her soul rest in eternal peace! Thank you.

Mr M G P LEKOTA: Modulasetulo, e re ke qale ka ho lebisa matshidiso ho ba lelapa la ha bo Mme Edna Molewa. Bana

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beso e se e ka le ka tshidiseha hobane baholoholo ba e bare lefu ke ngwetsi ya malapa ohle.

Re sebeditse le ngwetsi ya lona, re tsebane le ena matsatsing a mabe ha ho ne ho sa lwanwa ntwana e na e neng e tshabeha ya tokoloho. Ba bangata ba ile ba fenethwa re tsamaya ditsela tseo kaofela. Ha nako ena e kang ena e fihlile, re hopola ditsela tseo re di tsamaileng le thaka tsa hae tse ileng tsa tsamaya ka nako tseo.

Empa hee ena jwalo ka ngwana a ileng a rupellwa, e ne e se feela morupelli, e ne e le ntho ena e basotho bareng ke mosuwe. Hobane, motho ha o suwa letlalo o suwa matlalo a mefuta yohle a tlišwang ho wena. Le ena, bana mmoho le batho bao aneng a sebetsa le bona, ha ba fihlile, o ne a sa sebetse lebona feela, o ne a ba rupella, a ba suwa, a ba aha, a ba fa mehlala ya ho etsa mesebetsi le ho phela e neng e ba etsa batho ba phethahetseng ho feta ka nako eo ba neng ba le yona ha a ne a kopana le bona.

Jwale kajeno re maswabi haholo ha ile a re siya hobane o re sile ka nako eo a neng a le matla haholo mesebetsing ya hae. O ne a sebetsa hae mona a bile a sebetsa le

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matjhabatjhaba a lefatshe. Mme ha re fumana ditlalehelo tsa amesebetsi ya e etsang ka ntle ho naha, e ne e ntse e mo paka jwalo ka ha re mo tseba hae mona. Ha ho le jwalo he re re ho lona le tshidisehe ka nnete hobane le yona tsenene ya bohloko ba lefu e na le nako ya yona ea shwa.

English:

Comrade Edna worked with us comrades, in the dark hours of the struggles against apartheid. She was always exemplary, available and ready for various tasks and so forth. And we laid the foundations of a democratic South Africa with her.

I remember quite well how she guided, contributed in the meetings of the provincial leaders at the time under the leadership of Popo Molefe as premier of the North West. And today, when we look back, both then and now, we have deep pride in having experience working side by side with her.

So, I'd like to say to the family, to the family of congress people, the young people that she brought up, colleagues that were with her in the work places, both

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before she came into government and after she came to government must all take comfort in the knowledge that we once shared with her the trenches. May her soul rest in peace I thank you.

Debate concluded.

Agreed to, members standing.

MOTION OF CONDOLENCE

(The late Ms N A Mnisi)

The CHIEF WHIP OF THE MAJORITY PARTY: Deputy Speaker, I move the draft resolution printed in my name in the Order Paper, as follows:

That the House –

notes with great shock the death of the ANC Member of Parliament in the NA, Ms Nokhaya Adelaide Mnisi on Tuesday, 18 September 2018 after a short illness;

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understands that Nokhaya was deployed in Parliament as an MP in 2009 and that she served in the Portfolio Committees on Defence and Military Veterans and Home Affairs;

also recalls that Ms Mnisi was a humble and dedicated ANC MP who represented the ANC in Parliament with pride and distinction;

further recalls that, she was active not only in the ANC but also in the SACP and the alliance at large;

believes that her passing leaves a huge void for her family, relatives, friends and colleagues in Parliament and;

conveys our heartfelt condolences to the Mnisi family, her loved ones and friends. I so move, Deputy Speaker.

IsiXhosa:

Mnu A M FIGLAN: Sekela Somlomo, nam mandixelise abanye abantu ndize kugxwala emswaneni ndingogqithwa zinkomo.

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Mandibulise kule Ndlu yonke nakusapho lakwaMnisi, izalamane nezihlobo.

English:

We are gathered here today by the saddening news of the unexpected passing away of Member of Parliament, Mrs Nokhaya Adelaide Mnisi after a short illness.

It became an honour in serving my first years as a Member of Parliament with the late Ms Nokhaya Mnisi. In 2009 when I started at Parliament, we were both deployed in the Department of Human Settlements...

IsiXhosa:

...kwiKomiti yeMicimbi yeSebe lokuHlaliswa koLuntu.

English:

That was my first experience, but the first thing I had to ask because Nokhaya refers to a married woman's name.

I did not understand but I wanted to ask as I was curious. When she asked my name I told her that I am Mzuvukile and she said, no I cannot call you Mzuvukile I

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must call you Musi. I said no man, your name will be Vusi, not Musi.

Later on I said when teasing her, Nokhaya when you get married please do not change your name because your name has got a heavy weight. Nokhaya was like a friend and a sister to me, every time when we go on oversight and if we do not eat because at that time we had a slave driver Chairperson, Ms Dambuza. We would work from the morning until 11 o'clock at night, when we came to the hotel, there is no food.

IsiXhosa:

Umama uMnisi wayesoloko enayo into etasini yakhe. Ibhanana okanye iilekese ngoko besisoloko sikonwabela ukuhamba naye. Nam ndithi mandibengomnye wabantu ndizokugxwala emswaneni. Mandithi tutwini kusapho lukamama uMnisi, ndithi tutwini kwi-ANC, SACP nathi njengeDA iintliziyo zethu zibuhlungu, silahlekelwe kuba umama uMnisi ebengumntu okholwa kukusebenza eyibuza into xa engayiqondi. Ebesebenza ungasoze umve esithi hayi andizukuya kuloo ndawo.

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Ndithe apha ngowama-2014 xa ndiphinda ndibuyela apha ePalamente, saphinda sasebenza kunye, saxelenga kunye kwiSebe lezeMicimbi yeKhaya, apho ke ndimngqibele khona ngohla we-12 kweyoMsintsi egula xa sasisenza uphando.

Ndicinga ukuba emveni koko ndiphinde ndadibana naye ngomhla we-13 kweyoMsintsi esithi uya kwagqirha. Ndiye nakhwankqiswa ke xa ndifumana isithonga sokuba uye wasishiya ngomhla we-18 kweyoMsintsi.

Ndithi tutwini ke nakw-Ofisi yoMbutho wakhe ejongene nemicimbi yolonyulo kuba nam isithwakumbe ndasiva kuyo kodwa azange ndiyikholelwe. Yanga uKhongolose angomelela, nihlakelwe kwaye nathi silahlekelwe njengesizwe kuba lihambile iqhawekazi lamaqhawe. Sithi halala nakuye apho akhoyo.

Mandicaphule kwincwadi ka-Isaya, kulamazwi athi:

Ndikubizile ngegama lakho,ungowam. Xa uthi uwele emanzini, ndoba nawe nasemilanjani ,ayisayi kukuntywilisela.

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Bakhona ke abantu ababizwayo bangavumi, kodwa lo sisi ube liqhawekazi lamaqahwe, waza umzamo wawenza, ugqatso walufeza uselelwe sisithsaba sobomi. Lala kakuhle mama uMnisi. Enkosi kakhulu.

English:

Mr S P MHLONGO: As the EFF, we would like to take this opportunity to pay respect to our colleague, hon Nokhaya Mnisi, who has sadly passed away. It is often said that when those whom we love passes on; we the living help close their eyes in return it is the departed who help open the eyes of us, the living. We need these eyes today when we commemorate the life and times of Comrade Nokhaya Mnisi, whose life was lived and led whilst amongst us.

After King Hintsa's capture by the colonialists, he was brought before the white magistrate with soiled and torn apart clothes. The white magistrate asked King Hintsa why he was wearing soiled and torn apart clothes whilst standing in front of him. King Hintsa replied to the white magistrate, I am being eaten by the dogs. Today as a country and as a people, we are being eaten by the dogs.

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It is during times like these when we need to sit back and reflect as to what went wrong. To the Mnisi family and friends, members of Defence Portfolio Committee, this House as a whole, we can only join an African poet who upon sinking of SS Mendi ship wrote:

IsiXhosa:

Isindiwe le nqanawa, 'de yazika,
Kwf'amakhalipha, amafa nankosi,
Agazi lithetha kwiNkosi yeeNkosi.
Ukufa kwawo kunomvuzo nomvuka
Ndinga ndingema nawo ngomhla wovuko,
Ndingqambe njengomnye osebenzileyo

English:

Rest in peace, rest in eternal peace Comrade Mnisi. I thank you.

Ms S J NKOMO: Hon Deputy Speaker, the IFP would like to send its condolences to the children of our sister Nokhaya Mnisi, to her family and to the ANC.

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IsiZulu:

Siyacela ukuthi, yebo kubuhlungu zingane zakithi nakithi kubuhlungu, uNkulunkulu abenani, aniqinise futhi aniphe amandla.

English:

It was with great shock and sadness to us as the IFP that one member of our family which is this Parliament passed away. Hon Mnisi was a very special lady. I served with her in the Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs. She was such a dedicated worker. She had a few things which probably even some of you even from her party might not be aware of. I use to sit with her most of time, because we had this rapport between the two of us. She would always talk about her children.

IsiZulu:

Ebezithanda kakhulu izingane zakhe, nalapho ekhona usanithanda umama wenu. Ngicela ukuthi nginazise ngalokho.

English:

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She was so loving. I must state Deputy Speaker, she also had a sense of humour, it was very, very shallow. You would not notice it until when you listened her thoughroughly, she was so good of course she was also a trendy dresser, I would always say to her: Where did you buy this? You know she was quite a chubby lady, but she had this thing about her extremely stylish and I would always kid her and say to her, if there is one thing about you Ms Mnisi which I love the most is that you are not fashionable and then she would say to me: Why are you saying that? And I would say to her because you are stylish and there is a difference between fashion and style. [Interjections.] For with style you see, you live for ever and with fashion it is like Chappies bubblegum.

IsiZulu:

Le oyidla uyihlafune ngemuva kwesikhathi ushukela uphelele.

English:

And she would always laugh about that. However, I must tell you, she was really a trendy dresser. Hon Mnisi, in our Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs, you know the

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days before she passed away, she came to the committee and she was feeling extremely fragile, shivering and all that. We had to take her to the doctor and a few incidences also happened in that committee where some of the members got hurt, but we would like to state for the record and for the Mnisi family that you gave her to us and she served South Africa very well.

IsiZulu:

Kodwa abantwana bakhe ngicela ningalibali umama wenu ubenithanda. Nanamhlanje usanithanda.

English:

May her soul rest in peace. Thank you. [Applause.]

Mnu S C MNCWABE: Somlomo weNdlu, ngibingele imindeni ekhona phakathi kwethu yakwaMolewa nabakwaMnisi nabahlonishwa bonke. Ngezikhathi ezinjena Sekela Somlomo sike siduduzeke uma sibuka impilo kaJobe ebhayibhelini. Uma sekwenzeke konke imfuyo yakhe ifile nabantwana bakhe beshonile, uma bezama ukumduduzisa unezwi elilodwa alishoyo athi: Kanti besiyokwamukela okuhle kodwa yini enkosini. Amazwi lawo angithanda ukwadlulisela kumndeni wakwaMnisi

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ukuthi nezikhathi ezinjena ziyafika. Asikwazi ukuzemukela kodwa ziyingxenye yempilo yethu. Sikhala kanye nani.

Umama uMnisi ngibe naye ekomidini leZokuvikela.

Ngicabanga ukuthi kuleminyakana embalwa edlule noma onyakeni odlule besiseThekwini eMoses Mabhida Stadium kwi-Armed Forces Day. Yila ngaqala ukumbukisisa khona. Uma kuculwa i-National Anthem ngangihleli eduze kwakhe kuyinto ejwayelekile ukuthi vele umbayimbayi uzoqhuma. Angazi ukuthi ngase ngikukhohlwe kanjani loku ekhanda lami, kodwa kwathi uma sekuqhuma umbayimbayi angazanga ukuthi ngathuka ngendlela eyihlazo. Ngezwa ngaye nje engiqhweba ethi: "Kodwa uyindoda pho bhuti, usalusuthukwa kangaka?" [Uhleko.] Ngaba namahloni ngendlela exakile. Kodwa ke ebekuwuhlobo lukamama obenjalo nje obehlonipha, yonke into yakhe eyibeka ngenhlonipho. Noma sihlangana nje la emaphaseji ubehlala ehlala engikhumbuza athi: "Umbayimbayi waseThekwini." [Uhleko.]

Ngalawo mazwi sithi ke duduzekani anilahlekelwe nodwa mndeni wakwaMnisi. Sonke silahlekelwe, nesizwe kakhulu silahlakelwe. Nane hhovisi i-constituency office ebesebenza umbutho wakhe umbeke kulo. Sithanda futhi

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ukudlulisa egameni le-NFP umhlonishwa ukaMagwaza Msibi ukukhala kwethu eqenjini le-ANC ngokulahlekelwa kwalo yiqhawe elifana naleli. Sikhalise futhi amabovu babuMphephethwa sizwile ukuthi ubekhona nakwezakho, nawe siyakukhalisa kakhulu sithi masiqini sonke siqhubeke nokuyibamba lapho agcine khona. Umndeni uqine. Siyabonga. [Ihlombe.]

Mr M L W FILTANE: Hon Deputy Speaker, the UDM sends its deep and heartfelt condolences to the family, friends and comrades in the ANC and its alliance partners, on the passing on of Nokhaya Adelaide Mnisi. Her departure signals the need to reconstruct the architecture of both her family as well as Parliament.

Ms Mnisi was a humble, capable and dedicated representative of the people of Gert Sibande District Municipality, Mpumalanga province and the entire South Africa. Her death leaves a huge void; not only to her biological and political families, but also to her beloved country to which she selflessly dedicated her life.

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Nokhaya was friendly, and she sustained excellent relationships with all of her colleagues. One of them is the UDM's hon Majeke. Had she not attended the Multiparty Women's Caucus workshop in Johannesburg as we speak; she would have been standing here and said amongst other things and this is what she wrote and I quote:

We have lost a wonderful lady who was at all material times, dressed to perfection. We have been robbed of a loving smile, the warmth, friendliness, openness and helpfulness that has always resembled Nokhaya. Her great personality is already missed.

She would have further said ... "Due to our closeness, neighbours at Acacia Park would even mistake our daughters; they would refer to mine as hers and vice versa."

We echo the words of Dorothy Ferguson, which aptly describes her time with us and I quote, "How very softly you tiptoed our world, almost silently, only a moment you

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stayed. But what an imprint your footsteps have left upon our hearts.”

To her family ...

IsiXhosa:

... sithi, wanga uThixo anganikhanyisela ngokhanyiso olungacimiyo.

English:

We hope you have already found solace in the knowledge that heavens just received one of the most special angels in the name of Nokhaya. May her soul rest in peace. I thank you. [Applause.]

Mr L M NTSHAYISA: Hon Deputy Speaker, on behalf of the AIC, I hereby convey condolences to the bereaved family of Nokhaya Mnisi. Nokhaya was a dedicated and diligent Member of Parliament, a great woman indeed. Her passing away is a loss to the nation as it is a loss to her family. She was a soft spoken woman, a lady indeed.

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I use to sit next to her when coming to Parliament and going back to Acacia Park. So, she would speak softly like a lady. She has done good work for the country and served her people diligently. She was a humble servant of the people and very much interested in service delivery.

We should know therefore that death lays his icy hands on kings. So, this was well expected. Her time had come and we should accept it knowing well that we all have our dates to depart for the better world. She will always be remembered for her good work. May her soul rest in peace. I thank you. [Applause.]

Mr M S MOTIMELE: Hon Deputy Speaker, hon members of the House, the Mnisi family which I never met but I know, because whenever there was a family emergency, hon Mnisi would always report to me as the Chair, if she want to go home to sort out something for her children or her sister's children. She would also tell me if she want to go home if one of her relative is not well. She loved you so much.

Sepedi:

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Ka segagešo, ge motho yo le mo ratago; motho yoo a fetolago maphelo a ba lelapa gore a be kaone; motho wa lerato le borutho go ba lelapa a re tlogetše, re fela re re: Mokgapa wo mogolo o wele, dinonyana di lla mašogošogo. Di a lla di re tswiitswii! Mokgapa ke mohlare wo mogolo, wo mobotse wa matlakala a matala;wa moriti wo mbose wa go tonya thwee! Ke mohlare wa go rata ke dinonyana le batho. Ke seo Nomakhaya Mnisi a bego a le sona.

English:

That was Comrade Nokhaya Mnisi. The same love for family. The same passion she had to change the lives of her family to the better. The kind of love you expressed to her as a family was also symbolised in our day to day interaction with her as our comrade in the Study Group of the ANC Caucus; as an hon member of the defence committees; as an hon member of the National Assembly and a public representative to implement and safeguard the views of all, especially the poor and the working class as enshrined in the Freedom Charter, the policies and election manifesto of the ANC.

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A true revolutionary indeed who understood that to love the nation, to change society to the better, you must first love your family and change their lives to the better.

A trendy dresser, I agree with you, hon member, always clean and immaculate spick and span. I for one, she was my ultimate ego booster because she would always say Chair; you are dressed up, what's the occasion? Whenever she would not say that or comment, I would spend the whole day morose and humourless knowing that I didn't make the grade ... [Laughter.] ... a hard worker, who did her work with passion and love. It is not surprising that according the records; she has the highest rate of attendance of committees she served in.

She would never be intimidated to make any constructive contribution, even in platforms dominated by men. In several instances, the committee would meet with an international delegation dominated by men, and the first question she would ask would be, what happened to women in the society you come from? She would warn them to bring women next time. She had a subtle and humorous way

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of bringing matters of gender equality to the fore and within the policy framework of the ANC of course.

Her passing on came as a surprise to me because it was not long that we were together in a meeting. Before we start a meeting every time, I would always ask the committee secretaries or hon Dambuza because she is one of the few women that we have in our committee, where is Comrade Mnisi? Mainly because I would need her articulate contribution in the meeting or for her to do what I secretly admired comment about my dress code. [Laughter.]

Now, all of a sudden Comrade Mnisi is no more, death has robbed us of her, but her spirit will live on within us in eternity. I do not know the disease and the condition that robbed us of hon Mnisi, but I want to call on her doctors, the entire medical fraternity and health scientists to declare that disease or condition an enemy of the people and work for its total elimination ...

[Applause. ... because the National Development Plan in its health vision seeks to raise the life expectancy of South Africans to at least 70 years.

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As a nation, hon members, we must not tolerate having young people dying of any disease or health condition before their time. Let's comfort ourselves and corroborate the existence of Comrade Mnisi's eternal spirit amongst our mist with a quotation by one of my favourite poet and philosopher, a Lebanese writer Kahlil Gibran, I quote: "For life and death are one, even as the river and the sea are one".

Sepedi:

Homotšegang lena ba lelapa la gaMnisi; homotšegang lena bagwera le metswalle ya gaMnisi; homotšegang lena bašomi ka yena; homotšegang lena makhomreiti; homotšega ANC ...

English:

... and the whole congress alliance, SACP, Cosatu and Sanco. As we go to the elections next year, please honour and pay respect to the legacy of this heroine of our struggle and democracy. Let's deepen the democracy she so tirelessly fought for. Go and register and vote. May her soul rest in eternal peace. Thank you. [Applause.]

Debate concluded.

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Agreed to, members standing.

**CONSIDERATION OF BUDGETARY REVIEW – NATIONAL STUDENT
FINANCIAL AID SCHEME**

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

Agreed to.

Declaration of votes:

Prof B BOZZOLI: Deputy Speaker, the Department of Higher Education manages 26 universities, 52 Technical Vocational Education and Training Colleges, TVet (15:06:25) colleges, 21 Sector Education and Training Authority, SETAs. Shockingly, none of these report to our committee unless invited. It also has four so-called entities which do report to our committees, National Student Financial Aid Scheme, NSFAS, and three quality councils.

What about them? NSFAS is such a disaster that it received a qualified audit and has been put under

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administration. Managing hundreds of thousands of student' grants in tandem with 76 teaching institutions, prove too much for it. Adding in billions of additional funds to pay for free education led to virtual collapse of the institution and the arrival of the administrator. He seems sure that NSFAS will be ready to manage the 2019 intake of students, this seems doubtful.

One the quality the Council for Higher Education, CHE, has been badly underfunded that it can barely perform its basic tasks which entail overseeing quality of universities.

Another, the Quality Council for Trade and Occupation, QCTO, is new and it will be years before it is able to assess quality across the skills terrain.

The South African Qualifications Authority, SAQA, is busy imposing upon itself a huge range of new tasks, which it's not equipped to handle.

Most worrying at all of all of the SETAs, which do not appear before the committee as matter of course and whose

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shenanigans are hidden from view. About R800 million of irregular expenditure this year, says it all. This problem tends to be dwarfed of the ANC discourse, which revolves around students, but the integrity of our system of education and training is at stake here and nobody seems to care about it, except the DA. Thank you.

Mr N PAULSEN: Deputy Speaker, the EFF rejects this Budget Review and Recommendation Report, BRRR, because NSFAS has passed its sell-by date, and we can guarantee the Minister now that to fix the system will come to nothing.

NSFAS and nearly every other entity in the Department of Higher Education, besides the SAQA, is a mess. NSFAS was scheme designed to provide education to the children of the poor and while many have been able to attain education because of it, it is fundamentally flawed.

Students in this country before even they graduate they are in debt, where hundreds of thousands of rands ...

Unemployment continues to grow yet we expect black students to find jobs to pay off these debts, combine this with black tax and the often unrealistic

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expectations placed on those are who are the first in the family to graduate. The burden placed on young people is too much; even those students who are required to pay back these loans, NSFAS officials often treat it as a bursary. Management and NSFAS officials feel that they are doing students a favour and if you combine this with the corruption, incompetence and the lack co-ordination; you can see why NSFAS is collapsing. But those who have qualified for NSFAS are still better off, than hundreds thousands of young black people who qualify academically but do not have the funding to further their studies. Thank you.

Inks E M BUTHELEZI (IFP): Deputy Speaker, I wish to begin by saying, sesikhathele. From my reading of the report it appears that NSFAS has also been captured. This podium can be equated to [Inaudible.]. Each and every occasion we debate, the very same irregularities, mismanagement and quite frankly the ill attitude of senior political office bearers and alleged corruption and collusion by the very same culprits. However, Chair, for the sake of the debate, allow me to raise the IFP's concern.

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Firstly, it's alarming that NSFAS has received the qualified audit for the year 2017-18 and further to this, NSFAS ragged up an outstanding R284 million in irregular expenditure. What is more concerning, is the fact that the report makes mention that NSFAS has invested funds with financial institution and fund management companies which were not approved by National Treasury and this does raise a red flag.

To compound matters, the ailing student scheme is stagnated in loans recoveries from former beneficiaries, despite having procured the services of an external service of external debt collection agencies. Hon deputy Speaker perhaps it's time now that members on my right side, set aside their default defence mode and simply admit that they have dropped ball and have been sitting on their hands for far too long, perhaps then we can go ahead with the clean-up process, much to their benefits and ours too, of leaving a legacy of a well-run efficient and effective and pro poor student financial aid scheme. It is truly saddening that every time we take to this podium, we are forever repeating ourselves. It's

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frustrating to sound like a broken record. It's either we fix it or fall for it. Thank you.

Prof N M KHUBISA (NFP): House Chair, NFP subscribes to a notion free quality higher education, for all students across the board, and from family backgrounds irrespective of their status.

We the increase of VAT and petrol it has become extremely difficult for parents to pay for the education of their children. NSFAS face many challenges during the period under review, that technical administrative, communication and failure of management systems. The centralisation of NSFAS meant not only that its operation got squeezed due to the shortage of human, physical and technical resource, but it also impacted negatively on how students got their funds. There was no communication between NSFAS and tertiary institution. It took a long time for monies to be dispersed to students.

Information Technology, IT problems were so many. Student could not get their vouchers for their food and most of them had to loiter around the street without

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accommodation for a long time. For 2017-18 financial year, NSFAS received a qualified audit opinion which was a regression from then qualified opinion of 2016-17 financial year.

NSFAS lack proper control to deal with irregular expenditure, online applications were wrongly recorded, incurred irregular expenditure amounting to R284, 7 million due to payments in excess of contractual agreements.

The NFP raised these concerns. As the NFP we want applaud Minister Pandor for intervention, but we saw the resignation of the Chair of NSFAS, the appointment of the administrator and other officials. We agree with the recommendation of the portfolio committee, that NSFAS must improve internal control system, to minimise risks of flaunting the supply chain management systems. Robust advocacy campaign by NSFAS, department, and institution is needed. When it comes to SAQA ... We support the budget. Thank you.

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Ms C C SEPTEMBER(ANC): House Chairperson, hon members, thank you for the rousing welcome. Indeed, the right to further education; we have all agreed what the Constitution says, needs to met through reasonable measures and this must be done through progressively making available and providing access to all young people in the country. ANC will not give up on ensuring that NSFAS must remain committed to the Constitution and to ensure that this right is enjoyed by everyone, so that they seek access to education and training.

NSFAS is important, so that it can drive the medium term framework and have its priority, the increase and access of students, to colleges, to universities and so on. In deed there has been problems, the committee, the ANC certainly will not give up in ensuring that the progress that has been made now, is the progress that we will continue to hold NSFAS to account and do not think that we should give up on making sure that, that is the case. In so far as the South African Qualification Authority and the Quality Council for Trade and Occupation is concerned, in deed there has been improvements and we are extremely excited, they are moving in the right direction

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in ensuring that we have a qualitative education regime in the country. We will absolutely support the SAQA needs to ensure that new legislation will further enhance their work. Thank you.

Agreed to.

**CONSIDERATION OF BUDGETARY REVIEW - DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER
EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

The CHIEF WHIP OF THE OPPOSITION: House Chairperson!

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): Yes hon member?

The CHIEF WHIP OF THE OPPOSITION: I don't want to be accused of somnambulance again, so we would like to make a declaration.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): We are getting there.

There was no debate.

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Mr P D N MALOYI: Hon House Chair, I move that the report be adopted.

Declaration(s) of vote:

Prof B BOZZOLI: Chair, we do support this report but it does reveal ominous signs of decay which even this hardworking department finds challenging to fix. Some recent problems are; cows wandering through the libraries at the Walter Sisulu University, non-students running businesses from its residence rooms, entrenched corruption in the residences of the Cape Peninsula University of Technology, CPUT, and others.

Students are paying bribes to get rooms. Students are paying bribes for university places. The rates of rape and interpersonal violence are increasing. R800 million worth of damage was caused during the #FeesMustFall protests. The turnover of vice chancellors is very high, the job is awful and many of the applicants are mediocre. The college audits have regressed; colleges are underfunded and can't contemplate teaching in new fields more appropriate to the 21st century. Insourcing has been at the expense of infrastructure investment, which is

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going down. Schools can't provide pupils with sufficient Mathematics for programmes that are essential for the country's future so student numbers in engineering, science and agriculture are all below targets and the pockets of excellence that we no doubt have in higher education are themselves finding it difficult to manage. Billions are being poured into the system at the moment but just to pay student fees. This money has little or no effect on the quality, stability or integrity of education. We need a change of government in South Africa. We need a government which will take the quality of education seriously because this government does not. Thank you. [Applause.]

Ms N NOLUTSHUNGU: House Chairperson, our approach as the EFF is that higher education in this country needs to change and it starts with the Department of Higher Education. Whilst commitments have been made about free education, this has not been realised and it seems that this was done just to pacify students. What this country needs is a free, decolonised, quality education. Free because if you commodify education you are making it inaccessible to those without resources and in our

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country this means the exclusion of the black majority from education.

But also, as a point of principle, education should be a right, not a privilege and if you put a price on something like education then it cannot be right. We need decolonised education because as the people have been colonised for centuries, dispossessed, exploited and made to feel inferior, we need to regain our sovereignty, dignity and a sense of being. This does not only mean only African Philosophy, African Science and various other subjects including African Perspectives and Literature. It also requires for our education system to be radically transformed and our curriculum restructured so that our education system and the skills students acquire in the system become tools for us as the people to break away from the neocolonial relations of production which have made us dependent on those who had colonised us, leaving Africa in a permanent state of underdevelopment. The students realised this a long time ago and they were willing to sacrifice their lives and future for this cause. Till today many of them still remain in prison or are excluded from the higher

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education system. It is therefore for these reasons that we as the EFF reject this Budgetary Review and Recommendations Report, BRRR. Thank you. [Applause.]

IsiZulu:

Mnu E M BUTHELEZI: Sihlalo ...

English:

... the affordability of tertiary studies remains a critical barrier for entry for students from historically disadvantaged backgrounds.

IsiZulu:

Angazi Sihlalo noma sekufanele ukuba sivumelane ukuthi i-ANC ngathi isiyasawota ayisazweli kubantu abahluphekileyo. Sonke siyavumelana ukuthi ezemfundo yisona sikhiye esiyosifikisa ekunqobeni nokuthi intsha ithole imisebenzi, siqobe ububha kanye nokungalingani ikakhulukazi ekuhlukanisweni komnotho. Uma uhlelo lwethu lwezemfundo lungakhulumi nezinkinga esibhekene nazo kufanele sivumelane lapha eNdlini ukuthi ikusasa lezwe limpisholo. Njengokohlelo lwe-National Development Plan,

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NDP, olukhuluma ukuthi ngonyaka ka-2030 kufuneka ukuba ezemfundo zibe sezingeni eliphakeme noqeqesho ukuze sikwazi ukukhulisa umnotho. Asinakho ukufika kulezo zinhloso uma uhlelo lwezemfundo lungeke lufakelwa izibuko. Ukuze sifinyelele enkululekweni ngokoqobo, sidinga ukwazi ukuthi imfundo yiwona mgomo wethu wokuqala okufanele ukuba siwuqinisekise futhi asinakufinyelela ekuphumuleni uma singakafiki lapho. Ukuze uhlelo lwezemfundo lube ngolusezingeni, lokho kuyoqinisekiswa wukuthi lithole isabelomali esifanele, kube khona ubuholi obuqotho nazo zonke izinhloso ezisekela ezemfundo singaxegi ziqinise.

Wonke amazwe emhlabeni aphumelelayo into yokuqala ayiqaphelilisayo ukuthi aqinisekise ukuthi ezemfundo yizona ezibekwa phambili futhi uHulumeni uyaqinisekisa ukuthi akukho ukuganga emkhakheni wezemfundo. Njengeqembu le-IFP siwawuseka umbiko lo kodwa sisho ukuthi kuningi uHulumeni okufanele uba akwenze futhi kufanele ukuba sivume ukuthi kukhona ukwehluleka kuye uHulumeni ophethe, nawo ukwamukele lokhu ukuze ukwazi ukuthi azisize. Siyabonga Sihlalo.

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Prof N M KHUBISA: House Chairperson, we support this report. The Department of Higher Education should work tirelessly to improve the production of many graduates in Maths, Science and Technology, Engineering, Medicine, Financial Management, Entrepreneurship and Chartered Accountancy. The unemployment rate stands at 27,5% and it is worse when it comes to our youth because more than 57% of our youth are unemployed and these youth face the brunt of poverty in our country.

University and TVET college education must produce more occupationally-directed skilled and capable people. In light of the lack of jobs, students must be trained to be job creators rather than job seekers. The system continues to fail students. There is a small percentage of learners who passed Grade 12 with more than 50% in mathematics and the enrolment target of 995 000 for students involved in Public Education Studies was not achieved. The effective functioning of ICT in most higher education institutions is paramount to students accessing higher education. The department failed to disburse the infrastructure and efficiency grant on time. This delay impacted negatively on student housing. We have seen

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students attacked, raped or killed on their way to their flats and other lodging facilities or communes. We send students to universities and TVET colleges to get an education and not to be raped, threatened with death or be killed. The NFP welcomes the increase in the number of candidates who graduated with the PhD and Master's degrees but there is a need to increase numbers in Mathematics, Engineering, Technology and Health Sciences. The decrease of the headcount in TVET colleges, the decrease of beds and decaying infrastructure are all a cause for concern. Thank you very much. [Time expired.]

Ms C C SEPTEMBER: Hon Chair, the ANC supports this report and here are the achievements. We have been able to achieve 20 800 graduates in the initial teacher education from universities. We have been able to achieve 2 700 doctoral graduates from universities. We have been able to achieve 100 additional black and women first-time entrants and we have been able to achieve 18 500 first-year students in foundation programmes as well as 205 000 eligible students obtaining financial aid, the very National Student Financial Aid Scheme, NSFAS, that we have.

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So we do agree, as the ANC, that we are at least making steady progress and therefore it is quite important that this report be adopted. Hon members, we note the history that has been made here in the House today by the DA finally adopting the Budgetary Review and Recommendations Report, BRRR, but of course that is because they lost all the Student Representative Council, SRC, elections countrywide. Thank you.

Motion agreed to.

Report accordingly adopted

CONSIDERATION OF BUDGETARY REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

REPORT OF PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

There was no debate.

Mr P D N Maloyi moved: That the Report be adopted.

Declarations of vote:

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Mr D W MACPHERSON: House Chairperson, there are four reasons why the DA cannot support the Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report for Trade and Industry.

Firstly, it is led by a Minister who is now in full retirement mode as he looks towards 2019, allowing a budget that does not speak to the very real issues facing our economy, including ever-increasing regulation, added costs to doing business, and an ever-narrowing focus on broad-based black economic empowerment.

Secondly, the Department of Trade and Industry has become a department that almost weekly gets together and works out how to discourage investment rather than attract it. That is why the President had to call an investment conference himself because the Minister and department have done such a bad job for so many years.

Thirdly, we have a portfolio committee hellbent on coming up with the some of the worst legislation imaginable, from making it harder for poor black South Africans to access credit to living in a universe filled with Chinese

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ideas like simply blocking the internet to ban the reality of online gaming.

Fourthly, whenever it comes to holding people accountable for not doing something, the ANC is usually very scarce in numbers, and that explains why the ANC in the committee has been so unwilling to finalise the committee-led investigation into how Transnet ignored designations and local content requirements when purchasing R50 billion in locomotives. The ANC has found every reason not to finalise the inquiry, despite agreeing to it in November 2017.

The truth is that the budget review has become just another tick-box exercise for this committee, and we will not support it. I thank you.

Mr T RAWULA: House Chairperson, the EFF rejects this Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report. We do this because we view this as an utterly useless process. On numerous occasions, we have tabled cogent recommendations here and even at committee level on how we should rethink some of the interventions needed to catalyse economic

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growth in this country. More often than not, these never see the light of day. It therefore has become a box-ticking exercise rather than a platform of substantive engagement on what needs to be done.

Secondly, we reject this report because there is nothing new offered. The ANC is still fixated on attracting foreign direct investment, and they are willing to undermine every other right citizens have in order to attract this. You are also willing to sell off our sovereignty as a nation for a slice of bread. So doing, you have completely abrogated the role of state in development and handed over all our developmental aspirations to foreign direct investment. Your trust in the ability of capital to willingly advance our developmental aspiration is completely misplaced. They demonstrated their cunning, evil ways over the past 10 years. Because they disliked Zuma, they criminally withheld investment in the country, thereby driving the country to near collapse. The only resolution to this problem is to decisively take control of the strategic sectors of the economy to redirect the processes of growth for the benefit of all.

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The EFF has further advised you that South Africa must introduce a Bill that seeks to protect our local economy. Our country has the potential to create jobs. The simple thing that you need to do is stop importing yoghurt, stop importing juice, stop importing chicken, and start focusing on our local economy to produce your own yoghurt. Thank you very much. [Time expired.]

Mr J A ESTERHUIZEN: House Chair, there is nothing wrong with trade agreements with other influential economies, but the Department of Trade and Industry must realise that China only acts ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): Order, hon members!

Mr J A ESTERHUIZEN: The Department of Trade and Industry must realise that China only acts in its own interest. We must remember in this department that China buys almost exclusively coal, iron ore, and other mining commodities and is in no way, shape, or form interested in any value-added trade that could otherwise enhance the South African economy.

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Last year, the export of value-added goods to China from South Africa was only 7%. This was in sharp contrast to imports from China which represented almost 90%. The glaring disparity and inequality clearly show a massive threat to the local industries in South Africa that already battle to survive the damage created by cheap Chinese imports on nearly every industrial and household product. This is clearly visible in our high unemployment rate and low growth.

Minister Davies is probably unfamiliar with the reason as to why the USA has implemented tariffs on Chinese imports in an attempt to save its local industries, but he would be well advised to look into this matter. I thank you.

Ms J L FUBBS: House Chairperson, good afternoon. Let me say at the outset that the ANC fully supports this Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report of the committee.

Trade and Industry has marched ahead steadily. We have a Minister who has a footprint in every country of the world and as for indicating - one of the DA members here

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indicated that, actually, the investment was so bad that the President had to actually run this conference. As a matter of fact, at that investment conference, other countries congratulated the Minister of Trade and Industry because R400 billion of that investment was already signed and sealed. A further R2,5 billion was brought in. So, may I suggest that you study your financial reports much more carefully? [Interjections.] Let me move on to the other thing. As for saying the ANC does not want to take action, we applauded the action taken against the South African Bureau of Standards that compromised the protocols. There was speedy action from the department.

Secondly, we are absolutely committed to ensuring that we do not compromise the health of our people by expedient measures in the national regulative compulsory services. May I add to the EFF, certainly, we do support the point you made about localisation. If only all South Africans, especially those in the elite areas, were as committed as we are in the ANC.

We support this. Thank you. [Applause.] [Interjections.]

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Question put: That the motion moved by Mr P D N Maloyi be agreed to.

Division demanded.

The House divided.

VOTING

[TAKE IN FROM MINUTES.]

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): The voting session is now closed. Why are you rising, hon member? We are in the middle of a voting session.

IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA: Yebo kukhona into engibona ukuthi aniyiqikeleli lapha. Asazi abantu bavele banyamalale nje ngabe kwenzakalani, kukhona umlingo la? [Uhleko.] Kodwa singabantu asibaboni ukuthi bakuphi ngempela kanti amaphoyisa yini umsebenzi wawo. Sisenkingeni abantu asibaboni, abantu abaphilayo noma abantu asebafa.

[Ubuwelewele.]

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English:

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): Thank you, hon member. I know at times, hon member, they just mysteriously disappear. I don't know what happens to them. [Interjections.] [Laughter.]

As the result of the division showed that there were not sufficient members present for a vote to be taken, as required by Rule 96(b), decision of question postponed.

ETHIOPIA FIRST FEMALE PRESIDENT

(Draft Resolution)

Ms D D RAPHUTI (ANC): Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): Hon member, can you just stop. Hon members, there is still many members moving around. You may continue, hon member.

Ms D D RAPHUTI (ANC): Chairperson, I move without notice:

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That the House -

- (1) welcomes the election of a senior diplomat Sahle-Work Zewde as Ethiopia's first female president;
- (2) also notes that Sahle-Work was United Nations Under-Secretary General and special representative of the Secretary General to the African Union;
- (3) recalls that she replaces Mulatu Teshome Wirtu, who tendered his resignation to Parliament;
- (4) acknowledges, however, that the president's post is a ceremonial one in Ethiopia, as the prime minister, who is the head of state, holds executive power;
- (5) recognises that Sahle-Work becomes the fourth president since the ruling Ethiopian Peoples' Revolutionary Democratic Front, EPRDF, coalition came to power;

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Ai, I am being disturbed.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Mr C T Frolick): Hon members, hon members, there is too much noise in the House. The House is to consider a motion without notice. You cannot make an informed decision if you don't listen to the motion.

Ms D D RAPHUTI (ANC):

- (6) further recognises that the prime minister reshuffled her Cabinet and appointed 10 female ministers making Ethiopia the third country in Africa, after Rwanda and Seychelles, to achieve gender parity in their Cabinets;
- (7) trusts that her appointment as a female head of state will advance and bolster the recognition of more women as decision-makers in public life in that country;
- (8) further trusts that her appointment will also seek to advance the gender transformation agenda in all areas of social endeavour; and

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- (9) wishes Sahle-Work success in her new position of responsibility.

Agreed to.

SOUTHERN CAPE WILDFIRES

(Draft Resolution)

Mr R T HUGO (DA): Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

- (1) notes that a wildfire that started on 24 October 2018 has been raging through the Southern Cape;
- (2) further notes that the fire has claimed eight lives, of which six were children;
- (3) also notes that the George and Knysna Municipalities in the Garden Route have commenced with the evacuation of residents in

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the affected areas of Blanco and Rheenendal;
and

- (4) also thanks the amazing fire department and the emergency services for their excellent work in fighting the fire.

Afrikaans:

- (5) Wil ook 'n woord van dank aan die Wes-Kaap primier, Helen Zille, asook Minister Alan Winde rig wat tyd in hul besige skedule gemaak het om die gebied te besoek.

Agreed to.

ALGERIAN WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

(Draft Resolution)

Mr M N PAULSEN (EFF): Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

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- (1) notes that on this day 64 years ago, the Algerian War of Independence began;
- (2) further notes that it was a war waged by the colonised and oppressed people of Algeria against the oppressive colonial regime of France;
- (3) recalls that for over a century the French had colonised Algeria like they had in much of Africa;
- (4) further recalls that under their rule the land and natural resources of Algeria were expropriated while the people of Algeria and their labour was exploited for profit;
- (5) acknowledges that the Algerian people are fighters and that on 1 November 1954, they took up arms to fight for what was theirs;
- (6) further acknowledges that the war of independence was a brutal and violent war, with

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the barbaric French army engaging in mass torture and execution of civilians;

(7) remembers that by the time the war ended in 1962, over one million Algerians had lost their lives; and

(8) further remembers those who lost their lives in the noble struggle for freedom and honours their legacy by committing to the total liberation of Africa and the realisation of economic freedom in our life time.

Agreed to.

JOURNALISTS INTERNATIONAL DAY

(Draft Resolution)

Mr G J SKOSANA (ANC): Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

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- (1) notes that the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 2 November as the International Day to end impunity for crimes against journalists;
- (2) further notes that the date was chosen in commemoration of the assassination of two French journalists in Mali on 2 November 2013;
- (3) recalls that in the past 12 years, close to 1010 journalists have been killed for reporting the news and bringing information to the public;
- (4) realises that impunity leads to more killings and is often a symptom of worsening conflict and the breakdown of law and judicial systems;
- (5) acknowledges the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly urging member states to implement definite measures countering the present culture of impunity;

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- (6) urther acknowledges that this landmark resolution condemns all attacks and violence against journalists and media workers;
- (7) understands that it further calls upon states to promote a safe and enabling environment for journalists to perform their work independently without undue interference; and
- (8) calls upon countries to observe the resolution and promote safety of journalists.

Agreed to.

WORLD CITIES DAY

(Draft Resolution)

Mr M HLENGWA (IFP): Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

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- (1) notes that Wednesday, 31 October marked World Cities Day;
- (2) further notes that the day greatly promotes the international community's interest in global urbanization, pushing forward co-operation among countries in meeting opportunities and addressing challenges of urbanization, and contributing to sustainable urban development around the world;
- (3) acknowledges that cities need support to become resilient and develop their capacity to absorb the impact of hazards, protect and preserve human life and limit damage to and destruction of public and private assets while continuing to provide infrastructure and services after a crisis;
- (4) further acknowledges that this is particularly important for us in this country because we are faced with a flurry of issues that affect us every single day that emanate directly from

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poor planning for the gradual increase in the proportions of people moving from rural to urban areas;

(5) appreciates that urbanization provides the potential for new forms of social inclusion, including greater equality, access to services and new opportunities for those who otherwise would not have had them; and

(6) finally, calls on the government to ensure that they partake in the observation of this day so as to draw ideas and clues from the global community in addressing the issues associated with people moving to urban areas.

Agreed to.

DRC SECOND NATIONAL ELECTIONS

(Draft Resolution)

Mr S C MNCWABE (NFP): Chairperson, I move without notice:

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That the House -

- (1) notes that the Democratic Republic of Congo is going for its second national elections on 23 December 2018;
- (2) further notes that there are 25 presidential candidates contesting the elections;
- (3) also notes that the current President, Kabila, has announced his intention not to contest these incoming elections; and
- (4) wherefore, we call upon this House to wish the people of the Congo peaceful and successful elections.

Agreed to.

DEATH OF SEVEN FAMILY MEMBERS IN VLAKFONTEIN

(Draft Resolution)

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Ms Y N PHOSA: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

- (1) notes with sadness the death of seven family members - three women and four children - who were discovered buried under piles of sand in bedrooms of the house in Vlakfontein on Monday, 29 October 2018;
- (2) recalls that a woman and three children were initially found buried underneath sand in one room, the police then proceeded to a back room in the same yard, where three more bodies, two women and a child, were discovered, also buried beneath sand;
- (3) understands that the discovery was made after the police officers responded to a complaint from a community member about a stench coming from the house;

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- (4) acknowledges that a man believed to be a foreign national with multiple identities and claiming to be a doctor at Charlotte Maxeke Academic Hospital, is being held for questioning by police;
- (5) commends the Government of Gauteng for the support and commitment to help the family with medical attention and burial; and
- (6) conveys its condolences to the Khoza family on the death of their loved ones.

Agreed to.

MURDER OF VIWE DALINGOZI BY HER PARTNER

(Draft Resolution)

Mr M L W FILTANE: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

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- (1) notes with sadness the murder of Viwe Dalingozi allegedly by her partner;
- (2) further notes that it is alleged that the partner burnt her in her Johannesburg flat in the early hours of Friday 26 October;
- (3) understands that she later died on Sunday 28 October, due to the severity of her burn wounds;
- (4) sends its deepest condolences to the family of the victim.
- (5) calls for the law enforcement agencies to leave no stone unturned during its investigations surrounding the circumstances of this sad death, and that this investigation must be concluded with utmost urgency; and
- (6) further calls for the aggressive implementation of civic education on gender, in particular

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starting from the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence and throughout the year.

Agreed to.

SUPPORT TO FARMERS

(Draft Resolution)

Mnr C H HUNSINGER (DA): Voorsitter, hiermee stel ek sonder kennisgewing voor:

Dat –

- (1) die Huis kennisneem van plaaslike boere, produsente, verskeie vragmotormaatskappye en vragmotoreienaars van die Swartland en Bergriviergebied wat die afgelope week saamgestaan het om 18 vragmotors vol voer na die droogtegeteisterde Namakwalandstreek te stuur;
- (2) verder kennis neem dat die voer geskenk was deur produsente van die Swartland en Bergrivierstreek

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om vir ongeveer 50 boere in die gebiede van Garies, Loeriesfontein en Kamieskroon in die Noord-Kaap by te staan en te help;

(3) die boereverenigings en lede bedank vir hulle bereidwilligheid om te mobiliseer en in te spring met werwings- en logistiekebeplanning om hierdie hulp en ondersteuning vanuit die Weskus-koringgebied te kon realiseer;

(4) die geweldige bydrae van die hooforganiseerder en fasiliteerder van die Droogtehulp vir Boereprojek, mnr Burre Burger, erken, want hy is sedert die droogtehulpprojek begin het in Mei 2017 betrokke en het reeds 907 vragte georganiseer en afgelewer en wil sy teiken van 1 000 vragte voor Kersfees vanjaar behaal; en

(5) hom hartlik bedank.

**RULING OF CONSTITUTIONAL COURT TO OVERTURN AN EVICTION
FOR THE COMMUNITY OF LESETLHENG**

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(Draft Resolution)

Mr N S MATIASE: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

- (1) welcomes the ruling of the Constitutional Court on 25 October overturning an eviction order which would have resulted in the community of Lesetlheng, in the North West, been forced off their land to make way for mining;
- (2) notes that the decision in 2008 by the Department of Mineral Resources to grant a mining licence to the mining companies on land occupied by the Lesetlheng community was unconstitutional, and a continuation of centuries of land dispossession of black South Africans by mining companies and white monopoly capitalists facilitated by the state;
- (3) acknowledges that the ruling by the high court in the land not only protects the community of

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Lesetlheng from being evicted, but sets a legal precedent, which in future will prevent any attempts by mining companies to use our people's land without their consent; and

- (4) calls on the Department of Mineral Resources to note the decision by the Constitutional Court, and allow the court's ruling to guide the granting of mining licences in the future. This ruling, unequivocally says to all and in sundry, put people before profit.

Agreed to.

KILLING OF THREE PEOPLE AT NYANGA TAXI RANK

(Draft Resolution)

Ms M O MATSHOBA: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

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- (1) notes with sadness the killing of three people at Nyanga taxi rank on Friday 19 October 2018;
- (2) further notes that three men in their forties were shot and fatally wounded by unidentified men who entered a meeting and fired shots at the victims;
- (3) deplores the increase in crime particularly in Nyanga area;
- (4) calls upon the community of Nyanga to come forward and assist the law enforcement agencies in apprehending the perpetrators;
- (5) supports the investigation of these murders to bring to book those responsible;
- (6) conveys its condolences to the families of the deceased; and
- (7) wishes those injured a speedy recovery.

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Agreed to.

ACCIDENT ON THE N4 HIGHWAY IN MPUMALANGA

(Draft Resolution)

Mr D MNGUNI: Chairperson, I move without notice:

That the House -

- (1) notes with great shock and dismay the accident on the N4 highway in Mpumalanga, which has claimed 14 lives and left 11 injured on Friday evening 26 October 2018;
- (2) further notes that the horror crash happened between Mbombela and Malelane and involved two trucks, one minibus taxi and one sedan;
- (3) understands that the collision occurred as one of the vehicles, believed to be the taxi, was attempting to overtake when the driver of the other vehicle swerved to avoid the overtaking

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vehicle, resulting in a crash with one of the trucks;

- (4) believes most road accidents are caused by human error and disobeying of road safety regulations;
- (5) appeals to motorists to always observe and respect road safety regulations especially as we approach the festive season;
- (6) supports the investigation that is underway to ascertain the cause of the accident; and
- (7) conveys its condolences to the families of the deceased and wishes those injured a speedy recovery.

Agreed to.

**COMMEMORATION OF MEDIA FREEDOM DAY AND THE ANNIVERSARY OF
BLACK WEDNESDAY**

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(Draft Resolution)

Mr C H M MAXEGWANA: House Chair, I move without notice:

That the House –

- (1) commemorates Media Freedom Day and the anniversary of Black Wednesday annually on October 19;
- (2) recalls that in 1977, South Africa's apartheid government banned three publications *The World*, *Weekend World* and a church publication *Pro Veritate* and outlawed 17 antiapartheid groups during a one day crackdown which came to be known as Black Wednesday;
- (3) notes that in South Africa, the media enjoys editorial independence and our Constitution is unambiguous about the protection of media freedom;

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- (4) believes that while the freedom of the media should be protected, the media has a responsibility to report fairly, truthfully, avoid exaggeration and departure from the facts;
- (5) use this day to recognise the role the media plays in strengthening our democracy;
- (6) further understands that media freedom is one of the cornerstones of democracy, and that this freedom should be guarded at all times; and
- (7) calls upon South Africans to recognise and support media freedom by deepening relations with the media to reflect a genuine South African stories.

Agreed to.

**MPUMALANGA IDENTIFIED AS THE WORLD'S LARGEST AIR
POLLUTION HOTSPOT**

(Draft Resolution)

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Mr R K PURDORN: I hereby move without notice:

That the House –

- (1) notes that recent Greenpeace analysis identified Mpumalanga as the world's largest air pollution hotspot across six continents;
- (2) also notes that the Witbank area has the dirtiest air in the world;
- (3) further notes that South Africa has the most polluting cluster of coal-fired power stations in the world; and
- (4) calls on all relevant government departments and Ministries to revisit this national air pollution crisis with the urgency it deserves.

Agreed to.

DEATH OF A CHILEAN TOURIST SLAVO YAKSIC

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(Draft Resolution)

Ms Z C FAKU: House Chair, I move without notice:

That the House –

- (1) notes with sadness the killing of the Chilean tourist Slavo Yaksic whose body was discovered with stab wounds at a Ladysmith mortuary over the weekend;
- (2) recalls that according to reports, Yaksic was last seen alive between Dundee and Underberg, KwaZulu-Natal on 24 September 2018;
- (3) further recalls that a passer-by found his body on 13 October outside Ladysmith and alerted the local authorities;
- (4) understands that his father Sergio Yaksic identified his son's body on Saturday, bringing a tragic end to the search for the Chilean

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backpacker who had been missing in KwaZulu-Natal
for over three weeks;

(5) finds this incident tragic and deplorable;

(6) condemns this act of barbarism in the strongest
terms possible;

(7) calls on law enforcement agencies to ensure that
this matter is investigated thoroughly, and to
leave no stone unturned until the perpetrators
are brought to book; and

(8) conveys its condolences to the Yaksic family on
this tragedy.

Agreed to.

NORTH WEST LEGISLATURE CELEBRATES ALBERTINA SISULU

(Member's Statement)

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Ms P E ADAMS (ANC): As part of celebrating the life of the struggle icon, Mama Albertina Sisulu, the North West legislature brought services of government closer to the people when they organised health screening stations for people to test their high blood pressure, cholesterol and diabetes as part of promoting wellness on Friday 26 October 2018 in the Brits Sports Complex.

About 2 500 senior citizens from Bojanala District and 360 from other districts participated in various sporting activities which included a fun run; soccer; netball and indigenous games.

Mama Albertina Sisulu was a political activist, a nurse and one of the most influential leaders of the antiapartheid resistance in South Africa and was often referred to as the "mother of the nation". She spent her life alongside her late husband and struggle icon, Walter Sisulu fighting for human rights in the country and the world.

She was one of the organisers of the historic anti-pass Women's March in 1956 and opposed to the Bantu education

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phenomenon. She was the one who elected Tata Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela as the first black president of the Republic of South Africa. The ANC commends the North West legislature for working hand in hand with pensioners to ensure that they are prioritised when delivering services to communities. I thank you.

ECONOMIC GROWTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT STILL A CHALLENGE

(Member's Statement)

Mr D J MAYNIER: House Chairperson, we must face the fact that President Cyril Ramaphosa's new path of economic growth, employment and of transformation has been shuttered. We have had summits, conferences and dialogues on economic growth, employment and transformation. But the more summits, conferences and more dialogues we have the more unemployment we have.

We now have a staggering 9,75 million people who do not have jobs or who have given up looking for jobs. We have a staggering 6,1 million young people who do not have

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jobs or who have given up looking for jobs. They live without dignity, independence and freedom.

We are in this situation because President Cyril Ramaphosa is a man without a plan to fix the economy. The fact is, as long as President Cyril Ramaphosa and the commissars who support him, like the hon Ebrahim Patel, have a job, then the 9,75 million people who do not have jobs or who have given up looking for jobs, will never have jobs.

So, let us come together in our thousands, hundreds of thousands and in our millions and fire them in elections 2019. [Applause.]

**DA'S LACK OF VISION IN THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN
MUNICIPALITY'S SHACK FIRES**

(Member's Statement)

Ms Y N YAKO (EFF): Hon House Chair, as the EFF we are seriously concerned by the acute housing crisis facing

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poor African people in this country. This is manifested year after year through regular shack fires which leave behind trails of destruction and despair. The fire that burnt down hundreds of shacks in Khayelitsha, in Samora and in Masiphumelele and many other areas around the country point to just one postulate that the ANC and the DA do not give a rat behind about the plight of our poor people. The DA in the City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality has gone to the extent of stocking up shack replacement material costing millions of rands instead of ensuring that our people are properly housed.

This is because that to the white masters of the DA it is perfectly okay for the black people to live and be kept in shacks. They always boast about the Cape Town having the lowest rate of joblessness because the idea of jobs is having black people cleaning white people's underwear. The ANC is not any better. There is no visionary resolution of the housing crisis in this country because most of the land needed to build houses is in the hands of the tiny minority of white families.

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The only enjoying resolution to this crisis is through legalising land expropriation without compensation and build people houses closer to the areas they are working in. Shacks must be completely abolished because they are nothing more than a rat infested labour concentration camps. Thank you.

**ANC WELCOMES DONATIONS BY FLIGHT CENTRE FOUNDATION AND
CLEAN C NGOS TO MARCONI BEAM PRIMARY SCHOOL IN MILNERTON**

(Member's Statement)

Mr X MABASA (ANC): Hon House Chair, as the ANC we applaud two local organisations, Flight Centre Foundation and the Clean C NGOs as well as the international organisation Solar Buddy from Australia for lending a hand in the Thuma Mina Campaign by donating R1 730 solar lights to Marconi Beam Primary School recently. This is an example that other organisations should follow. The donated lights will help them study at night and give pupils an opportunity to improve their education capabilities as most of them live in Joe Slovo Park, a mix of informal and formal housing between Milnerton and Montagu village

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and use kerosene lamps when studying at home during the night. They are much safer than candles and other types of lamps and of course solar power is free.

Children will now be able to focus without thinking of danger or threats of causing danger due to the risk of burning candles and paraffin lamps. Once again the ANC thanks the partnership of local and international organisations in making it easier for our children to learn. South Africa needs a renewal that will not come from a gift or a messiah but from a sense of energy. We believe that each of us has a responsibility to create a better tomorrow.

Xitsonga:

Ndza khensa. [Thank you.]

ILLEGAL MINING AFFECTS SMALL-SCALE MINING

(Member's Statement)

Mr J A ESTERHUIZEN (IFP): Hon House Chair, the issuing of mining licenses negligently has led to the many licenses

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being issued which is now proven almost unmanageable. Illegal mining operations are fast spiralling out of control which apart from being a burden on the taxpayer also carries environmental health and safety issues.

Small-scale mining usually operate in the remote and unregulated areas and is merely impossible to tax and also possess same security challenges as illegal mining operations. There are 6 150 abandoned mines in South Africa where the all bodies and most are still better than anywhere of in the world.

The Minerals and Mining Amendment Act will do so much to reduce the onslaught on illegal miners. This will prohibits every form of illegal mining and criminalise mining without a license. Innovation in terms of business solutions and better cohesion between mining companies, labour policy implementation is of the outmost importance. Adjustments and reinforcements from government are urgently needed.

It is therefore essential for government to responsibly deal with the socioeconomic problems for both small-scale

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and illegal mining operations such as conflicts, damage to the environment, health risk and child labour when such operations are being conducted in the remote and rural areas. I thank you.

**ANC-LED GOVERNMENT CONTINUES WITH EXHUMATION AND REBURIAL
OF FORMER LIBERATION FIGHTERS HANGED BY APARTHEID**

(Member's Statement)

Mr D D GAMEDE (ANC): Hon House Chair, the ANC took a resolution in Polokwane that our government should exhume the bodies of former liberation fighters who died at the hands of the apartheid regime and handover those remains to their families for reburial. These are not just ANC members but PAC and other liberation movements. The intent is to bring closer to many families for their loved ones to be buried next to them.

On Sunday 28 October 2018 the exhumed bodies of two PAC martyrs, Gqibile Nicholas Hans and Johannes Jabavu who were hanged at the Pretoria Central Prison were handed over to their families for reburial. They were hanged at

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the prisons for incidents that took place during intense political turmoil between 1963 and 1967. At that time bodies of hanged prisoners remained in the property of the state and families were not permitted to attend the burials.

This event follows the reburial of six more members of Poqo who were hanged in 1963. The bodies of six PAC members were exhumed on 24 October 2018 at the Mamelodi West Cemetery. The ongoing exhumations form part of the Gallows Exhumation Project aimed at recovering the remains of political prisoners who were hanged at the gallows prior to the suspension of the death penalty in 1990.

The ANC is pleased that our fellow liberation fighters, the PAC and other liberation movements have approved these programmes which the government is executing. I thank you.

**UDM SADDENED BY THE ABSENCE OF WOMEN FROM NPA NOMINATED
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(Member's Statement)

Mr M L W FILTANE (UDM): Hon House Chair, the UDM is astonished by the failure of the legal bodies to nominate a woman to lead the National Prosecuting Authority, NPA. We share a deep concern of the President about this bizarre lack of gender representation among candidates for this critical office in our constitutional democracy and the justice system in particular. It exposes the urgency with which we need to address the task of transforming the legal fraternity of our country. It is sadly impossible that there are no credible and equally competitive women to discharge this function.

It may be prudent that the President widens the scope of nominating bodies and if it is permissible in law, emphasise the need to consider women. As part of our transformation, we must start by changing our mindset. It can not be that after 24 years into democracy our thinking processes are still imprisoned by the demon of patriarchy.

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The initiative of the Pan African Bar Association of South Africa which was launched last Tuesday 23 October 2018 has to be appreciated and supported. One of its aims is to ensure that black and female advocates are briefed to argue cases involving commercial, tax and construction law. Through this initiative we must root sexism out of the system. In the words of Justice Ngcobo during the 10 year celebrations of the SA Legal Fellowship Network, he made the made the following statement:

We need to transform our society as envisioned by the Constitution that introduced a constitutional order with values which our democracy is made of. Human Rights are at the heart of transforming our institutions including law firms. We need to recognise that at the eve of our democracy, we had one of the most unequal societies in the world that included unequal employment opportunities. The Constitution has put in place measures that are designed to address matters of the previously disadvantaged so that they can enjoy what the country has to offer. Transformation is required by the Constitution.

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I thank you.

UNITED STATES PRODUCT EXEMPTIONS FOR ALUMINIUM

(Member's Statement)

Ms J L FUBBS (ANC): House Chair, the ANC welcomes the exemptions for aluminium and steel from section 232 duties by the US Department of Commerce after the proclamation by President Trump on steel and aluminium products for South Africa.

South Africa, through the Minister of Trade and Industry made constructive submissions to the US government, which is now being positively acknowledged by President Trump. These significantly impacts on the retention of jobs that were threatened by the US's duties. These product exemptions are applicable to companies whose bias in the US made requests to the Commerce Department for products to be excluded from section 232 duties.

The ANC government urges domestic exporters of steel and aluminium to encourage their buyers and distributors to

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apply for exemption from section 232 duties to the US Department of Commerce. We want to recognise, as the ANC, as I am sure many others in this House, the efforts of Minister Davies, through his constructive engagement with the US authorities, including the US representative ambassador, Lighthizer, and secretary of commerce, Wilbur Ross. [Time expired.] Indeed, this means that trade will reach R161 billion in 2017. [Applause.]

THE INVISIBLE SCHOOL IN MOGALAKWENA

(Member's Statement)

Ms D VAN DER WALT (DA): House Chair, corruption by ANC office-holders in Limpopo continues to betray the future of that province's children. In August this year, the DA discovered another disgrace. In 2010, the ANC had promised to build the Rantuku Primary School in Mogalakwena, this is still just an open piece of veld.

The people of Masodi village refer to it now as the invisible school. There is no scholar transport and learners have to walk long distances, crossing two

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national roads, which has already cost the lives of seven children.

In October, just 19 months after the grand ANC style opening by the MEC, Ishmael Kgetjepe, the Vhafamadi Secondary School in Vuwani, in Limpopo, is declared unsafe. Classrooms and parts of the administration centre have been cordoned off to block access to unsafe areas. Makeshift lintels and wooden poles support parts of building that threatens to collapse at any time.

The ANC has promised to closely monitor contracts to build schools. If they are, how did this happen? How on earth did the non-profit organisation, NPO, run by a Limpopo boxing promoter, with no experience or track record in the construction or building industry, receive the R28 million Lotto grant to oversee the building of the school? But no eyebrows are raised ... [Time expired.] The ANC doesn't care.

TEMPORARY HOUSING DUE TO DURBAN CORRUPTION

(Member's Statement)

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IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA (EFF): Ngicela umsindo uthule kuthi cwaka. [Ubuwelewele.] Sihlalo wami ngithi angizwakalise nalu usizi olubhekene nabantu bakithi. Kunabantu abahlaliswa kulezi zindlu okuthiwa oLindela. Ngokomthetho lezi zindlu okungoLindela akuzona izindlu enithi phecelezi ngesiNgisi "permanent house". Leziya zindlu ngokomthetho basuke abantu besabekwe okwesikhashana kuzona ngenkathi kusakhiwa ezinye. Kepha laphaya eThekwini kunobugebengu engingabazi ukuthi sizokubinza ngani kanye naleMeya yakhona okuthiwa uZandile Gumede

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uyakhuluma ngabo u-ANC akabi nenkinga kodwa uma ubheka ngabantu abamnyama. Angeke ubone olunye uhlanga luhlala laphaya. We Sihlalo ngicela ungangivali ngoba lento ibalulekile. Kwawena kufuneka uyibone ukuthi ibuhlungu. [Kwaphela isikhathi.]

SHUTTING DOWN OF A DRUG LABORATORY

(Member's Statement)

Ms M A MOLEBATSI (ANC): House Chair, the ANC applauds the law enforcement agencies for a job well done in shutting down a drug laboratory at a house in Mayberry Park, Alberton, in Ekurhuleni.

They confiscated drugs believed to be worth more than R1 million. The success of the police operation has been made possible by patriotic and law-abiding citizens, who tipped off the police about suspicious activities at the said property.

The Gauteng Narcotics Unit pounced on the house and found large amounts of tik and cat as well as various equipment

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and chemicals used to manufacture drugs. The suspect aged 35 found inside the house was arrested.

The ANC welcome the community's co-operation with the police. It is through such co-operation in July 2018 that a law enforcement agency brought down a major drug operation in Hutting in KwaZulu-Natal. The ANC and the South African population have confidence in the police and resolutely stand by them to intensify the campaign against drugs and substance abuse and shutting down of more drug laboratories in our country. I thank you.

IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA: Uxole weSihlalo, ngokukhulu ukuhlonipha angilwi nawe. Ngiyabonga. Hhawu wena, ave ngikuthanda. Bengithi mina ngokwami bengizocela ilungu elihloniphekile uPeggy Nkonyeni ngoba ebelaphaya eMkhandlwini kube nguyena ositshelayo ukuthi uthini ngalabantu ngalolu daba ngoba uyalwazi.

USIHLALO WENDLU (Nk G M Boroto): Kulungile Mama, ngizocela ukuthi uyokhuluma naye laphayana.

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[Ubuwelewele.] Cha, hhayi lapho kwi-Mic iya kuyena uzokwemukela kahle ukhulume naye.

THE CAPTURE OF THE DA LEADER

(Member's Statement)

Ms J D KILLIAN (ANC): Chairperson, it is abundantly clear that the DA leader has been captured by a small predominantly white cabal and a very arrogant and conservative one, at that. [Interjections.] The group of predominantly young men presents him as the face of the DA, while they actually try to pull his strings behind the scenes. [Interjections.] DA leaders ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Hon Chief Whip of the DA, I cannot hear. I can only hear you. Please. [Interjections.]

Ms J D KILLIAN: DA leaders who are not prepared to toe the cabal line are being hounded out of the party and then accused of being corrupt. [Interjections.] The latest victim was the mayoral committee member, Brett

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Herron. [Interjections.] A former DA youth member and law student at the University of Stellenbosch posted an opinion piece this morning on News 24. He said, and I quote:

Any member who is considered rebellious is deemed to be corrupt. Freedom of thought and of speech was suppressed in the DA. Strict control was exercised over members' views and e-mails instructed them what to say on social media. [Interjections.] More left-wing views and leaders expressing such views were branded black nationalists. [Time expired.]

[Interjections.]

The bottom line is: The DA is fake. [Interjections.]

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Order, members. Order! [Interjections.] Hon members, please, we are still in the House. The work must go on. You can share whatever outside this room.

**THE IMPACT OF THE GREAT VBS MUTUAL BANK HEIST ON
MUNICIPALITIES**

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(Member's Statement)

Mr K J MILEHAM (DA): House Chair, the great VBS Mutual Bank heist orchestrated and facilitated by ANC and EFF heavyweights, such as Danny Msiza and Florence Radzilani, the Shavambu brothers and more recently, Minister Zweli Mkhize has had a huge impact on municipalities and citizens across the length and breadth of South Africa.

The latest victim is West Rand District Municipality that confirmed that they were unable to pay the salaries of municipal staff this month. The municipality lost a total of R77 million through illegal deposits with VBS.

Yesterday, workers held councillor and senior managers hostage for more than 12 hours, while trying to sort out the financial crisis. This municipality has not taken any action against the municipal manager or chief financial officer and these two officials are refusing to cooperate with investigators.

The municipality has not implemented an approved financial recovery plan. They have gone so far as to

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claim that their actions were legal, having obtained a legal opinion that flies in the face of the Municipal Finance Management Act and municipal finance regulations. Neither the national, nor the provincial executives had intervened, as they are constitutionally obligated to do, in terms of section 139 of the Constitution.

The DA is now looking at legal action to ensure that the Minister of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs and the provincial and national executives comply with their legal duty and place this dysfunctional municipality under immediate administration.

Ms N V MENTE: Chairperson, on a point of order: Can the DA member over here, member Mileham, withdraw what he just said. He said that there are Shivambu brothers. There are no Shivambu brothers mentioned in the report. There is one Shivambu. There are no Shivambu brothers, except for the gossip which their own Cachalia had withdrawn.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Thank you very much, hon member. I don't think ...

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Ms N V MENTE: They must not come here and lie. They withdrew that statement.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): No, hon member.

Ms N V MENTE: No, he must withdraw that. Why not?

[Interjections.]

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): No, hon member.

[Interjections.]

Ms N V MENTE: There are no Shivambu brothers. There is a brother. There is one Shivambu brother. There is not Shivambu brothers mentioned in the report.

[Interjections.]

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Hon Mente, I cannot ask him to withdraw because he is talking about the Shivambu brothers. I don't know which Shivambu brothers he is talking about. So, I am not going to allow that withdrawal. [Interjections.]

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Ms N V MENTE: Chairperson, you know very well what he means. You know very well what he means. Their own Cachalia withdrew that statement.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): On this chair, ...

Ms N V MENTE: No, he says Shivambu brothers. There are no Shivambu brothers ... [Inaudible.] ... report of the VBS. There is one Shivambu brother. He must not come here and make ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Hon member, take your seat!

THE CHIEF WHIP OF THE OPPOSITION: I have just ... [Inaudible.] ... that your ruling is being sustained. Are you sustaining the ruling?

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): No, I am done. Can we continue? Hon members, that concludes member statements. [Interjections.]

Ms N V MENTE: Chairperson, you cannot do that.

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IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA: Bathi uyintshontshile lemali. Lamasela lawa, yiwona ayintshontshile lemali.

Ms N V MENTE: You cannot do that. You are not going to come here and ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): No, hon members, I am not going to take a guess.

Ms N V MENTE: We are not going to come here and mislead the House. We are not going to do it.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): I don't know who the person is talking about. So, don't feel offended by that.

Ms N V MENTE: No, I am feeling offended because you ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): I am doing my work here. If you want a point of debate, you will get it from him. Thank you.

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Ms N V MENTE: No, I am not going to debate ... Chair!
Chair!

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): The statements are done. Can we have the responses?

Ms H O MKHALIPI: Chair, on a point of order: If you are saying that you cannot guess, why don't you ask him which Shivambu brothers he refers to? [Interjections.]

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): That has never happened and ...

Ms H O MKHALIPI: No, Chair, ask him. There is only one Shivambu in this House. Why are you allowing the DA to do this grandstanding?

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): Hon member, he has never talked about a member of this House. So, who ...

Ms H O MKHALIPI: He did.

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The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): He talked about the Shivambu brothers.

Ms H O MKHALIPI: He did. Why are you protecting them? Why are you protecting these ...

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): I am done with that issue. Hon members, if you are not happy with my ruling, you know that you can take it to the Rules Committee. I am not going to allow you to continue like that.

Ms H O MKHALIPI: But why are you protecting these people?

Mr L M NTSWAYISA: Chairperson, you did not call our name. No, the AIC is supposed to make our statement.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): I don't have the AIC here. I think there are groups. I am not sure how they work.

Mr L M NTSWAYISA: I was informed that I have to read the statement here. I am not sure what happened.

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The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M BOROTO): I don't have the AIC on my documents.

Mr L M NTSHAYISA: It is very unfortunate.

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CANDIDATES**

(Minister's Response)

The MINISTER OF SPORT AND RECREATION: Hon Chairperson, on the statement from hon Mabasa, indeed, we applaud the two organisations as well, because education is a societal matter.

We also applaud the President for having led and brought together the government, private-sector and labour as part of South Africa to go on a united front which then lays the basis for even the international organisation

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and private businesses to contribute to what South Africa seeks to do moving forward.

With the successful job summit with clear deliverables as well as the investment summit, we are looking forward to more of such contributions coming even into the rural areas.

The UDM member who spoke about the issue of gender representation on the submission on the National Prosecuting Authority, NPA, we can't agree more with you, but also to appreciate the leadership of the President, because he has picked it himself and he is making an intervention into the matter.

We are unfortunately not happy as well, because you can see in some of the structures, you can see patriarchy signalling its ugly head continuously not realising that women capabilities and transformation in South Africa is just a must. It is not something that you just live it without seeing it happening.

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Lastly, we continue to ensure that we bring and continue to progress on ... [Time Expired.]

ECONOMIC GROWTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT STILL A CHALLENGE

(Minister's Response)

The MINISTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Chairperson, hon Maynier draws attention to the serious problems of unemployment; unfortunately, he spoiled it by confusing insult with analysis and with policy formulation.

Hon Maynier, the sky will not fall on your head if you celebrate with us on some of our successes. So, you referred to the latest unemployment data. Would it hurt you to point it out to the House and to the nation, that over the last twelve month a 188 000 additional new jobs were created?

Would it hurt you if you pointed out to the nation that in the last quarter 92 000 new jobs were created? Would it hurt you if you pointed out to the nation that 102 000 jobs were created by the private sector in business

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services and we are working with them as we indicated at the investment summit?

Would it hurt you if you pointed out to the nation that the province with biggest generator of new jobs was Limpopo with 41 000 new jobs, that the province with the second biggest generator of new jobs was Gauteng with 22 000 new jobs, that the province with the third biggest generators of new jobs was Mpumalanga with 20 000 new jobs. Celebrate with us?

I wish members of the DA could have been at the investment conference, you would have in fact been inspired by the views of investors, the increasing confidence that they have and the sense that we are working together to tackle South Africa's employment challenges to grow this economy, to provide opportunities to young people and to create more opportunities for small businesses. Thank you very much.

NORTH WEST LEGISLATURE CELEBRATES ALBERTINA SISULU

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(Minister's Response)

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF TRANSPORT: Chairperson, a member of the DA raises the issue about children who are crossing two national and seven of whom have been killed. I do request that we be provided with that information so that we can for ourselves as to whether there is anything that can be done for those children, particularly who crosses two national roads, if we can be provided with that information.

The ANC member praise Mma Nontsikelelo Abertina Sisuslu, a nurse by profession and I just want to share with the House that in one of the memorial lectures, a woman said she went to her as a midwife to request for the incision of the loop and she checked her to find that she was pregnant. She was this committed ethical and professional nurse. She was able to make that diagnosis and therefore not insert the loop which otherwise would have actually caused abortion.

It is women and professionals that are like Mma Sisulu, who are professional and ethical in their conduct, that

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we require today and which we think can be able to produce. I just want to second and to appreciate that statement. I thank you.

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(Minister's Response)

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES: Hon House Chairperson, just to pick up on what hon Gamede has said about the patriots who have been exhumed, secretly buried by the apartheid regime. We need to commend the government, khulumani, advocate Ntsebenza who are working on this things that those people who were secretly buried must be followed up and we call upon those who were involved in those actions to join the brigade of people who trying just to find the bones, nothing more than that, so that those patriots can be given a decent burial.

Ms H O MKHALIPI: Can we assist, because it seems as if they don't want to?

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The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M Boroto): No, I didn't allow you to speak. You can't do that.

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(Minister's Response)

The DEPUTY MINISTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Hon Chairperson, the EFF member has raised a matter on areas of informal settlement. Indeed, is a concern for all of us and we are actually engaging as the government and we don't look whether this party that is ruling there is the ANC or the DA or the EFF. What we look at is our people and their suffering and to that effect here in Cape Town we are working together with our counterparts here to find out solution in relation to land matters in relation to issues that we have to address. We have to address the issue of human settlement.

Yesterday and on Tuesday, there is a conference that is going in Johannesburg and it is looking at how best we can actually look at spatial planning in such a way that

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our people when they move into urban areas can be able to find suitable places with water and all other facilities. We believe that is going to take us a step forward, it will be difficult for us to ban informal settlement because we will be punishing our poor people that are moving into urban areas who don't have immediate access to places of stay. Thank you.

IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA: Uxolo Sihlalo, uxolo sithandwa sami. Yazi ngizwa ngiphoxeka ngoba la ngifuna ukwazi ukuthi laba bantu abahlala koLindela iminyaka eyishumi nesihlanu bozohlala iminyaka emingaki?

English:

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M Boroto): Take your seat.

Thank you.

IsiZulu:

Nk M S KHAWULA: POINT OF ORDER

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Mina ngifuna umuntu ozongitshela leyonto. Hhayi inganekwane.

The HOUSE CHAIRPERSON (Ms G M Boroto): Hon Khawula, we can't prescribe to the executive on what to respond to. Thank you very much.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Ms M A MOLEBATSI: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the ANC:

That the House debates the transformation of the advertising industry to promote media diversity to ensure plurality of views in society and to address the existing monopoly dominance.

Afrikaans:

Adv H C SCHMIDT: Geagte Voorsitter, hiermee gee ek kennis dat ek op die volgende sittingsdag van die Huis sal voorstel:

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Dat die Huis die probleme wat gekoppel word aan die onwettige mynboupraktyke in Kleinsee en wat nou uitgebrei het na Bloeddrift en Reuning, debateer.

Isixhosa:

Nks N V MENTE: Somlomo Ohloniphekileyo, ndenza isaziso sokuba, xa le Ndlu ihlala kwakhona, ndiza kwenza isiphakamiso egameni le-EFF:

Sokuba le Ndlu -

ixoxe ngemali eyatyiwayo phantsi koMphathiswa uNomvula, kwiSebe lezaManzi noGutyulo lweLindle, ukuze ifumane isisombululo sokuba kungenziwa ntoni na ukuze kubuye imali karhulumente neyabantu abahluphekayo. Enkosi.

Ms J L FUBBS: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the ANC:

That the House debates firm action to improve the governance and performance of state-owned enterprises

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in order to ensure the appointment of skilled staff and qualified board members.

Inkosi E M BUTHELEZI: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the IFP:

That the House debates the high port charges in South African ports which are among the highest in the world.

PROF N M KHUBISA: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the NFP:

That the House debates the causes of wild veld fires, its implications on the welfare of our communities, and ways of combating these fires.

Mr D D GAMEDE: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the ANC:

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That the House debates strengthening mechanisms to isolate and root out corrupt elements in the public and private sectors.

Mr M L W FILTANE: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the UDM:

That the House debates the continued and unacceptable use of high powered rifles by SA Police Service to disperse crowds during protests as doing so poses danger to society as a whole.

Mr Y CASSIM: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the DA:

That the House debates the inability of the SA Police Service to prevent daily hijackings in New Brighton, Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality and the consequences this has on business and job creation in the area.

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Mr N PAULSEN: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the EFF:

That the House debates the role that early childhood development facilities play in improving learner throughput in primary and secondary education.

Ms P E ADAMS: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the ANC:

That the House debates increasing the supply of affordable housing through increasing housing allowances for teachers, nurses, police officers, office workers and many in the gap market.

Mr X MABASA: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the ANC:

That the House debates co-operatives in an economic model that will contribute towards addressing the

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three challenges namely, poverty, unemployment and inequalities.

Mr L M NTSHAYISA: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the AIC:

That the House debates how best to allocate parliamentary funds to political parties represented in Parliament to the advantage of the people on the ground.

Ms T K MOTSHIDI: Chair, I hereby give notice that on the next sitting day of the House I shall move on behalf of the DA:

That the House debates ensuring that women can access and utilise opportunities for them to participate in the fourth industrial revolution.

The House adjourned at 16:52.