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Friday 1st August, 2025

THE ASSEMBLY met at 9:00 a.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

PRAYERS

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MADAM SPEAKER (MS MANYENENG): Good morning Honourable Members. Let us start the business of today with Ministers' Question Time.

MINISTERS' QUESTION TIME

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND
INFRASTRUCTURE

THEME: CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY
BOTSWANA

Asked the Minister of Transport and infrastructure:

- (i) to apprise this Honourable House on how much budget has been at Civil Aviation Authority Botswana from 2019 to 2004;
- (ii) how many airplanes were bought in the same period and total cost;
- (iii) are the planes bought as new; and
- (iv) how many are in operation, if not, what are the challenges for not being in operation.

MR S. O. MAPULANGA (CHOBE): Tla ke go dumedisa phakela o *Madam Speaker*, ke a le dumedisa bakaulengwe, le ba le gorogileng morago, *the honourables*.

Potso ke *Number 1*, mme potso e re leka go latedisa dikgang dingwe mo *one of our parastatals* e e supang gore o kare dilo ga di re tsamaele sentle ka gore *we are losing an opportunity* re le Botswana ka go sa dira dingwe sentle tse ke dumelang gore re ka bo re setse re tlhamaladitse re dirisa *advantage* ya gore Botswana o mo *spot* se se botoka, *whether it is tourism and the peace and tranquility* e e leng mo go rona. Re ka bo re setse re saenne *routes* tse di ntsi thata le tse di yang kwa ntle. Ka jalo, ke sone se se neng se gwetlha gore gongwe re tle re utlwisise gore bothata bo fa kae, re ka thusa jang go bona gore re simolola go boelwa ke sengwe mo *aviation* ya rona *through* Air Botswana. Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Thank you honourable. I understand Minister and Assistant Minister of Transport and Infrastructure are not in, so I do not know *gore ba romile mang*, Leader of the House.

ACTING LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MMOLOTSI): Madam Speaker, the substantive Minister is attending the Bi-National Commission in Zambia and the Assistant Minister is in Charles Hill on another official engagement, so they have asked for a later date. Thank you.

MADAM SPEAKER: Thank you, later date.

Later Date.

MR PULE: *Procedure.* Kana *Madam Speaker*, fa gongwe re tlaabo re latlhega, *Minister* ga ke gane o tlhalosa ka fa a tlhalosang ka teng, mme kana *later date is negotiated* le mmotsi wa potso, ga ba ka ke ba ya kwa go *Minister* Mmolotsi ba mo raya ba re re kopele *later date*. Le ene *Minister* go ne go tshwanela gore a tle kwa go Motlotlegi Mapulanga *before the start of Parliament* a *negotiate* le ene gore rra, *Ministers* ga ba yo, jaanong re kopa gore o e *later date*, ene ke ene a dirang *later date*. Ke raya gore ke tsamaiso e Motlotlegi Rre Mmolotsi yo o sa bolong go nna mo Palamenteng a e itseng.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members, Leader of the House, I think e baakanye le Honourable* Mapulanga e wele sentle, le dumalane gore e tlaa ya kae.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH (MR OOKEDITSE): *Point of order.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke ne ke re ka gore jaanong o na le tshono ya go ya go leba go baakanya le *Leader of the House* gore ba dire gore ba lebe Sekgoa sa potso e sentle, ga ke morutabana, mme ke raya gore yo mongwe o ka se ke a e araba sentle ka gore ga e a kwalega. Ke a leboga.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!) ...

MINISTER OF HEALTH

THEME: LICENCING OF PRIVATE
LABORATORIES IN THE HEALTHCARE
SECTOR

Asked the Minister of Health to state;

- (i) The Minister to state the required qualifications for one to operate a private laboratory;
- (ii) How many private laboratories are currently operating in the country;

- (iii) Out of the total above how many are owned by expatriates and are doing business directly and / or indirectly with the Government;
- (iv) How many laboratory personnel are employed by the Ministry with Diploma qualifications; and out of these how many are heading laboratories and/ or departments; and
- (v) With the experience they have gained over the years why would the Ministry not license them to operate private laboratories;
- (vi) How many of the laboratories are ISO accredited; and
- (vii) How many are BOBS certified.
- (viii) The Minister to state the required qualifications for one to operate a private laboratory.

MR V. B. PHOLOGOLO (KANYE WEST): Madam Speaker, National Health Institute which was at the beginning called National Health Institute, now it is Institute of Health Sciences (IHS) was established in 1970 with a sole intention of developing human capital that was necessary and needed for the health sector. Around 1982 and 1984, some programmes, Allied Health Programmes were introduced. Initially it was predominately nursing that was being trained and then around 1985, the institution was affiliated with the University of Botswana (UB). This was necessary in marking the start of offering Diploma level programmes from the Certificate programmes *tse di neng di le teng* with Allied Health Programmes. Medical Laboratory was one such which was introduced. It means for about more than 30 years, there have been people working in laboratories holding Diploma qualifications and these people have been heading medical laboratories in Government facilities, private or State-Owned Enterprises but they face a challenge despite acquisition of vast experience. Despite being entrusted with running Government departments, they have been denied the opportunity to operate their own private laboratories. So, I pray that this Government look into the matter, take in the experience for these people to be able to operate private laboratories, because we have a lot of skills that we discard simply because people have attained the age of 60 years, but in some of these areas, you need specialised skill that you acquire more with time you spend at the bench. With that Madam Speaker, I leave it for the Minister to respond. Thank you very much.

MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR MODISE): Thank you very much Madam Speaker and good morning to you and Honourable Members. Madam Speaker, for one to set up and operate a private laboratory, one should the first instance, hold a minimum qualification of a Bachelor's Degree, a qualification duly recognised and registered by the Botswana Health Professions Council (BHPC), has worked in Botswana for a minimum of five years, over and above, internship and in good standing and vowe for, be a citizen of Botswana and residing in Botswana.

Madam Speaker, there are 37 operational laboratories in Botswana and I have a table where I have detailed how many are operating in every jurisdiction. I am happy to share with the Honourable Member the tabulated data. There are 17 of these laboratories that are owned by non-citizens.

Madam Speaker, the Ministry of Health employs 239 medical laboratory technicians. Madam Speaker, of the 239, only 22, which is about 10 per cent of the technical cadre, are heading medical laboratories across the country as the Honourable Member just stated.

Madam Speaker, private health facilities are meant to improve access to health services in the country. The private practice guidelines have evolved as the expertise in health evolve to ensure the most seamless health provision.

Current versions of the guidelines provide only for Degree holders to operate private laboratories as they do not require supervision.

Madam Speaker, there are nine medical laboratories which are ISO accredited. Medical laboratories use ISO 15189 Standard, which focuses on quality assurance and competence. Madam Speaker, the country has chosen to use ISO for accreditation, therefore we did not use Botswana Bureau of Standards accreditation. I thank you.

MR PHOLOGOLO: Thank you very much Madam Speaker. Doctor, let me thank you for your very short and sharp and to the point response. However, we have instances Madam Speaker where people without necessary qualifications in terms of academic papers have been upgraded. I think it is called prior recognition of learning that will qualify someone to attain a certain title because they have spent so much time learning the trail. Then again, 40 years later Honourable Minister,

from what you just shared, you still have 22 that are entrusted with running laboratories. So why can this 22 not be entrusted with running, besides the fact that they do not carry a BSC qualification?

Why is it necessary for them to head Government departments and cannot run their own independent establishments? I know you are going to say supervision. I guess you have guidelines, the Botswana Medical Professionals Association and Health Professional Association that can set guidelines on how these people get to operate. Over and above that, the Ministry of Health can put certain requirements for these people to account for the work they do, because my thinking is that for you to be carrying a Diploma and Degree, Degree is not a licence to run amok because you have some qualifications. Thank you very much.

DR MODISE: Thank you very much Honourable Member. We are not entirely averse to the idea of having them run private laboratories. It is part of our restructuring process at the ministry to try and see how we can optimise healthcare in the country. Of course, if you give them the ability to run their own laboratories, you then improve access. Rightly increase the number of lives that are out there access and they are also able to professionally serve ... (Inaudible)... So, it is not an idea that we are averse to. I foresee a future where we will be able to set these guidelines as you so say Honourable Member and they will be able to set up their own facilities. We are not averse to the idea. Thank you.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Members, do you have any elucidation?

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MADAM SPEAKER: What I am trying to find out is... *Ke batla go tswa mo dipotsong tse jaanong ka tsena mo go di sele. Ga ke batle gore ka fa ba bo ba tla ba re* point of order. Honourable Members, we are done with the Minister's Questions, let us go to Members of Parliament (MPs) question. Yesterday there was time constraint, so let us push them. Today we have Honourable Lucas.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

CITIZENSHIP OF FOREIGN NATIONALS MARRIED IN BOTSWANA

MR T. B. LUCAS (BOBIRWA): asked the the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs to state:

- (i) The total number of foreign nationals who have been married in Botswana for the past 30 years 20 years; 10 years; and under 10 years and yet have they have not been granted Botswana citizenship despite persistent efforts to obtain one;
- (ii) How the interviews and quota for citizenship affect the application for citizenship of foreign nationals married in Botswana; and
- (iii) If there are any plans to assist foreign nationals married in Botswana for a continuous period of five years or more to obtain Botswana citizenship.

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE):

Thank you Madam Speaker and good morning. Mma ke leboge mokaulengwe Lucas gore a bo a boditse potso e ntle e, e e batlang ditlhotlhomiso tse di tseletseng tse di telele, jaaka a botsa ka manyalo gore ba kae batho ba ba nyetsweng for the last 30, 20 and 10 years jalojalo and under 10 years. Dipalo tse re nang le tsone fela tsotlhe ke 6288 ya batho ba ba nyetsweng, mme mathata ke gore because of record keeping, it is not easy gore ke ba categorise ka dingwaga jaana, ke re ba ba na le 30, ba ba na le 20, ba ba na le bokae, ka go tlhoka go nna le records tse di siameng. Ke seemo se re iphitlhelang re le mo go sone gore ba re neng re tsaya mo go bone tota ba ne ba sa dire dilo ka tsamaiso e e siameng. Ke sone se o bonang e le gore jaanong go tlhakatlhakane, re a ne re farontlholola, re baakanya fale.

Mo go ya bobedi e o neng o e botsa mongwame, yone e ya gore kante re leba eng, *interviews* tsa rona di tsamaya jang. Go beilwe seelo sa 70 per cent gore o bo o ka bonwa gore o neelwe boagedi jwa Botswana, o bo o pasitse ka 70 per cent, mme 70 per cent yo o kgaogantswe ka matshwao a a latelang; gore o itse Setswana go le kae kana puo nngwe e e gaufi le yone gone foo ke 10 per cent. Dithutego tsa gago gore di tsamaya fa kae, ke 10 per cent. Gore o na le nako e e kae o ntse o nyetse, le gone ke 10 per cent. Gore matshelo kana botshelo jwa gago, *your source of livelihood*, ke bokae jalo, kana o na le *business*, o na le eng, o itshidisa ka eng jalo, ke 20 per cent. Seabe sa gago mo ditirong tsa setšhaba, le yone ke 20 per cent. *Presentation* fela gore wena o itshola jang, maitseo a gago, e neetswe 15 per cent. *Character* e neetswe 15 per cent. Jaanong matshwao o otlhe e tshwanetse gore fa re a bala a bo a ka re direla 70 per cent, ke gone re bo re ka re o siame, o nonofile o ka neelwa boagedi.

Ke batla ke go tlhomamisetsa gore ga se seemo se re neng re eletsa gore se ka nna teng se. Re a baakanya matshwao a jaanong gore re bone gore se se tshwanetseng gore se tsene teng ke eng gompiano jaana, ka gore fa o lebelela dilo tse o tlaa fitlhela o kare di dira gore di rontshe batho ba le bantsi boagedi. Ke go tlhomamisetsa gore re a baakanya.

Fa re ntse re tsamaya jalo, go na le Presidential Directive CAB19 of 2002, e ne e bua gore Botswana fela o ka fa batho boagedi ba le 200 ka ngwaga, mme le yone re a e baakanya. Mo go 200 yo gone go sa balelwe *the spouses* kana ba ba nyetsweng kana ba ba nyetseng, bone ba ne ba beelwa go sele, mme e bile gape e le gore *Minister* o na le thata ya gore o ka fetisa fa a bona go le maleba, o ka neela batho bao boagedi kana a setse a sekasekile tse dingwe jalo.

Ke bo ke tsena mo go e nngwe jaaka o ne o e batla gore re e atolose kgang e, ya gore mme gone re lebelela dingwaga tse kae. Go na le gore fa e le gore o nyetse kana o nyetswe ke motswakwa, e kare mo dingwageng tse *five* o bo o neelwa boagedi, mme *Minister* o na le thata ya gore o ka *waiver* kana o ka neela motho a lebeletse mabaka mangwe gore o ka dira jalo. Ke batla gore ke tlhalose jaana *Mr Speaker*, re mo ditshekatshekong jaaka le bona maloba ke ne ke tlisitse *Bill* fa ya gore jaanong re tsenye *dual*, mme e bile gompiano re setse re feteletse, ke tlisa *Bill* kwano mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo, gongwe *under emergency* e le gore re a baakanya mo go *dual* jaanong re tsenya *multi citizenship*, gore batho ba tle ba kgone go nna le *citizenships* tse di fetang bobedi, e le gone go leka go baakanya seemo se, se e leng gore e ne ya re fa re le kwa bothokong ke na le Rre Moalosi fale, Rre Kapinga le Rre Lucas ba ntsha dingongorego tota ba bua gore, ka bone ba gaufi le batho ba ba nyetsweng kana ba ba nyetseng batswakwa, e kare seemo se ga se ba tseye sentle. Ke batla go tlhomamisetsa Ntlo e *Madam Speaker* gore ke mo tseleng ya go baakanya seemo seo. Ke re ke tlhalosetse Ntlo e gore, *these figures* ga di kgontshe Botswana *to recruit investors* ka gore *investor* yo o tlang a na le madi ga a batle go bona a timiwa boagedi jwa Botswana. O batla go bona a neelwa boagedi.

E bile gape ke re, ke dumalana le bone jaaka ba ne ba mpha ngongorego ya bone ya gore e kare re kgaoganya malwapa, re kgaoganya batho. Jaanong re leke go baakanya seemo se se ntseng jalo gore, ga re ka ke ra a fa rre *citizenship* re bo re tlogela mme, kana re e fa mme re bo re tlogela rre. Ke diemo tse ke emeng ka dinao tse ke dumelang gore ke a di baakanya. E tlaa re pele ga ngwaga o o fela sengwe le sengwe se bo se le *normal*. Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*.

MR LUCAS: *Supplementary.* Mma ke go leboge rraetsho gore o bo o nneetse karabo eo, ke bo ke boelele mafoko a me a gore o a iteka tota. Kgang ya me ke e, ke ka go tlhomamisetsa gore go na le batho ba ba nang le 30 *years* ba nyetswe mo Botswana mme ba ntse ba sa kgone go bona *citizenship*. Ke re Rre Mokgware fa motho a setse a nyetswe mo Botswana a na le dingwaga di ka feta *five*, a gone moo ka bo gone fela ga se *qualification* e e lekaneng gore motho yoo a neelwe boagedi jwa Botswana?

Sa bobedi, go na le batho ke ba ba bantsintsi ba na le dingwaga di feta *five* ba ntse ba nyetswe mo Botswana mme ba sa kgone go bona boagedi. A jaanong ka gore wa re mo molaong wa gompiano *Minister* o na le dithata tsa gore a sekaseke boagedi jwa batho bao, ga o bone go tlhokafala gore gongwe mo nakong e khutshwane o sekaseke boagedi jwa batho ba ba nang le dingwaga tse *five* go ya kwa godimo? O sa emele molao, ke a utlwa gore wa re molao o tlaa baakanya. Ga o bone go tlhokafala rraetsho gore o dire jalo ka wa re molao o a letla?

Quota; a re santse re tlhoka *quota* ya gore re batla 200 fela? Ke re o tle o e sedimose. Re isa kae *quota* ka gore, akere fa e le gore re tlaabo re lebile batho, re lebile ka *to qualify* ga bone, re ka ba tsenya ra bona gore ngwaga oo go tsene ba le kae.

Ke gagamadiwa ke gore *interview* e e neng e kwadiwa o fiwa 10 *per cent* gore o badile mang kwa sekoleng. Go raya gore fa o sa tsena sekole ga o ka ke wa nna moagedi mme o nyetswe mono.

A o itse gore gona le ba ba neng ba nyetswe mono ke banna ba Batswana, banna ba bone ba tlhokafetse, ga ba na bo Omang. Batho bao ba tshela mo tshotlegong e e gagamatsang ka gore ga ba kgone go bereka le Ipelegeng. Ga se gore bogolo re santse re emetse nako ya go baakanya molao, bao bone ba fiwe *exemption* ya gore ba kgone go bereka Ipelegeng, ka gore ke yone fela tiro kwa dikgaolong tse dintsi. Ke a leboga.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Tanki motlotlegi. Kana matshwenyego a o a buang ao o a buile maloba, *Honourable* Kapinga, *Honourable* Moalosi le yoo thata go reetsa yo o a buile. Ke batla go dumalana le wena ke re, Goromente wa Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) yo o *progressive*, re bone gore tota dilo tse dingwe tse ga di tlhokafale, le *quota* ga e tlhokafale. Kgang e o e botsang ya gore molao wa reng, Section 14 (1) (a) ya re, "*the Citizenship Act provides that*

spouses of citizens shall be legible to acquire Botswana citizenship if they have been residents in Botswana for a period of or for period amounting in the aggregate of not less than five years.” Ba ntse ba gana go neela batho, molao wa re *five years*. Ke eng ba ntse ba sa neelwe, ba ne ba gana eng go ba neela? E bo e fetelela e ntse e le yone, Section 14 (3) ya re, “*the Minister in the special circumstance of any particular case may wave or accept a shorter period of the residents’ requirement mentioned above.*” There has been provisions available for that by the law, why re ne re dira jaaka e kete we are punishing Batswana ba ba nyalaneng le batswakwa, re ne re direla eng jalo. Puo e o buang eo, re sotlile batho ba le bantsi fela thata, ba ba nyetseng mo Botswana, ba re tsholela bana mo Botswana, re bo re ba kgetholola ka gore ba nyetse batswakwa, re ba tima le jone boagedi. Molao o le teng, o supa. Dilo tse re a di fetola. Jaaka o bua ke simolotse, ka re fa le na le bone koo a ba tle kwa diofising tsa rona tsa *citizenship*, re baakanye seemo se, re ye kwa pele.

Quota ga e tlhokafale, ke rona re rileng re batla *investors*. Ga e ka ke ya re re le 2.5 million re bo re gana batho. Kgang e o buang ka yone, kana nako e nngwe o kgona go nyalela mme bontle fela kana o le rre o nyalelwa bontle fela. Motho ga a ke a go botsa gore o tsene sekole kae. Jaanong fa re kwadile gore o tshwanetse gore o bo o na le *level of education and rated it from zero to 10*, mme gape re sa e tlhalose... Ke dumalana le lona, ka re re a baakanya, ga re a emela molao. Fa le na le mathata a o...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Interruptions!)

FOOD SHORTAGE IN SCHOOLS

MR C. K. HIKUAMA (MAUN WEST): asked the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to apprise this Honourable House on the persistent issue of food shortages plaguing most schools across the country and to specifically state main causes and immediate steps being taken to address the situation.

MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION (MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA): *Ke a leboga Madam Speaker. Let me greet this Honourable House, Batswana kwa gae ka kakaretso le barutabana.*

Madam Speaker, the school feeding programme has been impacted by the current economic situation the country finds itself in. Nonetheless Madam Speaker, allow me to explain the feeding programme in schools.

Primary school feeding programme is facilitated by the District Councils and coordinated under the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs. Therefore, I am not currently in a position to give feedback on the same until after extensive consultations with the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs.

Madam Speaker, secondary schools on the other hand are provided for by the Central Government. Procurement has been decentralised to school level and supply is done directly to schools to cater for their daily needs.

Despite the current economic situation Madam Speaker, all secondary schools have adequate funds to procure food supplies. The problem has been the disruption in the procurement of some perishable food items, associated with issues of unavailability of network which results in the Government Accounting and Budgeting System (GABS) being slow, and the recent temporary suspension of Government Purchase Order (GPO) generation. Notwithstanding this Madam Speaker, the majority of schools have of recent started generating the GPO.

Madam Speaker, it should be noted that funding for supporting school activities remains inadequate, particularly when considering the increase of prices for food commodities especially in rural and remote areas. However, wherever there are shortages, schools may request for additional funding or support from neighbouring schools. I thank you Madam Speaker.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke a leboga Madam Speaker. Ke a leboga Tona, ke lebogela dikarabo tsa gago. Karabo ya motlaleletsa ya ntlha, o buile fa thulaganyo ya go fepa bana le go ba fa dijo kwa *primary schools* e le ya Lephata la Dikgaolo, mo e leng gore ga o na tshiamelo ya go ka bua ka yone gompiano. Fa motho a reeditse sentle, a solofele gore morero o o reng o ya go o tsenelela le ba ba amegang, o ya go fela leng, o tla go tlhalosetsa Batswana leng? Mo *primary schools* tsa dikgaolo tsa rona go na le dikgang tse di tshwenyang, phaletšhe e shabiwa le ka letswai, go sena le fa e le seshabo. Dikgang tse di tshwanetse go tsibogelwa ka bonako, ka gore e seng jalo re ya go felela re sena bana ba ba tsenang dikole kana ba bolawa ke mopalo mo dikoleng.

Ya bobedi, o buile ka diphatlha tse di leng teng di dirwa ke go sa bereka sentle ga maranyane a a dirang theko ya tsa Puso, GABS. O bua le ka go emisiwa ga *to generate* GPO mo *systems*, e le seemo se se tshwenyang. Dikgang tse le ikaelela go di *attend* jang, bogolo jang mo

dikgaolong tse di kgakala le ditlamelo, kwa e leng gore bone tota fa go sena dijo ga gona mo motho a ka sianang a ya go adima fale ka bonako. *What are you putting in place* gore seemo se se se ka sa kokonela dikole?

Ga ke ise ke go utlwe sentle gore a mme o a tlhomamisa gore, go nnile le bokete jwa letlhoko la dijo mo dikoleng mo e leng gore bana ba dikole ba o buang ka bone ba *secondary*, le mo *boarding facilities* ba ne ba tswela kwa ntle ba ya go kopa dijo mo malwapeng a a gauifi le dikole. Ga ke ise ke go utlwe sentle gore a o a re seemo se o a se itse, o se tlhaloseditswe, o se tlhalogantse kana jang. Ke utlwa o tlhalosa *the process* ya go jesa fela, a mme gore kwa tlase go ntse jaana, seemo se o a se lemoga? Ke a leboga.

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke a leboga *Honourable* Hikuama. *I am looking forward to a day* e o tlaa ntsenyang mo palong ya ba ba dirang sentle, ka gore tota ke wena *yardstick* ya teng.

Ke go arabe jaana motlotlegi ke re, tota ke boammaaruri gore *Local Government and Traditional Affairs* e tsamaisa go fepa bana kwa *primary schools*, ke thulaganyo e e ntseng e le teng.

Fa ke re re a *consult* go batla *information*, ke ka fa re tshwanetseng go bereka ka teng, ka gore tota fa batho ba filwe *mandate* wa go dira sengwe, ga re ka ke ra ba kgopakgopetsa. Se re se dirang ke gore, re ntse re amogela dipego ka Mapalamente a a tlotlegang nako le nako gore ga go na dijo kwa *primary schools* dingwe. Nako le nako fa re amogela dipego tse di ntseng jalo tse di bothoko tse, tota di a bo di tla kwa go nna *most of the time* le ka WhatsApp. Ke tlaabo ke di fetisetsa kwa Deputy Permanent Secretary (DPS) wa *Basic Education*, a bo a di neela *Acting PS* yo o tshwaraganang le PS wa *Local Government and Traditional Affairs*. *They are working on it* tota boammaaruri, ga se dikgang tse di monate *especially for* Lephata la me la *Child Welfare and Basic Education*, bana ba tshwanetse go fepiwa.

Ke raya gore fa re santse re tsaya kgang e ya gore go potlakisiwe gore bana ba thusiwe, *especially* kwa *primary schools* mo go seng mo thateng ya rona, go bo go tla jaaka go sa tswa go botsa potso ya bobedi ya GPO di le *suspended*, ke go tlhomamisetse mongwame gore ke tlaa sala kgang morago ya *primary schools* ka mašhetla. E tlaa re beke e e tlang e ise e fele ke bo ke go neela *update* ya gore go tsamaya fa kae.

E ya GPO ke re, e re ntswa di emisitswe, kana di emisetswa gore go lekwe *to manage* tiriso ya madi, *it is one of the measures* tse re di tsereng. Ke nnile le boitemogelo, e ya re fa go nnang le pitlagano teng re atumele ba Lephata la *Finance* re ba kope gore bagaetsho, re letleleleng re dire jaana. Ba re letlelele gore *for that particular incident*, re kgone go diragatsa GPO.

Jaanong ka letlhoko la dijo *at secondary schools*, nnyaa koo rra ke ka go tlhomamisetsa gore *secondary schools* di neetswe madi. Fa gongwe o fitlhela go nnile le bothata jwa tiego fa gare ga *regional office* le Bagokgo. Go le gantsi fa re sala morago, o tlaa fitlhela e le gore Bagokgo ba filwe madi. *Like I said*, kgang e tona e bo e nna gore dijo tse dingwe di a bola. *That is why* Lephata la *Child Welfare and Basic Education Madam Speaker*, le eme ka dinao le pegile kwa godimo lenaneo la *home grown school feeding*. E e atumetsang *these perishable products* gauifi le dikole gore di goroge di santse di le mo seemong se se nepafetseng. Ga ke itse gore a ke go arabile sentle motlotlegi. Ke a leboga.

MR KWAPA: Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Tona, kana mafelo a tengnyanateng a a mo dikgaolong di tshwana ya Jwaneng-Mabutsane, bana ba teng go le gantsi ba tshabelelwa ke mopalo. Jaanong Tona jaaka a tlhalosa gore dikole di neetswe madi, gongwe bothata e ka nna GPO, re itemogela sentle ka botlalo gore go na le mathata a *communication* gone kwa dikoleng tse di kwa tengnyanateng. Ke tlhaloganye gore, ka gore go na le lekalana la *food resources*, a go ne go sena gore madi *can be centralised there*, bogolo ba nne le boikarabelo jwa go bona gore ka dinako tsotlhe dijo di teng mo dikoleng tse di potlana? Ke a leboga.

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke leboge *Honourable* Kwapa. Re itemogetse thata gore le fa e se fela kwa dikgaolong tseo, *issue of malnutrition and stunting* e ntsi mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke sone se o bonang go tlhokafala gore *school feeding programme* e nne teng tota, *at least* bana ba ba tswang kwa mafelong a a kwa teng, kwa e leng gore itsholelo ga e mašhetla teng, ba kgone go nna le dijo *at least* gabedi mo letsatsing. Jaaka re bua gore re tlile go nna le *home grown*, ke yone e ke tsayang gore e ka araba dipotso tse gore go nne gauifi. Kgang ya Lephata la *Food Resources*, ke kgakololo e ntle thata *Honourable* Kwapa. Fa o re utisetsa dikgang tse di ntseng jalo, o tsitsinya jalo, re a e lebogela. *We will note it sir*. Ke a leboga.

MR MOTAOSANE: *Correction Madam Speaker.* Ke a tshwenyega *Honourable Minister.* Fa re bua ka *Food Resources, Food Resources has failed us in a very long time. That is why* go ntse go na le *crisis* ya dijo kwa dikoleng. Fa le ka bo le akanya tsela ya go netla, *unlike to empower councils* go ithekela kwa di rekang teng, *that will be a deadly mistake.* Batho bao ba paletswe. Ba ne ba filwe *tenders* tsa gore ba *supply and* ga ba kgone.

MADAM SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable Members, I would like to invoke Standing Order 102.3 to add to 10 o'clock.

MR PULE: *Procedure Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker,* ke sebete se molangwana. Ke itumela fa o okeditse nako fela, e kare o ka bo o kile wa e oketsa kwa moragonyana. Go na le potso e e neng e botswa Rre Mokgware, e a tsileng ka mafoko a mantle. O ne a tlhalosa gore *he is a progressive Minister.* Ke a rata ka fa a buang ka teng.

MADAM SPEAKER: Wa re *procedure* ke eng *sir?* Ke okeditse nako gore re *push.*

MR PULE: *Madam Speaker,* o ntheditse?

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Laughter!)*...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Procedure* ke eng?

MR PULE: Ke tsena mo go yone. Ka re, ke ne ke eleditse e kete o ka bo o ne o okeditse nako *earlier* ka gore Rre Mokgware, o ne a boditswe potso a araba...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Mabuse Pule, o bua ka mo go fetileng gakere, ga e sa tlhole e tsena. E sule eo *Honourable Member.* Mma re tswelile pele ka e e leng teng.

MR PULE: Nnyaa, nkutlwelele pele mongwame. Nkutlwelele, mma ke tlhalose.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ke go utlwile. Wa re, ke ka bo ke ne ka e oketsa, jaanong ga go a kgonagala. Ke ne ke re, ke lebogile.

MR PULE: *You may not agree with me but* ke kopa o nkutlwelele gore ke bua ke reng, go tle go tsene mo *record.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Procedure* ke eng *sir?*

MR PULE: Ke ne ke re, ga ke ise ke wetse. Re ne re eleditse re ka bo re tlhalositse *a few things* kwa go Rre Mokgware. Ke a itse gore go fetile. Go ne go na le *a few things* ka e bile *my name was implicated* gotwe

Mabuse Pule, Mabuse Pule. Jaanong go bo go feta fela ka bonako. Tota ke ne ke re golo moo, ga go a re siamela re le Palamente ya lefatshe la Botswana. Fa go na le *issue* e e tshwanang le e, e e botlhokwa jaana, re bo re e fetisa fela *just like that,* Batswana ba ise ba utlwe gore go buiwa ka ga eng. Ke a leboga.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, mme ga se *procedure.*

MAINTENANCE OF ROADS

MR K. S. GARE (MOSHUPA-MANYANA): asked the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to provide a detailed plan of the maintenance of the following roads while awaiting for their upgrade to bitumen standard:

- (i) Mosepele-Seherelela road;
- (ii) Sesung-Seherelela road;
- (iii) Moshupa-Tshwaane-Ralekgetho-Pitseng-Naledi Road; and
- (iv) Tshweneyagae-Kgomokasitwa-Ntlhantlhe road.

MADAM SPEAKER: Leader of the House.

...*Silence...*

MADAM SPEAKER: Question *ya ga* Rre Gare, o *batla* Minister of Transport and Infrastructure.

MR MMOLOTSI: Madam Speaker, like we indicated, he is not available.

MADAM SPEAKER: Tsamaiso ke gore o arabe *Honourable* Gare. O mo arabe gore...

MR MMOLOTSI: Thank you very much Madam Speaker. Honourable Gare, the Minister responsible is not available to answer today because he is out of the country and his Deputy is in Charles Hill.

MR GARE: *Procedure Madam Speaker.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker.* Ke tsaya gore kgang e ya dipotso e ga go tsamae sentle *Madam Speaker.* Le fa a seyo, o kgona go neela *colleague* ya gagwe karabo, a bo a tla a mo arabela. Ke golo mo re tlwaetseng go go dira nako le nako. Ga go amogelesege gore a bo a bua jaaka a bua gore Tona ga a yo.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ee. Gone *truly,* ke tsaya gore o ka bo o laetswe gore ba dumalane. Ke gore ene Tona a ka bo a dumalane le ene *before* a tsamaya. Jaanong ke kopa gore *Leader of the House,* bua le bone ka *phone* gore ba bue le *all the two* Members of Parliament (MPs) gore ga ba a tsamaisa dilo sentle.

STATEMENT
ATTACKS ON THE POLICE

ACTING LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR LUCAS): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke nnete ke na le *statement* se ke batlang go se baya pele Palamente letsatsi leno. *Statement* se, ke se se buang ka tiriso dikgoka le tlhaselo ya mapodise mo lefatsheng la Botswana. E rile malobeng jalo ka di 25 tsa ga *July*, ra tsogela go bona ditshwantsho le tse dingwe mo makwaladikgannyeng le metswedi ya Facebook, go supilwe setshwantsho sa lepodise le elela madi gotwe le remilwe ka selepe. E le gore fa o re o a mo leba gongwe le gongwe, ke madimadi fela. Seemo se se neng se tshosa tota. E le gore o tlhaselwa jalo, a ile go dira ditlhotlhomiso tsa kgang nngwe e e neng e diragetse kwa Mmathethe. Ke seemo se re neng ra se bona, e bile ra tlhomamisetswa gore ke nnete motho yoo e ne e le lepodise. O ne a tlhaselwa ka selepe, a bo a rengwa ka sone. Tiragalo e e diragala moragonyana kana pelenyana ga foo, go ne go na le lepodise le le mo *uniform*, le lone re neng ra bona le elela madi mo sefatlhegong le apere *uniform*. Le ne le tlhasetswe kwa motseng wa Molepolole. E le gore yoo ene, o ne a le mo ditirong tsa gagwe tsa go latedisa dikgang tsa *traffic*.

Seemo se sa ditiragalo tsa go betswa kana go ketekwa ga mapodise ke batho, se tshwentse fela thata. E bile seemo se, go lebega se le teng, se diragala. Bangwe ba mapodise ba iphitlhela ba golafetse dikgolagalo tsa botshelo jotlhe, mme ba golafadiwa ke go ketekwa ke batho. Ke seemo se se tshwenyang, se se sa tshwanelang go letlelelwa go tswela pele.

Tlhaselo ya lepodise, o a bo o tlhasela kagiso ya lefatshe. Fa o tlhasela lepodise, o a bo o tlhasela thokgamo. Fa o tlhasela lepodise, o a bo o tlhasela ledula la lefatshe la Botswana. Seemo se, se a tshwenya. Fa o tlhasela lepodise, o a bo o tlhasela Puso, le melawana e e leng gore mapodise ba tshwanetse go e diragatsa. Fa o tlhasela lepodise, ke bua le Batswana, o a bo o tlhasela Puso le melawana ya lefatshe la Botswana. Fa o tlhasela Puso, o a bo o tsuolola itshireletso, o kgotlela itshireletso ya lefatshe la Botswana. Fa ke riana, ke bua le Batswana. O a bo o tsuolola itshireletso ya lefatshe la Botswana.

Ka jalo, seemo se ga re a tshwanelwa gore re le Batswana re se letlelele gore se tswela kwa pele ka gore re ka felela re tlhoka yone itshireletso e re e neelwang ke mapodise. Re tshwanetse ra itse ba e leng gore gongwe o kare ba tsamaya ba tsietsega, ba itse gore sepodise se tlhomilwe ka fa molaong go diragatsa molao.

Ba gongwe ba ka tswang ba sena kitso e e lekaneng ya gore tiro ya lepodise ke eng, mma ke fete fela ka boripana, ke supe gore Chapter 21 (01) e supa ditiro tsa lepodise. Ke dumela jaana gore ba e leng gore gongwe ba a tsietsega, ba akanya gore tiro ya lepodise ke go tshwenya batho, ba tle ba itse.

- (i) Sa ntlha ke go sireletsa botshelo le dithoto (*protect life and property*) se re tshwanetse ra se itse rotlhe re le tšhaba ya Botswana.
- (ii) Go sireletsa gore go se ka ga nna borukutlhi le bosinyi.
- (iii) Go tlhomamisa gore itshireletso le thokgamo di nna teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana.
- (iv) Go tshwara disinyi; ke itse gore ka Sekgoa fela ke *to apprehend offenders*.
- (v) Ba tshwanetse jaanong fa ba sena go ba tshwara, ba ba tsise mo pele ga ba boatlhodi le ba bangwe.

A re itseng se batho betsho, a re se ka ra tsaya mapodise e le batho ba e leng gore tiro ya bone e tona ke go re tshwenya, a re ba tseyeng e le batho ba e leng gore molao o kwadilwe jalo gore mapodise...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Member, statement* o a se lesa se wela, fa o na le sengwe, o tlaa tla o latlhela kwa morago.

MR LUCAS: Ke a tswela. Eo ke ne ke e bua ke lebile seemo se se diragalang.

Ke gakolole ba ba nang le tsietsego ka kgang ya gore tiro ya mapodise ke eng. Go tlhamaletse gore tiro ya mapodise ke go sireletsa botshelo le dithoto tse re nang le tsone fela jalo jaaka ke supile.

Go a tlhokafala Batswana betsho gore rotlhe re tshwanetse ra bereka le mapodise ka kagiso, ra dirisanya le mapodise fa e le gore ba re botsolotsa tse e leng gore gongwe ba bona e kete e ka nna molato. Ke tlaa supa kwa morago mo *statement* gore thotloetso ke eng mo Batswaneng mabapi le go bereka le mapodise, bogolo jang fa o bona gore o kare jaanong ba dule mo tseleng. Re tshwanetse rotlhe bogolo jang rona baeteledipele; Mapalamente, lotlhe fela ba le tshotseng maemo a a farologaneng, ra bonwa re tlhamaletse, re kanotse dihupa, re bereka gore mapodise ba tsewe sentle

mo tšhabeng ya lefatshe la Botswana. Ba se ka ba kgokgontshiwa ke setšhaba se ba batlang go se sireletsa. E tshwanetse ya nna tiro ya rona rotlhe re le mapolotiki le setšhaba tota ka kakaretso, re tshwanetse ra bonwa re bereka sentle le mapodise. Ke kgang e re e kopang re le Botswana Congress Party (BCP) ka go bona ditiragalo tse ke sa tswang go anela ka tsone. Go botlhokwa thata gore re berekisanye le mapodise.

Ka go lemoga tsone dikgang tse, le gone gore seemo se o kare se tlaa etegela, e bile le go batla gore seemo se se bepisiwe gore re tle re kgone go bereka le mapodise ba bo ba re sireletse sentle, re le ba BCP, tota e bile rotlhe re le ba kganetso, re kopa gore tsotlhe tse di latelang di ka dirwa. Ke dumela gore rotlhe le bo General Mokgware tse di latelang di ka dirwa;

- (i) Re rotloetsa Batswana botlhe gore ba tseye nako ya go ithuta gore mme go berekiwa jang le mapodise, mme le gone fa e le gore mapodise ba a go tsuolola, o tshwanetse wa tsaya dikgato dife. Go ba betsa, go ba rema ka selepe le tse dingwe ga se bontlha bongwe jwa go rarabolola dikgang tsa kgotlhang ya ga ope le lepodise. *Violence is not an option.*

Re tshwanetse ra dirisa botlhe ba re ka ba dirisang go balelwa le ba maemo mo sepodiseng, go ya go tsena kwa go ene *Police Commissioner*. E bile ga go molato gore e bo e le gore re ka bua le *Commissioner* ka fa mapodise ba sa re tseyeng sentle ka teng, mme gape re bo re kgona go bua le baeteledipele ba metse ya rona, go balelwa le lona Mapalamente, Dikgosi, le Makhanselara. Ke ya ntlha eo.

- (ii) Tona wa *State President* yo o akaretsang mapodise, gongwe re utlwe lentswe la gagwe, le ene a ko a le tlhatlose, a supe gone gore ditiragalo tse tsa go tlhasela, go betsa le go rema mapodise, a di kgale mme a bo a supe tsamaiso e e tshwanetseng go dirwa fa motho a na le kgotlhang le sepodise. Re mo kopa jalo, ke a bona gore ga a yo fa Rre Mohwasa, e tlaa re ka nako e ke mmonang, ke tlaa e gatelela kgang eo.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MR LUCAS: Mothusi wa gagwe o teng? Ke tsaya gore o nkutlwile.

- (iii) Re kopa gore *Commissioner* wa mapodise le ene a sekaseke itshireletso ya mapodise fa ba ya go tlhotlhomisa dikgang, fela jalo fa ba le mo

tirong ya bone. A bone gore mapodise ba ya kwa dikgannyeng tse ba ipapanne sentle ka go kgona go itshireletsa mo go ba ba ka batlang go dirisa dikgoka. A sekaseke seemo seo ka gore ditiragalo tse di re supegets a gore mapodise ga a sireletsega.

- (iv) Mapodise a a amegileng ba ba neng ba kgokgontshiwa, ba betswa, ba rengwa, ba dirwa tse e leng gore ba di dirilwe, tse di seng ka fa molaong, tse di sa tlhamalalang, re kopa gore ba neelwe *support* e e tshwanetseng go fitlhelela ba inoga mo bothateng jo jwa go betsakwa le go ketekwa. Re kopa gore ba neelwe tshireletso le *support* yone eo e e tshwanetseng.

- (v) Re kopa gore re le Batswana e bile gongwe re le Palamente, re simolole puisanyo yone ya gore a mme go ntse go tshwanetse gore mapodise ba tsamaye ba sa tshola tse ba ka itshireletsang ka tsone tse di bogalenyana. Ke tsaya gore le a nkutlwa, ga ke ise ke re ba simolole go tshwara dibetsa, ka re a nako ga e a goroga ya gore re sekaseke gore mapodise a mme ga ba ka ke ba kgona gore ba neelwe sebaka sa gore le bone ba kgone gore e re ba le *on their routine duties* tse di bidiwang gotwe *routine duties* ke *Comrade Kapinga*, e bo e le gore ba tshotse sengwenyana se se ka ba sireletsang. Ka re re simolole go buisanya ka kgang ya go nna jalo.

Kwa bofelong ke gatelele kgang e re reng re eme le mapodise mo tirong ya bone, e bile re supa gone gore a ba dire tiro ya bone, ba ikutlwe ba sireletsegile ka gore ba na le *support* ya rona rotlhe mapolotiki, fa e se yo o ka itshupang fa gore ene ga a na sepe le mapodise.

Madam Speaker, ka go rialo ka re re dumela gore go nne le kagiso le thokgamo, ke gore sepodise sa rona se tshwanetse sa tlotliwa ka metlha, mongwe le mongwe a itse gore se dira tiro ya go sireletsa setšhaba sa rona. Fa o na le kgotlhang le bone, o ka kgona gore o dirise *channels* le *procedures* tse ke sa tswang go di bua. Ka mafoko a a kalo, ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. *Thank you very much.*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Supplementary Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Members, *gakere le a itse gore* usually statements are not debates. So, *ke kopa gore re dumalane*, I am going to allow very few, *gore ba akgele mo go sone.*

MR JACOBS: Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke ne ke sa go utlwe, ke kopa maitshwarelo. Motlotlegi *Uncle Lucas*, ke go utlwile, ke dumalana le wena tota gore ke nako ya gore mapodise tota ba sireletswe ka gore le rona ba a re sireletsa. A ga se nako tota gore gongwe re *increase penalties* tsa gore lepodise fa le betswa, motho a kgone go tsennngwa mo toronkong gore a kgone go ithuta gore tota mapodise ga ba itewe. Ke sone selo sa ntlha.

Sa bobedi ke ne ke re a ga se gore ke nako ya gore *Commissioner* le ene a akanye gore mapodise fa ba betswa jaana, ba kgone *to be compensated because every time* re tlhola re bona mapodise ba re sireletsa ba itewa, ba le *on strikes* ba itewa mme ga ba bone bontlha jwa go itewa gone foo. *I thank you Madam Speaker*.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker*. Mma ke go leboge Moeteledipele wa Diphathi tsa Kganetso mo Palamenteng mo letsatsing la gompieno. Ke botse jaana gore a mme dipuo tse re di buang re le baeteledipele, bogolo jang re itebaganya le Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana, *when he campaigns* a bua gore mapodise a tshwanetse gore a betswa, a ga se tsone dikgang tse gongwe di elelang kwa tlase go rotloetsa setšhaba go tsogologela mapodise?

MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA): *On a point of order. Madam Speaker*, ke kopa gore motlotlegi a se ka a *quote* Tautona *out of context*. Ga a ise a ko a re mapodise a betswa, fa a le kwa Broadhurst o ne a bua ka *case* ya France Matshameko *versus state*, e e leng gore lepodise *assaulted*...

MR HIKUAMA: Allow the person to state the order not to debate.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: He is still on a point of order.

MR RAMAOTWANA: *He is out of order, he is quoting out of context, the President never said* betsang mapodise. O ne a ba tlhalosetsa ka *case* ya ga France Matshameko gore *High Court* e ne e reng ka yone gore fa motho a ituletse fela a bo a feta a phorongwa, *case* eo e ne e reng. Ga a ise ko a re tsamayang le betse mapodise mo lefatsheng. *He is out of order there, he is quoting out of context*.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Hikuama*, ke kopa gore o tswelale ka *statement*. Fa o bona ke sa batle gore ke le bulele le le bantsintsi jaana ke gana yone e.

MR HIKUAMA: Mma ke tswelale. Dipuo tsa mofuta o o neng o buiwa ke Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana...

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): *Point of order. Dumela Madam Speaker. The point of order I am rising on* ke gore kana Standing Orders *are very clear that* ga o ka ke wa dirisa leina la ga Tautona ka fa ke utlwang a le bua ka teng mo Palamenteng. Jaanong a ko o *rule* mo go yone e, bogolo a e bue ka go sele, a se ka a dirisa leina la ga Tautona botlhaswa mo Palamenteng. Ke a leboga.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Hikuama*, ke kopa gore *for progress*, lesa go busetsa ngang kwa morago. Dira gore o bue *statement* sele, akgela mo go sone, se leke gore jaanong o ntshe Ntlo mo tseleng.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker. Madam Speaker*, o se ka wa ntshiwa mo tsamaisong, ke a go kopa ke batho ba lopela. Ga re a tlela fa go tla go lopela...

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Hikuama!

MR HIKUAMA: ...re tletse fa go bua ka dikgang tse di amang tšhaba ya Botswana.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Hikuama! Honourable Hikuama!

MR HIKUAMA: Jaanong fa batho ba ema ba lopela...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: A re *Speaker* o a lopela.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ya go bala *case* ya ga...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Hikuama*, ke kopile la ntlha gore lesa go ntsha Ntlo mo tseleng ka mafoko a o a buang a ga Tautona a e seng one. Ke kopa gore fa e le gore nna le wena re tlaa dumalana, go raya gore ke go reye o nne fa fatshe ke bulele *those who will debate* ele. Eo ya gago jaanong e tsile go tswa mo tseleng, e bo e sa tlhole e tsamaya kwa re batlang go ya teng. Ke kopa gore fela jaaka *Honourable Tshere* a ne a bua, lesa go dirisa leina la ga Tautona go sena nnete.

MR HIKUAMA: Nnyaa mme ka ke tshaba gore o tloga o nkgoreletsa ke bo ke tswela kwa ntle, ke tlaa bapisa. A mme Moeteledipele wa Diphathi tsa Kganetso, a dipuo tse di buiwang ke baeteledipele fa ba ipapatsa ba bua ka go rotloetsa gore mapodise ba itewe, a ga o bone gore le tsone di tshwanetse go kgalwa gore re nne le tolamo le kagiso mo lefatsheng la Botswana? A fa mapodise a itewa *Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO)* mme

go sena ope yo o lebegang a tshwenyega mo babusing ba ntsha lentswe le le utlwalang, a golo moo ga go supe gore ke *to condone* tsamaiso ya go tsuolola mapodise? Dikgang di a tswelela, Matona a teng ga gona ba ba ntshitseng lentswe mme ba na le tshiamelo yone eo.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order Madam Speaker.

MR HIKUAMA: A mme diemo tse ga o bone gore di ka rotloetsa gore go nne le tlolo molao e e kanakana e e dirwang mo lefatsheng?

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE): *Point of order: Madam Speaker, motlotlegi has a very good debate mme ga a tshwanela go e senya ka go tlhoka go bua boammaaruri le go gladika. Goromente o tshwenyegile mme o dira se se maleba, a bo a bua le ba ba maleba. Ga a ka ke a tla go goa mo Palamenteng. This Government is responsible, the Minister for State President is a responsible man, o buile le mapodise ka dikgang tse. Jaanong ga a bue boammaaruri fa a re Goromente ga a dire sepe. The Minister for State President cannot come here a tla go bua gore o dira eng, o ne a biditse mapodise kana Commissioner. He is acting on that. That is a point of order ka gore o senya Minister leina and you are misleading this House and the public at large.*

MADAM SPEAKER: O ne o sa fetsa?

MR HIKUAMA: Ke ne ke sa fetsa.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ke kopa gore o se ka wa nna moleele *because* le tsaya nako jaanong.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): *Point of order: Madam Speaker, I think the Honourable Member should actually rescind. E bile mafoko a a buileng, gongwe re tle re kope to be expunged from the Hansard because he is imputing improper motives mo Cabinet a re ga re na sepe ka se se diragalang and yet e le gore we are more concerned than him. Jaanong re ne re kopa gore a boele mafoko ao morago e bile a boe a apologise ka lebaka la gore ke dumela gore Cabinet gompiano jaana e tshwaragane le bothata jwa go bona gore seemo se se ya go dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Hikuama, ke kopa gore fa o tlaa tlang o akgela teng, o se ka wa bo wa boeletsa mafoko a a nnang a re losa because otherwise ke tsile go go kgaola ke neela ba bangwe ka gore wena jaanong you entertain dilo tse di sa...*

MR HIKUAMA: *Madam Speaker, mma ke go kope; kana re mapolotiki mme fa o bona re hold different opinions ga se order e bile ga go molato. It is not different gore fa ke bona ke sa utlwe lentswe la babusi mo setshabeng, ke bo ke supa gore ga ke le utlwe. Kana se se itewang ke mapodise le setshaba, setshaba se tshwanetse go utlwa lentswe la bogogi...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Madam Speaker.

MR HIKUAMA: Go supa gore ba kgatlhanong le se se diragalang. Ke sone se ke se buang gore setshaba se batla go utlwa lentswe. Fa re sa utlwe lentswe...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Fa a re ga a utlwe lentswe, gakere ke ntse ke bua gompiano jaana. O raya jang fa a rialo *Madam Speaker?*

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Members, I think *ke tswale* this thing *ya* statement because *jaanong...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Honourable Hikuama a re ga re bue, gakere ke ntse ke ntsha lentswe gompiano.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Jacobs, o supilwe ke mang?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa ga a bue sentle, ke ntse ke bua ke re re oketse *the penalty.*

MADAM SPEAKER: O supilwe ke mang? *Honourable Jacobs, ga ke na go go koba. Ke itse gore o batla go tsamaya, ga o ye gope o nna fela gone fa.*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Laughter!)*...

MR HIKUAMA: *Madam Speaker, se ke neng ke se bua ke gore potso ya me mo go Moeteledipele wa tsa Kganetso, ke gore a ga a bone gore go sa utlwala ga lentswe la babusi, bogolo jang ba maemo a a kwa godimo; Matona, le bo Tautona go kgala selo se in public go ka rotloetsa seemo se re buang ka sone se?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Madam Speaker.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke amogela se *Honourable The White Machine* a se buang, se boammaaruri. Wena o buile, ra re Matona, ga o Tona.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MR MOTAOSANE: *Point of order. Madam Speaker, ke belaela gore dilo ga di tsamaye sentle. Ke ema ka Standing Order 5.1 (c), e e buang ka tshireletsego le your impartiality go tsamaisa Ntlo e. Ga re tsewe sentle ka kwano, ke gore ga re nke re bo re neelwa mo go re tshwanetseng, re kopa supplementaries and you deny us all these.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

MR MOTAOSANE: *You are pressing a wrong button and I will take you head-on, o a utlwa?*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Motaosane, ga ke a go supela gore o address batho ka fa, address me.*

MR MOTAOSANE: *Nnyaa, protect me from their side remarks, otherwise ke tlaa ikarabela.*

Jaanong with that Standing Order Madam Speaker, ke a ela tlhoko le fa re bua, *you can look at the topic on the table right now*, ke gore batho ba itsa motho go bua. Ba mo katela mafoko mo ganong, *why cannot they fa e le gore ga ba dumalane le ene ba mpa a fetsa ba tla ba bua ga bone? So, we need your protection Madam Speaker. We really need your impartiality*, rona bogolo jang *the fours*. Ke nna ke lemoga gore ga o ke o bo o re tsaya sentle fela gore o re fe *chances* jaaka... *that is why sometimes* nna ke felela ke sulafalelwa ke Palamente fa o e tsamaisa ka gore *you deny me chances, you deny us chances*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Motaosane...

MR MOTAOSANE: *So please, let us apply this Standing Order re itse gore we are a minority mme we are part of this Parliament.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Ee, ke go utlwile, can you sit down. Ke kopa gore o nne fa fatshe.*

Ke kopa gore o lese go ntlhasela ka mafoko a a senang nnete o re ga nke ke le supa. Ke kopa gore o bue nnete e bile o boele mafoko a morago o re ga nke ke supa... wa re go na le *the fours*, ga ke itse *the fours*.

MR MOTAOSANE: Madam Speaker...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Nnyaa rra, se mphetole, ga ke ise ke go fetole.*

MR MOTAOSANE: *Ee, nna fa fatshe ke tle ke go fetole.*

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MADAM SPEAKER: Aa-aa!

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mo kobe, mo kobe!

MADAM SPEAKER: *O a itse gore wena Honourable Motaosane, o na le behaviour e e leng gore it is unbecoming in this House.*

MR MOTAOSANE: *Nnyaa, Madam, se ntlhasele. Se ntlhasele ka gore fa o dira jalo o batla gore ke go itlhasele, and ke a go bona gore o ntsaya ka letsogo la molema, ke a lemoga.*

MADAM SPEAKER: Aa-aa! *Honourable Motaosane...*

MR MOTAOSANE: *Nnyaa, a se ka a ntlhasela.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Motaosane, o ntse o eme o bua ke go reeditse. So, lenyatso le o le ntirelang e re ke bua o bo o fetola, ga ke utlwane le lone, o a nnyatsa. Gompiano o buile wa re ga nke ke le le supa, wa re the fours, and ga o bue nnete. Fa o tsena late mo Palamenteng, o a bo o sa itse gore golo foo go arabile bo mang, o nne o ba botsa before o ntlhasela. Ga o bue nnete. Ke kopa gore fa o na le sengwe jaaka ... (Interruption)... o buile sentle fela o nopola se o neng o se nopola, o senya ka go tlhoka boammaaruri o re ga nke ke le supa, ga o bue nnete.*

Jaanong selo se o neng o se gakolola se o reng ke ka bo ke sireleditse motho a bua batho ba sa... o bua nnete *but* o senya jaanong fa o ya bofelong. O na le mathata jaanong a gore fa o neetswe gore o bue o bo o tswelala ka tse di senang nnete. Ke kopa gore o itlwaetse... tlhamalala fela o bue, ga go molato gore o mpontshe phoso *but* o se ka wa feleletsa ka go tlhoka go bua nnete, eo yone ga ke ka ke ka e dumela. Ga nke ke tsaya ope ka letsogo la molema, *but* fa ke fosa, mpontshe nnete gore nnyaa o ka bo o dira... ga go molato, ba tlhola ba mpontsha, wena jaanong o ntlela ka go mmaramara dipuo.

MR MOTAOSANE: *Madam Speaker, o batla gore ke bue le wena o ntse o eme jaanong ka gore o a ntlhasela and ga o bue boammaaruri. You know you are taking me with a left hand. Le go nkoba, o ne o ... (Interruption)... le Dr Dikoloti fa maloba fa, ga o ise o ke o dire sepe.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ke kopa gore o tsamaye.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MR MOTAOSANE: Nna fa ke bua o a nkoba. Fa o batla o nkoba, *chase me out, I will go but you are biased.*

MADAM SPEAKER: Ee, tswa! Ee, tswa, *get out!*

MR MOTAOSANE: *You are biased, and* o dira fela jalo mo go nna dinako tsotlhe.

MADAM SPEAKER: Tswela kwa ntle, o ka se ngange le Palamente.

MR MOTAOSANE: Nna *late coming*, e tshwana le wena jaaka o sa *attend* Palamente.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Murmurs)...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MR MOTAOSANE: I am not going to be bullied *mo Palamenteng*, I am not going to condone such, I am not going to do that.

MADAM SPEAKER: Go timiwa fa kae?

MR MOTAOSANE: Fa e le gore kgang e teng *Madam Speaker*, we have to go re ye go nna...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Motlotlegi Motaosane, ga a tsene Palamente.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Switch off his microphone.

MR MOTAOSANE: Ga ke dumele...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ga o tsene Palamente Motlotlegi Motaosane.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Switch off his microphone.

MR MOTAOSANE: I am not going to do that.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Switch off his microphone.

MR MOTAOSANE: A se ka a nthoga...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Switch off his microphone!

MR MOTAOSANE: Hey, I am not switching off the mic. I am not switching off the mic, *ke ntse ke tlhasetswe mo mic le sa bue, hei!*

...Silence...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Motlotlegi Motaosane ga a tsene Palamente, o tla fela a tla go tsosa modumo.

MR HIKUAMA: *Procedure Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker*; ke a go leboga e bile ke eletsa gore o kgone go tsamaisa Ntlo e sentle. Kana bakaulengwe ba ba ka kwa ba dira gore Ntlo e kgantele e se ka ya nna le tlotlo. Ka fa ba itshwarang ka teng, ka fa ba kuelelang Motlotlegi Motaosane ka teng wena o setse o tsere tshwetso mo go ene ka yone, bone ba bo ba tsweledisa tse ba di tsamaisang, ga go a siama. *You should protect all of us and you should question*, fa re kgalemelwa re a nna, le bone ba kgalemele. Ba kgalemele ba tlhoke go dira tse ba di dirang, go simolola ka Dr Modise, *the way he was doing, it was uncalled for. The way he was shouting, the way...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MR HIKUAMA: *The way you are doing right now*, ga se gone. *The way wa Shoshong ... (Interruptions)...* ka fa a neng a dira ka teng, a kua *on the mic* o ntse wena o tsaya tshwetso, go tlisa tlhakatlhakano, ba kgalemele.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order Madam Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of procedure Madam Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: Point of order.

MADAM SPEAKER: Emang pele *Honourable Members*, ema pele Motlotlegi Dr Modise. *I think* se se neng se diragala, Motlotlegi Rre Motaosane a se dira, *Honourable Hikuama*, le wena o ka bo o mo didimaditse fela *after my ruling*, a bo a *continue* a ntse a *chant...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MADAM SPEAKER: Ee, ke sale ke mo koba, *he continued*, gakere?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, iketle pele ke e tlhalose. Fa *ruling* e tswa, o ne a tshwanetse gore a tswe ga kere *but he continued* a bua dilo a ntse a tobetsa *mic*. So, go dira jalo, *this House got disturbed*, o tshwanetse gore a tswe *because* go tilwe a tswe. *I think* go goa mole was *saying* a tswele kwa ntle *because* o a re diya, nako e re e jeleng ke mo emetse *after my ruling* a sa tswe e ntsi. Ee, ke gore nna ke batla gore le ntheye le re sengwe ga ke a se dira sentle fa e le gore ke ntshitse Motlotlegi Motaosane.

Jaanong ke kopa gore e se ka ya nna e re fa go nna le dingwe re bo re supana ka menwana *because* kamoso ke wena, kamoso ke ene. A re lekeng gore re thusane gore Ntlo e e nne sentle.

Motlotlegi Motaosane o tlhokile maitseo, *and* go mo raya ke re a tswela kwa ntle a ba a diega a ntse a bua a tshubile *mic*, e bile a bua a re ga a ka ke a o tima, go ne go sa tshwanela gore go didimale fela, *people* ba ne ba tshwanetse gore ba mo kgalemele. Ga ke tseye gore golo ga teng go tshwanetse gore re *debate* kgang eo.

ACTING LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MMOLOTSI): *Procedure.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I think this thing* ya gore *Honourable* Hikuama a *incite violence* and a bo a *turn around* a batla gore a re ke batho ba bangwe, ga e siamele Palamente e. *Honourable* Hikuama *has a tendency of inciting violence in the House* le go bua dikgang fela tse e leng gore ga di tlise kagiso mo Ntlong *and he turns around* a bo a supa ba bangwe ka monwana, *this thing is out of order. Honourable* Hikuama *should stop this because it is not building this House, it is not bringing peace to this House.* Fa re batla kagiso bakaulengwe, a re buisaneng sentle mo Ntlong e, a re se keng ra ne re supana ka menwana go sa tlhokafale, ke sone se ke se kopang. Re tlotle *Speaker, when a ruling is made we know* gore *the Speaker's ruling is final. Even if you do not agree with the ruling but the Speaker's ruling according to our Standing Orders is final.* Go itshupa mo re go itshupang mo e leng gore *even* fa *Speaker* a ise a re supe mo go dirwang ke *Chief Whip* ya *Opposition* Motlotlegi Hikuama...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MADAM SPEAKER: *No*, ke mo supile.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mo o go dirileng gompiano jaana.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, ke mo supile.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: O a bona gore le dira eng jaanong?

MR MMOLOTSI: O a bona gore le dira eng?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Further procedure Madam Speaker.

MR MMOLOTSI: O a bona gore le dira eng? Ke santse ke le kgalemelela selo, le dira *exactly that*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MR MMOLOTSI: Le dira *exactly the same*. Emisang go dira jalo. Bakaulengwe ka kwano *will always respect you*. Le lona *respect* bakaulengwe *and respect the Speaker of the House*. Ke sone se re se kopang fela gore Ntlo ya rona e tsamaye ka botswerere. Ke raya gore *what Honourable* Motaosane *has just done* go tlhabisa ditlhong mo go gakgamatsang, re batho ba batona *and people out there* fa gotwe motho ke Mopalamente, ba mo tsaya ka tlhwaafalo e e gakgamatsang. Fa e le gore ke rona ba re tlileng go ithothora seriti ka tsela e e ntseng jaana, *nobody is going to think* gore re batho ba ba tlhwaafetseng. Ka mafoko a a kalo *Madam Speaker*, ke ne ke re ke eme jalo.

MR GARE: *Further procedure Madam Speaker.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke ne ke re gongwe re baakanye sengwe. Ke tsaya gore ga re ka ke ra amogela botho jo bo sa siamang, ke a dumalana, mme *Madam Speaker* ga ke dumalane le wena fa o raya Rre Motaosane o re a tswela kwa ntle a bo a sa tswe, go tshwanetse gore rona Mapalamente re bo re go thusa tiro eo. Sergeant-at-Arms o teng go dira tiro eo. Ga go a tshwanela gore o bo o nna o ka re o *condone* gore e bo ba ba ka kwa kana ba ba ka kwano ba bua jaaka ke ne ke utlwa ba bua, ba sosoetsa kgotilhang e o sa e batleng mo Palamenteng...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MR GARE: Ga ke batle o rialo, ka gore fa e le gore o a nkgalemela o re ke tswe mo Palamenteng, go na le mapodise a Palamente ba ba nketshetsang kwa ntle. Ga o thusiwe ke Mapalamente gore tiro e e diragale. Ga ke batle o bua jalo, jaaka gompiano ke utlwa e le gore ke leka go go gakolola, mme go tswelsetse go a diragala *and* ga o go kgalemele. Ke raya gore golo mo fa e le gore ga re go kgaleme, go tlile go felela go dira gore Palamente e tlhakathakane.

Ke a go kopa, ke batla gore kgang eo e se ka ya nna jaaka o kare gongwe o rotloetsa *side remarks*, jaaka ke ne ke bona Mopalamente wa Shoshong a tobeditse *microphone* fela *being recorded*, a bua gore bangwe ga ba tseenelele Palamente. Ke sa itse gore ene o ne a supilwe ke mang. Ke dilo tse e leng gore ga e ka ke ya nna jaaka jaanong go lebega o kare re a di rotloetsa. Ke a leboga.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members*, ke ne ke re ke supe gore ke dirisitse Standing Order 60.2 go ntshetsa Rre Motaosane kwa ntle. Gore e se ka ya nna o kare ke ne ke mo ntsha ka gore o *feel* gore ke mo tsaya ka lebogo la molema *and again*, ya *statement* e tswetswe.

MR LUCAS: Madam Speaker, I have to react to...

MADAM SPEAKER: Ee, ke raya gore *debate* ke e tswaletse. *You can now close ka reactions tsa gago.*

MR LUCAS: *Thank you very much. Madam Speaker, fa ke bua ke kopa gore o ba kope ba didimale.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members, ke tsaya gore jaaka go ntse go kgalemiwa, re batona. Le a itse gore fa yo mongwe a bua o a reediwa. Le ya go mo utlwa jang le sa mo reetsa, le bo le fetola eng se le sa se utlwang? Continue.*

MR LUCAS: *Madam Speaker, it is unfortunate gore re bo re sa wetsa kgang ya rona sentle mme e le kgang e e botlhokwa thata, e e amang tshireletsego ya setšhaba sa lefatshe la rona. Ke tsaya gore gone mo ga go dire gore go nyenyafatse botlhokwa jwa kgang e re e buang ya gore mapodise ba bo ba ketekwa ke batho. Ke tsaya gore re tlaa e latedisa le fa go ntse jalo kwa ntle ga Palamente le ba ba tshwanetseng.*

Kgang ya ntilha e ne e buiwa ke *Honourable Jacobs*, e a neng a bua mafoko fela a mogolo, a a neng a rotloetsa tota gore a e ko e re ba ba dirileng melato ya mofuta oo wa go keteta lepodise *or* mapodise, gongwe go sekasekiwe gore a mme dikotlha o tsa bone ga di ka ke tsa golediwanyana. O ne o bua kgang e e tlhamaletseng rraetsho, mme e bile ke akanya gore ba ba busang gompiano ba go utlwile. Sekasekang kgang eo bathobetsho ya ga *Honourable Jacobs*, ya gore a mme gone fa o betsa lepodise le le mo *uniform*, gone moo a go tshwanetse gore molato wa teng o tshwane fela le melato e mengwe. Fa e le gore re akanya gore molato wa teng o motona thata, o ne a re gongwe go okediwe dikotlha o. Ke tsaya gore ke kgang e re ka e sekasekang rotlhe, e botlhokwa ka gore akere ke e e tlaabong e sireletsa mapodise, e bo e sireletsa setšhaba se se sirelediwang ke mapodise.

Ya bobedi o ne o bua ka kgang ya *compensation* gore fa motho a biditswe a le mo tirong, a ketikilwe, a remilwe ka selepe jalo, a mme ga se gore go nne le phimolo dikeledi. Kgang e tona ke gore ee, ke kgang e le yone...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Clarification.* Nnyaa, molao o teng wa *compensation* mo tirong gore...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke yoo *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Wena jaanong o bua o supilwe ke mang?

MR LUCAS: Nna ga ke itse gore ba loilwe ke mang.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke eng o sa mo kobe.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MR LUCAS: Rraetsho Jacobs o ne a bua kgang e, ke tsaya gore Rre Ramaotwana, o ne a bua gore fa e le gore *compensation* e teng gompiano, gongwe e ka sekasekiwa le yone gore mme e *adequate*. *I think he was in order to say that.* Ga ke itse gore a molato wa ga *Honourable Jacobs* ke *to suggest* gore *compensation* eo e sekasekiwe. Ya bobedi...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MR LUCAS: *There is general disorder that side.* Ao! Ya bobedi ke e e neng *Honourable Hikuama* a bua gore mafoko a a eteng a buiwe ke baeteledipele, go balelwa le Tautona, a e keteng o rotloetsa seemo se, a mme a siame. *Video* e o e buang rraetsho, ke e utlwile, mme ke ne ke utlwa Tautona a re, "*in certain circumstances*, o kare molao o ka letla gore lepodise le betswa." Ke tsaya gore le bone ba e utlwile, mme ke mafoko a a *unfortunate* ka gore ba bangwe ba tlaa *misinterpret* ba itirela *circumstances* ba bo ba re mme go raya gore *circumstance* e ke e e leng gore lepodise le ka betswa. Tautona o ne a bua jalo rraetsho a le mo kganetsong. O kare *statement* sele o sale a se buile a le mo kganetsong, gongwe o ne a shakgetse thata. Heela! Kana kganetso le yone e ka go shakgatsa fa o e bona e le fa. O ka fitlhela o shakgetse thata, mme kana malatsi a le a itse gore Tautona o ipitsa a *wounded healer* ke tsaya gore fa a ka rotloediswa mafoko ale o ka a baakanya go gaisa foo.

E nngwe e ne e le gore ke eng o kare lentswe la lona ka koo le le babusi ga le utlwale ka dikiteo tse. Jaanong ke ne ke bona batho ba gaketse ke sa itse gore ba gakaletse eng. Fa batho ba re lentswe ga le utlwale, ga se wena o ka tlang wa tla wa bua gore nnyaa, la me le a utlwala. Nnyaa, tsholetsa lentswe gore batho ba go utlwe, fa batho ba re ga o utlwale. Ke kgang fela e e bonolo gore o kare le fa e le gore gongwe le a bua, le bua le mapodise koo, lentswe la lona le tshwanetse gore le goroge kwa setšhabeng.

Rona re le ka kwano ra re o kare ga re le utlwe sentle lentswe leo. A go kile ga nna le *Press Release*, go kile ga nna le eng e e tswelang kwa setšhabeng, e leka go rotloetsa gore a re ko re boneng gore mapodise ga a tlhaselwe ke setšhaba? Kgang eo ke tsaya gore e botlhokwa thata ya gore le utlwale ka koo, le se ka la re le a utlwala mme rona re re ga re le utlwe. Oketsang *volume*.

Ka mafoko a a kalo bathobetsho, a re dumalaneng gore kgang e ke nngwe ya dikgang tse re tshwanetseng go di tseela kwa godimo ka gore fa re sa di tsele kwa godimo, *we are going to get into an unethical stage*, e mongwe le mongwe jaanong a bonang go tshwanela gore a betse lepodise, mme le leka go tlisa kagiso. A re se ka ra letla...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

MR LUCAS: Go tlike go tswetswe tlherra, ke ofe yo?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke *elucidation*. Ke ne ke re ke go tlitse.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Lucas, fa o wetsa, wetsa re utlwane.

MR LUCAS: Ee, mma ke wetse ka gore o kare batho ke ba ba magalamasuke ga ke itse gore gatwe go rileng. A re itseng e bile re tseye molaetsa o, re o tsenye mo setšhabeng gore mapodise ga ba a tshwanela go ketekwa. Mapodise ke basireletsi ba thokgamo, kagiso le ledula la rona. Mapodise ba tshwanetse ka dinako tsotlhe ba sirelediwe. Ke a leboga.

MADAM SPEAKER: Thank you.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members*, ke ne ke re ke leke go tlhatswa gore se se neng se diragala mo Palamenteng ga se khansela *statement* se kana ga se khansela boleng jwa *statement* se.

Ke *statement* se e leng gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe o tshwenyegile, e bile le lona ka koo ke tsaya gore ke selo se le tshwanetseng jaanong le eme ka dinao le supe. Ke ne ke leka fela gore le itse gore modumo ole *does not cancel* boleng jwa *statement* se.

AMENDMENT OF EXISTING LAWS TO LEGALISE CULTIVATION AND PROCESSING OF INDUSTRIAL HEMP

Motion

(Resumed Debate)

MADAM SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, debate on this Motion is resuming. When this House adjourned on Friday 25th July, Honourable Moalosi was on the floor presenting and he was left with 21 minutes 31 seconds. Honourable Moalosi, continue to present. *Ke kopa gore le reetsaneng, ga ke kobe ope, ke a itse gore le batla go ya kae.*

MR MOALOSI (NKANGE): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke dumedise Batswana, Palamente e le ba ba modumo ba, ba ba fa pele ga me. *Madam Speaker* fa re phatlalala ka *Friday*...

MINISTER OF HEALTH (DR MODISE): *On a point of order. Madam Speaker*, ke ne ke kopa gore re tlhalosetswe gore ba ba modumo ba ba fa pele go tewa bo mang? *Thank you.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Moalosi gatwe o rile bangwe ba modumo fa pele ga gago.

MR MOALOSI: Ke tsaya gore o ne o ba reeditse fa ke ntse ke emelela fa ba bua.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, se ntsenye mo teng, gatwe araba.

MR MOALOSI: Ke raya Nelson Ramaotwana le mothaka yole. Ke kopa go tswelala *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ee, *but* le wena kgalemo e e dirwang mo Ntlong e, lesang *to provoke* batho. Dira se o tshwanetseng go se dira. Jaanong fa o tshwanetse go bua o bo o re, "ba ba modumo bao," kana o kare le bala *one*.

MR MOALOSI: Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Fa re phatlalala ka *Friday* ke ne ke setse ke simolotse kgang ya me ya gore, ke na le keletso ya gore Ntlo e e tseye tshwetso ya gore melao e e ka kgoreletsang gore go lemilwe *industrial hemp* e fetolwe gore go diragale jalo. Ke ne ke buile gore *industrial hemp*, ke e re ka e dirisang thata *for diversification and job creation* mo Botswana, ka re itse gore lefatshe la rona gompiano jaana le na le *unemployment* e ntsi. *There is a lot of youth unemployment* kwa magaeng, le balemi ba rona ga ba kgone go bona madi ka temo ya bone. Go ka dirwa madi *through agriculture, through* go lema, *to process industrial hemp*, le go dira dipe dilo tse ke tlaa di nankolang tse di dirwang ka *industrial hemp*. Re ka kgona go dira ditiro *with the ancillary industries*, bo *transportation, to transport hemp le finished products. Packaging and research* fela ka *hemp* gore e ka dira eng se sengwe gape. *Madam Speaker, hemp* ke setlhare se se nang le *potential* e tona ya go dira dilo *that we can export* kwa ntle. Jaaka re itse gore lefatshe la rona le ikaegile thata ka *to export* diteemane, mme theko ya tsone fa e ya kwa tlase re sala re sokola go ka bona dilo tse di ka re tlisetsang madi go tswa kwa ntle.

Hemp Madam Speaker e ka dira *industry* tse dintsi tota jaaka bo *textile*. Go na le diaparo tse di kgonang go dirwa ka *hemp*. So, go raya gore *we can build a textile*

industry, exporting, taking advantage of markets that are outside the country ba ba ka tswang ba na le keletso ya go apara diaparo tse di dirilweng ka *sustainable product like industrial hemp*.

Hemp Madam Speaker e dira *construction materials*. Go na le setena se bidiwa gotwe *hemcrete* se se dirwang ka *to mix hemp le lime*. Ka Sekgoa ba re *it is a breathable, insulative and carbon negative product*. E ka dira le *what we call hemp fibre board; boards* tse di dirwang mo *kitchens* tse di ka kgona go dirwa ka *hemp*. *Actually*, kwa Cape Town, gona le ntlo e nngwe e e agilweng ka *hemcrete, 90 per cent of the material that was used in that house* ke *hemp, curtains, mats, sofas*, e le go leka go bontsha batho gore *hemp* e ka kgona go dira eng.

Hemp seeds di dira *what we call super food, very rich in protein, omega 3 fatty acids le fibre*. Go kgona go dirwa *hemp oil, flour le protein powder*. Ke dilo tse di kgonang go dirwa ka *hemp*. *That is why* ke na le keletso ya gore melao e fetolwe ka potlako, gore fa re tla gongwe mo ngwageng o o tlang e bo re setse re kgona go lema *hemp*.

Hemp e dira gape *biofuels*. Re a itse gore gompiano jaana *we are trying to stay away from fossil fuels*, re leka gore re nne le *fuels* tse di tala, tse e leng gore ga di kgotlelele *environment*. *So hemp* ke nngwe e e ka dirisiwang *for* dilo tseo

Gape *hemp* ga e tlhoke metsi a mantsi. E ka lemaga *across the country*, e bile ga ena diji tse dintsi. *So* ga e tlhoke *chemical* tse o fitlhelang di kgotlelele *environment* tse di bidiwang *pesticides*. *That is why* ke rotloetsa gore Goromente kana re le Puso re ka fetola melao gore batho ba kgone go lema *industrial hemp*. Se ke tlaa se kopang fa re fetola melao, re se ka ra dira melao e e kgoreletsang Batswana ba ba kobo dikhutshwane *to take advantage of this economy*. Re a itse gore gona le *risk* ya ditagi, ya gore gongwe motho o ka lema motokwane a o bapisa le *hemp*. Fa *penalties* tsa rona di ka nna di tona, gape re lebile gore *hemp* ka bo yone e na le *value* e tona, gongwe Batswana ba ka kgona go nna le dipoelo fa re ka ba letlelela. Motswana a le kwa Manjerengwa, Jackalas No 1 mo tshimong ya gagwe ya *three hectares* fa a ka letlelelwa gore a leme *hemp*, go be go nna gongwe le melao e e dirang gore gongwe go kgone go nna le *inspection*, go tlholwe gore a mme ba lema *hemp*.

Gape re se ka ra dira melao e e tlaa dirang gore Batswana ba tswalelelwe kwa ntle, go tle babeeletsi ba ba tswang kwa ntle ba tla go akola *industrial hemp* kwano. Re bo gape re dira gore le *to apply for a permit, licencing fees*

di nne kwa tlase, gore Motswana yo o kwa Mmopane, Metsimotlhabe le Shakawe, a kgone *to afford licence* e. Jaaka re bona *licence* ya phane go duelwa P5, le *industrial hemp prices* tsa teng di tshwanetse go nna gone foo, gore Batswana ba nne le dipoelo. Gape re dire gore *to apply for permit* e go se ka ga nna bokete. Go nne *easy* gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe a kgone *to apply*. Goromente a nne le *policies* tsa go dira gore go nne le *access to information*, dithuto, gongwe go dirisiwa dikoporase gore re kgone go batla *experts* di tswa kwa ntle di tla go ruta balemi ba rona gongwe le gongwe fa ba leng teng mo Botswana. Ba ba ruta gore ba ka lema *hemp* ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Re dire dikoporase tse e leng gore... *let us say* fa re tsaya batho ba kwa Matsiloje kwa kgaolong ya ga Rre Furniture ka kwa, ba kgone go ikgobokanya ba bo ba re lema *hemp* re e lemela go dira pampiri. Ba bo ba dira jalo e le *a cooperative*, go be go nna le *factory* e e dirang pampiri gone foo, ka gore *one of the biggest challenges that we have is unemployment*, and go dira *factories* ke gone fela mo go ka dirang gore re kgone go hira batho ba bantsi.

Seed access; re tle ka lenaneo le le tlaa dirang gore balemi ba kgone go bona peo ya *hemp*.

Ke batla gore re dire *local processing*; re se ka ra tsaya *hemp* gongwe kwa Marapong re bo re e tliša mo Gaborone *for processing*. Re dire *local processing in our localities*, gore balemi ba rona ba kgone go rekisetsa gaufi. *Hemp* kana mo mafatsheng a mangwe ba e bitsa *the green gold, if we can take advantage of this green gold* re ka kgone *to diversify economy* ya rona ra e baya mo seemong se Batswana ka bontsi ba ka nnang le tshono ya botshelo.

Ke itse gore ka Puso e e neng e feta ya Botswana Democratic Party (BDP), ba ne ba gana *hemp* ba re ke motokwane. Ke ne ke sa batle *to quote* rre mongwe yo o neng a ema mo Palamenteng a bua gore go se ka ga lemiwa motokwane, ka gore o ka nna a ganetsa gore ga a ise a rialo. Re itse gore *they were averse to industrial hemp*. Ke gakologelwa ka ngwaga wa 2014 ke emetse ditlhopho ke bua gore ke batla go tliša *industrial hemp*, ba ema ba re Moalosi a re o batla go lema motokwane. Ke gakologelwa gore ka 2015 ke ne ka ikopela *permit* kwa *crop production*, ba bo ba mpha *permit* ya gore ke tle ka *seeds*, mme *Minister* wa nako eo a bo a dira gore golo moo go emisiwe go se ka ga diragala. Ke dumela gore Goromente wa Umbrella for Democratic (UDC) ka gore le mo *manifesto* wa bone *since* 2019 ba ne ba bua ka *hemp* le bone, ga ba na go gana *to change* melao gore Batswana ba kgone go akola *hemp*.

Se ke se batlang thata *Madam Speaker* ke gore, melao e re yang go tla ka yone e se ka ya kganela Batswana kwa ntle. E se ka ya kganela Batswana ba ba dikobo dikhutshwane kwa ntle. Re a itse gore *like* ke ne ke bua, go na le mafatshe a a tshwanang bo Italy, *hemp* e a lengwa ga go tlhoke *permit*. *You just have to register* gore o lemile *hemp*, *because* ba lebile botlhokwa jwa go dira jalo. Maloba ke ne ke bala gotwe kwa Rwanda *for example, they already have a factory which they supply* mafatshe a a kwa moseja ka *medicinal marijuana*. Ke batla gore thatathata re *concentrate* mo go *hemp*, ka gore Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) ya yone e kwa tlase, ga gona *risk* ya gore bana ba rona ba ka e goga ba nna *addicted*. *The only thing that is there* ke gore, *it is a great opportunity* e e leng gore fa re ka diega jaaka re ne re diega *since 2014*...

MR LUCAS: *Clarification.* Honourable Molaosi, o mongwe wa batho ba ba tswang kgakala o leka go re ruta ka *hemp*. Go ise go nne *fashionable* go bua ka yone, o ne o ntse o bua ka yone, o kare ga re go utlwe sentle, mme o kare re tsamaela go go utlwa.

Ke re gongwe o mpaakanyetse kgang e, go na le *hemp* kafa, jaanong ke utlwa o tsenya *medicinal marijuana*. *What is the relationship between the two?* A go na le *hemp* kafa, go bo go nna le motokwane gape kafa? E o e buang e le yone e tsenya *medicinal marijuana*? Ke re o e tlhatswe, ka gore tota ke tsamaela go go utlwa jaanong.

MR MOALOSI: Ke a leboga Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO). *Medicinal marijuana* e dirwa ka motokwane, go bo go ntshiwa *chemicals* mo teng tse di dirisiwang go ka dira melemo. Fa ke ne ke bua ka *hemp* e tota ke batlang *to concentrate* mo go yone, ka gore ga e na *risk* e e tshwanang ya *medicinal marijuana*. Ga o ka ke wa re motho a leme *medicinal marijuana* fela mo tshimong ya gagwe kwa Marapong, o ka tloga gongwe a feletsa a sa e tlise kwa *factory*, a e *export* ene ka boene. Jaanong *hemp* ga e na *that potential to be exported*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

MR MOALOSI: Di a farologana nkgonne, e tlaa re re le kwa *caucus* kamoso ke tlaa nna fa fatshe ke go bontsha sentle.

Motho o ka botsa gore a mme go na le mafatshe a gone jaana ba letleletse go lengwa ga *hemp*. Karabo ke gore mafatshe a mantsi bo USA, Canada, China le kwa South Africa tota ba letleletse *hemp*. Kwa Malawi, *they have licensed* dikompone dingwe gore di kgone go lema

hemp. Kwa Uganda ke bone maloba le bone ba kwadile gore ba batla *to take advantage of this*. *That is why* go na le *urgency* ya gore melao e fetolwe re simolole *to gain footprint* mo *market* wa *industrial hemp* nako e santse e le teng go ise go tlale.

Mongwe o ka botsa gore, fa re letlelela gore mongwe le mongwe go leme *hemp*, a ga gona *risk* ya gore batho jaanong ba tlaa tsaya *advantage* ba bo ba lema motokwane. Se ke se buang ke gore, *difference* ya *hemp* le motokwane ke mo re bitsang re re THC, ke *chemical* e e dirang gore motho a kgone go tagiwa. THC *can be measured in a lab*, jaaka gompiono fa motho a tshwarwa ka motokwane, mapodise fa ba re re tshwere motho ka motokwane, ba re re tshwere motho ka sengwe se se belaetsegang e le motokwane. Ba bo ba se tsaya ba isa kwa *lab* ba ya *to test*, fa ba fitlhela THC ya teng e le mo seelong se se rileng, ba tlaabo ba re golo mo ke motokwane. Re dumela gore *the benefits of this plant are so huge that very few farmers will risk* go lema motokwane, ba o bapisitse le *industrial hemp*.

Ka 2014 *at that time* ke ne ke bua gore *farmer* o kgona go dira P50, 000 ka hekere, ke gore a lema, a sa *process*. Fa e le gore motho a tshwana le Mme a na le tshimo ya 16 hectares (h), a bo a lema 10h wa *hemp*, *that is* P500, 000 *per year*. Ke madi a e leng gore le mo botshelong jwa gagwe, Mme ga a ise a ko a a bone, kana a a utlwalele fela gore go na le madi a a kalo. Ke dilo *which can empower* Batswana ba bantsi tota, ka gore *the low hanging fruit* ya *processing* ya *hemp* ke dipampiri. *Every day* fa re tsena mo Palamenteng mo re fitlhela re beetswe pampiri e tshetlha kana e e tshweu, pampiri eo e dirwa ka ditlhare. Jaanong *one hectare of hemp, produces as much paper as 4 hectares of* ditlhare. Selo sa ntlha re tlaabo re sireletsa *environment*, ka go fokotsa go rema ditlhare mo go ntseng jalo.

Ke kope Palamente e gore, a re lebelele kgang e re dumalane gore Goromente a emelele ka bonako jaaka re ne re bona Rre Mmolotsi a emelela ka bonako re *change* molao wa Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM), ka gore o ne a bona gore go a senyega. Le one o re emelele ka bonako re *change* molao o, re *make sure* gore *at least* fa gotwe go padile *by the end of 2026* go bo go na le balemi ba ba letleletsweng go lema *industrial hemp*. Re bo re setse re simolotse *workshops* tsa go ruta balemi gore e lemiwa jang, re simolotse go batla *markets* kwa ntle. Re simolotse go bona gore re ka *process hemp* ya rona fa kae, ra dira eng, ka gore ... (*Interruptions*)... e a dirisiwa. Ke gore *the leaves can be used for stock feed*, ditodi tsa teng o ka

di dirisa *for the fiber*; fa go tswa lelodi go sala legong fa gare, le lone le na le tiriso ya lone, *seeds* tsa teng di na le tiriso ya tsone. Lefatshe le le tshwanang la France, *they have more than a hundred varieties of seeds tsa hemp, some were engineered for mmu o o senang dikota, tse dingwe are engineered for fa go leng letsatsi* thata. Ke dumela gore fa re ka tsaya kgang e re le *serious* tota, re ka felela re nna le *to change economy* ya Botswana, Batswana ba sologelwa molemo.

Se ke batlang go se gatelela thata *is the inclusivity aspect*. Ke ne ke utlwa nako e re neng re *discuss policy ya hemp*, go buiwa gore fa re ka bo re letleletse mongwe le mongwe gore a epe te mane ya gagwe, e ka bo e sena boleng. Ke le reye ke re, *hemp especially if you are going to make paper you need a lot of it, you need a lot of mass. If you are going to make biofuel, you need a lot of hemp. If it is going to be planted by exclusive clubs*, go ya go dira gore re se ka ra kgona go dira tsone ditiro tse re batlang go di dira. Re se ka ra lebala Motswana kwa gae, *because* o batla sengwe se a ka se dirang gore a kgone go itirela bokamoso.

Se ke buang ka ga sone *Madam Speaker, it is not about seeds or plants, it is about empowering farmers, creating jobs and fostering innovation*. Ke batla gore re nne le mo re ka go bitsang re re *boutique manufacturing plants*, ke gore motho a kgona gore ke batla go dira *hand bags tsa hemp, necklaces*, yo mongwe a re *hemcrete*. Go nne le *the niche processing plants across this country*. Re ka bona letseno le le tswelentseng thata fa re ka dira jalo.

Ke wetse *Madam Speaker* ke re, *let us not be left behind as the world embraces this versatile crop. Let us seize this opportunity for the benefit of all Botswana. I want us to underline all Botswana*. Ga ke batle re nne le *situation* e e leng gore Botswana bangwe ba ba nang le madi, ba ba ka kgonang go tsenya *cameras* mo *farms* tsa bone, *razor wires*, a bo gotwe ke bone fela ba ka le mang *hemp*. Ka re, *the market of this crop Madam Speaker, is huge*. Ga re a tshwanela gore re ikgagapelele rona ba babedi, ba bararo, ba re nang le bokgoni, a bo re tlogela Motswana kwa ntle Rre Mmolotsi. Batswana ba ka boelwa *in this crop. They can only benefit* fa e le gore re ka fetola melao, gore ba kgone go e lema. *We can only benefit* fa e le gore re ka fetola melao gore ba kgone *to process it, transport it*, re sa dire melao e e yang go ba tlogela kwa ntle. *I so move Madam Speaker. Thank you.*

MADAM SPEAKER: The floor is open.

ACTING MINISTER OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE (DR DIKOLOTI): Ke a go leboga *Madam Speaker*. O tlaa nkgakolola, Tshutiso e mokaulengwe a e beileng fa pele ga rona fa, ke e reng le Puso, re gatetseng pele go feta selekanyo. E le mo Palamenteng e, re neng re fetisa *policy* ka *April*. Khuduthamaga e sutisitse gore melao e yotlhe e lebelelwe. Ke solofela gore ka Mosupologo jaana, a bo molao o wa *Bill ya Cannabis*, o feta kwa *Cabinet*. Mo gotlhe ga melao e e amanang le mo go ntseng go kganela tiriso e, re dirile, re mo tseleng *Madam Speaker* gore go tle mo Palamenteng.

Jaanong ka fa o fitlheleng o bua thata *Madam Speaker* o re gakolola gore re kwa morago mo Palamenteng, mme segolobogolo ke lebeletse *Motion* o o tsenang fa morago ga o, o o kokonetseng batho ba Mogoditshane, o o kokonetseng batho ba Kgatleng, ke re, a re boloke nako. Mokaulengwe ke buile le ene ka one. A bo a nkopa gore o kopa go tthalosetsa Botswana fela ka kgang e ya *industrial hemp*. O tthaloganya go le kae ka gore o ne a bona e kare go ne go na le tsietsego. Ke dumalana le ene, *that is why I allowed him to speak for his good 30 minutes*. Re ne re dumalane gore o tlaa *withdraw Motion* mme ga a o *withdraw*. *It is okay as per what we had agreed on*.

Ke a kopa *Madam Speaker*, re gatetse pele re le Puso mo thulaganyong e mokaulengwe a neng a e buisa. E bile re gatetse pele go feta bophara jo a neng a bo bua ka gore Tautona wa lefatshe le, o kgathala ka Motswana. O kgathala ka go bona botshelo jwa Motswana bo fetoga. Dilo tse tsotlhe tse *Madam Speaker*, e bile Tautona ga a batle mo Botswana ba tlaa fufulang fela *at the farms*. O batla Botswana ba *benefit in the whole value chain ya cultivation ya industrial hemp and medicinal cannabis*. Re setse re na le mongwe yo re mo neetseng yo o ithulaganyang. Golo moo go supa gore Puso e, e gatetse pele go tla go tsena mo thulaganyong e. Ke nngwe ya tse e leng gore *Madam Speaker*, re ikaegile thata ka tsone. Ke dumela thata gore botlhoko jo banana ba bo utlwang jwa letlhoko la mebereko, *solution* ya bone e mo...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification *Madam Speaker*.

DR DIKOLOTI: Nnyaa, iketle pele. O ka bo o tthaloseditse Moalosi. Iketle pele! Iketle pele! *Madam Speaker*, ke go raya ke re, a re boloke nako ya Palamente e. Jaaka ke dumalane le mokaulengwe, re gogele thulaganyo e kwa morago. Ke na le tumelo e e tletseng ya gore mo re go dumalaneng nna le ene, le *purpose* e a

neng a batla go e diragatsa, o e diragaditse. Ke utlwile e bile a itetlelela gore le kwa *caucus* ya bone, o tlaa ba tlhalosetse go feta ka thulaganyo e ke e arogaaneng le ene. Ra dumalana ka botlhokwa jwa gore melao e e baakannngwe ka sepiti sa ga Manyanga le Waere se e leng gore Puso e a se dira *Madam Speaker*:

Ke bue fela jalo *Madam Speaker* gore re *withdraw Motion* o. Re o boele kwa morago, re tle re tsenye tse dingwe tse di ntsintsi tse di kwa morago, tse di tlaa nnang le pharologanyo e e seng kana ka sepe. E bile re le Ntlo e ka fa re neng re nna re dumalana ka teng, re dire fela jalo. *I so submit.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members, Minister Dikoloti o ntse a le mo floor. O ne o mo kopile gore a withdraw, ga a withdraw. He continued ka presentation. Ka jalo, o ne o tshwanetse o wele gore o eletsa go dira jang ka Standing Order sefe, so that ene a bo tsena a araba.*

DR DIKOLOTI: Ka Standing Order se se maleba *Madam Speaker*, boloka nako ya Palamente e. *Motion* o, o ntshiwe fa kana a o boele morago, re tle re tsene mo go tse dingwe ka gore o ya go dirwa. Ga ke re *pipeline*, ka re, go a dirwa *Madam Speaker*. Jaaka o bone ka sepiti sa ga Manyanga le Waere, re fetisitse *policy* mme go tswelotse go a dirwa le botlhe ba ba amegang ba *Trade* le *Health*. Re tshwaraganetse thulaganyo e thata *Madam Speaker*. Jaanong a re boloke nako ya Palamente e. Ka Standing Order se se maleba, o thuse foo re kgone gore re ntshe *Motion* o.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ga o a wela *sir* gore o dirisitse sefe? O batla sefe?

DR DIKOLOTI: Se se maleba *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Leba 55.1.

DR DIKOLOTI: Gatwe ke mang?

MADAM SPEAKER: 55.1.

DR DIKOLOTI: Ee, Standing Order 55.1 *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: O tshwanetse o se lebe *sir*, o se bale. O se ka wa utlwa ka nna. Gongwe ga se se o batlang go se dirisa. Re tle re tswelole re neele *Honourable Moalosi*.

DR DIKOLOTI: Ka Standing Order se se maleba seo *Madam Speaker*, puisanyo e yotlhe e, re e emise gone fa. Go se ka ga tlhola go nna le sepe sa gone mo. *I so move Madam Speaker.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Ema pele ke *consult* le *Clerk*.

...Silence...

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Members, I think *re bale* Standing Order *le lona le se utlwe*, before *re ka tswelole. A re reetseng* Standing Order 55.1.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Procedure Madam Speaker*. Ga se balwe gompiano.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Hikuama, *ke kopa o ntellelele ke bale*, then a few *e e batlang go akgela*, I will give you chance. Standing Order 55.1. *sa re*, “after a question has been proposed, a Member holding the floor may at any time during the course of debate claim to move “That the mover be now called upon to reply” and unless it appears to the Chair that the Motion is an abuse of the rules of the Assembly or an infringement of the rights of the minority, the question “That the mover be now called upon to reply” shall be put forthwith. No debate on that Motion shall be allowed, and if the Motion is carried the mover shall, if he so wishes, immediately reply to the debate, and as soon as he or she has concluded or, if he or she does not want to reply, the Speaker shall immediately put the question.” *Le a se utlwa gakere? Le lona le ipaleleng fa le ntse le tshwere foo* Standing Orders *tsa lona*. I am going to allow one or two or three *re riana* before Honourable Moalosi a respond.

MR HIKUAMA: *Procedure Madam Speaker*. Nnyaa, mme *I am not against your ruling* gore o batla go ye go tsamaya jaana. *On the strength of that* Standing Order se o neng o se bala, kana fa e le gore re ya go tswelole ka tsela e, ka dipalo tsa rona ga di lekane, go raya gore *Motions* tsa rona *will not be debated*. Motho o tsile go emelela fela a bo a bua tse a di buang, a bo le wena o letlelela nako e nnyennyane. *You have the right to protect the minority. You have the power to protect that.* Dinako tse dingwe o tshwanetse o bone gore a mme rona, ke raya bontsi jwa rona, re na le tsamaiso. Fa o kare 1, 2 fela o bo o emisa *for him to respond, I do not think* o tlaabo o re sireleditse. O tshwanetse o re sireletse fela sentle re *debate*, yo o nang le kgatlhego *should debate* go fitlhelela re bo re kgotsofala. Fa e le gore re ya go tsamaya ka dipalo tse, di di ntsi, o a itse di lekana le tsa rona, go raya gore ga re ka ke ra tlhola re nna le *Motions*, di ya go bolawa fela ka tsela e e ntseng jaana.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MADAM SPEAKER: Kana mme ke ne ke ithaya ke re ke dumalane le lona gore ke tlaa tsaya ba le *few* gore ba akgele. Ke ne ke tsaya gore ke bulela gore ga ke tswalele ope go akgele.

MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION (MR MAELE): *Point of order. Madam Speaker, ba batla gore o ntshe Ntlo mo tseleng. Kgakololo yame Madam Speaker ke gore, fa Motion o sutisitswe in terms of Standing Order 55.1, ga go ngangwiwe sepe. It has to come from you to determine if it appears gore ga se abuse. The only question e e tswang mo go Speaker is to decide whether there is abuse or no abuse. If you feel that there is abuse, then you allow the Motion to go on. If you believe that it is okay, then you put the question. That is how it is in terms of Standing Order 55. It is not debated, ba tlaabo ba go senyetsa Madam Speaker, ba tlaabo ba go ntsha mo tseleng. Ke a leboga Madam Speaker.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Members, ke tsaya gore Rre Maele o gata fa ke neng ke bua teng. I felt fa ke sena go bala 55.1 I allow few ya lona gore le akgele. Ga ke itse gore go senyegile fa kae because le nna fa ke lebile ka fa le akgelang ka teng, ke tlaa itse gore ke nako ya gore ke tswale ke bitse Honourable MP gore a arabe re bo re tswalelela.*

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA): Ke a leboga. Ke re ke tseye sebaka se; ke tlaa nna mokhutshwane, go supa gore kana dikgang di pedi. Go na le kgang ya maikaelelo a *Motion*, go bo go nna le kgang ya gore gone go dirwa eng gompiano?

Maikaelelo a *Motion* le ka fa a tlhalositseng ka teng, a maleba. Ke sone se e leng gore Puso ya gompiano ya UDC, e dumela mo goreng re tshwanetse ra tswakatswakanya itsholelo fa re batla go fapisa matshwenyego le mathata a Batswana ba lebagang le one. Gone go tswakatswakanya itsholelo re itebagantse thata mo seemong se a buang ka sone ka temothuo. Jaanong ke sone se ke reng, se a se tlhalosang kana e bile se a se buang, se bothokwa, se maleba, e bile se a amogelesega. Re tshwanetse re nne *an efficient and productive Parliament*, re se ka ra bua dilo fela ka gore go tlhoka gore re di bue le fa di le bothokwa. Se *Minister* Dikoloti a se tlhalosang ke gore, kana go setse go fetisitswe *policy* tebang le kgang e re buang ka yone, mme le gore *Cabinet* e ne ya farantlholola melao

yotlhe e e maleba le sone se, mme e tlaabo mo bekeng e e tsenang e bo e e konela e bo e tla kwa Palamenteng. Fa e le gore go a diragala gone moo, ga go tlhoke gore re senye nako ya Palamente e re ka bong re bua dikgang tse dingwe ka yone.

Ke wela ka gore *Motion* wa ga Rre Moalosi ka lesego la gagwe, o fitlhela e le gore o tsamaelana le se Puso e se dirang. Re amogele gone moo, gongwe fa go na le se e leng gore se tlaa tla se tlhela, e tlaa re fa Rre Dikoloti a tsisa molao, ke gone a bo a ka akgele gone foo. *So, let us be united and try to be an efficient and productive Parliament.* Re le *objective*, ga go tlhoke gore re ngange gore re utlwe gore mang o ne a reng. Ke a leboga jalo.

MR AARON (NGAMI): Ke tseye sebaka se ke go leboga *mongwashadiame* gore o bo mphile sebaka gore le nna ke akgele mo mogopolong o o beilweng pele Ntlo e. Ke supe gore ke fa le nna ke gatelela se se sa tswang go buiwa ke *Honourable* Moalosi. E bile ke supe gore ke nnete ke dumalana le maikaelelo a Puso ya UDC e e supang gore go farologangwe motokwane ka pharologano gore go na le o e leng gore ga se tagi. Ke tlaa dirisa lefoko lone leo fela ka gore yone *hemp* e go buiwang ka yone, e wela mo tshikeng yone eo. Go supiwane gore ga se metokwane yotlhe e e leng gore ke tagi, mme go na le o o nang le maduo...

MR SEGOKGO: *Point of procedure.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ga se gore ke batla go tabogela kwa Tlokweng, mme ga ke tshephe gore nako ya gago e tsamaisana le Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) *standards*, o kare e *three minutes behind*. Ke re o tle o kope bodiredi bo e baakanye.

...Silence...

MADAM SPEAKER: Continue Honourable Aaron.

MR AARON: Ke a leboga, mme e bile ke supe gore ke lebogela se. Ke dumela gore go le gontsi jaaka gongwe bakaulengwe ba sa tswa go bua, go na le tse di tsamaelanang le se mokaulengwe a sa tswang go se bua fa, le se Puso e eletsang go se dira. Boammaaruri ke gore ga go reye gore fa bontsi jwa maikaelelo a tsamaelana, mme gongwe go na le bontlha bongwe jo e leng gore bo pharologanyo, bo ka se ke bo rolwe. Tota kgangkgolo ya rona ke gore a e re fa dilo tse di dirwa, a go lebelelwe Batswana bothle ka bophara, e seng ba ba itsholetseng, e bo e tla e nna bone. Temo e dirwa ke mongwe le mongwe, a go lebiwe fela gore mme ke ditshetlana dife tse di ka dirisiwang gore Batswana jaaka a ne a sa tswa go bua, ba ba ka reng ba filwe sone sebaka sa gore ba ka

lema *industrial hemp*, fa ba ka fitlhelwa jaanong bone ba e dirisa mo go rileng, a go gagamadiwe melao, mme a Batswana ba se ka ba gagamalediwa gore ba ka se ke ba e leme. Ke gone fa re tlang re farologana teng ka gore rona re fa go emela setšhaba.

Ke buisiwa se gape ke gore *Honourable Minister*, molao o o ise o bo o fetisiwe, o supa gore *already* go na le mongwe yo ba setseng ba na le dipuisanyo le ene, e bile ba gatsetse pele gore o ka lema golo mo. Go mo Hansard mo a sa tswang go se bua.

ACTING MINISTER OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE (DR DIKOLOTI): *Point of clarification.* Ke ne ke re ke go bolelele gore melao e ka fa e ntseng e ntse ka teng, *there has always being provision within the laws to facilitate that which has been done, and the policy* go dirwa ga yone *helped even more, for that which has been done.* Ga go a direlwa ope *favour*, e bile ga go a dirwa boferefere bope gore go neelwe yo go neng go mo lebane tetla eo. *Thank you.*

MR AARON: Ee, ke raya gore o ka ipotsa gore mme go dirwa jang gore mongwe a bo a setse a lemogilwe mme e bile go gatsetse pele mme *policy* e ise e nne teng? Letshwenyego la rona le gone fa...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Correction.

MR AARON: Nnyaa, *please, please!*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Policy* e teng.

MR AARON: Letshwenyego la rona le gone fa, keletso ya rona ke gore ka gore re setse re lemogile gore *industrial hemp* e na le maduo a a seng kana ka sepe, a Batswana ba se akole fela ka gore go bo gotwe bone ba bona ditiro. Ke sone se se diragalang gompiano, re bua gore *tourism* e tsisa madi a a seng kana ka sepe mo lefatsheng le, mme Batswana bone se ba se bonang ke mafofora fela a ga Lasaro mo go tse di dirwang. Jaanong fa e le gore le reeditse sentle se a se buang, o dumalana le mogopolo o o sa tswang go buiwa, mme go na le sengwe se a se tlatsang, se a eletsang gore a e re fa se dirwa, a go se sekasekelwe bahumi ba kwa Kandalangodi, Habu, Xadimoxau le Ngojo. Ke bua mafelo a mebu ya teng e nonneng, e ka siamela go dira temo. Fa e le gore ke nnete go supega gore go ka tswa dilo tse di tshwanang le jaaka melemo, diaparo, *oils* ka go farologana jalojalo, kgangkgoro ya rona ke gore se gatelele gore go tswela mosola *the few*. Ke a itse gore lona jaaka rona, ga le Puso e le dumelang mo go re tsweleng mosola bontlha bongwe jwa setšhaba, bontlha bongwe bo sa reng. Ke

dumela gore e tla jaana e le kgakololo mo go lona gore a re se itebatseng maikano le maikaelelo a a rona ba rotlhe fa re le kwano. Re ne re bua ka gore sepe se re se dirang, re tlaa dira gore...

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): *Clarification.* Motlotlegi Mopalamente, re a go utlwa ka fa o e tshwereng ka teng. Ke ne ke re a mme Tshutiso ya ga mokaulengwe ya gore go baakanngwe molao, a yone o e utlwile? Ke gore ke utlwa jaanong e kare *you address* di sele mme kana kgang ya gagwe ke gore o kopa gore go baakanngwe molao.

MR AARON: Tse ke di buang ke bua melao. E bile melao e ke e buang gore re e baakanye ke e supa gore e tlaa *benefit* jang batho, e seng mo go tlaa tweng re na le mogwebi. A re supe gore re dumela gore Batswana ba tlaa *benefit* mo *policy* e e tlang. Ke tshwenngwa ke gore *Minister* fa a ema o setse a dirisitse lefoko la gore re gatsetse pele mme e bile re na le mogwebi yo o tlaabong a ipaakanyeditse go ka lema *industrial hemp*. Kgang ya rona e gone fa.

MR LEKAU: *Procedure.* Ke ne ke re le nna ke utlwe gore a Mopalamente o e bua sentle. Kana gangwe le gape o a gakololwa gore *policy* e teng mme o tswela a batla go e baya *as if policy* ga e yo, go dirilwe fela *to identify* motho. Ke ne ke re a tlhatswe kgang e a itse gore *policy* gatwe e teng. Tanki.

MR AARON: Mo a go buang go raya gore o ne a batla gore le ene go se ka ga nna gore ga a bua sepe ka gore gatwe go bua batho ba le babedi. Nna ke gone mo ke...

MADAM SPEAKER: Le a ipona gore le a bo le dira jang gakere?

MR AARON: Se re se buang, ke rile re amogela gore *policy* e teng. *Policy* ke e e a apewa, a go sekasekwe gore a mme e tlaa akaretsa mongwe le mongwe. Ke a leboga.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke a utlwa gore Motlotlegi Rre Moalosi, kopo ya gagwe ke e e motlhofo fela. Kopo ya ga Rre Moalosi ke gore o kopa gore re baakanye molao gore *industrial hemp* e bo e ka kgona gore jaanong go letlelesege gore e lengwe mo Botswana. *I appreciate* gore Rre Moalosi kgang e ya go lengwa ga *industrial hemp*, *he has been very consistent* ka yone, a eletsa gore e ka diragala mo lefatsheng la Botswana le ka nako jaaka Rre Lucas a

ne a ntse a bua kgantele, *when it was not fashionable to think that way*. Ke raya gore le nna ka nako ya teng fa a bua ke ne ke tshoga tota. Ke kile ka bo ke na le ene kwa Botswana Movement for Democracy (BMD), gongwe ga a le bolelela bakaulengwe. Dikgang tse o ne a ntse a di buabua thata le rona mme re ne fitlhela re tshoga gore dikakanyo tsa monna yo di tlaa re jesa ditlhopho. *I appreciate gore over time batho ba ntse ba mo tlhaloganya, re mo tlhaloganya. Goromente wa UDC then decided, rather even before ba le Goromente from 2019, manifesto wa UDC nako e nne bo Rre Moalosi le bo Rre Lucas ba le mo UDC, ba ne ba ntse ba bua kgang e ya gore go baakanngwe melao gore re tle re kgone go lema setlhare se. Ka nako ya teng ke ne ke ntse ke ise ke tlhaloganye. Gompieno 2024, that was still in the manifesto. O kgona go bona gore go raya gore UDC e tswa kgakala le Rre Moalosi ba dumalana ka thulaganyo e. Ke sone se e leng gore UDC then decided gore ka gore re filwe Puso, mma re taboge ka this thing e e tswang kgakala.*

Jaaka *Minister* Dikoloti a ntse a bua, ke ne ke bona ka fa Goromente o neng a tlhwaafaletse golo mo ka teng. Ke gore mo go neng gotwe *Minister of Health* lebelela gore kwa melaong ya gago tse di kgoreletsang ke eng, re tle re leke go bona gore di ka bonelwa *exemptions* ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *Minister of Agriculture*, le wena mo molaong ya gago bona gore ke eng se se kgoreletsang gore re tle re kgone go bona gore *exemptions* mo go tsone di ka dirang eng *because* ga re ka ke ra emela go baakanya molao re itshopere. Go a re *where we can exempt* gore golo mo go kgone go diragala, re *exempt* re tsewedise tiro. Ke sone se mo nakong ya gompieno *Honourable Minister* Dikoloti *is reporting* gore the Cabinet Memorandum (CAB Memo) *is ready to be presented* kwa Palamenteng ya molao ka boyone. *Having presented policy* mo Palamenteng e e leng gore...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR MMOLOTSI: ...*policy* e re ne ra e amogana, ra e buisana re dumalana gore *industrial hemp* e tshwanelwa ke go lengwa mo Botswana. *Where we are right now, the Minister is saying we have exempted* tsele le tsele gore fa phatlha ya gore, re kgone go simolola tiro ya go lema. Jaanong ka lebaka la gore re ne re sa batle go ema, *that is why we have exempted*, mo nakong ya gompieno *we are ready* ka molao. Tsamaiso ya go dira molao ke gore *there has to be a CAB Memo developed* e e yang kwa *Cabinet* go tsewedisiwa *process* ya go tsisa molao mo Palamenteng.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR MMOLOTSI: Jaanong potso ya me e tlaabo e nna gore fa e le gore re ka tswelela ka go bua ka kgang e mme e le gore *it is very clear* gore sengwe le sengwe se a dirwa, go dirilwe go gaisa ka gore dilo dingwe *have been exempted* fa go neng go na le *exemption* gore re name re tswelletse fa re ntse re emetse *for molao to be developed*, o gorogwe o tle o buisannngwe...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR MMOLOTSI: ...gatwe jaanong re batla eng?

Se sengwe; fa re sa neele nako e ditsamaiso tse dingwe tsa Palamente tse gompieno re bonang *Motions* tse dingwe e le tsa lona tse re tlhokang go tsaya ditshwetso ka tsone, jaanong e bo e le gore *we spend the whole day here. Earlier on* fa Rre Moalosi a ne a...

MR LUCAS: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke a leboga *Honourable* Mmolotsi. Ke a utlwa gore kgang e le a e bua kwa *Cabinet* e rona re seng kwa go yone fano. Gape fa le tswelletse le e bua jalo, gongwe ga le na *input* e e ka nnang teng go tswa ka kwano go rona. A ga se gore mme jaanong le re fe sebaka sa gore re *debate* kgang e, gongwe go ka nonotsha se le tswelletseng le re le leka go se dira? Ke raya fela e le kakanyo.

MR MMOLOTSI: *Acting Leader of the Opposition* (LOO), ke tsaya gore nna le wena ka gore o kare re na le nakonyana gone fa, re a itse gore molao o o ya go tla fa o bo o fiwa tshono. Ke gore go ya go nna le *First Reading*, go bo go nna le *Second Reading*, o bo o kgona go tsenya le *amendments* tsotlhe tse o ka di akanyang *for debate*. Go ya go nna le *General Assembly* e e leng gore o ya go rerisiwa kwa go yone. Gongwe e bile go ya go rerisiwa le komiti ya Palamente e e itebagantseng le dikgang tse. *So, ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, you have ample time. In fact, even* nako e molao o o tlaabong o nna mo Gazette, *you also have ample time* ya gore o ka tsaya molao o wa o lebelela wa boa wa ya go o *discuss* le ba bangwe o o lebile mo Gazette *as is procedure*. *So, ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, I do not think* gore o ya go timiwa morero ope. Morero, *debate* le tshono yotlhe ya go baakanya, re tlaabo re na le yone rotlhe e e lekanang jaaka o bona gompieno re baakanya wa CBNRM e re ntseng re bua ka ga yone.

So basically, earlier on, ke ne ke ile kwa go *Minister* Dr Dikoloti go mo raya ke re, “*Minister*, kante ga le a buisana,” ke fa a nthaya a re “re buisane, Motlotlegi Rre Moalosi o rile o lemosa Batswana fela o tlaa *withdraw*,” ke bo ke re *brilliant*.

MR MOALOSI: *Procedure Madam Speaker:* O ntsenya mafoko mo ganong, ga go na gope fa re dumalaneng teng le *Minister*. So, fa e le gore o utlwile magatwe a gore re dumalane, *do not take it as a fact. Thank you.*

MR MMOLOTSI: Jaanong ke sone se e leng gore bakaulengwe le a itse gore rona re le ba UDC, re farologana le ba bangwe ba ba kileng ba nna teng ka gore rona fa Tshutiso e le e siameng, e maikaelelo a yone e leng go aga le go isa lefatshe le kwa pele, mme e bile e sa diye nako mo go kalokalo, re dumalana le yone jaaka maabane re ne re dumalana le Tshutiso ya ga Motlotlegi Dr Dow e a neng a bua ka bo Leshibitse. Letsatsi leno jaanong ra re ka *understanding* yone eo bakaulengwe ka gore mo go setse go dirwa e bile go dirilwe, ke eng re tshwanetse gore jaanong re tseye nako yotlhe ya Palamente le ya Batswana re buisana ka selo se e leng gore se setse se dirilwe? Kana kgantele le tlaabo le re go a ganwa, tota go sa ganwe. Re tshwanetse re tswelele ka selo se se diragalang *because* kwa bofelelong jwa letsatsi le fa re ka nna *two days*, ra nna *four days*, re ya go tla *still* re re ga go tlhokafale gore re dumalane le Tshutiso e ka lebaka la gore re dumalana le eng se se setseng se dirwa. So, *in order for us* gore bakaulengwe re dirise...

MR NKAWANA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker* le Tona go bo a mphile sebaka se. Ke re ke botse gore wena Tona jaaka o ntse o tlhalosa jaana o re melao e a dirwa, ke batla go itse gore melao e o reng e a dirwa le mogwebi yo o bokiwang thata gotwe o teng, go amana jang le paakanyo ya molao? Ke yone potso ya me fela gore o tsena fa kae?

MR MMOLOTSI: Gore molao o a dirwa ke gone mo re go buang, ke gone mo a reng go dirwe. Kana ke gore le bua ka dilo tse di *unrelated*, rona re bua ka go dira molao fa. Nna ka re molao o a dirwa, jalo he, a re se ka ra tsaya nako ya Palamente re e dirisa mo selong se se dirwang ka gore le fa re ka tsaya beke yotlhe, fa go ya go tlhophiwa, re ntse re a go le raya re re, ra re golo mo go a dirwa mme re setse re senyeditse Palamente nako. Jaanong nna kopo ya me e ne e le gore bakaulengwe a re dumalaneng fela, ga go tlhokafale gore re felele gotwe nnyaa, a re yeng go tlhophiwa, go reng, go reng ka gore le fa go ka twe re ye go tlhophiwa, *why should we support you* mo selong se e leng gore go *clear, policy* e tsile? Go *clear*, go dirilwe *waivers* tsa melao ke ba *Ministry of Health, Ministry of Agriculture* le *Trade*. Go *clear, the CAB Memo is coming to Cabinet*. Go *clear*, molao o tla Palamenteng, mpolelelang gore jaanong la

re re tshamekisetang nako ya Palamente? Batswana ba solofetse gore re ba thuse ka bofefo, mme fa re setseng re kgonne gore re ba thuse, *it is good. That is why I also acknowledged* gore Motlotlegi Moalosi *has been consistent, and in fact, I think* Batswana ba a itse gore Motlotlegi Moalosi o tswa kgakala a bua ka kgang e. *Credit to him and those* ba ba neng ba kgona gore ba tlhaloganye selo se ka bofefo ba kgone gore ba se tseeletse jaaka se le fa se leng teng gompieno. Jaanong ke sone se e leng gore nna tota ke ne ke kopa gore bagaetsho, *let us save* nako ya Palamente ka gore le fa re ka tsaya beke yotlhe, tse di setseng di dirilwe di dirilwe, re ya go tlhophiwa re bo re re le diya nako fela, golo mo go setse go dirwa.

MR FRENZEL (SHASHE WEST): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke tsene le nna ke leke go fa bogakolodi fela jo e seng jwa sepe kwa go tsala ya me *Honourable* Moalosi. E rile mo Tshiping e e fetileng, re ne re le fa Tona a tlisitse molao wa go tshwana le one o, ke gore o o tshwanang fela go sena pharologanyo epe, mme re ne ra dumalana. Dinako tseo re ne re leka go go gakolola gore nnyaa, wena mme motlotlegi ga se wena... ke mongwe wa batho ba ba kileng ba re wena motlotlegi ka 2014 re ne re le mmogo, *constituency* ya Shashe West e ise e kgaogangwe.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mme o ne o bua ka *bag*.

MR FRENZEL: Ee, ke bua le ka *bag*, ka gore o ne a tsamaya a sikere *hemp* ka kwa morago, ke re nnyaa, *Honourable* Moalosi ga e ka ke ya re gompieno wena o bo o tla o re setlhare se ga se a siama mme ka 2014 re ne re le mmogo kwa Shashe West, nako e o neng o eme gone ka kwa. E bile nako eo o ne o sa ema ka BMD, o ne o eme ka Botswana Congress Party (BCP) fela jaaka gompieno o tsene ka yone, re dumalana ka nako e. E rile go dumalaneng ga rona, ra fetisa molao, rona re leka gore nnyaa...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification!

MR FRENZEL: *On what?* Tlaa ke go neele.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!) ...

MRAARON: *Honourable* Frenzel, a wa re *Honourable* Moalosi a re setlhare se ga se a siama?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: O buile jalo!

MR FRENZEL: Gakere o a e bona *clarification*, gakere ke leka go go bolelela se a neng a se bua ka nako ele gore o ne a reng, gakere go teng le mo Hansard. Nako ya teng o ne a rialo a re kana o tsentse *Motion*,

jaanong *Minister* o ne a tlile gore re tle re bue molao. Jaanong gompiano *Minister* o ne a re fa pego gore ke e tla kwa Palamenteng, *next week* fela jaana. Batswana ba re reeditse kwa go utlwa gore re bua ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *Motions* ke tse, di di ntsintsi, nna wa me go riana mo wa gore *we should introduce tollgates* mo Botswana ga o ise o goroge ka lebaka la gore go santse e le *pile*, e mentsintsi. Jaanong re bo re ntse re tla re boeela selo se e leng gore maabane re ne re ntse re se bua. Kana Puso e e leng teng e dumalana le wena, e dumalana gotlhelele, 100 *per cent*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Ee, bua* one minute now.

MR FRENZEL: Ga ke bue *one minute*, ke batla go go bontsha gore ga o ka ke wa re maabane o ne o ganana le selo, letsatsi leno o bo o batla gore re dumalane le sone, re batla gore re leke gore re go gakolole.

MR MOALOSI: *Procedure. Madam Speaker*, kana ke reeditse Mopalamente fa a ntse a re ke ne ke ganana ka gore setlhare sa *hemp* ga se a siama, *that is not true*. Nna se ke neng ke ganana ka sone mo *policy* e e neng e tsile nako ya teng e ne e le gore go dirwe *stringent requirements for the licensing*, mo e leng gore Batswana ba gagwe ba kwa Japane le kwa Jamataka, ga ba na go letlelelwa go lema *hemp*, *so* a se ka a re ke ne ke gana *hemp*, ga a bue nnete gotlhelele.

MR FRENZEL: Gakere o a bona gore jaanong o bua sentle, ke sone se *Minister* a se buang a re *policy* e e tla, molao o e tla mo Palamenteng. Fa molao o tla fela jaaka o ne o bona melao e mengwe e tla ele ya maabane re leka go tshentsha, Motlotlegi Lekau a tla, le bo Motlotlegi Rre Kapinga le bone ba nna le *Clauses* tse ba neng ba batla gore di tshentshiwe fale le fale, ke teng jaanong fa re tlaabong re tsena teng le rona re leka gore re baakanye. Ke mongwe wa batho ba ba dumalanang le wena ka sengwe le sengwe ka lebaka la gore re tswa kgakala re ntse re le mmogo re dumalana gore setlhare se re ka se lema ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke dumalana le gore a re se ka ra senya nako ya Palamente, re bone gore re tsenye dilo tse dingwe tse e leng gore di a tlhokafala. *Minister* o a bua, o tlhalositse, ga a dikologa gope gore ke e tla ka molao. Fa a tla ka molao e tlaa re a tla gone fa re bo re tla re leka go baakanya. Kana ga e ka ke ya re molao o tla letsatsi leno, e bo e re kamoso o bo o tla ka gore o tshwanetse gore a *consult* kwa le kwa. Gore batho ba Japane le bo Jamataka ba tle ba leme, ke dumalana le wena. E bile e rile fela o sena go feta batho ba kgaolo ya me kwa bo Shashe-Mooke ba bo ba re setlhare se se ka sa lemiwa ke bo Motlotlegi Moalosi fela, ba ne ba botsa ba bua ka wena, ba re le bone ba batla gore ba tle ba leme.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MR FRENZEL: Ke sone se ke leng fa ke re re dumalane *honourable*.

MR LUCAS: *Clarification*. Rraetsho, ke ne ke re gongwe o mphitise fa, kana nna le wena re Mapalamente, ga re kwa bo Motlotlegi Mmolotsi ba nnang teng. Wena mo dipampiring tse, tse re setseng re kile ra di neelwa mo Palamenteng go dira melao, a o kile wa bona golo gongwe gotwe go na le molao o o tsaanelanang le kgang e ya *hemp*, ke raya mo dipampiring tse re di neetsweng go fitlhelela gompiano?

MR FRENZEL: Motlotlegi, gakere molao o o etla, kana Tona a re molao o e tla.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MR FRENZEL: Jaanong ke a ipotsa, ga e ka ke ya re o ise o tle, ke bo ke tla ke re o tsile, a ntse a bua gore o e tla beke e e tlang. Jaanong re o emetse gore o tle o goroge, re tle re o fetise. Gompiano jaana o na le *Motion* gone fa *Honourable* Lucas. Re tshwanetse gore re buelele Batswana ka dikgang tse di tlhwaafetseng. Ke dikgang tse di setseng di fetile, e bile re dumalane, jaanong re tshwanetse gore re emele gore batho ba kwa Bobirwa re tle re bone gore le bone ba nna batsayakarolo. Re tle re bone gore e re fa ba lema, ba tshwanetse gore e re ba ya go batla *licences* tsa go lema setlhare se, ba bo ba di bona ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Ke dilo tse re di batlang.

Jaanong a re emeng re leteleng Tona, fa e le gore o santse a *consult*, a *consult* a fetse, e re a fetsa a bo a re tlela ka molao mo Palamenteng, a tla a re ke tsamaile, mme ke tsamaile jaana le jaana. Ga e ka ke ya re a ise a o tlise, re bo re tla re re o tlile. Re tshwanetse gore re mo emele a tle ka one. Jaanong gompiano jaana o supile a re mo bekeng e e tlang ke tlaabo ke goroga. Jaanong ke fa fela ke batla gore tsala ya me *Honourable* Moalosi, ke supe gore molao ke dumalana le one fela jaaka Tona a kile a tla a o *present* mo Palamenteng.

Ke mongwe wa batho ba e leng gore totatota ke o emetse, le tshimo ya me ke e beile, le wena ke batla gore o beye ya gago, re tle re nne batsayakarolo, mme setlhare se re itse gore se tlaabo se sa gogiwe ke mongwe le mongwe. Re tlaabo re se diretse gore se tle se godise itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona. Re se ka ra baya mo diteemaneng. Bomonate jwa teng ke gore Puso e e fetileng e ne e ganana le kgang e, jaanong gompiano Puso e e leng teng *Honourable* Moalosi, e a dumalana le rona, ya re re e tla, re dumalana le lona le tswa kwa

ntlheng e sele ya kganetso. Re dumalana le lona gore setlhase se se ka tla sa godisa *economy* ya lefatshe la rona, ra se ka ra lebelela mo diteemaneng fela. Re se ka ra lebelela gongwe mo diphologolong fela, se tle re se leme, go se lemeng ga sone se sologele Batswana molemo, se tle se *produce hemp* e go supagetseng fa e bereka, e le botlhokwa thatathata. Botlhokwa jwa teng jaaka nna e bile *flu* e kgona go ntsena kgwedi yotlhe, go tle go ntshiwe melemo. Ke tsona dilo tse re di batlang.

Jaanong motlotlegi ke ema fa tota e bile ke rata, ke dumalana le Puso ya letsatsi e e tshwanetseng gore e re reetse. E re reetse re tswa ntlha e e ka kwano, e dumalane le rona. Re lesego gore re bo re na le Puso e e kgonang go reetsa e bona gore bana ba a lela, mme bana fa ba lela ba tswa ntlheng e sele...*(Interruptions)*...re dumalane le bone. Re kgone gore re ye kwa pele. Jaanong ke dingwe tsa dilo tse...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Murmurs)*...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...*(Laughter!)*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Gakere o a utlwa gore o a busa.

MR FRENZEL: Nnyaa, gore ke a busa ga se kgang, kgang ya me ke gore re dire dilo tse e tlaareng kamoso di bo di sologela Batswana molemo, ba bona le bone gore mme Puso ke e. Ke batla e re ka 2029, le boe le tle Palamenteng, Batswana ba dumetse ba re mme batho ba ga re ba kopantse ba nna le tebelopele. Jaanong fa batlhophi e kare ba re leba ba bo ba fitlhela e le gore re ganetsa le dilo tse di fetisitsweng, ba ya go re tlhoboga. Ga ke batle ba re tlhoboga, ke batla gore Batswana ba tle ba bone gore re na le tebelopele. Re ya kwa pele.

Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse e leng gore fa ke le fa, re tshwanetse gore re etle re gakololana, re se ka ra dira gore selo se sengwefela re nne re ntse re se boeletsa. Go se boeletsa ga go ka ke ga re sologela mosola. Ga go ka ke ga re tlela ka maduo. Rona re fa gore Batswana e re ba re romile re tlele Palamenteng, ba itumele ba bone gore re tlele kwano go ba buelela. E seng go nna re ntse re ipoeletsa, re boa seboaboane, gore batho ba tle ba re *Honourable* Moalosi o tlele ka *Motion* o, *yet Motion* wa teng o fetile, re sa bolo go o fetisa. Kana re tlaabo re boa seboaboane ka selo se re se fetisitseng. Jaanong *Honourable* Moalosi, banana ba Kgaolo ya Nkange le Shashe West kwa ke tswang teng, ba tle ba bone gore tota golo fa re na le pueledi. E seng ba e tlaa reng fa re tla ba bo ba tla ba re ah! Ba fa re ba isitse kwa Palamenteng,

ba batla go ya go itshupa fela gore ba teng. Ba batla fela gore re tle re bone gore ba teng. Kana fa re nna re ntse re boa seboaboane, batho ba ya go tla ba re lebelela ba re ah! Ba ba nna ba bua dilo tse dingwefela dinako tse tsotlhe. Jaanong ke fa motlotlegi ke dumalana le wena, e bile ke dumalana le Puso gore molao o e tla, re tlaa tla re o baakanya, re bo re o sekaseka, re bo re dumalana le one ka bongwefela jwa pelo gore molao ke o e bile re bo re bona gore *licences* re ya go di tsaya.

Kgang e gotweng go na le semangmang yo e leng gore o teng, nnyaa, a re tswe mo go yone. Nna jaaka ke tla ke go bolelela ka re, fa o na le tshimo e beye re tle re bone gore re ya go dira *plantation* eo ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *I submit.*

MR LUCAS (BOBIRWA): Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*. Ke se ka ka nna moleele, mme ke supe gore golo fa re le Palamente, o kare fa gongwe re a itebala. Re a itebala gore re le Palamente, re se *Cabinet*, re le Palamente, re tshwanetse le rona re nne re tswa ka *resolutions* tse di tlaa patikang *Executive* gore tse di dumalanweng di diragadiwe.

Re le Palamente thulaganyo e ke e bonang gompieno o kare re tlaa ya kwa go yone ke gore, *Cabinet* fa e re bolelela gore re dira sengwe, go na le Mapalamente ba ba reng ee, mme fa e le gore le dira sengwe, ga re a tshwanela go buisana kgang. Gone moo ka bogone ke go nyatsa boleng jwa Palamente. Palamente e tshwanetse ka boyone e tswe ka *resolutions* tse e tlaareng kwa morago, e bo e kgona *to hold the Executive accountable* gore bonang, le ne le rile le tla ka kgang, mme ra ba ra tsenya *resolution* e e neng e *support* kgang eo, mme jaanong ke mo ga le a kgona go diragatsa.

Jaanong ke bona Mapalamente a mangwe a tsietsegile, ba bangwe fela ba ipolelela gore ba mo *Cabinet*. Ga e ka ke ya re molao o seyo fa pele ga rona, re utlwa magatwe a gore go na le golo gongwe kwa o apewang teng, a bo e le gore jaanong re ema ka dinao, re supa gore mme molao o e tla. Molao o e tla fela ka lefoko la ga *Minister?* Heela! Re tshedile mo Palamenteng e re solofediwa dilo ke batho ba ipitsa ba *Executive*. Go tswa foo e bo e le gore kwa morago fa ba *decide* go fetoga ba a fetoga, le bo le sala le iphotlhere fela le sa tshwara sepe.

Ke batla *to encourage* Palamente e gore e itseye ka tlhwaafalo. *Honourable* Modise, letsatsi le ke tlaa go arabang go tlele go nna botlhokonyana. Ga ke batle e re ke bua o bo o batla go ntsena ganong.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...*(Inaudible)*...

MR LUCAS: Nnyaa... (*Inaudible*)... Ke yone kgang e e dirileng tlhakatlhakano kgantele e re fa yo mongwe a bua e bo e le gore o mo tsena ganong, o ema ka dinao. Ga ke rate. Emisa mokgwa oo.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (*Inaudible*)...

MR LUCAS: Jaanong lona le le Palamente...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Modise, ke kopa gore o fe Rre Lucas *chance* a bue. A ko le reetseng.

MR LUCAS: Lona le le Palamente le tshwanetse la itsaya ka tlhwaafalo. Mapalamente a tshwanetse a itsaya ka tlhwaafalo, a itse gore le bone ba na le tshwanelo ya go dira *resolutions* tse e tlaareng kwa morago di *bind Executive*. Fa le se ka la utlwa magatwe fela gotwe go na le Cab. Memo kwa le ise le e bone, gape le sa itse gore e lebega jang. A bo e le gore gone fa le ema ka dinao le re go raya gore go a diragala. Ga go a tshwanela.

Ke batla gore Palamente e itse gore e na le tshwanelo ya go tsaya *resolutions* gone fa. Ga e ka ke ya re motho a sa itse Cab. Memo fela a bo e le gore ke Mopalamente a reng go na le Cab. Memo golo gongwe.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI): *Procedure. Madam Speaker*, gongwe *Honourable* Lucas a se ka a tloga a ntsha Ntlo e mo tseleng ka go batla go tsaya gore Mapalamente ga ba na le ka fa ba akanyang ka teng, le ka fa ba reetsang ba utlwa o kare dilo di tsamaya ka teng, fa ba nna le megopolo a bo e le gore jaanong o ba nyatsa ka tsela e a batlang go ba nyatsa gore go raya gore ba palelwa ke tiro ya bone ya Palamente. *I do not think that is fair to Members of Parliament (MPs), I think Mopalamente mongwe le mongwe golo fa o leba dilo ka tsela e a di bonang ka yone. Fa a utlwa Minister a re ka e bile ke ne ka tla ka policy le e bone, ka ke fa go ntse go diragala jaana, beke e e tlang ke dira jaana. Fa e le gore Mopalamente o dumalana jalo, ke eng a tshwanelwa ke go kgobiwa gore go bo gotwe ga a itseye ka tlhwaafalo? Tota fela I do not think that is fair to MPs gore kgantele a bo e le gore re a tshosetsana jaanong, nnyaa, Mopalamente a se ka a dira jalo. Mo kgalemele Madam Speaker.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable* Lucas, *let us debate*, re se ka ra nyenyafatsana, rotlhe fela. *The issue is on the floor*, a re bueng fela re se ka ra supana ka menwana. Le wena fela jaaka o bua, fa yo mongwe a ema a bo a nyenyafatsa mafoko a gago, ga go na go nna monate.

MR LUCAS: *Madam Speaker*, o ele tlhoko, *Honourable* Mmolotsi o ka go latlha, ga ke ise ke nyatse ope. Ke a itse le ba mmogo, mme a se ka a go latlha, a go raya a re ke nyenyafatsa ope. Nna ke bua ka Palamente gore, Palamente...

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, *Honourable* Lucas jaanong foo ga o mpue sentle fa o re re ba mmogo, ga o mpue sentle.

MR LUCAS: *I withdraw* eo *Madam Speaker*, mme ke ne ke re ela tlhoko monna yo o tlaa go latlha. Ke tsala ya me ke a mo itse, o loleme le borethe. Nna ke ne ke bua ka Palamente, gore Palamente e ikele tlhoko. Go na le go bona monna fela a ema a tswa kwa Chadibe/Borolong e bo e le gore o bua jaaka a ne a bua.

Sa bobedi, ke ne ke batla go kopa sengwe gape bakaulengwe. Go na le dikai tse e keteng jaanong le tsamaele kwa go reng le tshwane le ba ba fetileng ba Domkrag. Ba ne ba bona e le sebe, e bile ba bona go sa tshwanela gore *Motions* di tlhomagane di le pedi di tswa mo lethakoreng le lengwe *and be supported* tsotlhe. Le a lemoga gore le a tlaela ka *Motions* go tswa ka kwa *backbench* ya lona. Fa le tlaela ka *Motions*, go raya gore jaanong se le le kang go se dira ke gore, fa *Motion* o tswa, le fa o ka tswa e le gore ke o o botlhale go le kae, le batla *to frustrate it*, go lebege gore *Motions* tsa ka kwa tse dingwe ga di na tlhaloganyo.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Procedure Madam Speaker.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Clarification Madam Speaker.*

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Lucas*, *before* ke e fa *procedure* kana *clarification*, ga ke itse gore a o bua sentle fa o re *Motions* tse dingwe ga di na tlhaloganyo, mme re le *Honourable Members* rotlhe mo Palamenteng. Ke yone e ba neng ba e bua gore, o nyatsa ba bangwe fa ba ntsha dikgang, *which is not fair.*

MR MMOLOTSI: *On a point of order. Honourable* Acting Leader of the Opposition (LOO), gore o bo o re mara ka dikgang tsa gore re gana *Motions*, *we are frustrating Motions* tse di tswang koo, re ne re dumalana le wa ga Motlotlegi Dow maabane, wa ga Rre Pule o o neng a o kopile mo go nna, re bo re dumalana le tse dingwe, *a series of them* tse re ntseng re dumalana le tsone *ever since* re tswa kwa. Tota foo ke re gongwe a boele mafoko ao kwa morago *Madam Speaker* ka gore, *he is imputing improper motives* mo go rona. Ke sone se ke reng *he is out of order.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

MR MMOLOTSI: Motho yo Hikuama o na le dingwaga mme ga a tlhaloganye gore *improper motives* go raya eng. A a boele morago kgang ya gore *we are frustrating Motions* tsa bone ka gore re dumalana le *Motions ... (Interruptions)*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Wena *Honourable Jacobs*, clarification e tsewa mo mothong yo o buang, *not from me*. Ke bua le wena la bofelo, ke nna fela ke go bolelela gore o se ka wa batla *clarification* kwano, ga se nna ke buang, go *clarify* yo o buang. Jaanong ga ke itse gore fa go *clarify* mang ka gore go ntse go bua Acting LOO. Go *clarify* mang?

MR JACOBS: Ke ne ke batla gore Rre Lucas a *clarify*. Kana go na le *Motion* o ke o tsentseng, a re ga re tsenye *Motions* ga ke itse gore o raya jang?

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Lucas*, a ko o bope mafoko a gago. Lesa go tlasela dikakanyo tsa Mapalamente a mangwe. *Whatever you are thinking, you are allowed* gore o se bue, mme ga go na yo o tshwanetseng gore a go nyatse. Ke a ipoeletsa gape gore, a ko o *debate* fela o lese go kgotla ba bangwe ka monwana.

MR LUCAS: Ba bangwe ba ke mogolwane mo go bone ka bopalamente, ga re ke ba rute. Kana ba tsamaya ba tsewa ke sedidi sa go akanya gore ba mo Khuduthamageng. Jaanong ga ke ka ke ka ba tlogela ba ntse jalo.

MR LEKAU: *On a point of order. Madam Speaker*, le fa o ne o re o leka go itshwara, Rre Lucas o ka go kgotla le mo leitlhong tota. Ga re ka ke ra nna fa re tlhola re bua a bo a re nyenyafatsa gore e bile go tletse leshekere la dikakanyo kwa *backbench*. Ga se selo se se siameng. E bo e re jaanong a emelela fa *Madam Speaker* a bo a bua jaaka a bua jaana. Ke ne ke kopa gore fa go kgonega tsaya *floor* mo mothong yo o tlaa re diela nako, ka gore ene o emeletse go re tlasela. O feletswe *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Lucas*, ke tlaabo ke go reeditse. Fela fa o fapoga ke a tsaya.

MR LUCAS: *Madam speaker*, ke a go utlwa, mme o se ka wa nama o tsere. A re se ka ra boelela kgotlang e neng ya nna teng maphakela a gompieno. Nna ke ne ke re bakaulengwe Mapalamente a re itemogeng gore re na le *power* ya go dira *the resolutions* tse *Cabinet* e ka di lebang koo. Mme ka ke tsamaya ke tshosediswa ka go tseelwa *floor*, le gone *floor* ya teng *being recommended by* motho yo le mo itseng, ke ne ke re *debate* ya Palamente e e buang ka melao e e tshwanetseng go tla e e... *(Interruptions)* ...

MR BARONGWANG: *On a point of order. Ke a leboga Madam Speaker. I rise on account of productivity.* Go simololeng letsatsi la gompieno fela ga re a theogela, go simololeng fela ka *statement* se se neng se fiwa ke LOO le *debate* ya tsone, *we have just lost all the time.*

Gompieno *we are debating Motion* o re o kopelang gore, ka gore go na le sengwe se se tlaa tlang, ke eng re sa name re o beetse fa thoko *and the very same Members of Parliament from the same party* ba santse ba supa gore a re tsweleng ka go tshamekisa nako, le tlaa intshwara go dirisa lefoko la go tshamekisa nako. Tota mme gone *where is productivity when it comes to him? Before then*, go kile ga nna le raora e nngwe gape kwa morago, *in the same day.* Ke eng o sa tseye taolo *Madam Speaker* wa re, tota gompieno ga go na *productivity*, a go tsenwe mo *Motion* o o latelang? Gompieno re reeditse *Honourable Lucas*, ke dinyao fela jaanong. Ke a go kopa *Madam Speaker, there is no productivity here.* Ke a leboga.

MR LUCAS: Mma ke tswelile pele. Gatwe go na le *point of productivity* jaanong mo Palamenteng? Ke ne ke re ke tsene mo kgannyeng ya gore...

MADAM SPEAKER: *Honourable Lucas*, jaanong le wena o kare ga o utlwe gore ke go kgalemetse gore lesa go tswa mo tseleng, dira o wele. O fetolelang batho bale *because* ke go file gore o bue o fetes? Fa o sena se o se buang o feditse, nna fela fa fatshe ba bangwe ba akgele *please, aah!* Tota bana ba lona fa ba le reeditse kwa lelwapeng la re ba reng, *aah?*

MR LUCAS: *Madam Speaker*, le wena fa gongwe o bua dipuo fela tse di gakgamatsang. Fa o setse o tsenya bana ba rona jaana o a bo o reng jaanong?

MADAM SPEAKER: Ba reeditse. Lotlhe fela kwa malwapeng, bana ba le reeditse.

MR LUCAS: Bana ba rona o ba tsenya fa kae? Ke ne ke re a re amogeleng gore *debate* ya *Motion* wa ga Rre Moalosi o o buang ka gore go baakanngwe melao,

ke dumela gore *it can enrich* sepe se se tshwanetseng go ka dirwa mabapi le melao. Gatwe mongwe molao o etla, mme *when we debate* gone fa ka kgang e ya melao, go ka tswa dikakanyo tse dintsi tsa go supa gore mme melao e e leng gore tota gone go tshwanetse gore go itebaganngwe le yone, e ka nna efe, e le *debate* yone e. Gone moo ka bo gone, go ne go ka thusa gore le fa e le gore le tla ka molao o le tlaabong le tla ka one, le bo le itse gape gore mme molao oo o ka tswa o ka tlhabela fa kae, a go ka dirwa e mengwe gape e e leng gore *can reinforce* kgang e ya *industrial hemp* e e tlang ka Motlotlegi Moalosi. Jaanong fa e le gore la re le kganelela *debate* e kwa tlhoko, ga le batle go buisanngwa ka kgang e ka gore la re sengwe gatwe se etla se seyong mo dipampiring tsa rona tsa Palamente, nnyaa, ga le re direle sentle.

Fa e ne e le gore le bua jalo molao oo o le teng gone fa re o buisana, re ka bo gone re le utlwa. Jaanong molao ga o ise o goroge fa, mme la re ka gore o tlaa tla nako nngwe, go raya gore le bo le gana *Motion* o, nna ke batla go le kopa gore a re letleleleng *debate* e e tswelele pele, dikakanyo di dintsi. Kgang e ya *industrial hemp* ke e ntšha, e ba bangwe ba rona gone fa e leng gone re simololang go dumela mo go yone, mme dikakanyo, dipotso le *clarifications* tseo *Honourable* Mmolotsi, di ka re kwa bofelong tsa bo di nontshitse puisanyo ya rona, mme e bile re kgona go bona tsela sentle ya gore melao e e ka baakanngwang e ka nna efe le efe fela jalo.

Jaanong fa re re e e kganelela kwa ntle fela, nnyaa, golo mo ke seDomkrag sa go batla go gana *debate* ka kgang e e botlhokwa, e rotlhe re dumalanang gore e botlhokwa, e bile ke kgang e e ka isang lefatsheng le golo gongwe.

Rona re ntse re re re a e belaela, mme jaanong re a utlwa gore go na le pharologanyo fa *medicinal marijuana*, mo gotweng oo ke motokwane tota le mo gotweng *hemp*. Jaanong mo gotweng *hemp* mo re simolola go go utlwisisa botoka, jaanong a *debate* e tlogelwe e tswelele pele re bue kgang e. Fa re dumalana kwa bofelong, ga go na molato. A melao eo yotlhe fela e lebiwe, e baakanngwe gore re tle re kgone go dira jalo.

MR MMOLOTSI: *Clarification.* Jaanong ka fa o buang ka teng *Honourable* Lucas, *there is no specimen law* e e *presented by Honourable* Moalosi. Ga go na *proposal* epe, e a e beileng fa pele ga rona *to discuss*. So gatwe golo fa *Honourable* Lucas, melao e re yang go e utlwa, e e *enrich*, e *enrich* eng se seyong fa? Kana fa *Honourable* Moalosi a rile molao o chenchiwe, *proposal* ke e, e le beng, *then we would do something. That is why* re re fa e tla re tlaabo jaanong re le neela tshono, rotlhe re ka tsena ra baakanya molao.

MR LUCAS: Ke a leboga *honourable*. Gakere nna le wena re a dumela gore kgang e e ntšha mo go rona? Ka e ntšha mo go rona, a *debate* mo go yone fela e ka kgona go re thusa gore re lemoge gore melao e mengwe gape e e ka tlhokafalang, mo godimo ga o le o lorang le re o etla, e ka nna efe, e e leng gore e ka re thusa tota gore re tle re baakanye.

Rre Moalosi o na le kgang e a e buang, e e botlhokwa, e e tshwanetseng gore lotlhe le e ele tlhoko. E a buang gore fa re *discuss policy* maloba, e ne e kete re ganeletse thata gore *hemp* e fa e lengwa, o kare go na le bangwe ba ba *exclusive*, ba ba tshwanetseng gore e nne bone ba ba itebaganyang le go lema *hemp*. Go buiwa gore go tshwanetse gore go nne le tshireletsego e tonatona. Nnyaa, Rre Moalosi fa a tla ka *dimension* ya Citizen Economic Empowerment (CEE), gape a bua ka Local Economic Development (LED), gone foo go raya gore le melao ya rona re e baakanye ya LED gore e tle e kgone gore jaanong batho ba rona ba kgone ba inaakanye le *hemp*, ka gore go a utlwala gore motho o ka ja sengwe mo *hemp*. Jaanong fa e le gore le batla go kganelela kwa ntle *debate* fela, le a ipona gore re ithontsha tshono ya gore re bone *other dimension* ya *industry* ya *hemp*, e gongwe re ka e salang morago, e bile go ka dirwa melao mo go yone.

Ke gore ga ke itse gore ke eng le tshaba *debate*, le tshabela eng *debate*? Gakere Palamente ke Ntlo ya puisanyo ka dikgang le tse e leng gore tota gongwe ga re di tlhologanye sentle, tse dingwe re tlaa tsamaya re di tlhologanya mo tswelelong ya go buisana ga rona. Jaanong fa gotwe *debate*, o kare le a ronkgelwa, o fitlhela le kelemile ke sa itse gore gatwe go rileng. *Let us debate* bakaulengwe, ka *possible laws* tse di ka nnang teng mo lefatsheng la rona gore re tle re kgone re tsamaisa thulaganyo ya *hemp* sentle. Ke a leboga.

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): Dumela *Madam Speaker* again. Ke emela go ema nokeng ba Lephata la *Agriculture*, ka gore gangwe le gape ke a ba emela *Madam Speaker*. Jaanong dikgang tse fa gongwe re a di buisana le bone. Ke gakologelwa gape ke eme fa ke ema nokeng nako e a neng a tla ka *policy* fa, *Honourable* Dr Chimbombi, mowa wa gagwe o robale ka kagiso, gore re ne re atle re tshwaraganele kgang e rotlhe.

Jaanong ke batla *to address* dikgang tse bakaulengwe ba di buang tse pedi tse ke di utlwang, ka gore fa o reeditse *Honourable* Moalosi, ke etla ke lebala, kana nna e santse Mopalamente wa me mo tlhologanyong e le Never Tshabang. Jaanong o fitlhela ke lebala, ga ke ise ke mo amogele.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, baakanya golo foo.

MR TSHERE: I apologise Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, o rumola yo mongwe. *Withdraw* mafoko ao.

MR TSHERE: *I withdraw Madam Speaker.* Jaanong o ne a re, ene tota o bua ka *hemp*, ga a bue ka motokwane jaaka ba ne ba bua maloba fa. A re ga a bue ka motokwane, e bile a tlhalosa jaaka ke ne ke tlhalosa nako ele gore go farologanngwa ke eng. A bua sentle tota ka Setswana gore Motswana a tlhaloganye, o ne a re go tshwana le ntšhe le lebele, fa gongwe fa o sa itse ga o ka ke wa lemoga gore ntšhe ke gofe, o tlaa utlwa go setse go le bosula fa o ja. O ka nna wa kgetla lebele o tsaya gore ke ntšhe. O bolelela ruri, e ntse jalo kgang ya teng.

Jaanong se a le kang go se bua fa ke mo reeditse, ke utlwa a re tsentse lesukuro motshegare otlhe tota a bua ka majaja. A bua ka motokwane o o senang boleng, o o kwa tlase ka fa a buang ka teng. Jaanong one oo, ke one o o dirisiwang *in an industrial hub*. Kwa go rona molao o re tlang ka one, re batla go tsenya gotlhe le *medicinal marijuana*, ka gore ke yone thulaganyo ya rona e re batlang go tla ka yone fa. Jaanong e tlaabo e tsenya e a e buang le e nngwe jaanong ya bobedi, e re dumalanang le yone. Jaaka *policy* e re neng re e tlišitse fa maloba. Jaanong molao o ke setse ke o bone, ka gore ke itse CAB Memo, o teng. E etla, e tšile go dira molao o, e bo e *cover* dikgang tsotlhe tse a di buang.

Jaanong sa bobedi se a se buang a re, batho ba kwa Marapong le bone ba leme. Ke utlwa a rialo, a re Batswana le bone ba leme. Ke mogopolo wa gagwe, mo go rona ka fa e neng e le *policy* re e bua ka teng, re tsaya gore setlhatshana se se tshwanetse se nne *controlled*. Ke gore mafatshe otlhe a a simolotseng a tsena mo tseleng e, ba simolotse ba se *control*. *It is a controlled crop* ka boyone, ka gore e na le gore e ka dirisiwa e le diritibatsi. Ka jalo, ga o ka ke jaanong wa e baya fela, o bo o re mongwe le mongwe a itemele. Jaanong gone moo ga go ka ke ga nna sentle. Kwa tshimologong, o bona lefatshe la South Africa le gone kwa Zimbabwe, ba simolotse e le a *very*...

MR NKAWANA: *Clarification.* Ke tlhaloganye gore a lebaka le letona le le dumalaneng le *Motion* ke gore *Honourable* Moalosi o bua ka *hemp* e seng motokwane? Lebaka e le gore ka gore lona la re le batla go tsenya motokwane mo molaong o o tlang, a ke lone lebaka le letona leo, ka gore ga a tsenya motokwane mo teng, jaanong la re ga le dumele *Motion* ka lebaka leo?

MR TSHERE: Nnyaa, ga go na ope yo o rileng ga a dumalane le *Motion*, re ntse re bua jalo ka kwano. Re bua gore rona re mo thulaganyong, re a tswelela fa re neng re eme teng *last year* fa re bua ka *policy* ya *medical marijuana*, ya gore re ya go o lema mo lefatsheng la Botswana, e bile re na le maikaelelo a gore re tle re kgone go dira *beneficiation*.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Honourable* Tshere, ke leboga thata. Ke batla o tlhatswe kgang e o e buileng pele fa *Honourable* Nkawana a kopa *clarification*. Gore se sengwe se o ganelang *Motion* o ka sone, ke go batla go bulela mongwe le mongwe. Ke gore ke yone *point* e nngwe e le e ganelang, gore lona ga le eletse gore e tshwanetse gore e bulelwe mongwe le mongwe le yo o kwa Tubu a kgone go lema. A wa rialo?

MR TSHERE: Ehe! kana o ne a ntsene ganong fa ke wela mo *point* eo. Ke ne ke bua gore e na le *component* ya gore e ka nna tagi, *and* re itse borai le seemo sa Botswana mabapi le dikgang tsa ditagi. Selo seo re tshwanetse re se itse, e bile re se ka ra se itlhokomolosa. Ke sone se e leng gore fa re lema setlhare se, re bo re se tshwantshanya le teemane, gore *it is going to be controlled in a controlled environment*, e e *highly secure*. Jaanong mo ditshimong tsa rona tse le nna ke leng molemi kwa Mahalapye, re a itse gore ga go *secure*, jaanong e bile ga re batle go rotloetsa tiriso botlhaswa ya ditagi tse. Re batla ba ba tlaa di dirisang mo go direng *products* tsa tsone, re bo re tla re kgona gore re di dirise ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Ke sone se ke se buang.

Jaanong fa o re letlelela, ke utlwa *Honourable* Moalosi a re, o eletsa thata, mo e leng gore go farologana le *position* e re neng re e tlišitse fa mo *policy*. Ke gone fa re farologanang teng gore, a re o eletsa gore batho ba itemele. *We want a controlled environment for this plant.* Jaanong ke ne ke tlhalosa gore kwa mafatsheng a mangwe a ba dirileng jalo, ba simolotse ba se *control*, gore o kgone gore o bone le wena mo lefatsheng la gago, o ithute.

Gompieno fa re bua jaana, mafatshe a mangwe ba kgona gore ba felele ba... South Africa *for example*; ba setse ba godile mo thulaganyong e ya tsamaiso ya bone go letlelela gore batho ba leme, mme ga go ise go goroge koo. Rona re le lefatshe la Botswana, e bile re itse bodiphatsa jwa sone, jaaka se dirisiwa jaaka ditagi. Ke sone se o bonang re ka se ke re letlelele gore kwa tshimologong fela, e bo e le gore mongwe le mongwe o a itemela. Ke gone fa re farologanang teng. *Policy* ka fa e tlang ka teng, e ya go tla le molao o ntse o gatelela *the controlled aspect* ya temo ya *cannabis*.

MR LUCAS: *Clarification Madam Speaker.* Nnyaa, mme o a itse gore wena o kare ke a go utlwa sentle, o clear tota. Ke sone se ke reng, ga se gore re buisanye kgang e a reng go tliwe ka melao, re tle re farologanye dikgang tse. Re tle ka molao wa *hemp* e wena o reng ke majaja, le molao wa *medicinal marijuana*. Gone moo ka bogone mo o go buang, go a nthusa gore ke lemoge gore kgang e, e farologane, e bile le *positions* tsa rona di a farologana. *Debate* ya molao o, e re thusa gone fa gore *hemp* e ka direlwa wa yone molao, *medicinal marijuana* ya direlwa molao wa yone.

MR TSHERE: Ke a leboga. Nnyaa, o a nkutlwa *Honourable* Lucas. Mma ke go fe sekai... Nako ke gore e tshaile. Ke ne ke go bolelela gore *hemp* kwa mafatsheng a mangwe, ba ne ba dirile jaaka o bua jalo, ba farologantse melao. Fa e tswa fa *hemp, the first generation* ya *plant* ya teng, *second year* fa e gola, *third year* it moves from *hemp* to *medical marijuana*. *That chemical he was referring to*, e oketsegile *over the years*. Fa e mela letsatsi leno, ngwaga o o tlang fa e mela... *That is why* kwa mafatsheng a mangwe ba letlelela *hemp* every three years. Ba ya go tsheka *seedlings* tseo. Fa ba fitlhela e le gore TLC ya teng e tona, ba a di kgaola tsotlhe mo tshimong eo. *That is what was happening. That is why it was difficult now to separate the laws.*

ACTING LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR LUCAS): On a *point of procedure* Madam Speaker. Ke re, e le *point of procedure*, tlhaloso e ya gore *hemp* e a iphetola e bo e nna *medicinal marijuana*, ke kopa gore mong wa *Motion*, ka gore o kare kitso ya gagwe e feta ya ga rraetsho fa, a tle a re tlhalosetse sengwe ka yone.

MR TSHERE: *This is a not a procedure.* Ke a mo tlhalosetsa. Ke raya gore ke itse melao e e neng e dirwa le kwa mafatsheng a sele. *You see, where I studied in California, this was back in the 2000, medical marijuana was legal everywhere.* Go ne go na le dithulaganyo tse. Go ne go na le melao e. *That is why eventually* ba bo ba felela ba re, *we cannot separate like he suggests.* O ne a bua jalo le *last year* fa re bua ka *policy* e. Re ne re ntse re mo tlhalosetsa gore ga o ka ke wa dira jalo. Fa e seng jalo, o tshwanetse o nne le ditshenyegelo le *lab* ya gore ngwaga le ngwaga o ye to test ditlhare tseo.

Fa e le gore *a certain level of the chemical component* e e mo teng, ga re o di kgaole ka gore di tlaabo di se ka fa molaong. Ke sone se o bonang go le dingalo. Ke sone se ke reng, ga re ka ke ra e letlelela le fa e le *hemp* o ka e lema kwa Marapong ngwaga o, ngwaga o o tlang e tlaabo e le bogale, e tlaabo e se majaja. O a e bona kgang

ya teng. Go botlhokwa gore o dire molao o. *That is why you have to control it* kwa tshimologong fela gore re e tlwaele. Gape re itse borai jwa diritibatsi. Re bo re itse gape gore dikgang tsa diritibatsi, di re apesitse kopo ka letshoba mo lefatsheng le. Ga re ka ke ra latlha fela, go bo gotwe mongwe le mongwe a itemele motokwane. Ke one mafoko a me *Madam Speaker*.

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE): Thank you very much Madam Speaker. *Le nna mma ke tseye karolo mo kgannyeng e ya botlhokwa thata. Ke batla gore pele fa ke e simolola, ke tsene mo kgannyeng ya gore maloba ke ne ke le fa mo go yone Ntlo eno, re dumalana rotlhe ka bongwefela jwa pelo re re*, we have to be productive in order for us to be competitive. *Ke gore fa re ne re fetisa that Policy ya Productivity, re ne re sa e fetisetse ba bangwe. Ra ba ra bua re le fa ra e nopola ra re*, it should start with a leader. *Moeteledipele e simolole ka ene.* As we are sitting here in this room, we are called role models, leaders. You should judge a leader by his followers. Judge a House by its members. If the House is going to continue not being in order, chaotic, *jaaka ke bona* this House is turning into, you will be judged to be chaotic yourselves. You are leaders and you will be regarded as chaotic leaders. If you do not take yourselves serious, people are not going to take you serious.

Fa o le Mopalamente, you should know *gore Palamente e direletswe eng, go tla go dira molao. Fa o tla o tshotse* suggestion *kana molao o o batlang o tla kwa Palamenteng, o tshwanetse o tle o o tlotlhile, e bile o na le mo gotweng* an objective, the reasons why you want that law to be there. Here you are not bringing suggestions. That is why Parliament is timed. *Nako ya dipotso e beetswe bokana, e bile le dipotso* they are prescribed *gore o botse potso e e ntseng jang.* Even the Motions are prescribed *gore o botse Motion o o ntseng jang, o tsamaelane le Standing Orders.* What do you want to achieve by that Motion? This is what I want all of us to know.

MRAARON: On a point of procedure Madam Speaker. *Ke a leboga. Ke tlhaloganye gore se General a se buang*, how does it relate to Motion *o o beilweng fa?* Thank you.

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA): Se ke neng ke batla go se tshwara mo go wena *General* ke gore, *in the interest of productivity*, a puo e e tshwanang e e neng e buiwa ke Motlotlegi Lucas ya gore fa go

solofediwa gore molao o e tla, re bo re *preempt*, re o bua o santse o le mo tseleng o goroga, e bo e re fa o goroga gape re bo re o bua, a gone moo go lebega re tlaabo re le *Parliament* e e *productive*? A ke re emele gore o wele o dirwe, o bo o tla kwano re tla re o bua, gore re name re bua dikgang tse dingwe tse di botlhokwa tsa matshelo a batho. A o utlwa a tlhwaafetse fa a rialo?

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Thank you Madam Speaker. *Ke batla go tsamaela gone koo.* That is why *ke re*, whatever you say, there has to be a clear-cut objective of what you are saying. *Go na le gore o batla* to achieve what *ka se o se buang*. *Fa o le moeteledipele wa tlhwatlhwa, e bile o batla gore batho ba go tseye o le moeteledipele wa tlhwatlhwa, e bile o batla gore batho ba go sale morago.* You do not bring recitations into Parliament. You are here to suggest...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Nnyaa, o tsere* 30 minutes *fale o bua*, I did not ask for any clarification. I am trying to clarify and educate you on the purpose of leadership that leaders should be responsible. They should know what they are saying. You have brought here a Motion, *Rre Moalosi o o bale*, “that this Honourable House requests Government to consider amending the existing laws.” Which laws? Direct us to the laws. *O tshwanetse o tlise* Motion *fa o re re batla* to amend this particular law because we want to achieve this, so that we can be productive.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: No existing laws. We do not have any laws dealing with hemp in this country today as we speak. We do not. We do not have any law which deals with hemp today. We only have laws which deal with drugs, *motokwane fela*. *Jaanong re tshwanetse gore e re fa re tla le rona*, the way we model our Motions *fa di tla, re tle re itse* gore...

MR AARON: Procedure Madam Speaker. For your info, are you aware that we have the law that controls the use and cultivation of cannabis and that cannabis sativa is one of them?

MADAM SPEAKER: *Procedure* ke eng foo, *Honourable Aaron*? O a bona gore o dira jang? Ga ke na go go supa o re *procedure* ka gore ga o dire *procedure* jaanong. O a bona gore le wena o nna fa fatshe, ga o arabe.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much Madam Speaker.* O a bona, fa o le moeteledipele o sa itseye tsia, *life will define you. Your behaviour will define you, and then* fa o tswa gone foo, o tlaabo o re batho ga ba go buise sentle, *when it is your actions which actually define who you are. We need to be exemplary in this House*, re tshwanetse re itshupe re le boeteledipele. Ga e ka ke ya re re ne re bua ka *policy* re e feta fa, *and when you commented*, le bo le re a molao o itlhaganele ka pela o tle. *The law is being drafted, it is coming here, you come with a position to say let us amend the existing laws, and we ask which laws*, e kae, e batle...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification comrade.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: ...listen to me, you had your time, I did not even say anything to you, but now I think it is time for me as a General to put something into...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Laughter!)

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: I think I have to do that, because if we can continue in this House to behave this way, *re dira fela jaana*, Batswana *ba tlaa tlhoboga*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Madam Speaker*, ke kopa o ntshireletse, kana *he is attacking me personally* jaanong, ke kopa gore o ntshireletse. *He should debate not talking to me directly.*

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: I am not attacking you, *e bile* I cannot attack you...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Nnyaa comrade*, a bua bo General jwa gagwe, o batla gore a ntshosetse matshelo, nna ga ke lesole, *so* ga ke itse gore bo General jwa gago mosola wa jone ke eng.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Laughter!)

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Madam Speaker, I am not going to attack individuals, I just focused...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order.

MADAM SPEAKER: Point of order Honourable Maele.

MR MAELE: *Point of order. Madam Speaker*, tota ke tshwengwa ke ka fa e leng gore re dira ka teng mo Palamenteng. Kana *there is no way* re ka tobetsang *microphone* re sa kopa *permission from you to speak*. Ke gore dilo tse di dirwang *even by the mover of the Motion* yo ke mo tlotlang thata, e bo e re Rre Mokgware a le mo

floor a bo a tobetsa fela a bo a bua ka *microphone* o sa mo supa, a sa kopa *permission to speak*, ga go a siama *Madam Speaker*. Ke batla gore golo mo o go kgaleme tota *Madam Speaker because we cannot operate like that. We are setting bad precedent* mo Palamenteng, ga go dirwe jalo. Ke a leboga *Madam Speaker*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Nnyaa, ke ne ke re ke akgele jaana, ke a go utlwa *Honourable Maele*. Gakere *Speaker* o santse a seyo, e tlaa re a tla ke tlaa mo fa *report*, nna go raya gore jaanong ga go na ope yo o mponang. Fa ke e fa *Speaker's report*, le ya go lela lona. Ke raya gore fa ke ntse ke itidimaletse fela jaana ke ntse ke bua, ke bua, *I am moving there*. Go ya go nna le nako e le yang go nkwalwa mo dipampiring. Kekgonegile o a nkitse gore ke motho yo ke ntseng jang. Ke a bo ke itshamekela fela, Kekgonegile ke berekile le ene, o a itse, mme fela fa ke tsenang golo gongwenyana teng, ga ke itse gore le ya go dira jang. Le ya go tshaba le go tla Palamenteng.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you Madam Speaker*. O a bona mafoko a a buiwang ke Motlotlegi Maele fale, ke a e leng gore le wena fa o le *a Leader of this House, a Member of this House, for you to put a finger on this button* o sa supywa ke ope, o tshwanetse gore o utlwe o roroma gore kante o dira eng. Rona le bo Kapinga *we were taught discipline, listen to the other person* fa a bua, *and listening is a skill. That is why* o bona re nna re didimetse jaana re le lebeletse re bo re gakgamala gore kante gatwe go diragala eng. *What sort of a House is this?* Re supegetsa Batswana eng? *Let us grow up...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure Madam Speaker.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Ya eng jaanong procedure?

MR HIKUAMA: *Point of procedure*. Nnyaa, mme ke utlwa ngongora e e leng teng e e tsisiwang bogolo ke *Honourable Maele*, eo ke dumalana le yone 100 per cent. Ke na le bothata *Madam Speaker* le General. *He personalised his debate, directing it towards Mr Moalosi* a mo supa e le motho yo o senang *discipline* le boleng. *I think he was imputing improper motives* mo go se *Honourable Moalosi* a se tsisitseng fa, a mmolelela ka fa e bileng a sa lebelela melao. Lenyatso lone leo ga le supe tlotlo, e bile ga le supe boeteledipele, le supa motho yo mongwe gore o ne a sa tshwanela go tla ka Molao-kakanyetso one o. *I think the General was;* ke tshaba gore *he was out of order* ka gore ga ke a ema

ka *point of order*; mme fela o ne o tshwanetse o mo gakolole gore *he should not address personality* a leka go itebaganya le Rre Moalosi, a leka go mo nyenyafatsa le dikakanyo tse a tsileng ka tsone, *it was out of order, in all aspects*.

MADAM SPEAKER: Tswelela foo.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Thank you very much Madam Speaker. *Ke sone se ke ntseng ke se bua ke re whatever you say fa o le a leader, it will define you*. I cannot attack a colleague. I do not mark the man, I mark the ball, I look at the fact, I look at what the person says, not the individual. That is what I am and that is what I do. So please...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification General.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: I yield.

MR NKAWANA: *Point of clarification*. *Thank you, Madam Speaker*. General, re a go utlwa re le baeteledipele ba o eletsang gore re ka nna bone, mme ke ne ke re ke botse potso nngwe ke e, e o reng ga go na molao wa *hemp*, wa re ga o yo, o o latotse. Se ke se itseng mo Botswana, fa o ka fitlhelwa o lema *hemp* o a tshwarwa. Jaanong batho ba ba tshwarwang ba, ba tshwarwa ka molao ofe? A ko o re fetise gone foo gore ba ba ntseng ba tshwarwa ba leka ba reng, bone ba tshwarwa ka molao ofe ka gore wa *hemp* ga o yo? Ke a leboga.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much motlotlegi, o botsa potso e ntle, gore fa e le gore bangwe ba kile ba tshwarwa, nna ga ke ba itse*. Bone ba ka itsewe ke wena, mme *what I know in the books of the laws of Botswana* tse di tletseng fa pele tse di fa tse, ga go na molao wa teng o o kileng wa kwalwa ka *hemp*, o o dirileng gore re ka tla go o baakanya fa. Fa o ne o le teng, motlotlegi o ka bo a kile a e re supegetsa gore *section so and so or Clause so and so, not in existing law*. Fa re rialo, go raya gore re a bo re batla go akaretsa. *The facts which he says are perfectly right, they are correct, in terms of what the benefits which we can get out of that as a country. Those facts are right, but melao yone ga e yo*. Ke sone se ke reng mme jaanong a re emeleng ba ba tshwanetseng go dira molao, bone ba tle ka molao ka gore *policy* yone re e fetitse mmogo re utlwana fa. A re emeleng yo o tlang ka molao. *It is not right as we are called honourable gompieno*. Fa Rre Lucas a bua le nna, *I should respect him and expect what he is saying to be honourable and to be true to the latter. I should not doubt him*.

What I see now, the Honourable Minister here bestowed that position by the head of state of this country. A tswa go ikanela maemo a teng, a bo a go raya a re ka re ke tlile go dira jaana, o bo o re ga a ka ke a tla a dira jalo. You are not only disrespecting him, you are disrespecting the authority or the institution which put him there. That is why ke ka se ke ke nyenyafatse Mopalamente ope ka gore o tlhophilwe ke batho. Fa ke mo nyenyafatsa, ke nyenyafatsa batho ba ba mo tlhophileng. Jaanong ke batla gore Motion o o boele kwa morago re emele Minister a tle ka molao. Ke a leboga.

MR KEDIKILWE (SEROWE WEST): *Madam Speaker, ke go leboge.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of order Madam Speaker.

MR KEDIKILWE: Tota go bua boammaaruri...

MR BARONGWANG: *Point of order. O tlaa intshwarela Madam Speaker, ke ne ke sa batle go tsena General ganong. Ke emisiwa ke mafoko a mangwe a Honourable Moalosi a kileng a a dirisa mo go General Mokgware, a supa a nyenyafatsa maemo a ga General Mokgware ka gore ke dumela gore maemo a General Mokgware a neng a bua ka one, o ne a buisiwa ke gone gore a leke go re tsenya mo tseleng. Ka fa motlotlegi a neng a bua ka teng, e ne o kare go na le lenyatsonyana. Jaanong se ke se kopang ke gore mafoko a a dirisitseng a re ene e bile ga a na sepe le bo General jwa gagwe, ke kopa gore a ntshiwe from Hansard. Ke a leboga.*

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Kedikilwe.

MR KEDIKILWE: Tanki *Madam Speaker*. Ke re mo nakonyaneng e e setseng e, mma ke re tota go bua boammaaruri, kana ke utlwile *Honourable Moalosi* jaaka a ne a *debate* kgang e ya gagwe sentle. Fa a fetisa *to debate* ka botswerere jaaka a ne a leka go re tlhalosetsa, re utlwile gore golo mo gotweng *hemp* go ka tlisa maduo a molemo mo lefatsheng. Fa e le gore ke ne ke mo utlwa kana ke bala sentle ka gore a re *consider amending the existing laws*, jaanong fa a rialo ke ne ke tsaya gore re tlaa ema gone fa, fa Tona a supa gore o tla ka molao. A re tle re bone gore o a tlang ka one, re ka o *amend* fa kae ka gore e tlaabo e le one *the existing, it contradicts* se *Motion* wa ga Moalosi o buang ka sone. Fela fa go hapaana le gone moo, ke gone fa ke tsayang gore re tshwanetse re tsenele teng re leke go baakanya re tswelele. Jaanong fa e le gore re tlaabo re bua fela re re re batla go bua mme re sa itse gore re bua eng, ga ke bone kwa re ileng teng fa e sa le re simolola. Go fitlhelela fela fa nkabo e le gore re ka bo re araba se Tona a tlang ka sone, ke gone ke itseng re ne re ka ya teng.

Fa e le gore gompieno re batla go bua fela re re ka gore re batla *to amend the existing laws* tse re sa di bueng gore ke dife jaaka Tona a ne a bua, ke gone ke bonang go le thata teng le fa e le gore *Honourable Lucas* o ne a re re ithontsha tshwanelo. Ga ke bone tshwanelo e re e ithontshang ka gore ga re ise re itse gore re bua ka ofe molao o *honourable* a supang gore re o baakanye gone gompieno jaana, o gongwe re ka bong re alalela kgang pele gore fa Tona a tla ka one, a bo a fitlhela re setse re o baakantse.

Mopalamente o supile, ke one o re o baakanyang. Ke ka bo ke dumalana le ene gore fa e le gore o tlaabo o nna kगतलhanong le se Tona a tlang ka sone, a re o baakanyetse ruri. Fa e le gore ga go na ope o re o buang o re o baakanyetsang ruri, ke gore re emele Tona a tle pele, e re re tla re bua, re bo re itse gore re bua eng, re baakanya eng a tlang ka sone se se hapaanang le se Moalosi a neng a alela kgang ya gagwe ka teng. Fa e le gore molao o Tona a tlang ka one o tla o supa gore o tlaa kganela mongwe motho, ke gone re ka bong re bua gone foo. Fa e le gore molao o Tona a tlang ka one o supa gore o neela e bile o itsa bangwe, ke gone gongwe re tlaa tla re tsena gone foo. Fa molao o Tona a tlang ka one re ise re itse gore o tla o reng, ke dumela gore Tona ga a ka ke a re raya a re molao o etla ka gore le nako e re neng re fetisa *policy*, o ne a ntse a supa gore o tla ka molao, o baakanyetse ruri *policies* ka gore molao o etla. Ga re ka ke ra nna le *policy* e e tlaabong e le ketapele mme molao o ise o tle, a bo e le gore re *implement policy* mme molao o seyo. Tumelo ya me ke gore molao jaaka o tlaabo o tla jaana, fa e le gore re fetisa molao o, re tlaabo re ya *to implement* le *policies* tsa teng. Jaanong ke sone se ke reng go ya ka nna ke bona go le botoka go emela Tona a tle pele. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, ke bona e le gore go simolola maphakela go fitlhelela gompieno, ga ke a bona re buile sepe.

MADAM SPEAKER: A re reetsaneng batlotlegi, nako ke masome a mararo go tlogela nako ya lesome le bobedi. Ke tlaa kopa Motshegeletsa Maemo a Molaodi wa Ntlo e, a tle go re phatlalatsa.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

ACTING LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MMOLOTSI): Madam Speaker, now that the time is 12:30 p.m. I beg to move that this House do now adjourn.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until Monday 4th August, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

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