# Bougainville House of Representatives

SESSION #: 2		JUNE 2010	MEETING #: 1	
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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# MINUTES OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

# Sitting #: 1

### 1. MEMBERS ASSEMBLE AT THE PODIUM

The Members assembled at the podium, outside of the House of Representatives at 10:00 a.m pursuant to the date fixed for the first meeting of the House following the second House of Representative election.

#### 2. PRAYER

Mr. Robert Tapi (*Clerk*) took the Chair and in accordance with Standing Order 38 said the Lord's Prayer.

### 3. SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE

Sir Salamo Injia (*Chief Justice of Papua New Guinea*) sworn in forty newly elected Members of the House for the constituencies in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville.

### 4. MEMBERS SEATED IN THE CHAMBER

The House met in the Chamber at 2:00 p.m and in accordance with the inaugural daily program of the House. Mr. Robert Tapi (*Clerk*) took the Chair in accordance with Standing Order 14 to administer the election of the Speaker of the House.

### 5. ADMISSION OF NON-MEMBERS

Mr. Robert Tapi (*Clerk of the House*) pursuant to the Standing Order 12 (Admission of non-Members) and with the concurrence of the House admitted –

- (a) Chief Ombudsman of Papua New Guinea and;
- (b) Staff of the National Parliament to assist the Clerk to provide Chamber Services in the House.

### 6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF REGIONAL COMMITTEES.

Mr. Robert Tapi (Clerk of the House) announced in the House:

(1) "THAT the Members elected for the constituencies in South are;

Hon William Silamai - Baba Constituency Hon Joseph Buia - Baubake Constituency Hon Lawrence Uakai - Bolave Constituency Hon Wilfred Kakai Komba - Konnou Constituency - Kopii Constituency Hon Philip Kuhena Hon William Lavabua - Lato Constituency Hon Paul Mitu - Lule Constituency Hon Newton Kauva - Makis Constituency Hon Thomas Mauroko Pataaku - Ramu Constituency

Hon Albert Punghau - Motuna Huyono Constituency

Hon Thomas Suako - Torokina Constituency

Hon Rose Pihei - Regional Womens Representative

Hon Michael Laita -Former Combatants

(2) THAT the Members elected for the constituencies in Central are;

Hon Melchior Dare - Eivo Torau Constituency

Hon Michael Oni
 Hon Joseph Bausina
 Hon Dominic Itta
 Hon Nicholas Darku
 Hon John Ken
 Ioro Constituency
 Kokoda Constituency
 Kongara Constituency
 North Nasioi Constituency
 South Nasioi Constituency

Hon Joseph Egilio - Rau Constituency Hon Robin Wilson - Terra Constituency

Hon Joanne Jerome - Regional Women Representative

Hon David Sisito - Former Combatants

(3) THAT the Members elected for the constituencies in North are;

Hon James Beani - Haku Constituency Hon Patrick Nisira - Halia Constituency Hon Robert H Sawa - Hagogohe Constituency - Peit Constituency Hon Sir Dr Alexis H Sarei Hon Ezekiel Masatt - Tonsu Constituency - Tsitalato Constituency Hon Cosmas Sohia Hon Rev Joseph Nopei - Teua Constituency Hon Terry Mose - Selau Constituency Hon Luke Karaston - Suir Constituency

Hon Carolus Ketsimur - Taonita Tinputz Constituency
Hon Micah Mose - Taonita Teop Constituency

Hon Elizabeth Burain - Regional Womens Representative

Hon Franko Hopping - Former Combatants

(4) THAT the elected Chairmen for respective Regional Committees are;

North Bougainville Regional Committee
South Bougainville Regional Committee
Hon. Robert Hamal Sawa,
Hon. Wilfred K. Komba,
Hon. Robin Wilson".

### 7. ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER

Mr. Robert Tapi (*Clerk*) called for the nominations for the Office of the Speaker from the Regional Committees.

Mr. Dominic Itta (*Member for Kongara Constituency*) nominated Mr. James Tanis for the Office of the Speaker.

Seconded by Mr. Joseph Bausina (Member for Kokoda Constituency)

Candidates accepted.

Mr. Wilfred Komba (*Member for Konnou Constituency and Chairman for South Regional Committee*) nominated Mr. Andrew Miriki for the Office of the Speaker.

Seconded by Mr. Albert Punghau (Member for Motuna/Huyono Constituency)

Candidate accepted.

Mr. Robert H. Sawa (*Member for Hagogohe Constituency and Chairman for North Regional Committee*) nominated Mr. Marcelline Getsi for the Office of the Speaker.

Seconded by Mr. Leo Hannet (Member for Nissan)

Candidate accepted.

Mr. Robin Wilson (*Member for Terra Constituency and Chairman of Central Regional Committee*) nominated Mr. Simon Pentanu for the Office of the Speaker.

Seconded by Mr. Nicholas Darku (Member for North Nasioi)

Candidate accepted.

Mr. Robert Hamal Sawa (*Member for Hagogohe Constituency*) moved: That the nominations for the Office the Speaker closed.

Seconded.

Nominations closed.

### Election Results:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Secret Ballot

1.	Marcelline Getsi	3 votes
2.	Simon Pentanu	7 votes
3.	Andrew Miriki	16 votes
4.	James Tanis	14 votes

Absolute Majority Vote required for the election of a Speaker is not met and Mr. Marcelline Getsi is eliminated.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Secret Ballot

1.	Simon Pentanu	6 votes
2.	Andrew Miriki	19 votes
3.	James Tanis	15 votes

Absolute Majority Vote required for the election of a Speaker is not met and Mr. Simon Pentanu is eliminated.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Secret Ballot

1.	James Tanis	19 votes
2.	Andrew Miriki	21 votes

Absolute Majority Vote required for the election of the Speaker was reached and Mr. Andrew Miriki is declared Speaker-elect for the Office of the Speaker.

#### 8. SPEAKER-ELECT TAKES THE CHAIR

Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker-elect*) took the Chair and allowed congratulatory remarks from the Members of the House.

### 9. SUSPENSION OF THE SITTING

Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker-elect*) suspended the sitting to take an oath of office. Sir Salamo Injia (*Chief Justice of Papua New Guinea*) sworn in Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker*) to occupy the Office of the Speaker.

### 10. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY SPEAKER

Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker*) resumed sitting of the House and called for nominations for the election of the Deputy Speaker.

Mr. Robert H. Sawa (*Member for Hagogohe Constituency and Chairman for North Regional Committee*) nominated Mr. Ezikiel Masatt (*Member for Tonsu*) for the Office of the Deputy Speaker.

Seconded by Mrs. Elizabeth Burain (Member for Women North Region)

Candidate accepted.

Mr. Nicholas Darku (*Member for North Nasioi*) nominated Mr. Robin Wilson (*Member for Terra Constituency and Chairman of Central Regional Committee*) for the Office of the Deputy Speaker.

Seconded by Mr. Melchior Dare (*Member for Eivo/Torau Constituency*)

Candidate accepted.

Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker*) announced: That nominations for the Office of the Deputy Speaker closed.

### Election Result:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Secret Ballot

- 1. Hon Robin Wilson 24 votes
- 2. Hon Ezekiel Masatt 16 votes.

Absolute Majority Vote required for the election of the Deputy Speaker was reached and Mr. Robin Wilson (*Member for Terra Constituency and Chairman for the Regional Committee for Central*) is declared Deputy Speaker-elect for the Office of the Deputy Speaker.

### 11. CONGRATULATORY REMARKS

With the concurrence of the House, Mr. Andrew Miriki (*Speaker*) allowed Members of the House to give congratulatory remarks.

### 12. NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT BILL

Mr. John Momis (*President*) gave Government Notice to present a Bill for an Act to provide for the members of the Bougainville Executive Council pursuant to *Section* 82 (3) of the Bougainville Constitution.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

Mr. John Momis (*President*) moved – "THAT the House do now adjourned to Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at 2:00 p.m".

Seconded.

Question – 'That the motion be agreed to'.

Question put and passed.

And at 5:00 p.m, the Speaker adjourned the House to Wednesday  $16^{th}$  June 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

### 14. ATTENDANCE:

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting).

Robert Tapi Clerk of the House