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Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

THE ASSEMBLY met at 11:00 a.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

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(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)

APPROPRIATION (2022/2023) BILL,  
2022 (NO. 2 OF 2022)

ORGANISATION 1500 - MINISTRY  
OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND  
COOPERATION

(Resumed Debate)

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR MOATLHODI):** Order! Honourable Members, when the House adjourned yesterday evening, Honourable Dr Thapelo Matsheka was on the floor and he was left with three minutes 38 seconds. Honourable Member for Lobatse, Papatlo, Sheep Farm, Malokaganye. Honourable Matsheka!

**DR MATSHEKA (LOBATSE):** Good morning Mr Chairperson and thank you...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Correction Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** I know you take offence *Rraagwe Kgosi, ke fetile...*

**MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (MR MOLALE):** No, I am not offended, I am correcting.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Please go ahead *Rraagwe Kgosi*.

**MR MOLALE:** Nnyaa, o e lemogile *correction Mr Chairperson, a re tsewelele.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you sir...(Laughter!)... *ke lefufa.*

**DR MATSHEKA:** Ga a mpatle kwa gae Rre Molale batho ba Modimo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ke mo utlwile.

**DR MATSHEKA:** Thank you Mr Chairperson. Just to recap Mr Chairperson, the key points that I was making in my submission, in commenting on Honourable Kwape's submission was really that a global development agenda, our contribution as a country is really quite paradoxical. In the sense that there are two determining factors here, that we are a small economy and we are therefore, a taker of both price and policy prescriptions. As a result, it is very urgent that we work around our foreign policy agenda or policy frameworks, so that we are very clear on how we are going to move the economy forward in this sphere.

I said this Mr Chairperson because, indeed whilst I commend our efforts to seek to host the Kimberly Process Secretariat, it is essentially also a governance tool that is really prescribed by the international community around how to actually trade in the diamond space. Therefore, those factors continue to be the key determinants of how we are going to do it. Notably Mr Chairperson, we are competing with Austria and China and in fact, the reality is that this is where the agenda was actually formulated to seek to want to control the trade and the flow of diamonds in the global system. I wish us well, that we actually get selected to hold the Secretariat here, because we are indeed a diamond economy.

It was also interesting Mr Chairperson, the reference to Hyundai Plant by one of the Members that it is indeed a dynamic that we need to prepare for, which is why I have always made a point that we are a small economy. It was also interesting Mr Chairperson, that whilst we forged ahead to want to set up a vaccine plant, which is quite commendable, it was interesting that a day before, the same investor was being hosted in South Africa by His Excellency Ramaphosa. So therein lies the very dynamic that I am referring to, that we have got to reposition and really determine a work space we actually are, we have got the competitive advantage on and also by scaling and in terms of what we do as a country. So these are the realities that I thought I should bring out Mr Chairperson, so that we debate these issues.

Finally Mr Chairperson, I want to comment on the completion of projects, that indeed as the Budget Speech did note, that we have got a challenge and not only domestically, but even in terms of projects that we are implementing out of the country. I would have thought that perhaps that would be a distinguishing factor, to be able to gauge whether we are implementing better than our counterparts across the world. It is interesting that





we are still struggling to complete our projects even out of the country, which is the matter that I think should receive a greater attention, to really get down to the bottom of whether it is our processes or it is just this inability to just get things done competitively at the same rate as others in both jurisdictions.

I thought Mr Chairperson, I should conclude my submission by supporting the allocations as I have said. I really do not have a problem with the allocations of monies, that is really the policy framework and how we think beyond the existing frameworks that we have. I thank you Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Member for Lobatse. You are going to be followed by the Honourable of Parliament for Maun East, Boro, Senonori, Matlapaneng *di le mo teng*. Honourable Kekgonegile.

**MR KEKGONEGILE (MAUN EAST):** Tanki *Mr Chairperson*. Ke dumedise batlotlegi, re dumedise setšhaba ka kakaretso. *Mr Chairperson*, kana setšhaba fa se reeditse re bua ka kabo madi, kakanyetso ya lephata le, ba ipotsa gore naare gone tota lephata le konokono le dira eng, mosola wa lone ke eng mo lefatsheng? Kana ke lephata le le re lomaganyang le baditšhabatšhaba, mme e bile le re tsenya mo baditšhabatšhabeng, gore re thusanye dikgang jaaka mathata a aparetse lefatsho ka bophara. Ba ipotsa gore, mme dikgang tse re di thusanyang ke dife?

Re le lefatsho, *foreign policy* ya rona ya reng *at this particular moment? What are our key priority areas* kana *issues* re le lefatsho? Mafatsho a mangwe ba lebile bo tikologo, ba bangwe bogodu, ba bangwe *terrorism* jaaka e buiwa. Ba bangwe ba lebile *energy*, botsogo, ditshwanelo tsa bomme, ba bangwe ba bua ka ditshwanelo fela *in general*. Ba bangwe ba bua ka lehuma. Potso ke gore *foreign policy, priority issues* tsa rona *for this particular year* tse di mo *foreign policy*, ke dife? Tsone tseo fela motho o ka di ipotsa, mme ga di a tswa fela sentle mo *this Budget*, go leka go rutuntsha Motswana, gore a tlhologanye. Kana mo malobeng re ne re tshela ka mo e neng e le *theme* ya *foreign policy* ya rona e e neng e bidiwa *silent diplomacy*, gore fa dilo di diragala lefatsho ka bophara, re di lebelela fela, ga re bue. Mme fa o bala *budget* e gompiano o e reeditse, o utlwa gore e fetogile, e bua ka *economic diplomacy*. Potso ke gore *economic diplomacy* e a bo e raya eng? Motho o ka akanya gore nnyaa, jaanong *policy* ya rona ke ya kwa mpeng, ke ya gore re dirisanya le yo o ka re

tshetsang. Ba ba sa re tshetseng re tlaa ba lebelela re le kgakalanyana. Motho o ka botsa gore mme *principles of international order*, re di sala morago go le kae, tsa bo *social justice*, re di sala morago go le kae, fa e le gore jaanong tsone re tlaa di beela ka fa thoko, ra leba mpa ya rona fela? A mme ga re na boikarabelo jwa gore re nne le seabe mo goreng mafatshefatshe, boditšhaba bo nne le thitibalo?

*Mr Chairperson*, kana fa o bua ka *economic diplomacy* mme e bile fa o bala o utlwa gotwe re batla go nna *an investment destination of choice, economic diplomacy* ya rona e batla go re gorosa mo goreng mongwe le mongwe a kgone go re thusa go tla go dira kgwebo kwano, kana re ntse re ganelela gone kwa Foreign Direct Investment (FDI). Re ntse re tsaya itsholelo ya rona gape re tsweletse re e fa baditšhabatšhaba gore ba tswelile e nne bone ba ba e tsamaisang. Gape o tla o ipotsa gore naare fa go buiwa ka *investment destination of choice* mme e re bajanala, bagwebi le *artists* fa ba tsena ka *border*, ba bo ba busiwa. Ba busetswa gore fa o sa kenta ga o ka ke wa tsena mo lefatsheng mme gompiano re le mo seemong se boitseanape jwa COVID-19 bo kwa godimo, re sa rotloetse gore batho ba se ka ba kenta mme *at the same time* ditshwanelo tsa motho le tsone re tshwanelwa ke gore re di tlotle. Fa e le gore ga re tlotle tsone ditshwanelo tsa bajanala le bagwebi, re ba kganela go tsena mo lefatsheng mme *at the same time* re re re batla go nna *an investment destination of choice*, gone moo fela ka bogone go go raya gore *Ministry* wa *Health* le wa *International Affairs*, ga di welane ka fa tsamaisong.

Tsamaiso ya *International Order* e tshwanelwa ke gore e ganelele thata e seng mo goreng itsholelo e tsamaya mo lefatsheng la lona fela. E tshwanelwa ke gore gape e ganelele thata mo go reng *social justice; how much you contribute?* Fa re bua ka itsholelo, re tshwanelwa ke gore go ganelela thata mo *home-grown economy*, e seng e re tlaa bayang mo baditšhabatšhabeng. Fa o bua ka *home-grown economy*, motho o ka fa sekai fela ka dipotata gompiano gore fa e le gore motho o ne a ntse mo phuthengong a na le tshimo le *farm* a lemile dipotata, e le gore ba emise dipotata go tla gore tsa gagwe di kgone gore di gole, di kgone go dira *market*. E bile gape a ntse mo phuthengong a bolaya dikgwebo tse dipotlana ka tshwetso yone eo mme dikoloi tse ditona tsa *retailers* di feta di ya kwa polaseng ya gagwe go goboka dipotata koo, mogwebi yo mmoatlana ene a sa kgone gore o ka reka dipotata mo polaseng eo gotwe



tse ke tsa ba fela. Gone moo fela ka bogone, ga re ka ke ra nna *an investment destination of choice* fa re bolaya Small Micro and Medium Enterprises (SMMEs) re re re godisa *retailers*.

Gone mme motho o ka ipotsa gore *International Order Foreign Policy* ya rona, e beile mo go eng thata? Gone gompiano fa re ya go tlhophla le Ukraine kgatlhanong le Russia, re ne re beile mo go eng se re sa beyeng mo go sone fa re bua ka mafatshe a tshwanang le bo Western Sahara? Re sa utlwe re bua sepe ka one, re sa bua sepe fa bo Iraq le bo Libya ba tilhaselwa. Gompiano re beile mo go eng? A mme mpa fela ya mpa ke yone e e re rayang e re *we should sacrifice* batho ba bangwe gore bone le fa ba sa tshele ba sule, rona fa re tshedile fela go siame?

Le bua ka *Foreign Policy* kana le bua ka *ministry* o o buang ka *story* sa rona sa lefatshe la Botswana? Motho o ka botsa gore naare *story* se le raya sefe? A le raya *story* sone sa ditlhopho *every five years*? A le raya *story* sa *investment attraction activities* tse di kwadilweng foo, kana le raya se re se itseng se go bolaiwang dikgwebo tse dipotlana? A le raya *story* sone se e leng gore palo ya bahumi e golela pele mme bahumanegi ba humanegela kwa pele? Le raya *story* sone sa *youth unemployment* e ntsi? A le raya sone *story* sa itsholelo ya rona e e leng mo diatleng tsa batswakwa, kana le raya sefe? Go batla le re tlhalosetsa gore *story* se ke sefe.

O bua ka *Chairmanship* ya Southern African Development Community (SADC) *Organ on Politics, Defence and Security*, kana yone eo fela ke e e leng gore e isitse masole kwa Cabo Delgado. Ke ntwaga e e leng gore ga re na *exit plan* mo go yone. O ne o le fa Tona o re ke kgaatshoo, masole a a boa mme ke bao ba okeletswa nako kwa, ba okeletswa madi ba le gone kwa. Re ne re le fa re go bolelela gore ntwaga e na kgaatshoo; Delgado e na le *the root cause* ya yone. Ke yone e o tshwanetwang ke gore o ka bo o ntshitse *recommendations* le le *Chairperson*, le leka gore *the root cause* e bong letlhoko, *poverty*, tllhoko ditiro, go kgaphelwa ka fa thoko mo itsholelong ga *Province* ya Delgado, ke yone *solution to mathata* ale e seng masole fela.

Eswatini; *you have failed* Eswatini *Honourable Minister*. Ga le bua sepe gompiano gore naare kwa Eswatini la reng. Go ya teng fela le ya to *tour reed dances*, le ya go nwa ditee kwa *Boards*; gone moo fela ka bogone ga go a tliša thitibalo mo Eswatini. Le ile teng le boile mme go ntse go tšweletse; la reng? Gone moo fela ka bogone, go raya gore bo *Chairman* jwa rona ga bo a re berekela le Southern Africa.

O bua ka *fielding* Batswana mo *international organisations* mme o ka bo o bua ka *fielding* maDomkrag le *your loyalists* ka gore gompiano jaana ga gona a *clear and transparent identification criteria* ya gore fa o batla go ya go bereka kwa United Nations (UN) gore o emiwe nokeng ke lefatshe la gago la Botswana o dira jang, o bona mang, kae, jang. Ke lona fela ba le kgonang to *pick and identify* gore re batla go isa semangmang kwa. Fa motho a tla ka boene fela a re ke batla go ya kwa, ga le kgone go mo ema nokeng. Re ka a fa sekai ka *Honourable Phenyio Butale* yo o neng e le Mopalamente wa Gaborone Central, ka a ne a batile go ya go tsena kwa Pan-African Parliament (PAP). Le paletswe ke go mo ema nokeng. Go emeletse fa go iwa le ene kwa Lesotho *being recruited* mme fa a re mme nna ke siame fa ke leng teng, a bo a phuagannngwa.

Bo *Honourable Mokgware* le ba bangwe ba ne ba batlile go tsena kwa African Union (AU), ga le a ba ema nokeng. Maloba fela jaana Mma Moitoi fa le sena le mmita moNyasa, o ne a batlile gore o ka ya go ya go nna UN Special Representative of the Secretary General and Assistant Secretary Generals, ga le a mo ema nokeng, le ema nokeng ba lona fela. Batswana ba bangwe ba ba nang le bokgoni, ba na le keletso ga le ba eme nokeng. Tsamaiso ya *ministry* wa gago *Honourable Minister* e tlodilwe ke dipeba; ga e a tshwanela lefatshe le. Ke sone se re dumelang gore batho ba kwa bophirima, lefatshe ka bophara, *Reset Agenda* ke go le ntsha. Tanki *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Le rona re a le boga rraarona, Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Maun Botlhaba. Sebui se se latelang e ne e tshwanetse ya nna Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tona wa *Labour, Employment and Skills Development* mme o ikopile ka gore o tšeneletse phuthego e nngwe e kgolo. Fa a ka tla pele fa re tšhaisa, re tlaa mmita. Jaanong ke dumela gore Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Banana, Ngwao le Metshameko o teng ka gore e kile ya re maphakela ka mmona. *Honourable Rakgare; Honourable Minister Rakgare!* Go raya gore gongwe o na le mathata a maranyane. Jaanong *the next speaker shall be the Honourable Minister responsible for Defence, Justice and Security*; Tshwene.

**MINISTER OF DEFENCE, JUSTICE AND SECURITY (MR MMUSI):** Tanki rotwe; tanki *Mr Chairperson*. Tla ke go dumedise mosong wa letsatsi, ke bo ke dumedise Borara jo bo leng fa, Batlotlegi Mapalamente ba ba tseneng phuthego e le ba ba seong.





*Mr Chairperson*, ke tseba fa mosong o le nna go ema nokeng pego e re e beilweng pele ke *Honourable Minister Kwape*, a kopela lephata le la gagwe madi go tswaledisa tiro e ba ntseng ba e tshwere. E bile ke mo akgole ka gore *Minister* o tsene mo tirong e bogareng jwa ngwaga o ntse o tswetse. Ke batla gore ke akgele, ke mo akgole ke re e rile e le lephata re tlhagetswe ke bothata jwa bolwetse jwa COVID-19, *Ministry* o wa ga *Honourable Minister Kwape* wa *International Affairs and Cooperation*, o ne wa ema ka dinao thata go tshwaragana le *Ministry of Health* go buisanya le mafatshe a mangwe gore le bone ba re thuse ka melemo le mekento e re neng ra e bona, e e neng ya tla go re thusa ka COVID-19. Ke re rraetsho, re a go akgole.

Rraetsho, ke batla go go akgole gore lephata la gago ke berekile le lone thata kana bogautshwanyane ke le *Minister of Defence*. E ne ya re fela fa o tseba, wa fitlhela re setse re le *appointed to chair* Lekalana la *Politics, Defence and Security* mo SADC, Tautona was the *chairperson*, mme wena wa tla wa nna *chairperson of Ministers* rraetsho. Tiro e o e dirile fela ka bokgabane thata. Re berekile rotlhe mo diphutheng tse re neng re di tsamaya. Ke go akgole rraetsho *for a job well done*.

E ne ya re mo tirong e, nngwe ya tse ke boneng re kopana le tsone *as we were chairing* Lekalana la *Politics, Defence and Security* e ne ya nna dikgang tsa kwa Mozambique, tse re neng ra tshwanelwa ke gore re lebagane le tsone, re tseye ditshwetso mo go tsone. Re fitlhetse golo kwa go le thata, go ne go tlhakatlhakane. Re ne ra ema ka dinao re eteletse pele ke Motlotlegi Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana, e ne e le ene *Chair*. Go ne ga tsewa tshwetso rraetsho gore re le lefatshe la rona re tsenye masole a rona mo SADC, mo masoleng a a neng a ya go thusa kwa ka fa tlase ga SADC Mission in Mozambique (SAMIM). Rraetsho, ke batla go akgolela kutlo e re ntseng le yone re le lefatshe la Botswana ka tsamaiso e re tsamaisang ka yone. Re ne ra re fa re le kwa, ra neelwa maemo mo masoleng a SAMIM jaaka o itse, ga nna le boeteledipele jwa sesole se se kwa SAMIM. Re ne ra neelwa maemo a bo *Deputy Force Commander*, mo gompiano e rileng fa re fetola, ba neelwa Brigadier Barwabatsile, ke ene *Deputy Force Commander*. Le mo *coordination mechanism*, re ne ra e etelela pele e le yone e gakololang, e bontsha gore ditiro tse di ka tsamaisiwa jang. Le gompiano maemo a a ntse a tshwerwe ke Brigadier Maphanyane, o tshwere maemo a fela, o a tsamaisa sentle thata.

Go ne ga nna le yo o bidiwang gotwe mogakolodi kana *Chief of Mission* to SAMIM. Re bone go ntse go neelwa Motswana ka gore tota go ne go bonwa ka fa le neng

le tsamaisa tiro e ka teng. Go ne ga neelwa Motswana Professor Molomo gore a nne mo gotweng ke *Chief of Mission*. Le tiro e le gompiano le fa re fetsa go tswa mo maamong a bo *Chairperson*, Professor Molomo a tswelela gore a nne a ntse a gakolola. Selo se re se lebogela fela thata gore re bone Batswana ba tsena mo ditirong, le one masole a rona ba tsena mo tirong e, mme ba e dira ka bokgabane thata, mo e leng gore re le *ministry* maloba, re ne ra amogela lekwalo le le neng le tswa kwa SAMIM le lebogela tiro e re e dirang, mme re tshwaragane le bone. Kana golo mo ke ketelelo pele ya *ministry* wa gago *Honourable Minister*, re re a leboga rraetsho.

Fela ke a itse gore masole a rona a ntse a le kwa Mozambique, ba ntse ba tshwere tiro e tona e ya go lwa. Re a itse gore re ipaakanyetsa go tseba mo karolong e e bidiwang gotwe *transitioning to scenario five*. Jaanong re tlaabo re thusa go sa tlhole go lowa, mme e le go tsisa ditlamelo tse di rileng *for economy to recover*, go nne le kagiso go sa tlhole go le mo ntsweng fela. Golo mo ke go supa kgatelopele, gore mo tirong yone e re e tshwere sentle, mme e bile ga re sa tlhole re tlaabo re lwa fela ka ditlhobolo, jaanong re simolola go thusa gore go nne kagiso e e lolameng, ditlamelo di boele mo bathong, sengwe le sengwe, le itsholelo jaanong e boele mo bathong. Le go rutuntsha masole a Mozambique jaanong gore ba ikemele ka nosi, mo e leng gore ke na le tumelo ya gore masole a rona a Botswana a tlaa boela gae mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo.

Ke nne ke akgole ke re, tota ke go ema nokeng rraetsho, gore le nako e e rileng le ntse le le kwa, le ne la tsamaya le Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana, Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi, le batlela morwarraarona Rre Elias Magosi maemo a bo *Executive Secretary* mo SADC, mme ke ntse le tshono ya gore ke tsamae le lona, ke bone fa le ne le ntse le tsamaya nako e nngwe. Fela Tautona o ne a dira tiro e ntle thata, e bile jaanong le gompiano jaaka re bua jaana, re bona lefatshe la rona la Botswana le tlotlwa thata mo mafatsheng a Afrika a re bapileng nao. Ke lemogile gore ke tiro e ntle e le ntseng le e dira. Ke sone tota se o bonang ke ema Tshutiso e ya gago ya go kopa madi nokeng. Ke bone le dira tiro e ntle thata, Rre Magosi a bona tlhopho le kemonokeng, ke boeteledipele ka bontsi jwa SADC, go ne ga nna le mafatshe a le mabedi fela gongwe a a neng a eletsa kana ba eletsa gore go ka bo go tsene o sele. Fela otlhe mafatshe a ne a re eme nokeng re le lefatshe la Botswana, mme selo se rraetsho, re tlaa se lebogela fela thata.





Rraetsho, o tsene mo *investment and tourism promotion* fa o ntse o bua le rona, mme ke re tswelelang rraetsho. Re a itse gore lefatshe la rona la Botswana le tlhokana le babeletsi, *and to be marketed*, mme ka fa le dirang ka teng, re a go lebogela. Maloba re ne re le kwa *Bi-National* kwa Zimbabwe, e rile fa Tautona wa Zimbabwe a leboga, a bua gore ga a ise a ko a bone tshwaragano e e tshwanang le e, e ne e le bogologolo fa e le gone ba tsayang boipuso, mme mo ngwageng o wa gompiano, o bona tshwaragano ya lefatshe la Botswana le la Zimbabwe e le e e kwa godimo thata.

Go supa gore tshwaragano e e teng, e bile e tlisa maduo, re ntse re na le dikgang tsa bogodu jwa leruo jo e neng e le gore dikgomo tsa rona tsa Botswana mo kgaolong ya Bobirwa di tlolela ka fa Zimbabwe. Kgang e e tswa go buiwa ka manontlhotlo thata maloba kwa *Bi-National*, e bo Tautona wa Zimbabwe le ene a dumela gore tota mapodise a gagwe ba tlaa ema ka dinao gore ba lwantshe tiro e. Golo mo kana ke yone kagisano ya go supa gore mafatshe a re bapileng nao re berekisana sentle le one, fa go nna le dikgang tse di leng teng tse re batlang *to be addressed*, re a kgona gore re tshwaragane, re buisane le bone, re bo re tle ka ditharabololo. Re a leboga thata gore kgang e ya bogodu jwa leruo jwa dikgomo le tse dingwe fela rraetsho, re setse re kgonne gore re e ise kwa godimo, e buisannngwe fela thata, e tshwaraganelwe. Ke a itse gore le ka fa South Africa re ikaelela gore re e atolosetse ka koo, re buisane le bone.

Re lebogela gore botsalano jwa rona le lefatshe la Namibia le bone bo ile kwa godimo mo e leng gore re setse re buisane ka dilo tse di ntsi tsa go bona gore re ka dirisa lewatle la bone go tlisa dilo tse di tshwanang le *petrol* mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Re bula *economy* ya rona ka go bona gore re berekisane le bone, *as we are a landlocked country*, re ka kgona gore re tlise dithoto mo lefatsheng la rona re berekisane le mafatshe a tshwana le Namibia, South Africa le Mozambique a e leng gore re ntse re bereka le bone.

Fela rraetsho, ke ne ke re ka nako e tshaile e setse e tabogile, ke go ema nokeng ka madi a o a kopileng. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo wa Palamente.

**MR BROOKS (KGALAGADI SOUTH):** *Thank you Rra Nkamo. Morning Mr Chairperson and morning Honourable Members. Mr Chairperson, ntlelele ke eme fa mo mosong ono, ke buise kopo ya ga Ngaka Kwape. Ke e buisa ka maikutlo a a siameng ka jaana e le mongwe wa Ministers ba ke mo tlotlang thata. Ke mo tlotlela go nna le theetso le tsebe ntlha go utlwa.*

Ke tsena fela mo dikgannyeng ke tlhamaletse *Mr Chairperson*, ke re rraetsho ke go ema nokeng mo kopo madi a o a kopang mo Ntlong e. Ke go ema nokeng ka go nna re tswelela re go neela mofago. Nngwe ya dilo tse ke di buileng mo nakong e e fetileng, ke labobedi ke bua mo kopong ya gago, ngogola ke buile, ke boa ke ipoeletsa gape ke bua. E ne ya re ke sena go bua ke lela ka go tsamaya kana go ela ga noka ya Molopo, Modimo o o sa jeng nkabo wa nkutlwa, pula ya na, matamo a a agilweng mo nokeng eo a thubega. Go ne go diragala e le sekao le sesupo sa gore fa o ka ema ka dinao o le Tona e e tshwaraganyang Botswana le mafatshe a sele, o bua ka ditso tsa tlholego tse di dirilweng ke Modimo, tse di lomaganyang mafatshe a rona le mafatshe a re bapileng le one, go ka kgonagala.

Ke gakologelwa mafoko sentle a mokaulengwe yo ke neng ke eme le ene ka nako ya ditlhopho, Rraetsho Rre Chimbombi, fa re ne re le mo *debate* a re *the ... (Inaudible)...* ka re ee, *...(Inaudible)...* sengwe le sengwe se *possible*. Ga le batla ke tlhalosa sentle, go *possible* gore noka e e elele e goroge le kwa Bokspits. Ke nngwe ya dikgang tse e leng sekao se Modimo o se re supegeditseng nna le wena, gore fa o ka gatelela dikgang tse ke di utlwileng, gore tswelela ka go bua le mafatshe rraetsho, Namibia le South Africa, ba ntshe dinoka, ba ntshe matamo a ba emisitseng dilo tse ka tsone, gore Batswana le bone ba nne le go ka akola ditswa Modimong ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Batswana le bone ba ka bona ba roba mpho e e sa rekweng.

Dilo tse rraetsho, ke di bua jaana, ke itse gore ke di bua le motho yo o nang le tsebe go utlwa, ke eletsa gore tshokologong eno, o ntseye ke ye go go bontsha gore noka e e ema kae, e ema kwa lefelong le gotweng *... (Inaudible)...* fa nne go bulegile, re ka bo re bona batho ba McCathy's Rust, *...(Inaudible)...* le ba Kolonkwaneng noka e gorogile kwa go bone. Jaanong ka gore ba tsweletse ka go aga matamo a bone, ke sekgoreletsi. Bontlenyane jo noka e ka bo tlisang e ka nna sengwe sa dilo tse dintle thata.

Rraetsho, nngwe ya dikgang tse ke neng ke re re bue ka tsone ke gore ke bona go na le ntwana ya Ukraine le Russia. Re go utlwile maloba o bua ka bana ba Batswana ba ba kwa Ukraine le Russia, mme kana ntwana e tsweletse, *but* go re *update* re le Palamente le Botswana ka bana ba bone ba ba kwa lefatsheng leo, e kete o bonya ka go dira jalo Tona. Ke ne ke eletsa gore morago ga malatsi a mabedi mangwe le mangwe, o tswelele o bue ka bana ba rona ba ba gone koo.



Rraetsho, re go kopile, ga re bua ka *investment*, jaaka Rraetsho Mmusi a sa tswa go wela fa a ne a wela fale, re tshwanetse go bapadisanya le mafatshe a re bapileng le one, mme ga re ka ke ra bapadisanya le mafatshe a re bapileng le one, fa go sena ditsela, go sena se se re golaganyang, re go golagangwa ke ditsela. Ke dumela gore itsholelo ya lefatshe e kgweediwa e bo e kgokgoediwa ke batho ba lone. Fa re ka nna le ditsela tse di lomaganyang Aferika Borwa le Botswana, segolo jang kwa Kgaolong ya Kgalagadi, ke bua ka Kurumane jaaka ke ne ke bua ka Kurumane, go tswa fa McCathys Rest, re bo re ralala McCathy's Rest re tsena fa Tsabong, fa re sena kgoaganano e e tsitlanyeng, e e nang le keletso, e Batswana ba Tsabong kana Batswana ba Kgalagadi Borwa ba ka ithusang ka go tsenya *buses* le *combis*, jaaka ba ba mo Gaborone, ba ya bo Gauteng, golo moo rraetsho, e tlaabo e le peelo morago.

Ke na le letshwenyego Tona gore go nna e kete fa ke lebile, go tswa goo-Lowe go lebilwe ntlha e le nngwefela gore go tshwanetse gore e re o batla go ya Gaborone kana go ya Gauteng, kana o tsenya *combi* kana *bus*, o bo o le mo Gaborone. Rona ba Kgalagadi re lebetswe. Rraetsho ke raya gore re gakologelwe.

Rraetsho, itshwaraganye gape le Tona wa Ditsela, gore fa a ka dira lebala, fa o lebile o na le bosupi jwa gore o le Motswana, o le Tona e e golaganyang mafatshe ka bobedi, o na le dipalo tsa difofane tse di tswang kwa mafatsheng a sele *which land* kwa Upington tse batho ba teng ba yang kwa Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park (KTP), ba ya bojanaleng. Nna le wena rraetsho fa re ka ema ka dinao, ra bona gore lebala le le kwa Bokspits, ke ya go bua gape ka lone fa ba ka mpha tshono kwa *transport*. Ke bua le Tona gore ga re ka tlhabolola lebala la Bokspits, golo moo go ka golaganya mafatshe.

O tshwanetse wa lebelela gore dikgaolo tse di siametseng gore batho ba ba tswang kwa mafatsheng a a kwa ntle, ba batla go tla go dira dikgwebo le *to land* ba ka ya fa kae. *Only last night*, ke ne ke le mo phuthengong le batho bangwe ba batla go bula dikgwebo kwa Kgalagadi. Selo sa ntlha se ba se mpoditseng ke gore a go na le lebala la difofane gone koo, se se tlaa dirang gore e re re le mo Gaborone, re kgone gore re fitlhelele Kgaolo ya Kgalagadi ka bofelo. Dilo tse tsotlhe re di lebile mo diatleng tsa gago, gore ga re batla go oka bajanala, mme go sena ditsompelo tse ka tsone re ka okelang bajanala mo go tsone, ke lesidi la lesidi le re ka se keng re thuse batho ba dikgaolo tsa rona ka sepe.

Ke tswa mo kgaolong e e tswang kgakala e e keteng e lebetswe, e kete ga se kgaolo nngwe e e dirang Puso ya lefatshe le. Ke sone se e reng ke bua, ke bo ke bua

ke sa oshaoshe, e bile ke sa lebe kwa morago, e bile ke sa lebe gore yo o fa pele ga me ke ofe, ke ipuelela ka botswapelo, dilo tse rraetsho tse, ke ne ke re gongwe o eme ka dinao mongwame, o di buise, re dirisanye nna le wena ka tsone. Ntaletsa kwa kantorong ya gago, le tle le kgone gore le farologanye dikgang tseo ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Re ne re le kwa America ngogola. Fa re le kwa America, maAmerica fa ke na le *Honourable* Wynter le Rre Nkawana, ba ne ba bua fela ka dikgaolo tsa Maun. Ke lebogela thata maiteko a ba United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) a ba a dirang kwa Kgalagadi le Ghanzi. O bona fela gore Kgaolo ya Kgalagadi ga e itsiwe le kwa mafatsheng. Fa re bua ka dintlanyane tsa bo Khawa, re bua ka *dry land* rraetsho, batho ba a kgatlhega, mme fela ga ba itse. Jaanong ke ne ke re dilo tse rraetsho, ke di leba mo diatleng tsa gago mongwame, ke di tsaya ke di jala mo diatleng tsa gago gore ema ka dinao o bapatsa lefatshe la Botswana.

Rraetsho, ke utlwa bakaulengwe ba omana gore ga o bapatsa ba phathi e, o bapatsa ba phathi e, nnyaa, tswa mo go bapatseng diphathi mongwame, o dira sentle. Bapatsa Batswana o sa lebe sephathi, o dira tiro e e tlhamaletseng, e e siameng, fela fa re ka simolola re batla go bapisa sephathi mo go bapatseng lefatshe la Botswana mo mafatsheng a sele, re simolola re itlhakatlhakanyetsa, le re e re iphatlha re sa lemoge gore re a iphatlha, re tsaya gore re ikgatlha ka yo o eteletseng pele, ke ganana le mafoko a a sa tswang go buiwa ke bangwe bakaulengwe ba re ga o a ka wa bapatsa motho kwa Lesotho, ga o a ka wa bapatsa semangmang kae, o mmita Lenyasa, o ka tswela o bitsa motho lenyasa, fa e le gore lenyasa e ne e le lefoko la lesotlo, ke eng o sa le ntshe mo leganong la gago. Re tshwanetse go tla ka kago e e siameng segolobogolo re go lebile. Re lemoga fa o santse o tswelletse ka go dira sentle kwa Mozambique. O dira sentle, lefatshe la Botswana le a galalediwa, re bala mo Facebook gore bana ba gago ba ba koo rraetsho, ba tshwere sentle Rre Kwape.

Rraetsho ga go na dikgang tse di kalo. Nako ke yone mmaba. Re tshwanetse fela gore re go eme nokeng, re bo re go galaletse, e kete Modimo o ka go fa bothhale wa tswela wa go okeletsa fa o leng teng gore o bapatsa lefatshe le. E re o bua le bagwebi, o ba reye o re re na le Khawa. Ga o ile kwa Dakar Rally, o ile go tselelela mabelo, o ile go a bona, o ba reye o re tikologo ya Kgalagadi e e tshwanang le tikologo ya lona, re ka e bona kwa Kgaolong ya Kgalagadi e leng Khawa,



re eletsa go bapatsa bojanala jwa Kgalagadi, re bo atolositse. Segolo jang ka lephata la ga Mma Kereng, le ntshitse seatla sa go batla go tlhabolola Kgaolo ya Kgalagadi, mme ke wena morekisi wa kgaolo eo. Ene o ntsha ditlamelo, wena rekisa kgaolo ya Kgalagadi, ke tlaa nna sepepetšhane fa gare ga lona, ke nna ke opela pina e gore ba tle ba itse gore ga re bua ka Kgalagadi totatota re bua ka eng. Mongwame mafoko ke ao, morogo wa ngwana o tlhopiwe ditlhokwa, tsaya go le kalo Modulasetilo, moseka phufu ya gaabo ga a swe lentswe. Legonyana letlharapana ga le ke le galalwa le ya Kgotleng.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Thank you Honourable Brooks.* Ke go utlwa gore o ne o setse o tsena mo moweng gore kwa Kolonkwaneng ba go utlwe. Ga ke itse gore a Motlotlegi Tona wa tsa Khiri le Dipatlisiso tsa Mmereko o tlile. Fa a ise a tle..., ga o a kwalwa mo *list* mme ke ya go go bitsa fela gore kwa Maape, Moshopha le Bakgonami ba go utlwe. Bua Rraagwe Kago.

**DR GOBOTSWANG (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson.* Le nna ke emele go bua ka Lephata la Mafatshe a Sele. Sa ntlha bagaetsho, re mo itsholelong e e reketlang. Re tshwanetse gore tota e re fa re dira ditiro tsa rona re le maphata a a farologanyeng, re lebelele gore a mme re dirisa madi a rona ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng. Le gore se se re boelang mo tirisong ya madi eo, a ke sengwe se re ka ipelafatsang ka sone. Go buiwa ka *value for money.*

Ke batla gore ke bue thata ke mesepele, e re e tsamayang kwa mafatsheng a sele batho betsho. Re ko re e sekaseke, re e tsenye leitlho re bone gore mesepele e, e ka tswa e le ya ga Tautona...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Intshwarele pele Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Sefhare-Ramokgonami intshwarele morena wa me. Motlotlegi Tona wa tlhogo e re buang mo go yone e, fa sebui se se latelang se seyo, o ipaakanye, ke tlile go go bitsa gore o fetole. Tswelela Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Sefhare-Ramokgonami.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Se se botlhokwa ke gore re tlhodumele mesepele e e tsamaiwang ke Tautona, bogolo jang thata le Khuduthamaga ya gagwe. Ke ntse ke lebile ka fa Tautona a tsamayang ka teng, ke tsaya gore Batswana ba a lemoga gore boammaaruri jwa kgang ke gore tota Tautona e setse e le mo ka o kareng o etela Botswana. O nna kwa mafatsheng a sele, o kare o phikisana le *Minister* wa Merero ya Mafatshe a Sele ka go ya kwa mafatsheng a sele. Fa o re o lebelela gore

fa a ntse a tsamaya jaana maduo ke eng, nnyaa maduo ga a kalokalo. A re lebeng leeto la maloba, o kare o fetile jaana a sia a ya go nna beke, Tautona a kgona go nna beke kwa mafatsheng a a kwa ntle, ga se selo se se tlwaelesegileng. Ke a bona o ne a feta ka Brussels, le fa a le koo o ne o ka se ka wa itse gore leeto le a ke la gagwe fela o ile go ithuta ka fa dipodi di gamiwang le ka fa di ruiwang ka teng, a sa kopane le Tautona wa lefatshe la teng. O ipotsa gore a o ile *business* ya gagwe fela kgotsa ke *state visit*. *It was very unclear*, mme re dirisa madi a a seng kana ka sepe batho betsho.

Fa re lebile boTautona ba mafatshe a sele, ga ba ka ke ba tsamaya leeto le le kanakana ya re ba boa go bo go sena *deal* kana tumalano fela e e ka reng e buiwa baagedi ba bone gore nnyaa mme Tautona o ne a re tsamaetse. Fa o ka leba sentle, o kare Tautona wa rona o a itsamaela fa o ka mo ela tlhoko sentle. A re fokotseng mesepele, Tautona o tshwanetse gore a fokotse mesepele. *Honourable Serame* tsenya leitlho o kgalemele Office of the President (OP), re lekeng go fokotsa ditshenyegelo tse di sa tlhokafaleng.

A ko o bone fela Khuduthamaga e e nnang kwa Dubai *literally, these are tourists*. Go ya *Honourable Kgafela*, fa a tswa go tsamaya *Honourable Kereng*, fa a tswa go tsamaya *Honourable Gare*, gompiano gatwe go tsamaya *Honourable Rakgare*, fa a boa gatwe go tlaabo go tsamaya *Honourable Mthimkhulu*. Ke ipotsa gore golo kwa Dubai gatwe go dirwa eng fela se setona. Nnyaa bagaetsho, a re...*(Interruptions)*...golo kwa Dubai gatwe go dirwa eng...

**MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG):**

*Procedure.* Ga se boammaaruri gore Rre Mthimkhulu o ya Dubai. Ke kopa gore Motlotlegi Gobotswang a boele morago mafoko ao, ka gore o a itse gore ga a bue boammaaruri. Ke motsadi motho yo, a a itshupe botsadi.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga se gore o tlhalose gore go tsamaya mang?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go tsamaya mang, Mthimkhulu ene o ya kae?

**MR MORWAENG:** Ke ne re ke re motsadi Rre Gobotswang, o a itse gore ga o a bua se e leng boammaaruri. Ke kopa ka boikokobetso morwarre nkgonne, *withdraw* mafoko ao.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Ga se procedure.*





**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Nnyaa, mmang Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Sefhare-Ramokgonami a ikarabele. Gongwe o na le *information* e e seyong kwa go wena Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe East.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. *Honourable* Morwaeng o bolelela ruri, tota ke ne ke re ke tlhaba tsala ya me lesego, ka gore go tsamaya Matona fela. Ke ne ke raya gore ba itlhalose. Go tsamaya Matona fela, Bathusa Tona bone ga ba ka ke ba e bona Dubai, ga ba ka ke. Go tsamaya namane tse ditona, bone ke ba ba yang kwa Sefhare, fa ba tswa koo ba isiwa Seronga, fa ba tswa Seronga ba ya Bokspits...

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

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Wena Mma Serame, o se ka wa ba wa leka go bua ka gore gompiano jaana go senngwa madi a Botswana. Re go file sephatšhe gore o se tlhokomele, o lesa *Ministers* ba ya Dubai ba ya go nna *tourists*. *Where are the deals* tse ba tlang ka tsone?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga se gore o ba botse *honourable*, gore ba a bo ba ile go dira eng?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Bagaetsho, kgang ya me ke gore a re lekeng go fokotsa mesepele e e senang maduo. Mesepele ya Dubai ga e na maduo gotlhelele, jaanong a re fokotseng go ya koo re foketse ditshenyegelo.

*Honourable Minister*, re tswa kgakala re bua ka a *codified Foreign Policy* ya Botswana, gore a go nne le *policy* fela e e kwadilweng e re ka e salang morago. Gompiano re tshwara kwa le kwa. Re itse gore tota fela re laolwa ke eng. A re *non-aligned, neutral* kana re fa kae. Gone ka gore re dikaganyeditswe ke mafatshe gatwe re *landlocked*, ra reng ka seo. Dilo tse di tshwanetse gore di kwalwe.

*Honourable* Kekgonegile o ntse a bua fa gore, jaanong o kare re gogela mo go reng re tlaa laolwa ke gore madi le *business* le itsholelo ra reng ka tsone. A go kwalwe go papamale, re itse gore ra reng ka dilo tse. Ka fa re tsayang ditshwetso ka teng tse di amanang le tsa mafatshefatshe, Botswana *is quite unpredictable*. Ga o ka ke wa itse gore fa go tsena Iraq ba ya go tlhopho ba reng, fa go tsena Ukraine ba ya go tlhopho ba reng, ka gore ga ba na *policy* fela e e tlhwaafetseng e e bonalang...

...Silence...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Did we lose you Honourable Member?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ole.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *O re latlhegetse*, Honourable Member for Sefhare-Ramokgonami!

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke teng *Mr Chairperson*... (*Inaudible*)... *I am back*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Please go ahead Honourable Member.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Re tlhokana le *policy* ka bonako jo bo kgonagalang *Honourable Minister*: E diegile thata, ke yone e e neng e ka re laolela gore re dira dilo ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Sengwe se se tshwanetseng go re tshwenya re le lefatshe la Botswana ke gore, e bo o kare ga re gate sentle le mafatshe a re bapileng le one. *President* wa rona o a tsamaya mafatshe otlhe, rona re akanya gore o leka go re lomaganya le gore re tsamaye sentle le ba bangwe, mme re tshwanetse go simolola mo gae, mo SADC, re bone gore a re gata sentle le maSADC. Fa ke lebile ka fa re tlhophileng ka teng maloba mabapi le kgang ya Ukraine le Russia, ke bone gore ga re gate sentle. Ke yone kgang ya ntlha e re tshwanetseng gore re ele tlhoko eo.

Sa bobedi ke melawana ya rona ya COVID-19, ka fa re neng re e tsamaisa ka teng. Re tla ka *mandatory vaccine* ka ditsela tse di ntseng jalo, mme ba bangwe ba rona ba dirisa go sele. Dikgang tse re tshwanetse gore re leke go di nyalanya. Fa re santse re re motho a bo a kentilwe a na le bo *72 hours*, mafatshe a mangwe a SADC ba re e bo e le kgwedi *or something like that*. Fa re ka se ka re dire jalo, re tlaa iphitlhela re thulathulana le mafatshe a mangwe, ka gore gompiano le *trade* kana go gwebisana le mafatshe a mangwe, go tlaa tloga go re tsenya mo mathateng *Honourable Minister*.

Sengwe se re neng re solofetse gore re ka bo re boleletswe ka sone tota, ke sa gore re nnile le kgang le Namibia. *Honourable Minister*, ga o ise o re bolelele gore kgang ele ya rona le Namibia ya go fulana gore e tsamaile jang, go raya eng? Re batla gore re gate sentle le maNamibia, re tshela sentle le bone. E nngwe ke ka fa re dirisanyang ka teng le lefatshe la South Africa. Bagaetsho, *we have to admit* gore South Africa re tshela ka ene. Re na le masika le bone. Ga re a tshwanela go dira dilo tse di re kgopakgopetsang, e bile di re thulathulanya le maSouth Africa. Dikgang tsa ma100 *billion* di ne di sa tshwanela go ka bo di diragetse. Go hiriwa ga boGerrie Nel le Afriforum, ga se dilo tse di siameng tse di ka





nonotshang tirisanyo ya rona le South Africa. A ko re ipaakanyeng bagaetsho, re gateng sentle le ba bangwe, fa e seng jalo re tlaa tsena mo mathateng. Re tshwanetse go dirisanya le South Africa ka gore re batla gore borogo jwa Martin's Drift bo bulwe. Tirisanyo ya rona le South Africa ka go gweba e tsamae sentle. Ke kgang e re e emetseng ka matlho a mahibidu mo kgaolong ya rona batho betsho.

Tirisanyo ya rona le Zimbabwe ga re e beye sebetse re le Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC), gotlhelele fela. O kgona go bona gore tirisanyo ya rona le Zimbabwe, fa go na le sengwe se se batliwang gone jaana, ke belaela gore ke go utswa ditlhopho tsa 2024. Ga go na sepe se se elwang kwa Zimbabwe. Ga go na botsala bope jo bo tlaa re busetsang sepe. Gompiano jaana Botswana ga e ka ke ya bua sepe ka gore maloba jaana kwa Gweru, batho ba ne ba tlhasetswe ke ba *party* e e busang. Ba ba keteka ka melamu, ba tla ka digai, dilepe le dilo tsothle, ba felela ba bolaile yo mongwe. Goromente wa Botswana ga a ka ke a bua sepe ka gore ke tsala ya ga Mnangagwa. Ke belaela gore e, ke ya go utswa ditlhopho tsa 2024, ke gone fela mo ke bonang go ya teng.

Kgang e nngwe e re tshwanetseng go e tlhalosedwa *Honourable Minister*, ke ya Africa Command (AFRICOM) e maAmerica ba lekang go nna le *bases* mo mafatsheng a Africa le a a tlhabologang. Re a ne re utlwa gotwe le kopana le *Commanders*, boGeneral Steven Townsend, re sa itse gore le buisana ka eng? Maikaelelo a lona ke eng? Go ka nna ga tshwenya mafatshe a re bapileng le one gore Botswana e ka iphitlhela kwa bofelong e dirile gore re nne le *bases* fa e leng gore maAmerica ba remeletse teng, re ba file lefatshe foo. Ba ithutela teng, e le ka fa ba ipaakanyetsang gore ba tlaa lwa dintwa mo boemong jwa rona kana jang. Ke dilo tse di sa re siamelang bogolo jang thata le ba re bapileng le bone *Mr Chairperson*.

Dubai; ra re a Dubai a eme, le senya madi a setšhaba. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR LUCAS (BOBONONG):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo. Bagarona ba di buile dikgang. Ke simolole fela ka e ya masole a rona a a kwa Mozambique. Go a lebega re setse re latlhegetswe ke bana ba le babedi, mme ke re a mewa ya bone e robale ka kagiso. Tona wa Mafatshe a Sele, e ne e rile fa ba emelela, wa re bolelela gore ke kga-tshoo! fela ba a boa. Go tlaare o nne o re lekodise seemo ka go lebega gore tota o ne o sa e tshwara sentle gotlhelele, e ne e go phunyugile. O nne o re lekodise gore ba tsamaya fa kae, le fa o sa re

lekodisa nako e ba neng ba emelela gore bana ba rona ba tsogile jang kwa Mozambique. Go botlhokwa thata gore o re lekodise.

Sa bobedi, ke batla go tsena mo go e ya *biannual meetings* tse di tshwarwang fa gare ga lefatshe la rona le a re bapileng le one. *Biannual meetings* tse re di tshwarang le lefatshe la Zimbabwe, tota maduo a teng, ga ke itse, gongwe mo Gaborone a a bonala. Maduo a teng kwa dikgaolong tse di tshwanang le Bobirwa, re utlwa gotwe go kopanwe go buiwa ka dikgang tsa rona, bogolo jang kgang e ke tshelang ke bua ka yone kgapetsakgapetsa gore le fa go kile ga nna le *commission*, ga nna le maiteko otlhe, dikgomo tsa Babirwa di felela kwa Zimbabwe. Go lebega e kete ga go na maiteko ape a a dirwang ke *biannual meetings* tse. Ga re bone maduo a *biannual meetings* tse gotweng di tshwarwa magareng ga *President* wa Botswana le Zimbabwe. A ko re bone maduo, e seng jalo re tllile go tsaya gore e a bo e le bokopano jwa boitumelo jwa go bokana gore re Ditautona, a re tswellele pele re nne Ditautona. Re batla go bona pharologanyo mabapi le tse di dirwang go tlhomamisa gore dikgomo tsa Babirwa ga di tlolele kwa Zimbabwe.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se bua ke *biannual meeting* e go lebegang e e tle e tshwarwe magareng ga lefatshe la South Africa le la Botswana. Mme Serame e kile ya re mo nngwe ya dikarabo tsa dipotso, a supa gore ba tlaa tshwara *meeting* fa gare ga South Africa le Botswana ba bua ka *border* ya Platjan. *Border* eo ba buisane ka yone gore ba dumalane gore e nne a *commercial border*. E nne *border* e re ka kgonang go gwebisana le ba Aferika Borwa go le motlhofo. Go lebela e kete ga go na sepe se se setseng se tswa koo. Mme Serame, buisana le molekane wa gago wa Mafatshe a Sele gore kgang e, e kopanelwe mo go *biannual meetings* tse di buiwang. Fa e le gore ga o e itse Rre Kwape, o e botse Mme Serame. Ke ene yo o neng a bua gore *meetings* tse di e tle di tshwarwe. *Border* ya Platjan re dumela gore ke nngwe ya *borders* tse di ka thusang kgwebo fa gare ga Botswana le South Africa. E bile gape e ka thusa kgwebo fa gare ga Botswana le Zimbabwe. E ka thusa thata mo *tourism* mo kgaolong ya rona ya kwa Mashatu. Tona, a ko o re ele tlhoko le Tona wa Mafatshe a Sele, o e tsenye mo *agenda*. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse go ka buisanngwang ka sone go tlhwaafetswe. Go ka re thusa fela thata ka ba EU ba re solofeditse gore ba tlaa dira tsela e e tswang mo Platjan *and join* ya Mathathane-Bobonong. Gone moo go raya gore Bobirwa o tlaabo a kgona *to join* Selebi Phikwe-Francistown le Kazungula. Mathata ke fa e le gore *border* e, e santse e le *non-commercial*. Go raya gore ga re ka ke ra kgona go dira kgwebo e e tlhwaafetseng ka yone.



Sengwe se ke neng ke re Tona o se ele tlhoko ke molao wa mafatshefatshe wa UN *Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*. Ke batla gore o re fe pego sentle rraetsho ya gore re tsamaya fa kae re le lefatshe mabapi le molao one o wa mafatshefatshe. Molao o wa UN *Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* o neela mongwe le mongwe ditshwanelo. Ditshwanelo tsa go nna le bonno, botsogo jo bo rileng, mongwe le mongwe a nne le tshwanelo ya thuto e e *quality*. O supe gore re tsamaya fa kae? A re setse re beile monwana kana re tlaa baya monwana? Fa e le gore re beile monwana, o re kaetse gore ke eng go lebega e kete ditshwanelo tse di tshwanang le tsa botsogo, ga di salwe morago ka tlhwaafalo mo lefatsheng la Botswana? Gompiano jaana re bua ka tlhalelo e e tllhabisang ditlhong ya melemo mo dipateleng tse dintsi tsa Botswana. Batho ba ba bolawang ke bolwetse jwa khupelo, ba na le mathata a *sprays all over*. Gone moo ka bogone, go supa gore tshwanelo ya bone ya botsogo ga e salwe morago. Batho ba ba bolawang ke malwetse a tshwana le *high blood*, ga ba bone melemo. Go raya gore tshwanelo ya bone ya go bona melemo ya go nna jalo, ga e nne teng. Ka jalo, go raya gore matshelo a bone a tsena mo diphatseng. Fa gongwe fa re beile monwana melao e tshwana le ya UN *Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*, re ka tobetsa Puso sentle gore melao ke e, e re patikang gore re tlhokomele tšhaba ya rona. Re itse gore tse re ba di direlang, ke tshwanelo e ba tshwanetseng go e bona. *This covenant also* e supa ka go bereka. Dilo tse tsothle re tshwanetse go di ela tlhoko Tona...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ke le *okeleditje molamo* le ka apaya fela.

**MR LUCAS:** Ke a leboga *molamo*. *Hayi!* O nthusitse, *five minutes*, batho ba ntse ba *ndima* banna.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Ah!* Ke le file kgomo ya me, apayang.

**MR LUCAS:** Ee, o mphile?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ke le file *molamo*.

**MR LUCAS:** Ke tswelele pele, ke ne ke le mo go ya *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*. Fa go ntse jaana batho betsho, ga re a tshwanela go itlhophela gore re saena monwana melao efe, ga re saene efe e e re patikang re le lefatshe gore re diragatse ditshwanelo tsa batho ba rona, re bo e nna e kete re a e dikologa, go botlhokwa thata gore re sale morago dikgang tse. Re tlhomamisa gore batho ba rona ba na le tshwanelo ya go

bereka, botsogo, thuto le bonno. Fa o bua ka tshwanelo ya bonno, ke ya maemo a a kwa godimo fela thata. Fa o sena fa o nnang teng, go raya gore *it also compromises your health*. Gone moo ka bogone, ga go re thuse ka sepe batho betsho.

Ke tsene mo kgannyeng e nngwe e e neng *Honourable Gobotswang* a le mo go yone ya Dubai. Hei! Dubai yo o a tsamaiwa. *I think* go tlaa tshwanelwa ke gore kwa bofelong fela re ko re itse gore tota mme madi a a dirisitsweng mo Dubai a tsamaelana jang le dipelo tse re di boneng koo ka gore fa gongwe re tlaabo re nna re le mo mesepeleng yone e, go duelwa *per diem*, maroko le tsele le tsele mme fa o re o leka go sekaseka gore gone mme maduo a mesepele e ke eng, fa gongwe o fitlhela maduo ao a sa bonale. Go botlhokwa thata gore yone eo re e sale morago.

Go na le kgang gape e le gore maloba Tautona o ne a siana thata ka Rraetsho Elias Magosi gore e nne ene *Executive Secretary* wa SADC. O sale jaaka a tsene, ga ke ise ke utlwe sepe se se popota se gotweng o a se dira. E bile se ke se lemogang ke gore fa gongwe o kare *there is dissonance between* ka fa lefatshe la rona le berekang ka teng le mafatshe a mangwe le ka fa e leng gore go ne go ntse go ntse...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Tanki Kgomo ya me.

**MR LUCAS:** Thank you.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Thank you Honourable Lucas, your time is up.* Ke jone Kgomo. Ke ne ke le *okeleditje lena*.

**MR LUCAS:** Ke lebogile. O ne o rile o tllile go mpha *five minutes*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Hei, *ke le file, le a deola jwale*. Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, please reply to the debate, Honourable Minister Kwape.

**MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION (DR KWAPE):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo gore o bo o mphile sebaka jaanong gore ke tle ke atlaatle tse batlotlegi ba di buileng. Fela kwa tshimologong, ke leboege batlotlegi botlhe go ema nokeng kopo e ka gore bontsi bo ne bo welana mo go tse re neng re di bua. Go na le fa ba neng ba ntsha dikgakololo teng. Jaanong dikgakololo tseo ke tlaa di atla ka bongwe ka bongwe.

Kgotsa gongwe ke simolole ka e e ntseng e felelela ya ga *Honourable Lucas* a bua ka masole a rona a a tlhokafaletseng kwa lefatsheng la Mozambique e bile a



supa gore o isa kgomotso le gore ba robale ka kagiso. Seo se a lebosega gore se bo se tswa mo motsading wa bone. Ya tekodiso ya seemo se se kwa Mozambique, ke na le tumelo ya gore ke kile ka tla mo Palamenteng, le *Honourable* Mmusi o kile a tla a lekodisa gore re tsamaya fa kae. Kgakololo eo re e tsere, re tlaa nna re ntse re lekodisa gore go tsamaya jang.

Ya Bi-National Commission (BNC) jaaka o ne o bua gore go ilwe Zimbabwe mme ga o itse gore go dirwa eng, ga ke itse motlotlegi ka gore ke ne ke itheile ka re dinako tsotlhe fa go buiwa ka kgang e ya dikgomo tse di tloang molelwane, o ne o le teng o rerisiwa wa bo wa tla mo Ntlong e wa bua ka fa o itumetseng ka teng. Jaanong gompiano o nna motlhanka wa mafoko a gago. Fela boammaaruri ke gore tiro e tshwaraganetswe ke mafatshe oo mabedi. Nngwe ya tshwetso e e tserweng ke gore go lomaganwe gore go se ka ga nna le se se ntseng se diragala, e seng fela kwa kgaolong ya gago, le kwa kgaolong ya ga Rre Molebatsi le Rre Letsholathebe. Motlotlegi, go bothokwa gore re nne re bua dilo jaaka di ntse, bogolo jang fa re ne re na le seabe mo dilong tsa teng.

O boditse gape gore BNCs tsa kwa South Africa le Namibia di tlaa nna leng? Malatsi a tsone a ntse jaana; South Africa ke 19 to 22 April fa ya Namibia e tlaa nna ka 31 May to 3 June. Re ntse re etsaetsisiwa ke seemo se re mo go sone sa bolwetse re sa kgone go kopana. Go na le dinako tse go tleng go diragale gore e re re tshwanetse gore re kopane kgotsa bolwetse bo bo tshagile mo bangweng ba ba tshwanetseng gore ba nne teng mo mafatsheng ao, mme rra di tswelotse.

Le go tsamaya ga ga Tautona ka o go amile le wena gore o a bo a tsamaelang, o bona madi ao fela a tsela ya Platjaan a a ntshiwang ke EU, o a bo a tsamaela tiro eo. Jaanong ke leboga gore o buile maduo a go tsamaya ga ga Tautona. Le gone go agiwa dikokelo kwa bo Molalatau jaaka o ne o tlhobosa mo go tsa botsogo, ke maduo a gore go a kgathalwa ka gore botsogo jwa batho, bogolo jang ba kgaolo e o mo go yone, ba bo ba lebeleletse.

Mosepele wa Dubai, ke tsaya gore batlotlegi ba segela ngwana thari mpeng.

**MR LUCAS:** *Clarification Mr Chairperson.* Rraetsho fa a bua ka dikgang tse dingwe, a nne a bua nnete. Kokelo ya kwa Molalatau e ne e agiwa ke ba World Group. Ga se e e neng e tsamaetswe ke Tautona. Madi a EU, ga go na motlhala ope o o supang gore Tautona o kile a nna le seabe mo go one rraetsho.

**DR KWAPPE:** Motlhala ga o o bone ka ga o batle go o bona. Boammaaruri ke gore kokelo go felele go tserwe tshwetso gore e tle kwa Bobirwa, Puso e a bo e tsere tshwetso ya gore e ye kwa Bobirwa. Gore tsela ya Platjaan e dirwe, tshwetso e a bo e tserwe ke Puso mme e a bo e tshwaragane le one mafatshe ao. Ke re ke fete ka yone eo.

Ya Dubai, o segela ngwana thari mpeng motlotlegi. Ke eng re sampe ra bona gore go tswa go dirwa eng ra tla go fiwa pego, ya re re sena go fiwa e bo e le gone re ka ntshang megopolo, ra se ka ra bua dilo di ise di buiwe?

Tse di builweng ke Motlotlegi Rre Gobotswang, o ne a botsa ka mesepele ya ga Tautona le ene a re kwa bo Europa o ne a ile go dira eng? Re ne re bua maloba gore re dule mo FATF. Gompiano jaana ke nako fela re tlaabo re tswa mo *blacklisting*. Golo moo go bothokwa gore Tautona a bo a ne a ile koo a ile go bua le bone go ba bolelela ka tse re di tshwereng, tse di re bayang mo maemong a mantle. O ne o bona maloba kwa America go saenwa ditumalano tsa gore go tle go dirwa melemono...

**MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (MS SERAME):** *Clarification Mr Chairperson.* Mr Chairperson, ke bona o kare o tlaa e feta ka pela eo e e neng e bua ka Europa, *Honourable Minister.* Ke dumela gore batlotlegi fa ba itse gore re batla to host Secretariat ya the Kimberly Process. Ke dumela gore le yone ba ne ba utlwa le mo dikgannyeng gore go ne go le bothokwa gore Tautona a ye go ikopanya le bone ba ba maleba. Re le Botswana, re dumela gore re mo sebakeng se se siameng sa gore re bangwe ba ba eteletseng pele ka go rekisa diteemane e bile re di dira ka tsela e e siameng e e sa belatse ka sepe. Re dumela gore re mo sebakeng se se siameng gore re ka host Secretariat ya Kimberly Process. *Honourable Minister,* ke dumela gore mo gongwe batlotlegi ga ba nke ba ipha nako ya go botsa sentle ba sa tsholetsa maikutlo gore ba tlhologanye dilo tse. Ba fetisetse kwa pele go bua dikgang ba phatšha mafoko, ba šhebetla fela mme ba sa babalele mafoko a ba a buang. Ke a leboga motlotlegi.

**DR KWAPPE:** Ke a leboga Tona. E bile ke lebogela gore o ba gakolole gore kana fa re le fa re le Mapalamente re emetse batho, se re se buang, batho ba se tsaya e le boammaaruri, bogolo jang fa re se bua re tsholetse mafatsha. Jaanong kgotsana go bothokwa gore re le batlotlegi re nne re mpa pitsa e butswa, e se ka ra e šhašhola e ise e butswa.





Go na le dikgang tse di buang gore Tautona o tsamaya fela ga go itsewe gore o dira eng. Selo santlha, Tautona fa a tsamaya, o tsamaya le babegadikgang. Fa a le kwa a leng teng, o dira pegu ya gore o tshwere eng, o dira eng. O dira jalo a le koo le fa a goroga. Go a kwalwa, kwa ntleng fela fa batlotlegi ba batla go nthaya ba re ga ba reetse dikgang e bile ga ba bale dipampiri tsa dikgang. Kana eo ga se molato wa me ka gore Batswana bone ba a bala ba itse se Tautona o a bo a se ba tsamaetse kwa a bo a tsamaya teng.

O buile ka Namibia rra wa botsa gore go ne ga felela jang ka kgang? Le yone e mpolelela gore motlotlegi ga o dire tiro ya gago ya go ineela dikitso tsa gore go diragala eng mo lefatsheng. Go ne ga nna le *a joint investigation* e e neng e dirwa ke maNamibia le Batswana. Go ne ga nna le *inquest. Reports* tsa teng tsotlhe di dule. *They are in the public domain.* Jaanong ke kopa gore Motlotlegi Gobotswang ka e ibile o mmatlisisi rraetsho, o nne o phutholola dibuka, se le bale gore o ithutetse go bala le go kanoka, dilo tse o di dirile.

Gape re nne re ela tlhoko ka fa re buang ka mafatshe a mangwe ka teng ka gore e bile re bua dipuo tse di tshwanang. Fa re bua re ba nyefola, re sa ba bue sentle, re senya gone mo go neng go buiwa maabane ke *Honourable* Reatile, a re re ele tlhoko gore fa re bua ka lefatshe la Botswana, re bua jang ka gore re a itshenyetsa. Le ditsala tsa lona tse di sa bueng Botswana sentle, le di itse go nkgaisa, di gakololeng gore Botswana o buiwa sentle gore batho ba tle ba ngokege go batla go dira ditlhabololo le go beeletsa mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

Fa re ka tswelela re dira jaana mo Ntlong ya Palamente, mme e bile re reeditsewe ke setšhaba, setšhaba se ithaya se re se buang ke boammaaruri, le ntswa e se boammaaruri. Modulasetilo, ke batla go bua gore mafoko a a builweng ke *Honourable* Gobotswang ga se boammaaruri, setšhaba se se ka sa tsaya mafoko ao e le boammaaruri gore, ga go a dirwa sepe ka kgang ya kwa Namibia. Mafoko a a dirisiwang go re thulanya le mafatshe a mangwe e bile a dirisiwa ke Batlotlegi Mapalamente ...*(Inaudible)*... Afrika Borwa ke mafoko a e leng gore kamoso...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Procedure, the voice *ke la ga* Honourable Member for Sefhare-Ramokgonami. What is your procedure?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Point of procedure.* My procedure ke gore, *Honourable Minister* a se ka a tsenya mafoko a ke sa a buang a re, ka re ga go a dirwa sepe. Ka re ga re ise re lekodisiwe re le setšhaba sa Botswana, e seng nna, setšhaba sa Botswana, gore kgang ya rona le Namibia sentlente e fedile ka tsela e e ntseng jang, a dilo tsa rona di siame sentle? A maNamibia ba kgotsofetse? Go bolelelwa setšhaba sa Botswana, e seng nna. Nna ke a bala dipampiri, *reports*...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** You have made your point...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke emetse setšhaba...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** You have made your point Honourable Member. Therefore, *ga se* procedure *eo, ke* correction. Honourable Minister, your colleague is not happy.

**DR KWAPE:** Ke gana paakanyo eo ka gore go papametse gore Motlotlegi Gobotswang o bala dipampiri dingwe, dingwe ga a di bale. Fa a ne a di bala tsotlhe, o ka bo a itse kwa boammaaruri bo teng, ka gore kgang eo e weditsewe. Jaanong ke ne ke feta ka ya Afrika Borwa e Motlotlegi Gobotswang a neng a bua gape ka yone ke re, fa re ka bua dipuo tse di tlaa re thulanyang le mafatshe re le Batlotlegi Mapalamente, re itse gore re baya lefatshe le mo diphateng. Ga gona sepe se se lwelwang fa gare ga lefatshe la Botswana le la Afrika Borwa. Ke gone mo ke le fang malatsi a re yang go kopana, go supa gore ditirisanyo tsa rona ke tse di edileng.

Tse dingwe tse di neng di bodiwa, ke batla go ama tse di builweng ke *Honourable* Kapinga. Tse a neng a bua gore go nne le tsamaiso e e edileng, e farologana le e batlotlegi ba babedi ba ke ntseng ke bua ka bone ba ntseng ba bua ka yone gore, go botlhokwa gore re age gore batho ba tle ba re bone. Fa re itshaolola jaaka ke utlwa batlotlegi ba bangwe ba batla gore ba re saolole, ke gone mo go dirang gore kamoso e bo jaanong re tlaa balelwa mo mafatsheng mangwe a ke ka sekeng ke a bue ka maina. O buile gape ka gore, e re re thapa batho mo lephateng, re lebelele batho bangwe. Ke tsaya gore Rre Morwaeng o ne a mo araba a re go na le tsamaiso ya khiri, mme ka ke direla mo lephateng le, ke itse gore Botswana ka bophara o emetsewe, bogolo jang mo merafeng e a neng a bua ka yone, fa a ne a batla gore ke bomang ba ba tswang kwa, o ne a ka fiwa. Ke tsaya gore golo mo go botlhokwa go gaisa dilo tsotlhe ke gore Batswana ba dira ka bokgabane, ka mewa ya bone yotlhe, go dira gore lefatshe la Botswana le tume kwa mafatsheng a mangwe.





Mme Mma Kereng, o ne a bua ka fa re tshwaraganeng ka teng le lephata le a le emetseng, jaaka maloba re ne re tswa kwa Kenya re ile go lebelela ka dilo tsa tikologo. Re ne re tshwaragane, boemedi jwa rona e le jone bo re lomaganyang. A bua gape gore re tshwanetse go ba neela tseo tsotlhe tse ba di tlhokang, gore dilo tse ba di dirang ba di dire ka manontlhotlho, gore re tswelele re tsholetse lefatshe la rona kwa godimo. O ne a bua gape ka Kuwait, gore kwa Kuwait o kare go a reketla, nnyaa go a baakannwa, e tlaare mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo e bo seemo se ritibetse, ka gore yo o neng a tshwere koo o ne a boela gae. Jaanong yo mongwe o a rulaganyediwa gore a tswelele kwa pele.

Go nnile le kgang ya gore kwa mafatsheng a re nnang kwa go one, dikago tse re nnang mo go tsone ga se tsa rona, eo ke a e amogela, e bile *rents* tse re di duelang di kwa godimo. Di kwa godimo ka gore fa o tsena mo lefatsheng o le moemedi wa lefatshe, ga o nne gongwe le gongwe fela, o tlhophelwa mafelo a e leng gore pabalesego ya one ke e e siameng, go bo go raya gore boturu bo ya kwa godimo. Jaanong se re se tshwereng ke go bona gore ke mafelo a fe bogolo jang a a turu a re ka a ipatlelang gore re ikagele kana re reke dikago. Sebe sa phiri fela ke ledi le le seyong, mme Mma Serame ke tsaya gore o ntheditse gore go tlaa tshwanela ke gore re lebelele kgang e thata, gore re bonelwe ledi golo gongwe, re tle re kgone go fiwa dikago tse e ka nnang tsa sennelaruri re sa duele dirente.

*Honourable Reatile*, gape o ne a bua gore re tshwanetse go nna re buisanya ka *foreign policy*. Ke gateletse gore e tshwerwe, e setse fela ka go baakannwa la bofelo, mme e tlaare e sena go baakannwa yone phelelo eo, re tle go e atlhaatla. Re gakologelwe batlotlegi gore, kana *foreign policy* tota is the projection of a domestic policy. Jaanong fa *domestic policy* ya rona e le go tlhoka go bua mafatshe a mangwe sentle, *foreign policy* ya rona ga e ka ke ya bereka. Jaanong re itse gore fela jaaka re bua mo Palamenteng e e reediwang ke ditšhaba, kana Botswana Television e reediwa le kwa bo Kenya, Tanzania le Malawi, mme ba bangwe ba bua tse re di buang. Jaanong ba a re utlwa jaaka re nyefola, mme kana selo se se tona se Botswana a tlotlwang ka sone ke ka fa Motswana a itsayang ka teng, ke ka fa Batswana ba ntseng ka teng. Jaanong fa e le baemedi ba bone ba bua Botswana jaaka re bo bua jaana, le itse gore *foreign policy* e re e batlang re e senya mokwalo wa teng o ise o kwalwe.

Jaanong batlotlegi bangwe ba ne ba bua gore ga ke ise ke tle go fa *statements* mo Palamenteng. Ke file *statements* di le nne, mme ke amogela kgothatso eo gore re tlaa tswela re ntse re tla mo Palamenteng go tla go bona gore tse re tlhokang go di lekodisa batlotlegi tse di maleba ke dife.

Rre Matsheka o ne a tsenya kgakololo ya gore, re lebelele gore a tse re di dirang bogolo jang tsa papadisanyo, a re a rotloetsa kana re ngokela papadi mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke mogopolo o montle rra, mme ke tsaya gore e tlaare re ntse re bua re tshwaragane, dilo tse di kgone go diragala. Ka kakaretso o ne a bua gore...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Go ahead Honourable Minister, on your clarification.

**MINISTER OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT (MR RAKGARE):** *Point of clarification.* Yes, thank you very much Honourable Kwape. Ke ne ke re kgang e o lekile go e tlhatswa kgantele, mme ke ne ke dumela gore ga e a tlhatswega thata Honourable Minister. Ke go botse gore, mme ka o ne o amanngwa le loeto la ga Tautona thata, go supafala gore o nna o tsamaya o ya kwa ntle, le ene Tautona o tsamaya thata a ya kwa ntle, go bua ba ga rona ba kganetso, a wena mme o bona maduo mo maetong a lona? Maduo, (i) kgang e ya go leka go ngoka babeetsi go tla mo lefatsheng la Botswana. (ii) kgang ya gore fela botsalano le leke gore le bo godise *between* Botswana le mafatshe a mangwe. Ke bua se Honourable Kwape ka gore, mo nakong e e fetileng ba ga rona ba kganetso ba ne ba kile ba kgala thata *Former President* Khama gore o nna fela mo Botswana, ga nke a ya kwa ntle jaanong re ya go aga botsalano jang le mafatshe a mangwe go sena seo.

Sa bofelo Honourable Kwape, mo kgwedding e e tlang re tlaabo re na le Forbes Under 30 e tla mo lefatsheng la Botswana e ya ...*(Inaudible)*... for the very first time ...*(Inaudible)*... e tla mo lefatsheng. Re ya go nna le 200 *entrepreneurs* ba e leng gore ke bana ba Batswana, that will be participating mo karolong e. Dilo tse o di amanye, o tle o re thuse, gore re tlhaloganye botoka. Ke a leboga Honourable Member.

**DR KWAPE:** Mma ke simolole fela ka ya Forbes eo. Kana fa gotwe e tlaabo e tshwaretse mo lefatsheng la Botswana e le lantlha, go sa tlhophiwa lefatshe le lengwe go tlhophilwe la Botswana, go raya gore sengwe se ne se bonwe mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Fa ba tlile



jalo, ba tllile go dira gore batho ba ngokegele go tla go dira madirelo mo Botswana. Jaanong fa re boela mo go tse dingwe motlotlegi, jaaka o ne o botsa, ke swa go bala fela, ke buile gore, gompiano jaana re dule mo *greylist*, re tlaa tloga re tswa mo *blacklist*, mme dilo tse ke maduo a go tsamaya ga ga Tautona a lebagana le batho ba e leng gore ke bone ba ba re beileng mo *greylist*. A ba bolelela gore, kwa Botswana re fetisitse melao, e e fetisitsweng ke Palamente e. Jaanong fa a tsamaya a ya go bua lona tse le di dirileng Mapalamente, le bo le nyatsa go tsamaya ga gagwe, jaanong a mpheletse a le tlhaeng. Maloba go ne go tllile rre wa NantWorks, a tllile go saena tumalano ya gore go dirwe melemo e seng fela ya COVID, le ya kankere. A dilo tse ga le di bone, kana le borile leitlho fa di dirwa? Kana le a di itlhokomolosa ka gore fa go buiwa dilo tse dintle, go tlaa galalediwa Tautona ka tiro e a e dirang? Jaanong ke batla gore re itshekatsheke mo bojosing jwa rona batlotlegi, bogolo jang ba ba nyatsang dilo tse, re itse gore dilo tse Batswana bone ba a di bona. A di lekane? Nnyaa, ke gone mo o bonang re tswelsetse re dira jalo. Re a emelela gape re ya Dubai, maduo a teng a tlaa tswa le fa le setse le tlhobosa ngwana a ise a tsholwe.

Rre Reatile o ne a bua ka kgang ya Israel kwa AU. Re papametse, ga re etsaetsege, ga re oshaoshe. Re rile tsamaiso ya gore mang o tshwanetse gore a tsene mo AU go sa kgathalesege gore o nna setilo sefe, e tshwanetse gore e salwe morago. Re e buile jalo kwa AU. Gore a go dumalanwe le rona ga se kgang, kgang ke gore rona re buile.

Re buile gape gore re ema nokeng tshwetso e e tserweng ke lekgotla la mafatshefatshe mabapi le ntwana e e kwa Ukraine. Re buile gape re papamaditse gore mafatshe a Sahrawi le a Palestine a ipuse. Ga ke itse gore re tshwanetse gore re bue jang gore go utlwale, kana le batla gore ke nne ke didimala ke re mpuelela foo gore go tle go utlwale gore go diragetse?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Minister.

**DR KWAPPE:** Ee rra.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Clarification sought. Honourable Member for Jwaneng-Mabutsane, from the voice.

**MR REATILE:** *Clarification. Yes Mr Chairperson. Minister, tla ke go leboge. Kgang e o reng o swa go bala, ke dumela gore re tshela go bala ke e e leng gore fa re bua ka e ya observer status sa Israel, Botswana e le wena o duleng lantlha ka statement go feta mafatshe*

otlthe, re tshwanetse re dumalane. Se ke neng ke se bua Tona, gongwe o nkutlwa ka tsa ga morakile, o gana go nkutlwa ka tsa ga Ngwaketse; ke ne ke re o tshwanetse o lekodise Mapalamente gore kgang e jaaka le ne la bona ke ntshitse *statement* ke re ke re, re tswa kwa AU mme dikgang tsa rona gompiano di ntse jaana. Se ke neng ke se bua ke ne ke re ga se *any forum*, go ne go dira *an officer*; a tsaya... Ga re itse gore o duetswe bokae. Ke tsone dilo tse ke neng ke re fa o di abelana le Mapalamente le bagogi, go nna kaone. Ga ke a re ga o a dira sepe. Ke a leboga.

**DR KWAPPE:** Motlotlegi o tshwanetse go itse gore tiro ya me ke go le lekodisa ka gore Botswana o tsere seemo sefe, ke se ka ka tloga ka buelela ba bangwe, gongwe ke sa ba buelele sentle. Ke tlhalositse *position* ya Botswana le gore go diragetse eng kwa AU, le gore *position* eo ke yone e Botswana a santseng a le mo go yone.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Honourable Kwape.

**DR KWAPPE:** *Ee Honourable Minister.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Minister, for clarification.

**MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG):** *Clarification.* Ke a leboga. Motlotlegi Rre Kwape, wa reng ka batho ba e leng gore e re e le benggae, ba bo ba tswa mo garona ba ya kwa mafatsheng a sele ba tladika lefatshe le leswe? O a reng ka batho ba rraetsho? Ke a leboga.

**DR KWAPPE:** Motswana o a tle a re kgomo ya bogwe e tlhaba e sikegile lonaka, jaanong ba ba tlhabang ka naka tse di hubi tseo, ba tshwanetse gore ba kgalwe go sa kgalwe mathe fa ba bua lefatshe la bone jalo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Hello!

**DR KWAPPE:** A mongwe o ne a batla go botsa gape?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Kapinga, please switch off your cell phones. Please go ahead Honourable Minister.

**DR KWAPPE:** E nngwe e batlotlegi ba neng ba e bua ke gore mo Botswana go kganelwa batho gore ba se ka ba se ka ba tsena mo Botswana. Motlotlegi Dikoloti o tlhalositse kgang e sentle mme e ntira gore ke gakologelwe kgang ya gore bolwetse jo fa bo simologa,



bontsi jwa bone ba ba buang ka kgang e, ba ne ba le fa kae. Jaanong tlhotlhologolo le tsosa di letseng. Le a itse tse di neng le di bua fa go buiwa ka bolwetse jo. Gompiano gatwe a re sireletseng tšhaba ya Botswana le e e tsenang mo Botswana ka go rotloetsa batho gore ba bo ba ikentile. Ga ke itse gore a batlotlegi ba re batho ba se ka ba rotloediswa go ikenta fa ba tla mo lefatsheng la Botswana mme ba papamale ka gore ba kile ba papamala ya re re bua ka jone bolwetse, ba re ba tlhapa diatla; ba etsa Pilato. Ba tlhamalale fela gore ba tlhapa diatla, bone ga ba batle re laola ka fa bolwetse bo tsamayang ka teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke batla gore e tlhatswege.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**DR KWAPE:** Ee rra.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Member for Selebi Phikwe East, *tlhatswa rraetsho*.

**MR NKAWANA:** *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*, le wena motlotlegi ke go leboge. Ka fa o a bo o dirisa mafoko a, gongwe re sa go utlwe ka o bua Sengwaketse, ga ke gakologelwe motlotlegi ope a re go se ka ga rotloediswa batho go ikenta. Kgang e re e buang ke gore se pateletseng. Go rotloetsa le go pateletsa *are two different things and* ke sone se re se buang gore batho ba a patelediwa fa o tshwanetse go tsena mo Botswana. Ga gona yo o rotloetsang, *instead* o a patelediwa. *That is our position.* O e tshware sentle foo motlotlegi.

**DR KWAPE:** A re e beye jaana motlotlegi ka gore wena e bile kana o a itsheka ka *sector* ya gago. Ke ofe moeti yo o tlang mo lefatsheng la Botswana, yo o ka batlang gore a tle kwa lefatsheng le go dirwang diorata fela e re gotwe go ikentiwe, go bo sa ikentiwe? Ke potso, ke ka e baya kwa go wena. Se se dirwang ke gore...

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

**DR KWAPE:** ...re batla go babalela tšhaba ya Botswana. Ga ke itse gore a Motlotlegi Gobotswang o batla gore a re ene, a bue fela mo Palamenteng a re batho ba gane go kenta. Ke kopa o bue fela gore a Batswana ba gane go kenta mme ba ntse ba bolelelwa bomosola jwa gore ba bo ba kentile. Dikgang tse le di buang tse *Honourable Gobotswang*, ke tsone tse di tlišang ketsaetsego. Wena o ikentile e bile o ikentetse mo sephiring o sa batle gore go itsiwe mme ka fa o bua gore batho ba se ka ba ikenta ba gane. Bana ba gago botlhe ... (*Interruptions*)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure.

**DR KWAPE:** ...ba kentetswe mmokwane le sehuba sa monganganyego, jaanong bana ba batho ba bangwe bone wa re ba se ka ba kentelwa dilo tseo. Le bolwetse jo...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Procedure Honourable Minister. *Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Sefhare-Ramokgonami*, what is your procedure?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Procedure.* My procedure ke gore mokaulengwe wa me kwa *fields* tse re tswang kwa go tsone, letsatsi leno ga ke itse gore o tsenwe ke eng. O bua mafoko a a senang boammaaruri, a re re tswa go ikentela kwa sephiring, re sa batle batho ba itse. Rona re ne ra itsenya le mo maranyaneng fa re kentiwa. Le kwa Dikgotleng tsa rona re rotloetsa batho go kentiwa. Kgang e a sa batleng go e tlhamalatsa ke gore *mandatory vaccination* wa COVID-19 ke yone *issue*, e seng...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go patelediwa, mo Tautona a rileng ga go patelediwe, a bua kwa mafatsheng.

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

**DR KWAPE:** Tsamaiso ya go kenta mo Botswana e papametse...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ga ke itse gore o tsenwe ke eng gompiano...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order! You have made your point Honourable Member, let the Minister respond; *ga re na nako*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Re tloga re bua gore bangwe ba lona ba ne ba kopela bana ba bone ba ba *under age* gore ba kente ka sephiri. Re a ba itse.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ke tloga ke le omanya jaanong.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Bua comrade.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Minister, order! Order!

**DR KWAPE:** Tsamaiso ya go kenta mo Botswana e papametse, e dumalanwe. Fela fa e le gore le ganana le tsamaiso ya lefatshe la lona, le tlhamalale gore le ganana le yone jaaka le bua dilo tse dingwe tse di leswafatsang lefatshe la lona. Le tlhamalale, le se ka la iphitlha ka sepe.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Tlang re bue, mphe *chance* ke bue.





**DR KWAPE:** Nnyaa, ga ke go fe *chance*. Ke araba...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ga go buiwe fela o kare motho o kwa Matlapaneng *Honourable Member*. Tswelala *Honourable Minister*.

**DR KWAPE:** Rre Kekgonegile o ne a bua ka go tlhophaga rona kwa UN; ga se ga sephiri. Ka puo ya Sekgoa go a tle gotwe '*we sponsored*'. Go papametse mme le mo maranyaneng go supilwe gore Botswana o tlhophile jang, jaanong ga ke itse gore a re re ka bo re ne ra dira jang gore a itse sentle gore Botswana o tsere seemo sefe mo kgannyeng e e neng e tlisiwa kwa lekgotleng la mafatshefatshe.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga go tshwane le go ikenta ka sephiri.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ka re ka go reng? Bolelela Batswana gore o tlhophile le Ukraine ka go reng?

**DR KWAPE:** Because we are members of the UN and a signatory to the...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Procedure Honourable Kapinga.

**MR KAPINGA:** *On a point of procedure. Mr Chairperson*, ke batla gore o kgalemele batho ba ba buang kgang e e senang boammaaruri ya gore go na le batho ba ba ikentetseng kwa sephiring. Puo eo ga e a siama gotlhelele, *Mr Chairperson*, o tshwanetse gore o e kgalemele.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** A ko le iketle bagaetsho. *Honourable Member for Okavango has got a point, I could not agree with him more.* Tlogelang go buisana dipuo tse di ntseng jalo, le Batlotlegi. Ke dumalana le Motlotlegi Kapinga, tlogelang go bua jalo. Tswelala Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tona, o digele tiro ya gago.

**DR KWAPE:** Ee, se ke se lebogang ke gore ga go na ope yo o ...*(Interruptions)*...

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

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Order!* Le dia Tona. *Order!* Le dia Motlotlegi Rraetsho go wetsa. Wetsa Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tona, ke kgalemele, fa ke ka utlwa mongwe, ke a mo koba. Digela Tona.

**DR KWAPE:** Nte ke tsenye e e neng e buiwa ke...

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Point of order.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** These points of order are too many now, *nako e a re sia*.

**MR NKAWANA:** *On a point of order.* Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke ne ke re Motlotlegi Dr Kwape a boele mafoko a ko morago ka gore o nyatsa *the speakership* fela le tsamaiso yotlhe. *You have called Mr Chairperson*, gore ke lona le dirileng thulaganyo ya gore Mapalamente ba ye go kenta kae, *and you never told us* gore golo moo ke sephiri, *and today we are told* gore le ne le dira jalo le go bitsa sephiri. Fa e le gore le ne le dira jalo e le sephiri, a e nne lona le kopang maitshwarelo mo go rona, *or he must withdraw*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Honourable Member, I have made a ruling on that issue* gore tlogelang go buisana jalo, yo o buang jalo, ke a mo koba gone jaanong jaana, o tlaa ja *lunch* kwa Mogoditshane.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Gatwe* he must withdraw!

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ke e kgalemele Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ngami, ke kgalemele monngame.

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

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Order! Order!* a ko le tlogele Tona a fetse, fetsa Motlotlegi rraetsho Tona.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O rumola ba Mogoditshane.

**DR KWAPE:** Ke ne ke re, se ke ka se tlhomamisang ka gore...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Akere go na le *hotel* e e itseng go apaya gone kwa.

**DR KWAPE:** Se ke ka se tlhomamisang ke gore, e ne e le tshwetso ya gore mongwe le mongwe a ye go kenta, mme bangwe ba ne ba loba gore ba ne ba ya go kenta leng, ka gore go ne go tserwe tshwetso nngwe golo gongwe gore ba se ka ba ya go kenta.

Ke tsena mo go ya ga *Honourable Dr Matsheka* e a neng a bua ka *project implementation*. Fa re lebelela *project* ya kwa...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Point of order Mr Chairperson.





**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ngami, go rileng monngame, *what is your point of order?*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** ...(Murmurs)...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Give him a chance Honourable Member.

**MR HIKUAMA:** *On a point of order. Point of order* e ke batlang e gagamala, e bile go itsege lefatshe ka bophara ke gore Tona wa tsa mafatshe a sele, e bile yo re mo tlotlang e le ngaka, a tlogele go sa bua boammaaruri, e bile mafoko a a buileng a a boele morago ka gore ga a na boammaaruri. A re *I withdraw*, ga go na ope yo o tswang go ikenta ka sephiri. Ga go na tshwetso epe e e kileng ya tsewa ke ope gore go ikentiwe ka sephiri. A a boele mafoko ao morago, go utlwale gore o a boetse morago, e bile *he is not telling the truth*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Let us have order please.* Nnyaa bagaetsho, *we must be progressive not retrogressive.*

Ke kgalemile Motlotlegi Rraetsho Hikuama, ke kgalemile mafoko a.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ra re a a boele morago.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Fa ke kgalemile, ga go tlhokafale gore a boele kwa go one, a kgalemilwe ke setilo.

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

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order!

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O a boelela.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Nnyaa, ke mo reeditse thata, fa a ka boelela, ke a mo leleka a ise a fetse. Mo tlogele.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ra re a a boele morago.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** I have ruled on that matter Honourable Member for Ngami, please. Please finish up Honourable Minister.

**DR KWAPÉ:** Ee rra, ke ne ke batla go fetsa ka ntlha e e neng e buiwa ke *Honourable* Dr Matsheka ya *implementation*, ke *project* ya rona ya kwa Avis. Re ne ra nna le dikgwetlho tsa melao ya lefatshe le re neng re aga kwa go lone, fa gongwe re dumalana se e re kamoso ...*(Interruptions)*... ra ba ra nna le dikgwetlho tsa gore dilo tse dingwe tse go neng go agiwa ka tsone, di ne di rekwa kwa mafatsheng a a tswang kwa ntle, ke tsone

tse di dirileng gore *project* e nne e salele kwa morago. *Project* e ke nngwe ya tse e leng gore di ne di tsaya madi a mantisi. Tumelo le tsholofelo ya rona ke gore ka gore dilo tseo gatwe di setse di gorogile, *project* e e tlaa kgona gore mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo, e bo e setse e wetse ka gore maloba ke ne ke le kwa go yone, ke e bone gore e tswelletse sentle, e setse fela ka go rulelwa le go tsenngwa difensetere *and polished* jaaka go a tle go buiwe gotwe go dirwa *finishing*.

*Mr Chairperson*, fa o ntetla, ke batla gore ke re, *I move that the sum Five Hundred and Seventy-Five Million, Three Hundred and Thirty-One Thousand, Five Hundred and Ten Pula (P575,331,510) for the Recurrent Budget be approved and stand part of the 2022/2023 Appropriation Bill (No. 2 of 2022) for Organisation 1500; and that the sum of Seventy Million, Seven Hundred Thousand Pula (P70,700,000) for the Development Budget be approved and stand part of the same Schedule for the 2022/2023 Appropriation Bill. I so move.*

Question put and **agreed to.**

## ORGANISATION 1300 - ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Members, please note that two hours has been allocated to this Organisation, and I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 1550 hours today and the question will be put at 1620 today. Honourable Minister of Defence, Justice and Security, please present your Bill.

**MINISTER OF DEFENCE, JUSTICE AND SECURITY (MR MMUSI):** Thank you Mr Chairperson.

Mr Chairperson, I wish to present to this Honourable House, the 2022/2023 Budget Estimates for 'Organisation 1300 - Attorney General's Chambers.'

The mandate of the Attorney General's Chambers is to provide quality legal service to the Government. This is done through five functional areas, the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Civil Litigation Division (CLD), Legislative Drafting Division (LDD), International and Commercial Division (ICD) and Corporate Service Division (CSD).

Mr Chairperson, during the 2021 Meetings of Parliament, 28 bills were tabled in Parliament and enacted into Law.



Mr Chairperson, the Lexis Nexis (Pty) Ltd, a company based in Durban, South Africa, has been awarded a contract for updating the laws of Botswana from 2019 to 2021. The Law Revision Order 1 of 2019, which includes Laws up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018, was published on the 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. We are currently working on a new contract with a publisher to up-date for 2019 to 2021.

Mr Chairperson, as reported last year, the AGC has established a Law Reform Unit within the Legislative Drafting Division of the Chambers. The technical advice on law reform is funded through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Efforts to procure an expert in the past year did not bear fruit. The search for appropriate expertise will continue.

Mr Chairperson, the International and Commercial Division (ICD) is tasked with provision of legal services to various Government Ministries and Departments. These services primarily include the negotiation as well as drafting of commercial and international agreements as well as provision of legal advice on different areas of the law. In addition, the ICD provides legal support to Ministries carrying out critical projects and initiatives which are aimed at attainment of national priorities. The role of the Attorney General's Chambers in this regard cannot be overemphasized, particularly in view of the Reset Agenda and the expectation that the economy will spring back to life.

Mr Chairperson, the AGC secondment initiative continues to be implemented through the placement of legal officers at all Government Ministries and some Departments for provision of on the spot legal advice. By all means, this initiative is a great success since legal advice is rendered as and when needed.

Mr Chairperson, following the opening of a branch of the High Court in Maun, the Civil Litigation Division also opened a satellite office in Maun in order to keep abreast with developments in the Judiciary. The office is intended to deal with cases registered at the Maun High Court. In due course, additional manpower will be required to augment the existing number of lawyers in Maun.

Mr Chairperson, the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) exists to prosecute all cases emanating from law enforcement agencies as well as to prosecute appeals from all levels of Courts (Magistrate Court, Customary Court of Appeal and the High Court). The DPP finds

itself in dire need of resources in an effort to respond to new forms of crime and new laws such as the cyber and computer-related offences, drugs and psychotropic offences, counter-terrorism offences as well as emerging transnational crimes such as trafficking in persons, wildlife and drugs.

Mr Chairperson, the Directorate has consistently maintained an 80 percent success rate in matters completed at court. As at the end of November 2021, the success rate stood at 85 per cent against a target of 90 per cent, whilst the average performance in respect of turnaround time for conclusion of cases at court has seen a significant improvement from 16 months in 2019, to 12 months in 2021 against a target of 18 months for criminal cases.

Mr Chairperson, the DPP statistics show that there is a slight increase of total cases handled from the previous year. As at November 2021, there were a total of nine thousand one hundred and fifty-eight (9 158) files (that is cases and dockets) in comparison to eight thousand four hundred and seventy-one (8 471) (that is cases and dockets) as at December 2020. For effectiveness, it is the DPP's desire to have a manageable and optimum ratio of cases/dockets per prosecutor.

Mr Chairperson, out of the nine thousand one hundred and fifty-eight (9 158) files, six thousand three hundred and twenty-nine (6 329) are cases pending before various courts while two thousand six hundred and twenty-four (2 624) are dockets received from law enforcement agencies that are being assessed for suitability of prosecution or otherwise and two hundred and five (205) files are Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition requests.

Mr Chairperson, as reported in the previous address, concerted efforts are being made to fully relieve the Botswana Police Service of delegated prosecutorial duties. Thus far, prosecution of cases from a total of 34 Police Stations have been taken over against 83 Botswana Police Stations. This achievement comes at the backdrop of acute shortage of resources as no extra resources have been availed to the DPP to augment the already stretched resources, both human and financial. Arrangements are at an advanced stage to open satellite offices in Kasane, Shakawe and Tsabong to curtail expenses as well as frequent long distance trips to these areas as they are currently serviced by Francistown, Maun and Lobatse DPP offices respectively.



Mr Chairperson, due to shortage of resources, the take-over of prosecutorial duties from the Police Service will take longer and is expected to be completed during the 2024/2025 financial year rather than 2023 as previously anticipated.

Mr Chairperson, the vastness of the geographical areas covered by the DPP regional offices coupled with the acute shortage of accommodation in towns and villages continues to be of great challenge and a hurdle for expansion and decentralisation of the DPP. This has greatly inconvenienced and suffocated the DPP's spirited ambitions to expand and increase its footprints across the length and breadth of the country. The DPP has since early 2000 struggled to secure conducive and user friendly office accommodation in places like Maun, Palapye and Lobatse where it has operated on rental basis since its establishment.

Mr Chairperson, in recent times, some notable success has been realised in this regard, with the construction of Maun DPP office moving satisfactorily at 40 percent completion as at January 2022, while the Lobatse DPP office has secured a more spacious and conducive office accommodation in the office block previously occupied by Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority. The Maun DPP construction office is expected to be completed and ready for occupation by September this year. All these developments, should go a long way in assisting the Directorate to effectively deliver on its mandate.

Mr Chairperson, let me now take this opportunity to present to this Honourable House the 2022/2023 Proposed Budget of the Attorney General's Chambers.

### **RECURRENT BUDGET**

I request a total amount of Two Hundred and Sixty-One Million, Four Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Pula (P261,491,770.00) for the Attorney General's Chambers Recurrent Budget for the 2022/2023 financial year. From this proposal, the Personal Emoluments account constitutes 73 per cent of the total Recurrent Budget and the remaining balance goes to Add Back and Other Charges accounts.

This Budget proposal represents an increase of Eleven Million, Three Hundred and Sixty-One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Forty Pula (P11,361,940.00) which is a 5 per cent increase above the 2021/2022 budget of Two Hundred and Fifty Million, One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred and Thirty Pula (P250,129,830.00).

Mr Chairperson, in the interest of time, I will deal only with those accounts that have experienced either a significant increase or decrease.

### **PARENT ACCOUNT – 00100 Salaries and Allowances**

An amount of One Hundred and Ninety Million, Seven Hundred and Eighty-One Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty Pula (P190,781,320) has been allocated to this Parent Account against the warranted provision of One Hundred and Eighty Million, Five Hundred and Eighty-Six Thousand and Forty Pula (P180,586,040) in the financial year 2021/2022. There has been a significant increase of Ten Million, One Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Pula (P10,195,280.00), which is 5 per cent over the warranted provision of 2021/2022. This increase covers for the yearly incremental creep.

### **PARENT ACCOUNT – 00200 Travelling and Transport (Internal)**

An amount of Eight Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Four Thousand, Six Hundred and Thirty Pula (P8,754,630.00) has been allocated to this Parent Account against the warranted provision of Six Million, Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand and Twenty Pula (P6,650,020.00) in the financial year 2021/2022. There has been an increase of Two Million, One Hundred and Four Thousand, Six Hundred and Ten Pula (P2,104,610.00) under this Parent Account which is 31 per cent increase. The absence of the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) footprint in areas where the Administration of Justice (AOJ) is based contributes to the increase in internal travel accounts.

### **PARENT ACCOUNT – 00300 Travelling and Transport (External)**

An amount of Two Million, Sixty-Four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirty Pula (P2,064,730.00) has been allocated to this Parent Account reflecting an increase of One Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty Pula (P143,160.00) which is 7 per cent higher than the warranted provision for 2021/2022 of One Million, Nine Hundred and Twenty-One Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventy Pula (P1,921,570.00). The increase is attributable to the anticipation of the re-opening of national borders, hence the resumption of official external trips by officers.





**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Go to the summary.

**MR MMUSI:** Mr Chairperson, that concludes my budget proposal for the 2022/2023 Recurrent Budget, and I will now proceed to the Development Budget.

### DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Mr Chairperson, during 2021/22 financial year, AGC was allocated Twenty-Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand Pula (P22,500,000.00). I am pleased to inform this Honourable House that, as at 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2022 AGC had spent 94.9 per cent of the Development Budget.

Mr Chairperson, for the 2022/2023 financial year, I request the sum of Thirty-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six Pula (P39, 952, 926.00) for the Attorney General's Chambers Development Budget. This amount has been allocated as follows:

#### AGC Infrastructure

Mr Chairperson, due to the early setbacks incurred as a result of the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Maun project which entails construction of Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) Office Block and related staff houses commenced on the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

#### Development of AGC Services

Mr Chairperson, takeover of Prosecutorial duties from the Botswana Police Service Strategy was developed in the 2020/21 financial year, but it has proven difficult to comprehensively implement the project without dedicated resources.

Mr Chairperson, this concludes my budget proposal for Organisation 1300-Attorney General's Chambers. I therefore request that the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-One Million, Four Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Pula (P261,491,770.00) under the Recurrent Budget, and the sum of Thirty-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six Pula (P39,952,926.00) under the Development Budget be approved and stand as part of the Estimates for the financial year 2022/2023. I thank you Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Minister, *tanki* Tshwene. The matter is open for debate, Honourable Member for Mahalapye East, Honourable Boko please break the ice.

**MR BOKO (MAHALAPYE EAST):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson. Ke dumedise Batlotlegi Mapalamente le Batswana botlhe ba ba reeditse kana ba lebeletse television ya Botswana gongwe le gongwe kwa ba ka tswang ba le teng Mr Chairperson. Le wena Mr Chairperson ke go ikokobeletse jaaka gale mo tshokologong ya letsatsi la gompiono.*

*Mr Chairperson, ga ke batle go nna moleele mo dikgannyeng tsa kwa Attorney General responding to se Honourable Mmusi a se buileng. Matshwenyego a me ke gore go setse go fetile dingwaga di ka nna 20 go builwe ka kgang ya gore the DPP will now take over from the police in terms of dikgang tsa prosecution. Go sale go tlilwe go tlaa diragala Mr Chairperson, mme le mo motlheng wa gompiono re santse re bona mapodise ba dira tiro ya prosecution kwa makgotlatshekelong. Ga ke batle go ba nyatsa Mr Chairperson, mme fela boammaaruri jo bo sa jelweng pheko ke gore mapodise ga ba a hirelwa tiro ya to prosecute. Mapodise ba na le tiro e e special e ba e dirang, and there are people who have been trained to do the prosecution, who have been given the necessary skills. Nako e gorogile Mr Chairperson ya gore, jaanong a re tseyeng cases tse re di ntsheng kwa police di felele mo matsogong a ba DPP. Go setse go tsamaile lebaka le le leele, dingwaga di ka feta masome a mabedi, re ntse re opela pina e le nngwefela mme go sena sepe se se diragalang. Fa e le gore bothata ke kgang ya manpower, nako e gorogile gore gongwe DPP e ka iphirela. There are lot of people ba ba sa berekeng, mme ba na le the necessary qualifications tsa molao go ka dira dikgang tsa prosecution. E le ya ntlha Mr Chairperson.*

*Ya bobedi Mr Chairperson, e nna selelo sa gore ga ke itse gore ba DPP ba dira go le kae, mme go lebege ba sa dire go lekane mo dikgannyeng tsa kgokgontsho ya bomme le bana mo malwapeng tse di tshololwang kwa makgotlatshekelong. Letsatsi le letsatsi we see these things, mme o kare DPP ga e dire go lekane go ka nonotsha kana go ka nna dingalo mo go reng fa motho a re o batla go tsholola kgetsi, fa gongwe e le mme a re o batla go e tsholola, rre a ne a mo remile ka selepe kana a ne a mo supile ka thipa, go nna motlhofo fela gore dikgang tse di ka tshololwa. So we need to tighten that Honourable Mmusi, e le some of the concerns fela from the Office of the Attorney General in general.*

*Similar issues arise kwa murder cases. In our country a murder case can take five to seven years, while the person is roaming the street a emetse go ka seka kana a emetse judgment segolo jang a emetse go ka seka, ka gore ba a bo ba santse ba kgobokanya bosupi. Every*



*time re ya court re ela to mention fela. Gongwe Tona, dikgang tse ba lephata la gago la kwa Attorney General ba e lebelele, gore ba ka thusa jang go fefosa le go thusa makgotlatshekelo gore dikgang tsa murder cases di dirwe mo nakong e khutshwane.*

Se sengwe *Mr Chairperson*, wena Motlotlegi Mmusi e bile ke dumela gore ke sengwe se o ka tswang o itse ka sone. *I am not even sure* gore a mme go boammaaruri, *but I am told that you have been trained as a lawyer.* Dikgang tse tsa gore fa motho a filwe *bail by the Magistrate* a ntse a itshwara sentle (*complying*) *throughout, I know this can come fela e le a Bill* kana e le go baakanya molao gore, fa o filwe *bail by the Magistrate in murder cases*, ga go nne sentle gore fa case e tsewa gotwe e isiwa kwa *High Court for trial*, go bo go simololwa gape gotwe *you should apply for bail*, golo ga teng *does not make sense.* Fa e le gore o ne o filwe *and you have been complying, what is the use of that person engaging an attorney* a bo a ya go kopa *bail* gape kwa *High Court.* Kwa mafatsheng a mangwe ga go direge jalo, *in our neighbouring South Africa* ga go dirwe ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Gongwe re ka e tlisa fela e le Molao-kakanyetso mo nakong e khutshwanyane, ka gore diagente ka bontsi le *society* ba tshwenyegile ka kgang ya gore *this person has been complying with the bail conditions, now when the matter is elevated to the High Court*, e tswa mo *Magistrate Court* gatwe go batliwa gore o dire *bail* gape. Gone moo o kare ga go nne sentle.

Se sengwe ke kgang ya gore, gantsi bana ba gago kwa Attorney General kana kwa DPP, ga ba tle *court* ka mabaka a gore fa gongwe go bo gotwe koloi e ne e sena *fuel* kana go ne go sena *transport at all, and the matter gets postponed all the time. You see this*, golo ga teng go nna boatla, ga go nne...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order! Order! Sorry Honourable Boko. I am trying to make you go away from being voracious on your time. Otherwise you will soon be paradoxical towards what you shall be expecting on your lunch time.

Honourable Members, we are going to suspend our business here for this afternoon, so that you can go for some refreshments. *Bon appétit* Honourable Members!

**PROCEEDINGS SUSPENDED AT 1:00 P.M. FOR APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR**

**PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AT 2:00 P.M.**

## “EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”

### LEADER OF THE HOUSE'S QUESTION TIME

#### THEME: TRANSFORMATION OF IPELEGENG INTO A LABOUR INTENSIVE WORK PROGRAMME

Asked the Honourable Leader of the House to state:

- (i) how far Government is with the transformation process of the Ipelegeng Programme; and
- (ii) when the transformation can be expected including the causes of the delay given the promises made in the 2019 State of the Nation Address by His Excellency the President and the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development during Committee of Supply Speech in which he promised that the programme will be transformed into a more valuable one that will create sustainable jobs and contribute to infrastructural development in the country.

**MR K. C. HIKUAMA (NGAMI):** Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker. Honourable Speaker*, e rile fa re tsena mo ipapatsong ya 2019, *parties* ka go farologana tsa baya Batswana pele maitlamo a bone. *Party* e ke neng ke e emetse ya UDC ya supa fa e na le kगतlhego ya go bona lenaneo la Ipelegeng le tlhabololwa ka tsela e e ka sologelang Batswana molemo. Fa re tsena mo Palamenteng ka 2019 ya ntlha, Tautona Dr Eric Keabetswe Mokgweetsi Masisi, mo puong ya gagwe a supa fa le bone ba setse ba dumalana le se re neng re se bua gore lenaneo le, le tshwanetse go tokafatswa gore le sologele Batswana molemo le go sireletsa itsholelo ya lefatshe la Botswana. Madi a a dirisiwang mo Ipelegeng fa o ka a lebelela, fa o ka tsaya *for example*; a a dirisitsweng a a nankotsweng fa, a P441, 825, 071 mo pegong ya motshwara madi, a mantsi. Re ka tshela madi a a kanakana fa itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona e dira sentle, re na le madi. Fa a sena motlhala o o ka o supang morago ga dingwaga tse 10, gore a re ne ra kgona go dira se re se bonang, e bile re ntshitse dialogane ke tse di a bonala, di *productive in our economy*, re tlaabo re sa itirela bomolemo. Se se siameng ke gore, fa re setse re na le madi a a kanakana re a dirisa, re supe gore re dirile eng ka one. Ke sone se re neng re bua gore *this Ipelegeng Programme should be transformed into a labour intensive public works programme.* Ke dumela gore le ba *party* e e busang ba setse ba dumalana le yone, e bile ba a e atla.



Potso ke gore, fa re sena go itlama mo go kanakana dingwaga di tsamaile di ka nna tharo re ntse re tsere Puso, e bile re dumetse gore ke mogopolo o o ka dirwang, se se padisang gore go simolodisiwe go dirwe re tle re akole dilo, ke eng? Ke yone potso e ke batlang gore Mothusa Tautona, ka ke ene mookamedi wa dithulaganyo tsotlhe tsa Puso le mananeo a Puso, a e arabe. A tle a tlhalosetse setšhaba gore bothata ke eng go sa dirwe mme ba setse ba atlile moonoo? Ke dumela gore kgang e, e ka re thusa thata ka gore go na le dikago tse di tlhokang go baakanngwa mo magaeng, *they are collapsing*. Go na le dilo tse di tlhokang go dirwa tse dintsi tse re nang le tshono ya madi a a kanakana a Ipelegeng. Fa e ka dirwa lenaneo le le botoka le le agang, le dira ditiro, re ka sireletsa itsholelo ya Botswana, e bile re ka e godisa. Ka bokhutshwane Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, a re tseye motlhala gore mathata ke eng? Se se paledisang ke eng? Batswana ba solofele gore go tlaa simolola go dirwa leng? *Stages* tsa gore go dirwa eng, re emetse tse, go paledisa se, ke eng? Ka mafoko a kalo, Mothusa Tautona a re tlhalosetse re le Mapalamente le setšhaba ka gore le sone se reeditse. Ke a leboga.

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):**

*Ke go leboge Mr Speaker. Ke go dumedise. Ke leboge Mopalamente go bo a tlele ka potso e e maleba e. Ke simolole fela ka paakanyo pele ga ke tsena mo go mo arabeng, a supa 2019. Ke re nnyaa, mafoko ao a ne a buiwa mo State of the Nation Address (SONA) ka 2020 ke Tautona Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Masisi. Gape ke bo ke lemoge gore motlotlegi jaanong kgatthanong le tse di neng di buega pele tsa gore Ipelegeng e emisitswe, o a dumela gore ga e ise e emisiwe, e teng e tswेतse, e bile le Tona wa pele Rre Molale o kile a araba. Fa o lebile ditso tsa Ipelegeng, o tlaa bona golo mo motlotlegi a go buang, e le dilo tse di kileng tsa direga pele mo nakong e madi a neng a santse a le teng. Ipelegeng e aga dikago, le mo dikgaolong tse dingwe re ka di supa tse di agilweng ke Ipelegeng tse di santseng di le teng. Go ne ga nna le komelelo le letlhoko la madi go fitlhelela re tla mo sebakeng sa gore ga e kgone go dira ditiro tseo tsa dikago. Mma ke tle mo go arabeng potso ka Sejatlhapi jaaka e boditswe, e tlaare kwa bofelong ke e soboke go se kae.*

Mr Speaker, the theme which is the ‘Transformation of Ipelegeng into a Labour Intensive Work Programme,’ a question asked by the Member of Parliament (MP), let me go straight to the answers. I wish to start by highlighting some important facts regarding the chronology of events surrounding the transformation

of Ipelegeng Programme in the build-up to the 2019 General Elections. Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) in its manifesto, made a promise that the labour intensive public works (Ipelegeng) will be improved to construct long term beneficial projects. Upon assuming the mandate to rule, the BDP Government through the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development started the process which involved among others, the consideration and review of previous documentation on the performance of the programmes and strategic recommendations that will facilitate and ease to transformation process. In October 2020, Government through Cabinet sanctioned the review of Ipelegeng Programme and directed that the programme be reengineered subsequently. His Excellency the President made a pronouncement in his statement of the Nation Address of November 2020, you will all recall that amid Government decision to reengineer the Ipelegeng Programme in 2020, this was the same year in which COVID-19 pandemic started and Government had to ensure amongst others, compliance with the health and safety protocols within the Ipelegeng Programme. This resulted in the temporary suspension of some aspects of the programme especially the labour based projects for at least five months.

I wish to remind this Honourable House Mr Speaker, that during the same time, some Members of this House, even reported that Government has cancelled the programme, an allegation that the then Minister of Local Government and Rural Development refuted through a statement in this same House in August 2020.

That notwithstanding Mr Speaker, during the 2021 financial year, the focus of the programme changed to include more maintenance and construction of projects. The advent of COVID-19 also brought new initiatives such as cleaning of toilets at schools and other public institutions to help in the fight against the spread of Coronavirus.

Mr Speaker, some of the key elements of the transformed Ipelegeng Programme as articulated by His Excellency the President during his SONA of 2021 are productivities and sustainability which we will achieve through focus on construction and maintenance of public facilities. We also aim to empower beneficiaries through capacity building, skills development that will help them to earn a living post Ipelegeng.

I must hasten Mr Speaker, to underscore that as Government, we are aware that the success of this transformation process depends on forging





complementarity between the Ipelegeng programme and other development programmes. This is achieved by leveraging on the already committed resources by ensuring that those linkages are fully exposed and utilised.

I wish to indicate, Mr Speaker, that this is a multi-stakeholder process and that various stakeholders are engaged in undertaking some of the activities that need to receive full implementation of the transformed programme. We have developed a concept that will assist us in forging complementarities between the programmes, facilitating capacity building, skill development and addressing productivity, work ethics and mind-set change issues. Remember the Reset Agenda Mr Speaker.

The piloting of the concept is in South East District, piloting, underline that. We have started. We are piloting the concept in South East District. That has been said even in the speech by the Minister as he presented his budget on Local Government not so long ago. Mr Speaker, we are committed to roll out this concept to other districts in the 2022-2023 financial year.

The provision of labour during construction of houses for extension workers will invariably pass the necessary skills to the participants formally or informally. The ongoing fencing of cluster ploughing fields is executed in such a way that there are skills transfer, those skilled passing practical skills to the learners.

As Honourable Members will be aware Mr Speaker, the proposed 2022-2023 budget for Ipelegeng is P528 million, reflecting a P100 million increment from the current financial year. This is to further support the re-engineered vocational approach that Ipelegeng will take, and I thank you Honourable Members for approving the proposed budget. In conclusion, Mr Speaker, I wish to emphasise that the envisaged transformation should not be imagined as a theoretical exercise but an opportunity whenever possible for skills transfer.

Mr Speaker, *ke ne ke leboga jalo ke supa gore re tswelotse ka leoto la go fetola Ipelegeng gore e sologele ba ba berekang mo go yone molemo. Re setse re supile gore re simolotse ka district e nngwe mme re tlaabo re tswelela re ya kwa districts tse dingwe.*

*Ke supe gore tiro e e ne ya diiwa ke lebaka la COVID-19 fa re ne re tshwanetse go e simolola ka 2020. Ke bo ke supe jalo bothokwa jwa gore go bo go ka nna le projects tseo tse ba ba nang le dikitso ba tlaabo ba di dira, ba*

*fetisetsa dikitso tseo mo bathong ba bangwe, babereki ba Ipelegeng gore e re mo nakong e e tlang le bone ba kgone go nna le dikitso gongwe tsa go aga, e tle e nne gore e nna bontlha bongwe jwa go godisa bodiredi mo Ipelegeng le mo go direng ditiro tse dingwe kwa ba ka di dirang tsa itshetso ka gore ba tlaabo ba setse jaanong ba neetswe dikitso tsa go nna jalo.*

*Ke supile jaana gore mo malobeng jalo bangwe ba ne ba ipelaetsa go na le dikgang pele ga ditlhopho tsa gore Ipelegeng e emisitswe, e se boammaaruri Mr Speaker. Ipelegeng e tswelotse, e tlaa nna e tlhabololwa ka fa e ntseng e tlhabololwa jaaka ke supa gore re setse re simolotse. Ke tsaya gore motlotlegi o tlaa e kgotsofalela karabo eo. Ke tsaya gore le bone ba Ipelegeng tota ba tlaa tlhologanya se re se buang se. Ke a leboga.*

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** Thank you Vice President (VP).

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke botse *His Honour* gore tota kang e ya Ipelegeng jaaka ba ne ba rile ba tlaa e tlhabolola, a ga e mo tshwenye gore tota fa babereki ba direlang teng ba a bo ba sena ntlwana ya boitiketso? Ga go na le fa e le ntlwana ya boitiketso le fa ba jelang teng. Ke gore a mme golo mo le ka fa re buang ka teng mo Vision 2036 gore re tshwanetse re bo re na le tikologo e e rileng, tota fela bone mme ba re batho ba Ipelegeng ba ye kae ka gore tlhologane yone fa e bitsa e a bitsa gongwe le gongwe fa o leng teng? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Kang e ya ga Rre Ramogapi e ka tswa e na le boammaaruri, mme o a tlhologanya le ene gore ga se gore batho ba Ipelegeng kana ba tlaabo ba berekela mo lefelong le le lengwefela. Gape fa e le gore go tlaabo go berekwa dilo tse di tshwanang le go šhafatsa matlo jalo, ba berekela mo magaeng, mo metseng le mo dikoleng mo e leng gore go kopa ntlwana ya boitiketso ga e ka ke ya nna kgwetlho. Jaanong kana fa e le gore go tlaa nna le fa e leng gore ba nna teng fela, ga ke itse gore ba tlaabo ba nna teng fela ba tlhola fela foo ba sa ye ditrong tse di farologaneng kwa mafelong a a farologaneng. A jaanong go tlaa nna le mantlwana a boitiketso gongwe le gongwe kwa ba tlaabong ba tsamaela teng, a agilwe ka tsela e e ntseng jang?

Ke tle ke mo leboge fela ke re ba ba berekelang mo mafelong ao ba tshwanetse gore go bo go ka nna le gone gore ba thusiwe jaaka mongwe fa a berekela golo a sa fudugela koo, fa tlhologane e bitsa o kopa thuso segautshwane. Re na le dikole, *clinics* le mafelo a a



farologaneng a Puso a ba ka kopang thuso fa tlholego e bitsa. Go tshwana fela le gore fa e ne e le gore ba ne ba diretswa mantlwana a boitiketso, fa e le gore ba na le diofisi kana ba tlaabo ba dule kwa diofising tseo ba ile kwa ba direlang teng. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR HIKUAMA:** Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker*. Ke leboge Mothusa Tautona mo karabong ya gagwe. Jaanong ke latedise dipotso tsa me ka go riana; ke utlwile a bua gore *they are piloting with another region or district*, potso ya me ke gore *to pilot* kana go tewa go lekeletsa. Re lekeletsa lenaneo ka kgaolo nngwe. Lenaneo la Ipelegeng ga le bolo go lekeletswa le dirisiwa mo methaleng e e sa tshwaneng, re setse re ithutile. *Purpose* e tona ya *to pilot* ke go ithuta, go lemoga se le ka se tokafatsang *before you roll out the full programme*. Jaanong kana lenaneo la Ipelegeng le le gologolo thata mo lefatsheng la Botswana, a mme le raya gore Puso le Batswana, re setse re ise re tlhaloganye gore se re se tlhokang ke eng, go tlhokega eng gore re tsewelele sentle? Ga ke dumele gore *there is a need for piloting because the way we have been rolling out this programme, it was enough to educate us on our needs and how we can improve it*. Ga ke itse gore jaanong ba santse ba ithuta eng ka gore *programme e has been running for many years? That is one*.

Ke utlwile gape a bua ka gore *they are embracing mind-set change*. Go na le *mind-set shift what-what* mo *Reset Agenda*. Kana *Reset Agenda* le *mind-set change*, ga go tewe e le *tag phrases*, go tewa e le selo se se diragalang mo bathong gore re batla go fetoga mme go supa gore *they are in the process of mind-set change. What are the tangible things that they are doing to change the way they have been doing things?* Se se ka supang gore re mo leotong la go fetola maikutlo le ka fa re dirang dilo ka teng, ke eng se se ka bonalang gore *we have started? That is why we are doing this; we have changed from this, now we are doing this. What is the practical evidence that you can show?* Ke a leboga.

**MR TSOGWANE:** *Honourable Members*, a re se botsane dipotso tsa bana ba bannye ba le kwa mmantlwaneng. *The word "pilot" does not necessarily mean that...*

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Procedure Mr Speaker*. Ke kopa Mothusa Tautona a simolole fela go tlotla se ke se botsang. Fa a simolola go nthaya bo 'dipotso tse dinnnyenyane tsa kwa mmantlwaneng,' re tloga re fetolana ka tsela e e sa siamang. Jaanong a a arabe fela ka fa ke boditseng dipotso ka teng e bile a supe tlotlo e

ke mo tlotlang ka yone gompieno.

**MR TSOGWANE:** *Thank you Mr Speaker*. O a botsa, e bile o a ikaraba, e bile *he is lecturing to me*. So ga ke itse gore jaanong fa motho a go botsa potso a bo a simolola a go tlotlela, a go bolelela tsotlhe le ka fa dilo di tshwanetseng gore di nne ka teng, di dirwe ka teng, a o a bo a le mo maikaelelong a go botsa potso? Selo sa ntlha *you pick* lefoko "*piloting*," lefoko *piloting does not necessarily mean* o a lekeletsa, *you start somewhere*. Fa o na le madi o simolola golo gongwe, go bona gore tiro eo e ka simololwa kae. Mme fa o e simolola jaana, o a bo o ntse o e lebeletse gore e tsamaya jang, o e ithuta mo go yone, ka gore *you are re-engineering*. So when *you re-engineer, you have to learn in the process* gore dilo tse dingwe di tsamaya jang. Ke ene a ntseng a re o batla gore Ipelegeng e tlhabololwe, jaanong o bua gore nnyaa, re itse Ipelegeng, re sale re tswa kgakala le yone. Go raya gore ga a bue tlhabololo ya Ipelegeng.

Ke sone se ke reng re se ka ra botsana dipotso tse di tlaa felelang di re timetsa. *Do not pick the English word piloting* o bo o ganelela fela mo go yone, o bo o re jaanong re a ithuta, re a reng. Rraetsho re a simolola *somewhere*, ga re ka ke ra dira dikgaolo tsotlhe, *money will not allow*. Re bua ka *projects*, re bua ka *construction, maintenance*, mme ga e ka ke ya simologa lefatshelotlhe. *When re-engineering Ipelegeng, we must start somewhere*, ke sone se o bonang re dirisitse lefoko le gore re ya go simolola *from that district*. *You can remove the word piloting, it would not change the taste of the salt*. *We will continue to rollout the programme* kwa re tlaabong re e simolotse teng. Jaanong mo gongwe mo a neng a go botsa mo, o ne a setse a re bolelela, *lecturing to us* ka fa a tlhaloganyang dilo ka teng, ke ka fa ene a di tlhaloganyang ka teng, a re tseye fela jalo.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Hikuama.

**MR HIKUAMA:** It is fine Mr Speaker, it is okay.

**MR TSHERE:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke batla go botsa, ke a utlwa gore Mothusa Tautona a re re dire Ipelegeng *into an intensive public programme*, e go rayang gore batho ba tlaabo ba bereka tiro e e bokete go na le e ba e ba e berekang gompieno. Jaanong ke batla go itse gore fa ba ntse ba e leka kwa dikgaolong tse dingwe, a ba lebeletse tlhvatlhwa, madi a a duelwang, gore a oketsege le one, a lepalepane le seemo sa tiro e e tlaabong e tla e e bokete, jaaka a bua, e le sa ntlha?

Sa bobedi, a le tsone dikgang tsa bo *compensation*, kana o ka golafala mo tirong jalojalo, se sengwe ke gore, kana re kile ra e leka kwa Mahalapye nako e re neng re





simolola, ka gore re ne re filwe madi a a kwa tlase go dira *bus rank*. Re ne ra e emisa mo tseleng ka gore go ne go le bonya, *it attracted* batho ba ba tona, ka jalo go ne go sena gore re ka ba kgarametsa jang ka bonako. Re ka bo re ise re fetse le go ntsha fela ditena tse di neng di le teng pele ga re tsenya tse di teng. Ke ipotsa gore fa ba e akanya, ba e akanya jang gone foo, gore e kgone *to attract credible people* ba ba nang le mashetla le maatla a go ka bereka tiro eo e e bokete jaaka a e bua? Ke a leboga.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Nnyaa, kana tseo ke dintlha tse di tlaabong di lebilwe ke Lephata la *Local Government* ka fa ba lebileng sepatšhe sa bone ka teng, le go bona gore ba ka tokafatsa jang dintlha tsotlhe, *either* ka lebaka la gore batho ba bereke lebaka le le kae kana ka dituelo. Go tlaabo go ntse go laola ka fa bone ba tlaabong ba sekaseka lenaneo le ka teng. Le go nna teng ga madi, gore go tlaabo go ntse jang. Kana jaaka re bua re re ee, gone e tlaabo e le go dira Ipelegeng mme e le go ithuta, *to acquire* dikitso, *some skills* tse motho a ka reng kamoso a bo a ya go itshetsa ka tsone. Bangwe gongwe e bile ba tlaabo ba feta ba ya kwa lephateng le lengwe le re nang le lone la *rated skills*, le gompiano re bonang go agiwa mo dikgaolong tse di farologanyeng ke batho ba rutwa. Re na le yone kwa motseng wa Moreomaoto ya *rated skills* e batho ba ithutang koo ka go nna le dikitso tse di rileng. Tota go tlaabo go rutwa bone, go solegela bone molemo la bofelo ka gore ba nne le dikitso tsa go aga le go penta, kana go dira *maintenance* fela jalo. Jaanong re ka se eteletse kgang ya madi gompiano, *because the benefit is not only in terms of monetary benefits*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR LUCAS:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke ne ke re Mothusa Tautona, kana Ipelegeng ka fa e berekwang ka teng gompiano, batho ba a tsena e bo e re mo kgwedding e latelang ba bo ba tswa go tsena ba bangwe. Fa re bua ka go fetsetsa dikitso kwa bathong, fa gongwe go tlaare gongwe e fetolwe ka tsela e e leng gore motho o ka e tsena go fitlhelela kitso e a tshwanetseng go e bapala a e bapala e felela. A mme le na le kakanyo ya gore gongwe ya Ipelegeng le e fetole gone foo, gore jaanong e se ka ya nna e batho ba tlaa nnang ba tsena kgwedi e, e bo e re e e latelang ba bo ba tswa, gore motho a tle a kgone go akola dikitso tseo a bo a kgotsofalele dikitso tseo?

Sa bobedi ke gore, a go na le kakanyo, le akantse jang mabapi le gore kana motho fa a bapetse dikitso, go a re dikitso tseo di kgone go mo solegela molemo gongwe fa a batla tiro kwa pele, a go na le thulaganyo ya gore batho bao ba neelwe sepe se se supang gore ba na le

dikitso? Gape batho bao, a mme go na le tsela epe e le akantseng ka yone gore le ba lomaganye le ba ba tshwanang le bo Madirelo Testing gore ba tle ba kgone ba nne le ditlankana tse di supang gore tota ba kile ba ithuta sengwe se se ka ba sologelang molemo, e bile ba ka se dirisa go batla ditiro?

E nngwe ke yone e ya *pilot* e e neng e buiwa ke Rraetsho Hikuama. *Pilot project* re tsaya gore e a bo e le tekeletso, mo e leng gore fa e ntse jalo e ka nna ya se ka ya tswelala pele fa go lebilwe gore gongwe ga go kgonagale gore e diragadiwe jalo. Jaanong ke utlwa o kare o mmetetswe ke pelo, e bile o bua gore, *pilot project* eo rona ga re reye jalo. A ko o e tlhalose sentle ka gore rona re itse gore *pilot project* go tewa tekeletso e e ka nnang ya re kwa morago ya go supetsa gore ga o tsamaye ka tsela e e leng yone.

Sa bofelo rra se le se khutshwanetse ke gore, go na le dithulaganyo tse re di buang tsa *decentralization*, tse di buiwang thata kwa *Ministry of Local Government*. A go na le tsela epe e e leng gore *they have been factored* mo tsamaisong ya Ipelegeng e ntsha, kgotsa Ipelegeng e ntsha re ikaelela gore re bo re e tsamaisa jang, re e amanya le *decentralisation process* e e buiwang mo lefatsheng la rona? Ke a leboga.

**MR TSOGWANE:** *I am sure* le wena *Mr Speaker* ga o a utlwa tse dintsi tse a neng a di botsa, tse dingwe o ne a kgaoga. Ke utlwile ka ya *decentralisation*, ya *pilot project* gore go raya gore gongwe go ka emisiwa le ya batho gore ba tsamaya ba fetolwa, gore a mme go tlaa nna le phetogo ya gore batho ba tseye lebaka, ba kgone *to acquire the skills*. Ke re kana moo ke ka fa e tlaabong e diragadiwa ka teng. Ke tsaya jaaka ke bua ke re, ba *Local Government* ba tlaa nna le *framework*, ba tlaa nna le tsela ya gore jaaka re ntse re bua ka gone go simolodisa tekeletso le go tswelala, tekeletso e ga se ya gore re a lekeletsa, re tlaabo re tlogela, *it is to learn on the way* fa le ntse le tswelalete gore *you can improve* jang. *So* ga re a tshwanela gore re e tseye fela gore *is a pilot project, it has failed, it will never, because that will not be the intention of re-engineering* Ipelegeng. *The catch word there is "re-engineering Ipelegeng"*. *So* gore go ya go simololwa leng, jang, go lebeletse gore dilo di tsamaya jang, *there should not be an issue, because the rollout* e tlaa teng. Jaanong e ya gore...

**MR LUCAS:** *Mr Speaker*, ke ne ke re gongwe ke tlhalose sengwe gongwe Mothusa Tautona ga a nkuhlwa. Ke gore fa e le gore o bua ka *pilot project*, go raya gore *pilot project* e e na le *detail* ya gore e tlile go tsamaisiwa





jang. Ke sone se ke se setseng morago gore, a mme e tlaabo e le yone e ya kgwedi le kgwedi o a tswa, kgwedi e nngwe go tsena ba bangwe, *because pilot project I want to believe it is defined?* Ga e ka ke ya nna fela gore *pilot project*, e bo e sena *definition*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ke sone se ke se go bolelelang ke re, *you are asking a new question* e e leng gore ba *Local Government they have information* mo go yone. So ba tlaa tlhalosa *the finer details* tsa gore ba tlaabo ba e tsamaisa ka tsela e ntseng jang, *which I do not have here*. Jaanong ke ne ke lebile fela jaaka motlotlegi a boditse dipotso tsa gagwe ka teng. Ke tsaya gore eo ba *Local Government are available* fa go na le potso e e lebagang, ba ka e bodiwa kana wa e tliša kwano go ya go e tlhotlhomisa kwa go bone.

*The other one* ke ya *decentralisation*. Ga ke batle go bua ka *decentralisation for now because it is a policy that will be brought to Parliament to be discussed here*. Jaanong gore e nyalana jang le Ipelegeng, e tlaa tla e buiwa ka nako e go tlaabong go buiwa ka *decentralisation*. *I thank you Mr Speaker*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Supplementary.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Balopi.

**MR BALOPI:** Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke ne ke re ke botse Mothusa Tautona gore mo tebong ya gagwe jaaka go na le dithulaganyo, ntswa a setse a umakile ntlha nngwe ya kgang ya teng ya *rapid skills development centres*, tse di rutuntshang batho go sa lebelelwa le dithutego tsa bone mo dilong di tshwana le bo *plastering, bricklaying, electrical, plumbing*, jalojalo, tse di setseng di rulagantswe go ka nna lesome le boraro lefatshe ka bophara. Tse tlhano kwa Tsau, Chadibe, Moremaoto, Thamaga le Kazungula di ntse di le teng. Ke buile Tsau ya kgaolo ya ga Rre Hikuama gore a tle a gakologelwe. Go na le tse di setseng di le mo bogareng gore di fetswe, di tshwana le bo Ncojane, Bokspits, Sojwe, Phitshane Molopo, jalo, le tse di simolotseng mo bogautshwaneng di tshwana le bo Shakawe, Khakhea le Old Naledi jaana. Ka bophara jwa tsone Mothusa Tautona fa o di lebile, ga o bone gore di aname go kgona go thusa go rutuntsha batho ka tsone tse ke neng ke di nankola? Le jaaka mongwe a ne a bua gore o ka ungelwa ke eng, a wena ga o bone e le gore *benefit* e ka nna gore *skills development centres* di setse di na le lenaneo la go neela batho ditlankana gore kwa bofelong, ba ye go kgona go itshupa gore ba itse go dira eng? E tlaa re fa ba sena go dira mo Ipelegeng,

go lebilwe nako e ba tlaabong ba dirile mo go yone, ba kgone gore jaanong ba tsamae ba ye go iphira, ba dira ditiro tse dingwe fa o lebile ka fa lenaneo le setseng le ntse ka teng? A ga o bone golo moo e ka nna thotloetso ya go godisa dikgwebo tse dipotlana go ya kwa go tse dikgolwane mme go ntse go tswेतse ka go thusa yone Ipelegeng? Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisano tsa Palamente.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ke a leboga *Minister* gore o bo o e adile e bile o supa gore bao ba ba sa tlhaloganyeng, ba tle ba tlhaloganye botoka. Ke yone kgang e ke neng ke e bua ka *rapid skills* gore le tsone e tlaa re wa Ipelegeng e bile a ya go simolola koo, a bo *at least* a na le lesedi, e se yo o tlaabong gotlhelele a sa itse le go baya setena. Jaanong jaaka o di adile jalo, o dirile sentle gore ba ye go di tlhalosetsa batho ba dikgaolo tsa bone. E se ka ya nna o kare batho bao *are not capacitated*, ga ba fiwe dikitso. Ke dumalana le wena thata Tona wa pele wa lephata lone leo, le le neng le lebagane le dikgang tsone tse.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mmusetse kwa lephateng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O tlhalosa botoka thata.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang.

...Silence...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang.

...Silence...

**MR SPEAKER:** Ga o utlwale.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Unmute yourself.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Gatwe* unmute yourself. Honourable Dr Gobotswang, unmute yourself.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Fetela kwa go Moswaane, o santse a lwa motho yole.

**MR SPEAKER:** There is a line of people who have raised their hands. Honourable Mmolotsi.

**MR MMOLOTSI:** *Thank you Mr Speaker*. Nna potso ya ka e ne e le gore kana e ne ya re fa re le kwa Palamenteng e e neng e tsenela kwa Boipuso Hall, morago ga Tshutiso e e neng ya nna teng ya gore Ipelegeng e simolole ka e ne e emisitswe, maDomkrag ba ne ba gana Tshutiso eo ba re kana go emetswe gore Ipelegeng e tle e simolole e le e ntšha, e e nang le maduo. Jaanong e ne e ya re



morago ba busetsa Ipelegeng fela jaaka e ne e ntse. Jaanong potso ya me mo go wena Mothusa Tautona ke gore ka gore Rre Molale o ne a re solofetsa mabaka a gore ba bo ba ne ba sa simolola Ipelegeng, e ne e le gone gore ba batla go e simolola e le *a new* Ipelegeng, go ka tswa go bo go padile eng ka nako ya teng? Jaanong o re tlhalosetse gore mo nakong ya gompiano e re ntswa le bua ka *pilot projects* tse e leng gore ga di ise di wele, ga le ise le dire *review*, re solofele leng gore jaanong e tlaa nna boammaaruri Ipelegeng e ntsha e e nang le maduo? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Nnyaa, re a farologana mo Ntlong e, le Batswana ba tshwanetse go itse. Go na le maikaelelo kana seemo sa bone ke mo gotweng e tlaa re re re ke dipitse, re bo re di bonye ka mmala. Go na le Setswana se se ntseng jalo. Ga go molato gore fa e le gore wena o wa tumelo ya gore e tlaa re re re ke dipitse, re bo re di bonye ka mmala, o bo o ka rialo. Jaanong ke batla go go bolelela gore rona fa re tlaa bua gore Ipelegeng ga e ise e emisiwe, re buile jalo le ka nako ele gore ga gona Ipelegeng e e emisitsweng fa batho ba ne ba bua jalo. *It was scaled down*, e ne e le nako ya COVID-19 mo ba se ka keng ba dira ditiro tse dingwe jaaka ke buile fa ka nako eo. Jaanong e ne e se fela gore gatwe go emetswe eng.

Rre Molale o ne a supa gore mme e bile re mo tswelong ka gore, gore e bo e santse e emisitswe ka mabaka a bo COVID-19, ga go reye gore go se ka ga tswelwa ya tlhabololwa. Dipaakanyo tseo ke tsone tse gompiano di re fitlhisitseng gore re bo re simolola ka *district* e nngwe. Jaanong a re tlogeleng fela gore re ne re reile batho ra re Ipelegeng e emisitswe mme e sa emisiwa, re bo re batla go iphitlha ka monwana. *I thank you Mr Speaker.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Mr Speaker*, ke boitse, ke kopile boroko.

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes Honourable Dr Gobotswang.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *Your Honour the Vice President (VP)*, kana o Modulasetilo wa Rural Development Council (RDC), *so* ke tsaya gore dikgang tse o tshwanetse go di bua re utlwisisa gore ke tse le di buisantseng gone koo. Jaanong potso ya me ya ntlha ke gore a mme gone go na le pampiri e le nang nayo o le VP, e e atolosang dikgang tse sentle ka botlalo gore maikaelelo ke eng? A pampiri e teng e e kwadilweng *Your Honour the VP*?

Potso ya bobedi ke gore kana Ipelegeng e ne e setse jaanong e na le bagolo fela ba bangwe ba le bo 75 or 80 years. Jaanong kana ka fa e tlang ka teng, ke tsaya gore e

tlaabo e le gore jaanong ba ntshiwa. Legale o ka tlhalosa gore a mme le a lemoga gore fa le ntse le tswelotse, gongwe bagolo ba tlaabo ba ntshitswe mo lenaneong le? Jaanong kana ba ne ba tsena mo lenaneong le ka gore *tandabala* wa bone o ne a le kwa tlase mo go gaggamatsang. A mme kgang e le e akantse? La reng ka *tandabala* ya bagodi fa e le gore ba tlaa felela ba ntshitswe kwa Ipelegeng, e ba neng ba leka go kopanya madi a? Le ya go dira eng ka seemo seo?

Potso e nngwe ke ya gore o ne o re *budget* ke P528 million. P528 million yo ke wa eng? A ke wa dituelo? Madi a *projects* le a *operational costs* a ya go tswa fa kae? A mme go tlaabo go na le *protective clothing*? A babereki ba, ba tlaabo ba fiwa diaparo tse ba itshireletsang ka tsone? P528 million yo fa o mo kgaoganyakgaoganya, wa re ke wa eng *Your Honour* sentlentle? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Banna bagarona ba a kgaltha wa itse. Tla ke simolole ka ya bofelo fela, e bile Kapinga o a tshega. Ke simolole ka ya bofelo e gotweng jaanong *when we re-engineer* Ipelegeng re e fetola, jaanong bagolo re ba baya fa kae? Gongwe *throwing back the question to the Member because* o e botsa jaana a lebile BDP kana Puso, gore ka maikaelelo a bone ka mmotsi wa potso o buile gore ba ne ba na le maikaelelo a go fetola ba e dira *labour intensive*, bone ba ne ba ya go dira jang ka bagodi? *Then the answer will be the same.* Fa e le gore ba ne ba ya go dira jang ka bagodi ka gore rotlhe fa re a dumalana gore diphathi tsotlhe di ne di ya *to transform* Ipelegeng ka fa ke utlwileng ka mmotsi wa potso sentle. *What Honourable Dr Gobotswang is saying, negates their position.* Jaanong *before* ba tswa mo *position* ya gore ga ba ye *to transform* Ipelegeng, *then the answer, your guess is as good as mine*, gore re ya go bereka jang. Kana go na le ditiro tse dingwe tse e leng gore di tlaabo di ka dirwa ke bagodi, ga se gore botlhe ba tlaabo ba rwala ditena ba dira nnetu fela, go na le tse dingwe tse bagodi ba ka kgonang gore ba di dire e le tsa Ipelegeng. Jaanong ke tsaya gore ke yone kwa go nang le karabo teng.

Gape matshelo a bagodi fa ba godile, ba na le lenaneo le le ba tlhokomelang, *these are social welfare programmes* tse di thusang bagodi. Re bua ka a *single register*, tsa bo gore e re mo nakong e e tlang, go se ka ga nna le motho yo o dirang *double dipping*. Ke gore o bereka Ipelegeng, o bo o tsena mo lenaneong le lengwe la *social programme*, o bo o tswa mo go lone o tsena mo gongwe gape o tsaya ka fa le ka fa, ke gone mo go ntseng go tlhaetsa madi. Jaanong mo go tlhabololeng mananeo



a, ba *Local Government* ba tla ka a *single register* e e tlaa supang gore ga go ye go nna le *double dipping*. So gongwe ke tsone tse di ka re thusang.

O ne a botsa gore a re na le dipampiri, ke tsaya gore dipampiri di teng Motlotlegi Dr Gobotswang, *Minister of Local Government will avail those papers* tse di supang gore tota mosepele wa bone o tsamaya jang. Le madi, kana ba *Local Government* ba setse ba rodile *budget* ya bone le madi a a mo teng. Jaanong *maybe we must go back to your budget and see*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ba rotse, ga ba a rodiwa VP. Ba rotse madi a bone.

**MR TSOGWANE:** *It is good to be taught* ke motho yo e leng gore o ne o sa gopole gore o ka go ruta Setswana. Ke a leboga rraetsho ka kgakololo eo. Ba rotse.

Ke one madi ao, *we will analyse budget* ya bone, re bone gore maloba fa ba rola *budget* ya bone, ba ne ba re madi a bone ba ya go a kgaoganya jang. Re setse re e buisantse *budget* eo, ga ke a akgela mo go yone, *probably I should have missed something there*. Re tlaa go thusa Motlotlegi Rre Gobotswang, *we will avail the budget speech* gore o tle o bone gore ba ne ba rulagantse jang madi a Ipelegeng. Ke a leboga.

**MR NKAWANA:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Le nna nte ke botse Mothusa Tautona morago ga pego e a e beileng fa pele morago ga gore a bodiwe potso ke mokaulengwe. Ke eletsa go itse gore ka gore *pilot project* e setse e simolotse mo *district* e re leng mo go yone, le ithutile eng *in terms of skills acquisition*, gore le *impart skills* tse di ntseng jang mo go bo mang? Le gore fa o lebile, *so far, what will be the required entry qualifications in terms of academic, age, sex and otherwise?*

Se sengwe e bo e nna gore, a gone lona *in your basket of skills*, a di teng tse o di tshotseng tse e leng gore e ka re motho a emelela a re ke ya kwa Ipelegeng, a bo a ikaelela gore *my intention is to acquire these and that skills* tse di leng teng, kgotsa e tlaabo e le fela gore fa o tlele fela *one-size-fits-all?* Fa e le gore wena o ne o eleditse go ithuta go penta, fa e le gore ke tiro ya diatla ya go penta, o bo o e tsaya fela ka gore ke yone e leng available. A le na le *catalogue of skills* tse e leng gore le ikaelela gore di tle di tsene mo bathong ba ba tlaabong ba *participate?*

Potso ya me ya bofelo, ke e ke tshwenngwang ke gore VP o supa gore batho ba ba tsenang mo Ipelegeng *now and then* ba ka tsamaya ba kopa mantlwana a boitiketso

gongwe le gongwe. Ke re nnyaa VP, a ga o na kitso ya gore go na le kwa go ka hirwang *mobile toilets* gore fa batho ba kgobokaneng teng, ba bo ba ka itiketsa teng ba sa ye go kopa, ka gore fa gongwe ga ba berekele mo dijarateng, ba bereka mo sekgweng, jaaka re ba bona ka *current arrangement* ya Ipelegeng. A ga o bone go le botoka mo sebakeng sa gompiano gore batho ba thusiwe jalo, ba tlogele go ya go kopa mo dijarateng tsa batho, kgotsa ba se ka ba tsena mo sekgweng? Ke a leboga.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Tlaa ke simolole ka ya bofelo. O bua boammaaruri Motlotlegi Nkawana, kana jaanong tseo ke *details*. Gompiano jaana batho ba Ipelegeng *depending* gore ba berekela kwa kae, gongwe ba ba ba eteletse pele ba ka lemoga gore go tlhokafala seemo se se ntseng jang. *So yole o ne a botsa fela ka toilets*, mme ke tsaya gore ka gore re tswa mo phathing e le nngwefela, *that same thinking* ke yone eo. Jaanong go tlaa tswa fela mo go bone jaaka o bua gore ba ka nna ba nna le tse di *mobile*, kana ba iphirisetsa tse di yang go tlhomiwa fale. Re a itse gore moo go a diragala kana, *depending* fela gore a ba na le madi a go hirisa dilo tsa go nna jaana. *So it is a given. I thought* fela o ne a bua ka tse di *stationary* tse di nngang fela foo, *but like you are saying*, moo go ka thusa le gone.

Ka *qualifications*, ke tsaya gore le Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Gaborone North o utlwile fa a tlhalosa fale a bua ka go thusa batho gore ba nne le dikitso gore mo *rapid skills development centres*, tota ga go lopiwe *qualification* gore o tle ka ya gore. Le nna mo *paragraph 10* jaaka ke ne ke bala, ke buile gone jalo gore *there will be skills transfer, those skilled, passing practical skills to the learners*. Kana gompiano jaana re a itse, le rona re tswa kwa metseng gore Ipelegeng e ntse e aga fa gongwe gotwe ba ye go aga ntlo ka Ipelegeng, mme go sa tewe gore ba ba tlaabong ba *provide labour* e le ba Ipelegeng, mme yo o hirilweng le ene, e le ene moagi yo o nang le dikitso tsa go aga, a eteletse tiro eo ya go aga a na le dikitso tse a ka bong a na le tsone. Jaanong gone moo ke gone *to transfer skills* tseo mo go ba bangwe. Jaanong ke tsaya gore ga go na *qualifications* tse di tlaabong di ka batliwa. Fa e le gore ba tlaabo ba sekaseka gore yo o ka kgonang gore fa re aga a tsholetse setena, ba tlaa mo tsenya. Fa e le gore ke mogodi ga a kgone mo seemong sa go palama a aga, ga ba ka ke ba mo tsenya foo. Jaaka ke bua, ditiro di tlaabo di farologane.

Se sengwe se ke se buileng, ke buile ka go dira diterata; *fencing is a skill*. Batho ba ba ntsi ba tlhoka batho ba ba ba direlang diterata tsa dijarata le tsa dipolase. Fa





e le gore mo *cluster fencing*, e le *project* e e tlaabong e le teng e dirwa ka Ipelegeng, batho ba ba tlaabong ba dira le batho bao, ba ya go tswa ba na le dikitso tsa gore jaanong ba ka aga terata. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse di lebeletsweng, tse di ntseng jalo.

*I am sure I have covered* tsa ga Motlotlegi Nkawana. Ke a leboga mogolo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Supplementary.

**MR SPEAKER:** We have run out of time for questions.

#### ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE

(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)

#### APPROPRIATION (2022/2023) BILL, 2022 (NO. 2 OF 2022)

#### ORGANISATION 1300 - ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS

(Resumed Debate)

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR SKELEMANI):** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the debate on the Bill is resuming. When the House adjourned earlier for lunch, Honourable Boko was on the floor debating. You are left with four minutes 41 seconds.

**MR BOKO (MAHALAPYE EAST):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson and good afternoon. Mr Chairperson, pelega re kgaogana re ya dijong tsa motshegare, ke ne ke santse ke le gone mo kgannyeng ya Attorney General. Ke lela jaanong ka kgang ya gore mo nakong ya gompiano Tona, o fitlhela e le gore kwa ofising ya DPP, ga gona diagente tse di lekaneng go ka thusa tiro e e leng gore e ntsi kwa ofising yone eo. Ba ba leng teng bontsi jwa bone ke ba e leng gore they are inexperienced. Bontsi jwa diagente ba dule ba ile kwa mafulong a matalana. Ke re gongwe o tlhodumele gone kwa ofising eo gore o ka bona gore o dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang go leka to retain diagente tse di gone koo, tsa Puso to deal le cases tse e leng gore di dintsi kwa ofising ya ga DPP Mr Chairperson.*

O tlaa gakologelwa gore mo nakong e e fetileng, re feletse re ya go tsaya diagente di tshwana le bo Gerrie Nel kwa mafatsheng go tla to deal le cases tsa DPP, mabaka e le one a gore go na le gongwe *inexperience* e ntsi kwa ofising ya DPP. *If you can give them incentives babereki ba teng, if you can do sengwe se se botoka to retain them in terms of kwa ba nnang teng, the working conditions and everything else, ke a go tshephisa gore go ka tswa maduo kwa ofising yone e.*

Se sengwe ke yone ofisi ya DPP, e e leng gore ka fa tlase ga molao wa lefatshe lone le, e ka fa tlase ga ofisi ya ga *the Attorney General. I think* nako e gorogile gore jaanong le yone e tswe ka fa tlase ga ofisi ya ga *the Attorney General. You will recall very well* gore fa gotwe *there are matters of public interest*, go tlhokafala gore DPP a ye to caucus pele le *the Attorney General. You will recall that Attorney General* kana ke *advisor* ya *the Executive*. Fa e le gore *the Executive* e ne e ntse fa fatshe e raya *Attorney General* e re nnyaa e *case* ka gore ke ya mogolo, ga e a tshwanela go ya go fitlhelela kwa makgotlatshekelong, *there is no how the DPP will not agree with the Attorney General* gore *case* ele e tshwanetse gore e se ka ya isiwa kwa makgotlatshekelong.

*So, I think* gape fa re tsena mo *review of the Constitution*, fa e le gore e tlaa tla, ka gore gatwe e tlaa dirwa, le fa re sa tshephe, gongwe re lebelele ntlha yone e Tona Mmusi gore re bone gore *we separate these two so that we give the DPP that autonomy, that self-rule*, re e ntshe (*separate*) *completely from the Office of the Attorney General*.

Sa bofelo *Mr Chairperson*, ke yone *the security of tenure* ya ga *the DPP. Currently it seems that it serves at the whims and caprices* tsa ga Tautona, *looking at the security of tenure. I think it is something that we need to carefully look at so that when he exercises his judgements and delivers in terms of his mandate*, o dira a sa gadima ka fa morago ga gagwe ka gore *currently* ka fa a berekang ka teng, o gadimile ka fa morago gore nako e nngwe le e nngwe fa e le gore ga a tsamaye ka fa Motlotlegi Tautona a batlang ka teng, o ka nna a mo ntsha mo maemong one ao. *So independence in all these institutions, is of great importance and ga ke dumele gore go na le mongwe yo o ka se kang a dumalana le nna mo dikgannyeng tsona tse.*

*Other than that I commend them* fela gore go na le *court* kwa Maun, batho ba Maun *need not travel far distance to motse wa Francistown, ba latela High Court* gone koo. *That is commendable. We hope* le tlaa oketsa *Judges, because currently there are only two Judges if I recall well. So le tlaa hira (recruit) Judges* tse dingwe gore di kgone go ya go thusa mo *cases* gone kwa Maun. *That is the only thing* se e leng gore ke ka le *commend* mo go sone.

*Other than that I hope the Minister* o ne a ntheditse fa ke ntsha matshwenyego one a, e bile o tlaa dira sengwe ka one. Go le gantsi re tlaabo re tla gone fa re bo re bua matshwenyego a *Office of the Attorney General, DPP,*



makalana a otlhe, mme ga gona sepe se se diragalang *in relation to our comments*, o kare jaanong re tletse gone fa go tla go opela fela *and nothing is acted upon on what we say. I hope this time around it would be a little bit different from you* Tona Mmusi. *Please prove me wrong in terms of what I said, but I have no doubt in my mind* gore *all these things* tse re di buang ga gona sepe se e leng gore o a se *note* gone *foo or you will act* mo go sone. *We are just making noise* ka fa o bonang ka teng. Ke lebogile thata *Mr Chairperson* ka nako e o neng o e mphile.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Boko. I was advised earlier that there is no list from Honourable Kablay and there was no intention of providing one either.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION (MS MAKWINJA):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke a leboga batlotlegi, *good afternoon. Mr Chairperson*, lephata le la AG Chambers ke lephata le le botlhokwa fela thata mo go tsamaiseng lefatshe. Ke le tshwantshanya le letshego *Mr Chairperson*, le le nang le pitsa e e kgabakgabang, e e se keng gotwe e budule, e a tsholwa, ka gore ke lephata le e leng gore ke lone jaaka re le fano jaana le re thusang *to draft* melao, ka go dira melao ya lefatshe le. Fa le dira melao ya lefatshe le, e bo e nonotsha yone puso ya batho ka batho.

Fa le ka bo le seyo *Mr Chairperson*, re ipotsa gore melao e e kanakana e e leng gore gompiono re e kgonne, mme bogolo jang re ba leboqe batho ba, ba ne ba bereka bosigo le motshegare, fa re tlhasetsweng teng *Mr Chairperson*. Ba sa robale, re kgona go dira melao teng mo Palamenteng e, e re le ise le phirime molao o o bo e bile o dule. Re le mo seemong se e leng gore ga ke bone gore batho ba Modimo ba ne ba kgona go robala. Re re tshwanetse gore re ba akgole, re ba phophothe lebogo, mme re ba phophotha lebogo jaana gape, re itse gore jaaka *Honourable* Boko a setse a buile, batho ba ba Modimo ga ba nne mo AG Chambers. *...(Inaudible)...* e kwa godimo ka gore o kare dikatso tsa bone fa o di tshwantshanya le dikatso tsa ba ba tshwanang le bone mo maphateng a sele, di kwa tlasenyana *Mr Chairperson*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Correction.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Gone golo mo go dira gore ba bo ba sa nne lebaka mo AG Chambers, mme kana AG Chambers ke one *machine* o o re ntshetsang digaka tsa babueledi, ba e leng gore fa ba ka bo ba santse ba le teng, gongwe mathata a a thataganeng a re nang le one a, a ka bo a se bokete jo a leng mo go jone.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Correction.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Ke yone e re sugelang babueledi, ke yone e dirang gore puso ya batho ka batho e nonofe. E na le lephata la DPP *Mr Chairperson*, le e leng gore le a sekisa, kana le dira gore ditsamaiso tsa ditshekiso di tsamaye ka thelelo, mme lephata leo gape fela le tshwana le la AG, tota le tlhalelwa ke bodiredi. Re kopa ka tsweetswee gore lephata le le botlhokwa fela thata, a le tlhokomelwe. Re se ka ra nna le babueledi ba tsena ba tswa, ba tsena ba tswa, kgantele jaanong le rona go ya *to the bench*, go bo go nna dingalo ka gore tota motho yo o yang *to the bench* nna ke dumela ke le nosi legale, gore tota a bo a sugilwe mo go lone lephata le. A itse sentle tsamaiso le motheo wa lefatshe le.

Fa ke re ke letshego mme le rwele pitsa e e kgabakgabang *Mr Chairperson*, ke raya jaana; jaaka o bona e le gore jaanong re ntse re lela ka gore re mo mathateng mo lefatsheng le, bogodu bo ile kwa godimo; a ke bogodu jwa dikgomo, jwa madi kana jwa eng fela, bo ile kwa godimo.

Mo pegong ya ga Tona *Mr Chairperson*, mo *Clause 9*, o bua ka mathata a a aparetseng lefatshe le. O ka bona gore ditagi foo di kwadilwe gabedi; re na le letshwenyego la ditagi, la bana mo dikoleng. Fa re ka ya go tsaya dipalo tse di kwa Lobatse tsa bana ba ditlhogo tsa bone ga di sa tlholeng di bereka, batsadi ba tshela ka dipelo tse di khibidu ka ditagi mo lefatsheng leno *Mr Chairperson*, re tlhoka mapodise. Magodu, ditagi, *terrorism, wildlife* gotlhe mo go batla mapodise. A Lephata la DPP *Mr Chairperson*, go tsere lebakanya, le role mapodise morwalo ka gore re a a tlhoka. Batho ba ba Modimo le bone ba tshwere bothata, ba a bereka. Fa ba santse ba le koo, ba ditagi ba kafa, fa ba re ba kwa ditaging, ba dikgomo ba kafa, re mo mathateng *Mr Chairperson*. Ke sone se ke lelelang lephata le ka pelo e khibidu ke re, a le thusiwe, le tle le nne le badiredi ba ba lekaneng. Re tle re kgone go tsaya ditiro tse dingwe tse di dirwang ke mapodise, di tsene mo teng, gore mapodise a tle a tswe, a re thuse mo go lekaneng ka gore gompiono batho ba Modimo ba a kgarakgatshega, ga ba kgone go sala dikgetsi morago, ka gore ba tshwara kwa le kwa.

Ke a bona gore le tsentse lentswenyana gore go tlaa nna le *5 per cent* e e tlaabong e ya *towards emoluments*. A go ka se ke go lekwe *to review* dikatsonyana tsa bone, gore ba lekalekanngwe e bile gongwe ba fete ka gore batho ba ba tshwere lefatshe *Mr Chairperson*, ba *Attorney General* le ba DPP. Ke bone ba re beileng mo go bone, ga ke itse gore a go na le yo o ka nkganetsang fa ke bua jalo.



Ke lebohe gore Tona o dirile maiteko *Mr Chairperson*, ka gore gompiano jaana *police stations* di le 34 di setse di rotswe mokgweleo o. Ke solofela gore le tse di setseng e tlaa re go ise go ye kgakala *Mr Chairperson*, e bo di rotswe mokgweleo gore mapodise ba tle ba kgone go dira tiro, le ba DPP ba nne le motlhala o o papametseng gore nnyaa, kana dikgetsi tse e le ruri di a sekisiwa, ka gore dikgetsi di a kgobelelana, go bo go raya gore go tsaya lebaka. Re a di itse tse di saleng di ntse di le teng, re sa itse gore mathata gore di fetswe ka potlako ke eng. Re a itse gore lephata le tota le tshwere bothata, ke lephata la botlhokwa thata *Mr Chairperson*.

*Mr Chairperson*, Tona o bua ka go tlhoka tsa boroko. Ke itumelele gore *projects* tse di dirwang, di na le matlo a babereki, ka gore go tswa bogologolong re ntse re dira dikago fela tsa go bereka, mme boroko fa gongwe bo salela kwa morago. Se se tlaa thusa fela thata, le rona re tle re bone gore go ya pele, tota fa re batla dikole le dipatela, di tswa le matlo a boroko. Ka gore Goramente o leka go ithola ditiro tsa go nna jaana, gongwe tsa boroko re ka rotloetsa batho ba ba nang le ditsha gore ba age matlo gore babereki ba ba hirise mo go bone, ba tle ba nne le letseno. Re nne le tsamaiso ya gore rraagwe semangmang a hirisetse Goramente, o ka dira jang, go batla ntlo e ntse jang jalojalo gore re fokotse mokgweleo mo ga Goramente, mme re tsenyetsa Motswana kwa gae letseno. Ke one monyetla wa Motswana kwa gae, barutabana le ba bongaka ga gona kwa ba nnang teng. Ke leboga Tona gore a bo a bonetse pele kgang e, gore e re fa *offices* tse di bulwa, le batho ba bo ba le teng, go sa twe nnyaa, boroko go rile go rile.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke ne ke sa batle go ya loolo, ke kgang e e tlhamaletseng fela. Dikgang di pedi, a dikatso tsa AGC le ba ba berekang mo lephateng le di sekasekwe, ba tle ba kgone go dira tiro ya bone ka bonatla, ba kgone go nna sebakanyana mo lephateng le gore ba nne le dikitso tseo jaaka re bona gore re tlaabo re na le...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable minister, your time is up.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Thank you Mr Chairperson.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU):** Thank you Mr Chairperson.

Ke ema fa go ema nokeng polelo e e tlang ka *Minister of Defence, Justice and Security* ya AG. Ke simolole ka go supe gore kana AG ke ene *Chief Legal Advisor*

wa Goramente wa lefatshe la Botswana. Jaaka e le *Chief Legal Advisor* jaana, o dira tiro tse di masisi, tse di botlhokwa go babalela lefatshe la Botswana le go gakolola Goramente wa Botswana mo ditshwetsong tse a bong a di tsaya. Le go gakolola Palamente ya rona le go re direla melao (*draft Bills*) tse di tlang fa pele ga Ntlo e, fa re dira melao.

Tiro e ba e tshwereng e ntsi e bile e tona thata, mo e leng gore dinako tse dingwe e nna o kare ga ba bereke, ga ba dire tiro sentle, kana ba bonya mo go direng tiro. Ba sa itire, ba imelwa ke tiro e e ba lebileng kwa AGCs le kwa DPP kwa ba sekisang teng.

Modulasetilo, fa o ka gakologelwa ngwaga wa 2020 fa COVID e simologa, AG o ne a tshwere namane e tona ya tiro ya go dira melao ya COVID, fa re ne re tlele fa pele ga Palamente ka kgang ya potlako. Ba ne ba re direla tiro e ntle fela thata, ba direla setšhaba sa Botswana melao e e tlileng e tla e ba dibela, gape e sa ba kgokgontshe mo go kalokalo ka ditshwanelo tsa bone. Re ba lebohe. Gape re ba lebohe gore ba bo ba dirile melao e re neng re e fetisa maloba fa ngwaga o simolola, fa Botswana a le *grey listed*. Ba e dira, e bo e tla fa pele ga Palamente ka potlako. Re ne ra bona fa molao wa ga Rre Mmusi wa Criminal Procedure and Evidence Act, le fa bangwe ba rona ba ne ba ipelaetsa ka yone, mme ka ponyo ya leitlho, badiri ba tla gape ka diphetogo tse re neng ra di amogela rotlhe mo Palamenteng gore di fete. Ke tiro e ntle, e ba AGs ba tshwanetseng gore ba e akgolelwe.

Gape re gakologelwe gore ke bone ba e reng fa Goramente a seka, ba emela Goramente kwa *court*. Re ne ra bona dingwaga tse pedi tse di fetileng, go tsogile modumo o montsi mo lefatsheng, o kare Goramente o a latlhegelwa kwa makgotlatshekelo fa *judgements* tsa High Court di tswa, e bile Goramente a kgalwa. Re lebohe AG ka gore o ne a ema sentle, a tshwara ka natla. A dumela mo ditshwetsong le dikgakololo tse di filweng Goramente wa Botswana gore tsela go ka tsewa e. Ba ya kwa *Court of Appeal*, jaanong re a bona ditsheko di ntse di a tlhamaletswa. Ditatlhegelo tse di neng di galalediwa ke bangwe ba rona fa, e bile ba tlhobosa Goramente, ba tlhobosa *Attorney General*, jaanong *judgements* tsa *appeals* tse di dirilweng fa di tswa, ba a didimala, ga go na ope yo o buang ka tsone. Go botlhokwa gore re bue ka tsone re di supe gore *judgements* ke tse di a tswa. E bile di supa fa kgakololo e ne e filwe Goramente wa Botswana e tswa kwa go *Attorney General*, e tlhamaletse, e bile e siame. E bile e direla Batswana





sentle ka gore ke eo *Court of Appeal* e supile. Batho ba ba neng ba batla go lwantsha Botswana le mafatshe a sele a tshwana le China, ba batla go etela batho *against the policy* ya Government of Botswana, go supile gore *national interests should come first* go na le *individual interests* fa re bua ka *international relations*. Ke sone se ke tshwanetseng ke se supe, e bile re akgole ba ba re thusitseng go dira tiro e e kanakana.

Ke bue gape le ka ba DPP gore tota ba dira tiro e ntle fela thata. Go tshwanetse go buiwe gangwe le gape gore Batswana ba itse gore DPP, mosekismogolo wa lefatshe, o tlhomilwe ke Ntlo e ya Palamente. E bile gape a tlhomilwe mo Molaomotheong wa lefatshe. Fa Ntlo e, e dira Molaomotho wa lefatshe, e dira ofisi ya ga DPP. Ga go na ope yo o ka tshwenyang DPP. O bereka a le *independent*, go kwadilwe mo Molaomotheong, go tlhamaletse. E bile gape ga se gore fa gotwe a *consult Attorney General*, go tewa gotwe *Attorney General* a mo tseele ditshwetso. *To consult* ke go rerisa fela, e se gore re dumalane, nnyaa, ke go bolelela motho gore ke batla go tswa jaana. A itse *before* a ya go tsaya ditshwetso. Fa a go kopa tlhaloso, o mo tlhalosetse mme e se gore o ka go emisa go tsaya ditshwetso tse o di tsayang. Diofisi tse pedi tse, di dira tiro e e manontlhotlho, e e siameng, e bile ba tshwanetse ba kgothadiwe go tswela ba dira botoka go feta jaaka ba dira.

**MR BOKO:** *Clarification. Honourable Minister, a mme o tlaa dumalana le nna gore nako e gorogile gore re sekaseke Molaomotho le ditsamaiso tsa rona gore diofisi tse pedi tse di ikemele ka nosi? Go se ka ga nna mo gotweng ke ya to consult kwa go yo mongwe. An office such as the DPP e tseye ditshwetso ka boyone koo, the Attorney General le yone e tseye ditshwetso koo. As a matter of fact, they deal with two different species of cases. Re tlaa dumalana gone foo gakere mme honourable?*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** Nnyaa, ga re ka ke ra dumalana, e bile ke go tlhalosetse gore ga gago *it is a narrow minded thinking*. Ka fa go ntseng ka teng, o tshwanetse go itse gore fa DPP a sekisa, o a bo a sekisa dikgang tse gotweng *they are of national importance*. Go na le dilo tse di ka tswang di ama thokgamo ya lefatshe. Fa gotwe a emisiwe *to consult*, o tshwanetse gore fa a ya go seka, *the Chief Legal Advisor in terms of Molaomotho wa Botswana*, a bo a itse gore dilo tse di kwa pele. A tle a gakolole Goromente wa lefatshe la Botswana gore go ya go na le *consequences* tse di ntseng jaana *in terms of security* ya lefatshe gore go ya go tsamaya go ntse jang

kwa pele. *Those are of national concern*. Ga go ka ke ga tsamaya fela go ntse jalo, o tshwanetse a rerise. Ga ke bone go na le mathata ka gore ga gotwe fa a rerisa o tlaa emisiwa kana tshwetso e ya go tsewa ke *Attorney General*. Nnyaa, e tsewa ke ene ka sebele gore a o a tswela kana ga a tswela mme o tlaa rerisa. E bile ga go ise gotwe o tlaa emisiwa.

Mma ke tswela morena wa me ke re, go na le *misconception* e e reng diagente tsa Puso di duelwa madi a mannyennyane. Nnyaa, di ka tswa di sa duelwe madi a a kalokalo mme *if you compare* le *other professions* tsa Puso, diagente tsa Puso *are being paid fairly well*. Ke kile ka bereka teng, e bile ke ka supa gape gore *progression* ya bone fa ba le kwa *Attorney General's Chamber* ga e tshwane. Fa o simolotse o tsena kwa *Attorney General's Chambers* ka C1, yo mongwe a simolola kwa a berekang teng ke go fa sekai; gongwe e le *economist*, ga ke itse gore a ba simolola ka C3 kana C2, o bo o lebelela dingwaga tsa bone go ya go goroga kwa go E gore *Attorney General* o ya go tsaya dingwaga tse six fela a bo a le kwa D1 *scale* kana E. O bo o lebelela *progression* ya bone gore *they progress* botoka. Ga ke ise ke re ba duelwa sentle, le nkutlwe sentle. Dilo tse jaaka dibui di ntse di bua, di tlhoka gore re ye go di lebelela *to retain the best of the best*. Ba tle ba tswe pelo go tla go bereka mo ga Goromente jaaka re bona a latlhegelwa thata ke madi mo dilong tsa *tenders*. Kamoso go bo go supiwa *Ministers* le Goromente ka monwana gotwe go a senngwa. Go senya ba sele ba ba tshwereng tsamaiso ya go baakanya *tenders* ba thusiwa ke dikonteraka tse di beilweng monwana tse di nang le diphatlha tse dintsi. Diphatlha tse di bo di dirisiwa ke ba bangwe ba dikonteraka ba ba itseng *to manipulate* go oketsa madi a *tender* kana a ba ka a tsayang mo Pusong. Ke gone fa tshenyo e e ntsi e tsenang teng. Dilo tse gongwe fa re ya kwa pele, go ka lebelelwa ba ba nang le botsipa jo bontsi jwa go dira dikonteraka gore ba ka ngokelwa mo go Goromente gore ba tle ba re thuse mathata a re lebaganyeng le one. Dikonteraka tse e leng gore *every time* fa go nna le *construction project*, madi a teng a oketsega fela *because of these little things* tse di mo konterakeng *and they are heavily skewed against Government*. *I thank you Mr Chairperson.*

**MR KAPINGA (OKAVANGO):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson*. Ke lebogela go bona sebaka sa go akgela mo *budget* e ya *Attorney General's Chambers*. Jaaka ba bangwe ba buile, *Attorney General's Chambers* ke mogakolodi yo motona wa ga Goromente mo dikannyeng tsa molao. Sa ntlha fela se ke batlang go se



supa ke gore, ke dumela go gorogile nako ya gore DPP, yo o okametseng ditsheko tsa borukutlhi, a ntshiwe ka fa tlase ga legwafa la ga *Attorney General*. Fa o ka lebelela mo *page 1* fa go supilweng teng maphata a a dirang *Attorney General's Chambers*, ke a matona, a mantsi. E bile fa o pega DPP fa godimo ga one, go nna bokete fela thata gore *Attorney General* a kgone go a okamela *effectively*. Ke batla go baya *submission* fa, *to challenge Minister* gore nako e gorogile ya gore molao o fetolwe, DPP e nne *a standalone department* e se ka fa tlase ga ga *Attorney General*. Ke dumela gore se se tlaa fokoletsa *Attorney General* morwalo, a bo a kgona go itebaganya le dikgang tse dingwe tse dintsi tse di mo salelang.

Kgang e tona ke gore Lephata la *Attorney General's Chambers* ga le gole, le ganelela fela mo ditoropong tse pedi e bong Gaborone le Francistown. *Courts* di a ikala ka lefatshe la Botswana, maphata a ga Goromente a a dirang le batho, a bo a nna le dikgang fa gare ga one le batho, a ikadile ka lefatshe la Botswana fa *Attorney General's Chambers* e ganelela mo Gaborone le Francistown. Ke gone fela ke neng ke utlwa malobanyana jaana gotwe ba butse ofisi kwa Maun. Maabane fa re buisana le ba lephata la teng kwa komiting ya rona ya tsa semolao, ba bolela fa e le gore go rometswe badiredi ba le bararo fela kwa Maun go ya go lebelela kgaolo ele yotlhe ya Maun. E bile le *level* ya batho ba ba rometsweng kwa, ga se e e nang le *that authority to decide the issues before them*. Go raya gore dinako tse dintsi ba isa kwa *headquarters* gore ba bolelelwe gore ba tseye tshwetso e e ntseng jang.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke batla go gatelela kang e nngwe gape. Go lebege e le gore *vote ya pro deo... Pro deo* kana ke *lawyers* tse Goromente a di batlang *from the private sector* gore ba emele baskisiwa ba ba lebagangweng ke katlholo ya lesa, ba ba emele mme ba duelelwa ke Goromente. Go lebege e le gore ga go tsenngwe madi a a lekaneng mo *vote* e. Ga ke itse gore a go tsewa gore *it is just a coincidental expenditure* kana jang? Kana mo lefatsheng le e leng gore *we assure* motho *legal representation* e e leng tshwanelo ya gagwe *under the Constitution, especially* fa a lebagangwe ke katlholelo lesa, ke dumela gore *Attorney General's Chambers* e tshwanetse gore e tsholetse *budget* e gore ba kgone go duela *lawyers* tse di emelang batho. *Otherwise*, fa e le gore go a sokolwa gore *lawyers* tse di duelwe, ba ya go felela ba fitlhela e le gore jaanong *the only lawyers available to them* ke ba e leng gore *they cannot be able to get clients elsewhere*, ba lebile fela go bona gone mo go Goromente, golo moo ga go a siama.

Se sengwe *Mr Chairperson* se ke batlang go se bua ke gore *it is unavoidable* gore *from time to time* *Attorney General's Chambers* e tlaa batla thuso mo *lawyers* tse di ikemetseng mo dikgannyeng tse e leng gore gongwe *skill* seo kgotsa kitso eo ga e yo *within the Chambers*. Fa go ntse jalo, go tshwanetse gore go bo go na le madi a a beetsweng fa thoko a a lekaneng a go itse gore fa re ya go tsaya *lawyer* kwa bonnanne re batla gore e tle go re thusa, gongwe a *specialise* mo *confiscation*, e bo e le gore madi a teng go duela *lawyer* eo. E seng gore e re a sena go dira tiro kana pele ga a dira tiro, e bo e le gore *other votes are raided*, gotwe “re neeleng foo re pataganye re tle re duele semangmang.” *Mr Chairperson*, ke dumela gore mo nakong e re leng mo go yone, *vote* e e tshwanetse gore e tsenyediwe madi a a lekaneng.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se gatelela ke gore mo nakong ya gompiano *Mr Chairperson, especially for* maphata a matona jaaka *Attorney General's Chambers*, selo se se botlhokwa ke *devolution* gore ditirelo di gasame le lefatshe e bile batho ba neelwe *authority* ya go tsaya ditshwetso kwa ba leng teng. E bo e le gore *headquarters* ya teng yone ke *to quality assure* gore a mme ditshwetso tse di tserweng e ne e le tsone ka fa molaong go nale gore a bo ditshwetso di santse di tsewa ka bontsi mo *headquarters* kwa Gaborone kana Francistown.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go feta ka sone *Mr Chairperson*, ke botlhokwa jwa go anamisa *lawyers* mo maphateng le maphata a a ikemetseng ka gore selo se se imolola *Attorney General's Chambers* bokete jwa gore sengwe le sengwe se bo se tsiwiwa kwa go bone.

Fa ke le kwa *embassy* kwa Pretoria *Mr Chairperson* re ne re tewa gotwe fa re batla go saena *lease* le *landlord* kwa South Africa, re tshwanetse gore re romele *that draft lease* kwa *Attorney General's Chambers*. Ke ne ka bona selo seo e le go senya nako *Mr Chairperson*. Ke ne ka tsaya tshwetso ka bonna gore fa e le gore ke a seka ke tlaa seka, re tlaa ipatlela *advice* mo Pretoria *from a local lawyer* gore a bone gore a mme *lease* eo e ka fa mokgweng go na le gore e ye kwa *Attorney General's Chambers* e ye go tsaya dikgwedi tse tharo re bo re latlhegelwa ke *property* e re neng re tshwanetse gore re e bone.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION (MS MAKWINJA):** *Clarification Mr Chairperson.* Tanki motlotlegi. Ke re re na le babueledi mo *ministries* nntate ba ba re thusang. *Thank you.*





**MR KAPINGA:** Jaanong ga ke itse gore o tlatsa fa kae Mma Makwinja ka gore ke ne ke bua gore selo seo se bothokwa thata gore *lawyers* di isiwe kwa *ministries* le maphata a a ikemetseng gore *the provision of legal advice* e nne *much faster than it has been in the past*. Ga ke itse gore o tlatsa fa kae ka gore *I am emphasising* bothokwa jwa selo seo?

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se gatelela *Mr Chairperson*, se se bothokwa thata ke tiego e e builweng ke *Honourable* Boko mabapi le dikgang tsa *murder*. Go a nkgakgamatsa gore go bo go tsaya dingwaga tse tharo, *four or five* motho a emetse go sekisediwa go bolaya motho yo mongwe, mme e se polao epe e e *complicated* fela, gore go ne go omanwa kwa *club* kana kwa sepotong motho a bo a ntsha thipa a tlhaba yo mongwe a bo a swa. *Mr Chairperson*, ke sekisitse, *cases* tse di ntseng jalo ga se tse di *complicated*. Go na le *cases* tse di *complicated* tsa *fraud* tse e leng gore gongwe ke tsona tse di ka diegang go santse go ipaakannwa go iwa kwa *court*. Fela gore motho o omane le yo mongwe a bo a tsaya thipa a mo tlhaba a bo a mmolaya kwa sepotong, ga go a tshwanela gore go tseye dingwaga di *four, five* a emetse tshoko, dinako tse dingwe a le mo toronkong. Batsadi ba moswi ba fela pelo gore tota motho yo o re bolaetseng ngwana o tlaa seka leng?

*Mr Chairperson*, ke dumela gore boeteledipele jwa *Attorney General's Chambers* le jwa *ministry* go a tlhokafala gore ba tsholetse maoto *in terms of transforming this department and breaking it down so that e nna more manageable than it is*.

Ke ipotsa gore *Attorney General* wa rona wa ntlha fa a ka tsoga mo lesong a tla go lebelela seemo se *Attorney General's Chambers* e ntseng mo go sone, a o ka kgatlhega gore tota ba ba ileng ba mo tlhatlhama a ba tsere *Chambers* ba e tsholetsa, ba e tlhabolola go feta fa a tlogetseng teng? Ga ke go balele mo teng *Mr Chairperson* ka gore ke a itse gore le wena o ne wa dira fa o dirileng teng. Ke raya ba ba tlang kwa morago ga gago.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A o nyatsa badirelapuso?

**MR KAPINGA:** *Will the predecessors be impressed* gore nnyaa mme go tlhabolotswe ka seemo se se kwa godimo, ka bofelo jo bo tlhokafalang?

Fa ke digela *Mr Chairperson* ka re *Attorney General's Chambers is a very critical department* mo go Goramente. Ke lengwe la maphata a a ka thusang gore go tlhomamisiwe gore dilo di diriwa ka fa molaong ka

go fa bogakolodi jwa semolao ka nako e bile e le jwa boammaaruri le maemo a a kwa godimo go na le gore ba bo ba a fa bogakolodi jo e leng gore dinako tse dingwe o ya go fitlhela bo belaetsa gore a mme ke jone jwa molao tota. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O tswa kgakala ka boganana Kenny, gakere?

**MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo. Modulasetilo, ke dumalana le *Honourable* Boko le *Honourable* Kapinga gore maphata a a *Attorney General's Chambers* le DPP a tswe ka fa tlase ga lefuka la one a nne *independent*. Mo godimo ga moo, se setonatonna ke ya *security of tenure* ya DPP ka gore ga re batle gore DPP a tseye ditshwetso a lebile dikgatlhego tsa *the Appointing Authority* gore o ka itumela fa kae, o ka seke a itumele fa kae. Ke buisiwa se ke gore fa DPP a ka se ke a nne le *security of tenure* jaaka *Constitution* e *provide* gore o tlaa fiwa *contract* ya *five years* e e ka nnang *renewable* kana o ka *serve until* a nna *60 years*, gone mo go mo dira gore jaanong a nne o kare ke setshwara sa *Executive*. Go mosola gore re mo dire *independent* gongwe fela jaaka fa *Attorney General* a hirwa.

Kgang e ya gore *Attorney General* ke *administrative boss* ya ga DPP e tshwanetse gore le yone e sekasekwe, bogolo jang yone kangang ya gore DPP o tlaa *consult* *Attorney General* mo dikgannyeng tse e leng gore *they are of public interest* ka gore ga e tlhalosege sentle gore *cases* tse e leng gore *they are of public interest* ke tse di ntseng jang.

Re a tshwenyega *Chairperson* ka kangang ya gore go na le *cases* di le dintsinzana tse di kwa DPP, di pala go goroga kwa makgotleng a ditsheko. *Cases* tse di akaretsa tsa *corruption* tse di neng di le kwa bo Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) tsa bogologolo, tsa Botswana Development Corporation (BDC), Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) le tse dingwe fela jalo. Go a tshwenya ka gore dikgetsi tse dingwe tse di feta dingwaga di ka nna 10 di ntse di le kwa tafoleng ya DPP. E kile ya re fa re botsa ka dikgang tse ra tewa gotwe nnyaa ba ne ba di busetsa kwa go Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) gore e ye go tlhotlhomisa gape. Fa o re o botsa DCEC, le yone e tlhapa diatla gore, “nnyaa mme ke tlhotlhomisitse, ke *convinced* gore *corruption has been committed* mme ke isitse dikgang kwa DPP.” Jaanong dikgang tse Modulasetilo, motho o felela a ipotsa dipotso tsa gore a ke kangang ya gore *these are issues of national interest which were discussed* le





*Attorney General* kana *cases* di pala gore di sekwe ka mabaka a a rileng, *cases* tse di santseng di le teng kwa makgotlatshekelong.

Se sengwe ke kgang ya gore, *in high profile corruption cases*, re santse re na le mathata a *low conviction rate*. Dikgetsi tse dintsi tsa tshenyetso-setšhaba le go gopela itsholelo di latlhegela Goromente kwa DPP. Ke gore fa o tsaya *corruption and economic crime*, dikgang *that involve* kana di akaretsa batho ba maemo a a kwa godimo, madi a a kwa godimo, bo rakgwebo le bo mmakgwebo ba maemo a a kwa godimo le *corporate executives*, bontsi jwa dikgang tse di latlhegela DPP kwa makgotleng a ditsheko. Re a itse gore *white collar crime is very complex*, mme e bile re a itse gore *the standard of proving in any criminal case is also high, in that you have to prove, not only prove, but prove beyond reasonable doubt*. Fela go a tshwenya gore *in high profile corruption cases* e bo e le gore *there is so much low conviction rate to the point* e e leng gore jaanong *the public confidence* mo DPP kana DCEC e felela e ya kwa tlase. E nna o kare tota fela fa gotwe *corruption* go tewa *petty bureaucratic corruption*. *Petty bureaucratic corruption Mr Chairperson*, kana re bua ka mo e leng gore gongwe lepodise le a seka gatwe *he or she was bribed* kana mongwe o file motho yo o dirang *passports* pipa molomo gore ya gagwe e dirwe ka bonako. Ke gore *those are petty bureaucratic corruption* tse e leng gore ke tsone tse re di bonang kwa makgotlatshekelong, e le gore *they result in successful prosecution*. Tse e leng gore *they are high profile, they involve big companies, involve millions*, nnyaa dikgang tse di latlhegela DPP. Mme re re dikgang tse di a tshwenya. *Let DPP be capacitated*, diagente di dintsi, di teng mo seterateng, e bile tota ga go sa tlhole go ka twe *law is a scarce skill, it is no longer a scarce skill. Lawyers are everywhere unemployed*, le kwa Phikwe kwa go na le bana ba ba neng ba dira molao ba e leng gore *they are unemployed*. Bana ba, re ne re re a kgang e gotweng Directorate of Public Service Management (DPSM) e gana ka *posts* tsa gore go hirwe kwa DPP, Goromente a dire mo go bonalang, Tona a dire mo go bonalang gore bana ba hirwe, ba ye *to prosecute these cases*. Ba role mapodise mokgweleo, ka gore mapodise tota *their primary function is to investigate and prevent crime*. Jaanong a ba itebaganye le gone foo, ba tswe mo kgannyeng ya *to prosecute* ka fa go ntseng ka teng.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke tswa kgakala ke kgala tsamaiso e ya gore...le wena o a itse gore *Mr Chairperson* fa o santse o le *Attorney General* you were sitting mo Palamenteng,

kwa Judicial Service Commission, mme e bile *you were sitting in Cabinet*. *Arrangement* yone e e e neng e le teng fa re tsaya boipuso, e ntse e teng le letsatsi leno. Motho yo o bidiwang gotwe ke *Parliamentary Counsel* yo o mo Palamenteng, o fa a emetse *Attorney General, Attorney General can transfer them the following day* a mo isa kwa lephateng le lengwe. Jaanong gone mo ke mathata, gore fa re ya kwa Judicial Services Commission, *Attorney General* o koo, fa re ya kwa *Cabinet Attorney General* o koo *advising the Cabinet*. *We cannot have this arrangement definitely*. Fa go tla mo kgannyeng ya gore go baakanngwe Molaomotho, kgang e e tshwanetseng gore e lebelelwe thata, gore *Attorney General* a lebagane fela le gore ke *principal legal advisor* ya ga Goromente, go tewa *Executive*, a bo a felela koo. Mo Palamenteng go bo go nna le agente yo o hirilweng ka tsamaiso ya gore *Speaker* sa Palamente a bo a le *involved*. Komiti e e lepanyeng e bo e le *involved*, Clerk of the National Assembly le ene a bo a le *involved*. Go bo go ka hirwa motho yoo go itsewe gore e ya go nna mogakolodi yo o sa lebung kwa morago, yo o sa yeng go sokela dirope kwa *Executive* e le mogakolodi wa Palamente, a lebeletse Palamente fela. E bile e le gore jaanong go tlaabo go na le *a fully-fledged Parliamentary Counsel office* e na le *staff* se se lekaneng le badiredi ba ba lekaneng. E kgone gore e gakolole Palamente mo go tsa molao.

Mo kgannyeng e ya JSC, le yone ga re akanye gore *Attorney General* o tshwanetse gore e bo e le *member of the* Judicial Service Commission, a le koo a na le *Permanent Secretary to the President, Judge President, Chairman* wa Public Service Commission, *Chief Justice* kana *any person* yo Tautona a dumelang gore o ka bo a le koo. Batho ba botlhe e le gore *they are appointed by President*. Re dumela gore gone mo go ka tlhabololwa, ga dira gore tota *Attorney General should focus* mo go se se tshwanetseng se e leng go gakolola *the Executive*. Kwa *Judiciary* go nne le *representation* e e botoka, go ka bonwa gore go dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

*Mr Chairperson*, fa o bona re batla *independence* ya Mogakolodi wa Palamente wa semolao, ke gore re a gakologelwa gore *when we were still dealing with* kgang ya National Petroleum Fund (NPF), *Attorney General* o ne a gakolola Palamente gore *investigation* ya Palamente mo kgannyeng ya National Petroleum Fund e eme. Re ne re dumela re le Palamente kana re le bangwe ba Mapalamente gore, nnyaa ga go a tshwanela gore go ka bo go ntse ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. *So Mr Chairperson*, re dumela gore Lephata lele la *Attorney*



*General's Chambers, le lone can be capacitated.* Ke gore fa o re o tsaya Mapalamente ba ba nang le tšhesego ya go tlisa *Bills*, go na le *delay* fela e e leng gore ga e kana ka sepe kwa *Attorney Generals* kwa Drafting Division. Go a supa gore go raya gore *there are no enough Drafters*, fa e le gore ga gona *enough Drafters*, go a tlhokafala gore go ye *to train Drafters* ba e leng gore *they can draft* melao. Bangwe ba bone ba ka tla mo Palamenteng ba gakolola Palamente ka kgang ya go dira molao.

Mafoko a a neng a buiwa *Mr Chairperson* a gore Lephata le la *Attorney General*, o kare jaanong mo kgakololong ya lone dikgang tsothle di tlaa isiwa kwa *Attorney General's Chambers* le fa ntswa mo maphateng ka bontsi go na le *in-house lawyers*. *Those in-house lawyers must be adequately empowered to take decisions* tse e leng gore ke dikgakololo tsa semolao. Go na le gore e bo dilo di ya lololo di ya kwa go *Attorney General*, gotwe a ye go di lebelela. Ene e le gore tota tiro ya gagwe e ntsi ke go gakolola *Cabinet*.

Jaanong *Mr Chairperson*, ke ne ke re a re lebelele dintlha tse tsa gore DPP *must be independent of the Attorney General*. A nne *fully independent*, a se ka a nna *even administratively under Attorney General*. A lephata le le nne *capacitated, a security of tenure* ya DPP e lebelelwe. A kgang e ya *low conviction rates in high profile cases* re e lebelele re bone gore e ka tweng. A mapodise ba ntshiwe mo *prosecution*, DPP e nne yone *that prosecute*. *Attorney General* a tswa mo goreng jaanong e bo e le gore o ikadile, o mo maphateng otlhe ka goregolo mo *it detracts from the independence* ya maphata ao, *Judiciary and Parliament in particular*. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR RAMOGAPI (PALAPYE):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. *Mr Chairperson*, mma ke tsene fela mo dintlheng ka bofefe ke re, tota matshwenyego a a leng teng a a tshwenyang bo agente ba rona ke gore melao ya rona e e bidiwang gotweng *electronic laws*, go lebaka e sa tswa. Fa e sale ngwaga wa 2020 kana 2019 gone foo, ga gona le fa e le *electronic* e e neng e ntse e tswa kgapetsakgapetsa. Ke mo ke tsayang gore gare ba ikiteye ka thupa Tona, ba bone gore mme melao e ka gore e thusa fela thata e kgone gore e nne e le teng. Fa e sale go le lebaka fela *e-laws* e sa tlhole e le teng.

Ntlha ya bobedi *Mr Chairperson* e e tshwenyang ke gore, kana gore bo agente ba fenye dikgetsi, go na le *law reports* tse di tswang, *cases* tse *Court of Appeal* *that has set precedent* mo go tsone. Fela jalo le yone

eo go lebaka go sa tlhole go na le melao ya sebopego seo e e kwadilweng mo dibukaneng, go kgona go thusa Batswana botlhe ka kakaretso le bo agente gore, fa ba batla go bona gore *the decided case* ya *Court of Appeal* e e *current* e ne e reng, ba bo ba kgona go bona kgang ya sebopego seo. E bile kana le yone e e ka tokafadiwa fela gore gongwe *when they are still printing* bogolo e bo e le gore fela *in their website* di kgona gore di bo di tswa go le bofefe. Jaanong selo se se turela bo agente le Batswana gore ba dire *researches*, ba simolole ba tsamaye ba ya kwa bo *Court of Appeal* ba tlhole gore kante *how was this case decided, e how was it decided*, jalojalo. Ke re *Attorney General* ba iteke thata mo kgannyeng eo.

Kgang ya *backlong cases* *Mr Chairperson*, ga ke ka ke ka tsaya lebaka mo go yone, fa e se fela gore re re, e-e tota dikgang tse di tsayang lebaka, tse Batswana ba setseng ba lemogile, ke tse bontlha bongwe jwa tsone o kareng di ama babusi kana bagolo. Re re e-e, a tota *independence* e ya AG le DPP, go supafale gore e nosi. Kana AG *is the only principal legal advisor*, ga gona yo mongwe gape. Jaanong fa a re kgang ke e, a e diragadiwe fa e le gore go na le kgang mo go yone.

Ntlha e nngwe e e tshwenyang *Mr Chairperson*, ke kgang ya *transparent progression* ya diagente kana *staff*. Bontsi jwa *attorneys* ba ba berekang kwa AG, ba ipotsa gore gatwe tota fa gongwe batho ba tlhatlosiwa maemo jang. Fa ba ntse ba re ba na le motho, ba utlwa fela go setse gotwe yo mongwe kana *has been promoted* e bile ke *Judge*, ba sa gane gore gongwe motho *is qualified* kana a na le tse di tshwanetseng. Ba re a go nne *transparent*, go bo go bitswe *interviews* gotwe bagaetsho itekeng lesego, phatlha ke e ya bo *Judge* kana ya maemo a a kwa godimo e dule. Selo se se tshwenya bodiredi e bile se ka tloga sa ba kgoba marapo *Mr Chairperson*.

Kgang e nngwe e ke batlang go tsena mo go yone ke ya...

**MR REATILE:** *Clarification. Thank you Honourable Chairperson.* Ramogapi, fa o bua ka gore diagente kwa AG ba ne ba bona fela mongwe e le *Judge*, gakere *Judges* golo fa di feta ka Judicial Service Commission (JSC). Ke yone e e dupang gore ke ofe yo o ka nngang *Judge* gore *President* a tlhophe. E le gore kwa AG go hirwa jang gore motho e nne *Judge foreman*? A ko o leke go mphatlholola gone foo?

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Ke a leboga rra. O tlaa fitlhela e le gore se se diragalang, leina le ile fela kwa JSC mme se Batswana ba lelang ka sone le bone ba ba *private* ke





gore a selo santlha go nne le *advert* e e supang gore re batla bo *Judge*, a le ka tswa le le mo *private sector* kana mo AG, *apply* le iteke *and be interviewed. After being interviewed*, ke gone go bo gotwe mme jaanong rona re bona gore mo lephateng la rona ba bone, ba pasitse *interview* mo lephateng mme ba ka tsamaya. Kana ba tswa ka fa *Law Society* gotwe mme mo *private sector* re dirile *interviews, we recommend* ba gore ba ye go nna *Judges*, go na le gore kgang e e bo e tla e tsena fela kwa JSC go sena *transparency from the bottom or the public*, go sena mo go kileng ga bitswa *advert* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Kgang e nngwe e e tshwenyang *Mr Chairperson*, ke ya *outsourcing of private lawyers*; go hira diagente ba ba ikemetseng. Golo fa jaanong o tlaa fitlhela e le gore fela fa motho a a ja le Puso ya ga Domkrag, o fiwa *cases* ke AG kgapetsakgapetsa. Mo go raya gore ba bangwe e bile ba ba ka tswang ba le mo diphathing tse dingwe tsa bo UDC jalojalo, ba ka nna ba felela ba re golo fa gore ke je jaanong, ke gore ke ithatise babusi, ke tle ke kgone gore ke nne ke fiwa *cases* le nna ke AG. Golo mo *Mr Chairperson*, ga re bone go siametse lefatshe.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** E tseye ka bofefo morwaarre, ke beye dintlha tsa me.

**MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION (DR KWAPÉ):** Clarification. Motlotlegi, ke ne ke re mo kgannyeng e o buang ka yone, a o bua o na le bosupi kana o bua fela gore o kgatlhe ba ba reeditseng? Fa o na le bosupi, a o ka se ke o bo ntshe, ra tla ra bo utlwa gore wa re *Judges* ba lebelela ntlha e le nngwefela jang, kae?

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Motho yo o robetse, ke kile ka re *Judges* ba lebelela ntlha e le nngwefela kae? O ntiitse nako ya me mahala fela.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke bua ka *outsourcing* ya *private lawyers*; go hira bo *attorneys* ke AG gore a ba emele. Ke kgang e ke e buang gore kana motho yo e leng gore o ka emela Goromente fela ka fa molaong ke AG. Jaanong bone ba AG, go na le *cases* tse ba reng tla re hireng boagente ba ba ikemetseng ba le nosi. Jaanong kgang e ra re a e re go hirwa boagente ba ba ikemetseng ba le nosi, go bapadiwe, go dirwe *a tender*. Theko ya ga Goromente ke gore go dirwe *tenders*. Theko e go tlhomiwang batho fela kamoso gatwe Rre Pilane re emele foo, Rre Manewe re emele foo, Rre Ramogapi

re emele foo, Rre semangmang re emele foo nnyaa, golo moo ke *corruption Mr Chairperson*. Ga se yone tsamaiso, a ko go dirwe sentle. Ke fa sekai fela ke sa reye gore mo go ntse jalo *Mr Chairperson*.

Kgang e nngwe *Mr Chairperson*, e e tlhamaletseng fela ke yone e e tshwanang le ya gore go bo go tsewa agente kwa South Africa, diagente tsa Botswana di le teng, di na le boikarabelo, go bo gotwe e tle go emela Botswana. *Mr Chairperson*, nnyaa, dilo tse ga se tsone. Re tshwanelwa ke gore re di kgale gore fa e le gore motho o a tsewa, go tlhobogilwe eng. Ke gore re na le diagente mo AG le tsa *private sector*; tse e leng gore batho ba ba na le boikarabelo jo bo kwa godimodimo, go na le gore re bo re tsaya motho kwa re re ke Gerrie Neil, a tle go ja madi. Le fa o ka re o a botsa gore Gerrie Neil o ne a ja madi a dira eng, ga gona yo o ka go arabang. Re re nnyaa batho betsho, a madi a a moswang a rothegele mo Batswaneng, e nne bone ba ba jang madinyana one a go nne botoka.

Kgang ya bofelo e ke batlang go feta ka yone *Mr Chairperson*, ke *retaining strategy* ya diagente tsa rona. A Puso e tle ka mananeo kana leano la gore tota *it should retain the best lawyers*, go na le gore dinako tsotlhe ba e bo e le gore *they will be resigning* ba ya go ikemela fale ba le nosi mme kamoso Puso e tla e sokola gore tota ga e bone batho. Gape le tsone dintlha tse ke di buileng tse kana di ka kgoba batho marapo fa e le gore batho e a re fa ba solofetse gore ke tlaa tsaya *case* e le nna leina la me le golediwa gore ke ne ke emetse Puso ka botswerere, go bo go tsewa motho kwa South Africa. Fa e le gore e tlaa re diagente di le teng mo AG go bo go tsewa motho ka gore o tsala le Domkrag, nnyaa, golo mo ga se gone. Re tswa kgakala re go kgala mme ra re ba ba dirang jalo ba emise ka ponyo leitlho. Re a itse gore go na le *cases* tse re ka reng di matswakabele. Kana re raya dikgang fela tse e leng gore ga di na matswakabele bope, mo o bonang gore mo ke mo gotweng ke jesa tsala ya me sengwefela gore le ene a je sengwe. Bagaetsho, Botswana ke Botswana botlhe, re a lekalekana, a dikgang tse tsotlhe re bone gore re di dira sentle ka tekatekano go thusa Botswana.

**MR GREEFF:** Clarification. Honourable Member of Parliament (MP), ke ne ke re ke botse gore kana ke utlwa o ganeletse thata mo dikgannyeng tse tsa gore yo ke moDomkrag, go neelwa bone fela. A o na le bosupi jwa batho botlhe ba ba kileng ba fiwa ditiro kwa AG Chambers gore a ke ba Domkrag? Fa e le gore o ba itse, o ka ba re bolelela.





**MR RAMOGAPI:** Ke a leboga. E se ka ya re fa ke bua o bo o utlwa bothoko. Bogologolo fale go ne go lela lona maDomkrag le re Parks Tafa o tsaya ditiro tsotlhe. Gompiano go na le yo mongwe *who has joined you* maloba, yo o neng a le mo kganetso, o tsaya ditiro tsotlhe. O emela Tautona Masisi, fa a tswa mo go mo emeleng fa gotwe UDC e seka le Domkrag, ke ene o a bitswa o emela Puso. Dilo tse Batswana ba a di itse.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Point of order Mr Chairperson.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Ke dilo tse Batswana ba di itseng e bile ba di lebelela.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Ramogapi.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Maloba jaana go ne go tserwe...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Ramogapi, your time is up. Thank you.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** As a matter of procedure Mr Chairperson, if I could before you call another speaker.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Yes.

**MR MOATLHODI:** In all fairness Mr Chairperson, Standing Order 57.6 does not allow any one of us to talk about citizens of this country that are not inside this House. It was very unfair and unfortunate for Honourable Ramogapi to be saying *bo Parks Tafa ba itaya ba re*. Standing Order 57.6 is categorically clear My Lord.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Ke lona le mo kopileng.* Honourable Minister of Defence, Justice and Security, reply to the debate please.

**MINISTER OF DEFENCE, JUSTICE AND SECURITY (MR MMUSI):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Ke utlwile dikakgelo tsotlhe tse di tswang mo Mapalamenteng a a tlotlegang mme re a di lebogela *Mr Chairperson*.

Go ne ga simolola *Honourable Boko*, yo o neng a simolola ka go ngongorega ka gore DPP o tsere lebaka ka gore *prosecutorial processes* go tswa kwa sepodiseng go fudugela ka kwa go bone di ne di tsere lebaka. Ke tlhalose gore tota *strategy* se se sale se simolola ka 2020 *or financial year* ya 2020/2021, jaanong se mo ngwageng wa bobedi. Gone ga ke ka ke ka re re kgonne

gotlhe mo re neng re go eletsa ka mathata a gore ga re na madi a a lekaneng. Fela ke ka tlhalosetsa Ntlo e gore mo *police stations* di le 79 re setse re tsere *cases* di le 34, *this translates to about 57 per cent*. Gone e ntse ke maiteko. Re ntse re tswetsetse, le mo ngwageng o o tlang o wa madi, re tlaa tswela re ntse re leka go fokotsa.

Selo se sengwe gape se *Honourable Boko* a neng a se bua, ke kgang ya gore dikgang tse tsa Gender Based Violence (GBV) ke tse e leng gore tsone tota ke dikgang tse di tshwentseng thata, tse a neng a bua gore kana e a re motho a isitse *case* e ya GBV, e re e setse e tshwanetse gore e sekwe, e bo yo mongwe kana yo o neng a e tsentse a re nnyaa, ke e busetsa kwa morago. Golo mo DPP le ramapodise ba ne ba tsaya tshwetso ya gore fa *case* e setse e le kwa, DPP ke ene fela e ka reng fa motho a re o batla go busetsa *case* e kwa morago, a dumela. *So tshireletsego* e teng foo mo e leng gore DPP o ka lebelela mabaka otlhe *before* a ka re *case* e boele kwa morago.

Re ne ra bua ka *delayed cases* tsa *murder*, mme re a itse, e bile ke selo se e leng gore le rona se re tshwentse thata gore di a diega, mme kana re a itse gore go a bo go na le babueledi dintlheng tsotlhe. Re tlaa nna re ntse re leka ka sengwe le sengwe gore re di itlhaganedise gore di fele ka pela, di se ka tsa diega.

*Honourable Boko* o ne a bua ka *conditions of service* kwa AGC tsa boagente. Kgang e le nna e rile fela fa ke tsena mo *ministry* o ka 2019, *Attorney General* AG ka sebele o ne a e ntibisa gore tota re tshwanetse gore re thulanye ditlhogo, re bone gore re ka tokafatsa mebereko le dituelo tsa bana ba gagwe ba ba berekang kwa go ene. Ke selo sengwe se e leng gore re santse re ntse re se lebeletse, re bona gore re ka dira jang gore re kopele lephata le madi, gore re leke gore re thuse diagente tse di leng kwa. Re a itse gore tota kana fa o berekela Puso, ga o ka ke wa amogela madi a a kana ka a motho yo o kwa *private sector*. Ke gore *in any sector*; a o *accountant*, a o eng, *scale* sa bodirelapuso o fitlhele se le kwa tlase mo sengwe le sengweng. O fitlhele e le gore tota kana ke go ithaopa, nako e ntsi o a bo e le gore tota o berekela lefatshe, so Puso ga e ka ke ya kgona *to compete* le *private sector*. Gone re tlaa tswela re leka ka sengwe le sengwe gore *at least* dilo tse di tshwanang le maroko, le gore tota batho ba sireletsego mo ditirong tsa bone, re leke gore re di dire, ke dilo tse re di lebeletseng.

*Honourable Boko* o ne a bua gape ka *independence of office* ya ga DPP. Tota re a leka, ke sale ke tsena mo *ministry* o, ga ke ise ke bone go na le ope a tseneletse



kwa ofising ya ga DPP a leka go mo kaetsa gore a bereke jang kapo a dire jang, o letlelelwa fela gore sengwe le sengwe a se bereke go sena ope yo o tsenang mo tirong ya gago. Le ene AG tota *is always very clear* gore kana tota DPP e *independent*, ga ke ka ke ka tsenelela kwa go ene, sengwe le sengwe ke ene a se itirelang, ke ene a tsayang ditshwetso. Le gore o ka hira bomang e le diagente gore di tle go mo thusa, ke ene a tsayang ditshwetso tseo. So tota ke tsaya gore *independence* eo gone mme re a utlwa gore ofisi e ikemele ka nosi, e se ka ya nna ka fa tlase ga ya AG. Jaaka ke bua, ke dilo tse e leng gore kana gompiano re tshwanetse gore re ka di bua, ba ba sekasekang Molaomotho ba a dikologa, jaanong ke dumela gore ke dilo tse e leng gore le rona re tlaa di ba lebisa gore e re fa e le gore Molaomotho o ka sekasekwa, wa baakanngwa, le bone ba di baakanye dilo tseo.

*Honourable* Boko o ne a bua gape ka *bails*, gore di a diega. Fa motho a ne a filwe *bail* kwa ga mmakaseterata, fa a ya kwa High Court gape o tshwanelwa ke gore a tle a kope *bail*. *The granting of bail on indictment of murder is governed by Section 96 of the Criminal Procedure and Evidence Act where a bail is determined by the High Court*. Tota High Court *determines*. Ke dilo di teng, di a diragala. *Issues of bail is a matter of serious concern*, le rona fa re riana, re leka go baakanya molao o e leng gore o tlaa lebagana le *bail* go bona gore ga di fiwefiwe fela, di fiwa mo e leng gore go a tlhokafala.

E ne ya re fa re tswa mo go *Honourable* Boko, ra tsena kwa go Motlotlegi Mma Makwinja. Motlotlegi Mma Makwinja re lebogela thata ka fa o lebang ka fa re berekang ka teng. O re akotse thata *yes*, AGC tota ba berekile, ke batho ba ba berekang bosigo le motshegare go dira *Bills* tse di fetisiwang ke Palamente e. Mo ngwageng wa 2021 ba fetisitse di ka nna 28 tse e leng melao gompiano. Maloba re ne ra tlisa tse mengwe, ke dumela gore e kare e ne e le 17 tse e setseng e le melao jaaka ke bua gompiano jaana. Ba tlaa tswelela ba ntse ba bereka fela thata.

*Honourable* Mthimkhulu le ene o ne a akgolela maphata a tiro e ntle e ba e dirang. *Honourable* Kapinga le ene ngongorego ya gagwe e tona *was to separate office* ya ga DPP le ya ga AG gore e nne *standalone*. Jaaka ke bua, ke selo se re tlaa tswelelang re ntse re se dira.

O buile ka ofisi ya Maun gore re simolola ofisi ya Maun, mme re setse re rometse batho ba le bararo fela. Ke a mo solofetsa gore kana gompiano jaana jaaka re kopa madi, re ntse re batla gone gore re oketse bodiredi mo diofising

tse le mo lefatsheng lotlhe. Re a utlwa o re lephata le ga le gole jaaka maphata a mangwe, mme kana tota lephata le *is specialised*, le tshwanetse gore le hirelwe batho ba ba rileng AG a lebeletse. Gone re tlaa leka thata rraetsho gore e re mo ngwageng o wa madi, re nne re anamise, e bile re leke gore re batle batho ba e leng gore ba ka tla go re thusa gone kwa AGs.

*Honourable* Keorapetse tota kgang ya gagwe e ne e le ya *separation of powers, security of tenure* ya ga DPP, mme jaaka ke ntse ke bolela gore ke dilo tse e leng gore re di utlwile, re tlaa dira sengwe le sengwe se re ka se kgonang ka dinako tse di rileng fa go kgonagetse. Kana gore maphata a farologanngwe, *is a financial cost*, re tshwanetse gore re lebelele, *budget* e re nang nayo e, gongwe ga e ka ke ya kgona gore re ka dira tsone dilo tseo, mme re tlaa nna re ntse re leka go dira. Jaaka ke boletse, kakanyo-melao ya Molaomotho wa lefatshe e tsweletse, mme ke dilo tsa gore re *separate* ditiro tsa ga AG, ke ka fa go neng go bua *Honourable* Keorapetse *feeling* gore AG o mo ditirong tse di ntsi. Go tlaa nna go ntse go ntshiwa dikgakololo kwa go ba ba tsayang dikakanyetso tsa Molaomotho gore re ka tla ra leka gore re ka tsamaisa jang lephata le, ga nna jang gore go nne ka go ikemela ka nosi.

Go ne ga akgela gape *Honourable* Ramogapi. Rraetsho, ke ka go bolelela gore nnyaa, *e-laws* di ntse di teng rraetsho, go na le *website*: [www.e-laws.gov.bw](http://www.e-laws.gov.bw). Di ntse di a tswa nako le nako. Di teng, batho ba ke lebelela. Mo gongwe *Honourable* Ramogapi o ne o bua gore gongwe ga re tsamaisa dilo ka fa di tshwanetseng go nna ka teng. Ga nke go lebelelwa gore ofe ke ofe, ofe o ka kae, go lebelelwa fela gore ke mang yo o nang le bokgoni, yo o ka kgonang gore a re thuse *case* e re nang nayo fa e leng gore kwa *Attorney General's* ga re na bokgoni jone boo. So, tota re nna re ntse re lebelela dikgang fa di ntse jalo rraetsho.

Ba *Attorney General's* ke lephata le le itlotlang fela thata, le leka go nna *very transparent* mo ditirong tse ba di dirang. Ke berekile le bone mo dingwageng tse pedi le *half* tse, mme ke ntse ke lemoga gore ke batho ba e leng gore *they are always very transparent*, ga nke ba tsaya sepe ka ditsela tse dikhutshwane. Ba leka gore ba sale molao morago.

Le diagente tse re di beetsweng mo diofising Modulasetilo, tse di leng teng *in ministries*, ke tsa manontlotlho, *Attorney General* le *team* ya gagwe, e a re fa ba di *deploy* ba bo ba itse gore agente yo *is well skilled for this particular ministry* mme e bile le



fa a le koo, *he or she is going to give dikgakololo tse di maleba*. Ke dilo tse ba di diragatsang nako le nako.

Mme tse e leng *concerns* kana eng tse e leng gore le rona jaaka ke bua, go na le fa re nang le *concerns* teng, re tlaa tswelela re ntse re bona gore re ka di tokafatsa jang ka one madi a re tlaa a bonang a le a re tlaa nang re ntse re tla re a kopa mo dingwageng tse di tlang.

So, ka one mafoko one ao *Mr Chairperson*, ke batla go leboga bomorwaarre ba ba akgetseng le ba ba sa kgonang go akgela, ba ba re gakolotseng. Le komiti ya ga Rre Kapinga e re letseng re kopane le yone maabane, ke batla go e leboga *for the opportunities they gave us and the discussions which we had* le bone ka fa nneng ba re gakolola ka teng.

Ka one mafoko a a kalo *Mr Chairperson*, I therefore request that the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-One Million, Four Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Pula (P261,491,770.00) under the Recurrent Budget and the sum of Thirty-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Twenty-Six Pula (P39,952,926.00) under the Development Budget be approved and stand as part of the estimates of the financial year 2022/2023. I move accordingly. I thank you *Mr Chairperson*.

Question put and agreed to.

## ORGANISATION 1400 - AUDITOR GENERAL

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Members, please note that 2 hours have been allocated to this Organisation and I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 1730 hours today and the question will be put at 1505 hours on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> March. Honourable Minister, you may present.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU):**

Thank you *Mr Chairperson*. *Mr Chairperson*, permit me to present to Parliament the budget proposals for the financial year 2022/2023, under Organisation 1400, the Office of the Auditor General. Recurrent Budget, I request a total amount of Ninety-Two Million, Nine Hundred and Seventy Thousand and Eighty Pula (P92,970,080) for the financial year 2022/2023. Allow me to commence with the achievements and challenges of the past financial year.

## PERFORMANCE REVIEW 2021/2022 FINANCIAL YEAR

*Mr Chairperson*, the Office of the Auditor General had planned for 148 audits for the financial year 2021/2022. These include 121 Financial and Compliance Audits across 23 ministries and 20 local authorities, 15 Information Technology/Information Systems audits, nine Performance Audits and three Specialised Audits. A total of 79 were completed. The rest of the audits are at various stages of completion.

*Mr Chairperson*, last year I informed this esteemed House that I had carried out financial, compliance and performance audits of COVID-19 and related expenditures. The financial and compliance audits had covered the following areas;

- Procurement of food relief packages
- Safety Health Environment Officers
- Repatriation of citizens in Diaspora
- Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Wage subsidy
- Accommodation.

The performance audit had focused on the preparedness and response of the country towards the COVID-19 pandemic and management of the Relief Fund. The compliance and performance audit reports have since been issued whilst the financial audit report of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Relief Fund is at the final reporting stage.

*Mr Chairperson*, the implementation of the audit recommendations from the reports by the audited entities will improve efficiencies in Government spending, compliance with rules and regulations and Government preparedness to deal with emergencies.

*Mr Chairperson*, the previous audit year had interruptions due to upsurge in the number of COVID-19 cases particularly during the months of July and August which forced some staff members to be on extended sick leaves, isolation, quarantines and working on shifts with the auditees staff encountering the same challenges. These interruptions adversely affected the implementation of the audit plan.





Mr Chairperson, a dedicated team was set up to audit COVID-19 related procurements. This diversion of resources negatively affected the audit coverage as many of these audits were not planned for.

### **The Strategic Direction for 2022/2023**

Mr Chairperson, increasing transaction complexities due to dynamic new operational systems being introduced in the public sector require the Office of the Auditor General to continue investing in human capital development to keep abreast with the changing nature of Government business.

Mr Chairperson, Information Systems Audit is a vital cog in the accountability ecosystem of a digitised economy. As Government business gets transacted on digital platforms, there is a critical need to invest in technologies that will collect and evaluate audit evidence to determine whether Government computer systems safeguard assets, maintain data integrity and allow organisational goals to be achieved effectively while using resources efficiently. Additional investments are required in digital platforms that will also facilitate remote auditing, and preferably in real time.

Mr Chairperson, the COVID-19 virus continues to mutate giving rise to variants of varying transmission rates and virulence. Hence it will continue to impact Government spending and the economy at large significantly. It will thus remain under audit focus in the coming financial year.

### **2022/2023 BUDGET PROPOSAL**

Mr Chairperson, I request that the Honourable Committee approve a total Recurrent Budget of Ninety-Two Million, Nine Hundred and Seventy Thousand and Eighty Pula (P92,970,080) for the Financial Year 2022/2023, representing an increase of 4.1 per cent over the approved Recurrent Budget of Eighty-Nine Million, Three Hundred and Forty-One Thousand and Six Hundred and Forty Pula (P89,341,640) for Financial Year 2021/22. Mr Chairperson, the breakdown of the proposed budget is detailed below:

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 00110 - SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES**

Mr Chairperson, for salaries and allowances the sum of Seventy-Two Million, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine Thousand and Three Hundred Pula (P72,999,300). This represents 78.5 per cent of the total budget.

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 00200 - TRAVELLING AND TRANSPORT (INTERNAL)**

Mr Chairperson, a total of Four Million Sixty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred and Three Pula (P4,069,603) is requested to cover Internal Travelling and Transport expenditure. This is an increase of 23 per cent from the previous budget of Three Million, Three Hundred and Four Thousand, Six Hundred and Twenty Pula (P3,304,620). This will cover some audits that had to be deferred from the previous financial year.

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 00300 - TRAVELLING AND TRANSPORT (EXTERNAL)**

Mr Chairperson, the sum of One Million, Two Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Pula (P1,225,000) is requested to cover External Travelling and Transport expenditure. This is a decrease of Two Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Pula (P275,000) or 18 per cent from last year's allocation of One Million, Five Hundred Pula (P1,500 000). This disbursement would cover the external scrutiny of our missions abroad and facilitate the participation of the Auditor General as a member of the global supreme audit institutions community.

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 00400 - GENERAL EXPENSES AND SUPPLIES**

Mr Chairperson, the sum of Three Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine Thousand Pula (P3,969,000) is requested for General Expenses and Supplies. This is a decrease of Seventy-Four Thousand, Eight Hundred Pula (P74,800) or 1.8 per cent from Four Million and Forty-Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Pula (P4,043,800) allocated under this vote in the 2021/2022 Financial Year.

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 0500 - DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES**

Mr Chairperson, the sum of Five Million, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Twenty Pula (P5,994,720) is requested under the Departmental Services vote. This sum is unchanged from the 2021/2022 budget allocation. The funds are to cater for contractual obligations with the landlord.

#### **PARENT ACCOUNT 01200 - TRAINING**

Mr Chairperson, under Training, the sum of Two Million, Two Hundred and Sixty-Three Thousand, Three Hundred and Sixty Pula (P2,263,360) is requested.



This is a decrease of One Million, Three Hundred and Thirty-Six Thousand and Six Hundred and Forty Pula (P1,336,640) or 37 per cent from Three Million, Six Hundred Thousand Pula (P3,600,000) allocated under this vote in the financial year 2021/2022.

Mr Chairperson, this concludes my budget proposals for the Office of the Auditor General. I request that the sum of Ninety-Two Million, Nine Hundred and Seventy Thousand and Eighty Pula (P92,970,080) be approved and stand part of the 2022/2023 Estimates. I move accordingly. Thank you Mr Chairperson.

**MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):**

Thank you Mr Chairperson. Mr Chairperson, the Office of the Auditor General is established by Section 124 of the Constitution that there shall be an Auditor General whose office shall be a public office. The public accounts of Botswana and all officers, courts and authorities of the Government of Botswana shall be audited and reported on by the Auditor General, and for that purpose, the Auditor General or any authorized person on behalf of the Auditor General shall have access to all books, records, reports and other documents relating to those accounts. This is the provision of Section 124.

I must also emphasise that, under Sub-Section 5, the Constitution provides in the exercise of his or her functions, the Auditor General shall not be subject to the direction or control of any other person or authority.

Mr Chairperson, I must also indicate that the Auditor General of the Republic of Botswana as the Supreme Auditing Institution, is a member of the International Organisation of the Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI). The INTOSAI emphasises international standards in terms of how Supreme Audit Institutions should operate. They emphasize among other things, quality of audits as a key principle, credibility of the audits and transparency of the audits. The responsibility of the Supreme Audit Institutions also talk about the types of audits.

Mr Chairperson, the Minister has alluded to some of the challenges faced by our Supreme Audit Institution. Some of the challenges that we have identified especially because we deal with this institution as the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), the committee of this Parliament is charged with examining the books of accounts of Government and other agencies of the state. First is the institutional challenges, in particular, the capacity challenges to fulfil the functions provided

by the Constitution. Our Supreme Audit Institution, that is the Auditor General is underfunded, the budget given is inadequate. As a consequence Mr Chairperson, there has been exodus of skilled personnel. So the Auditor General is somewhat under skilled.

The other challenge relating to institutional challenge is the narrow mandate, in the sense that when you look at the provision under Sub-Section 2, especially relating to parastatals, they somewhat constrain the Auditor General to have a say in a lot of things that are happening in the parastatals. I say this because I have said before in this Parliament that there is need for the Auditor General to audit the liquidation process at BCL, because lots of resources have been lost during that process.

What are some of the results of these institutional or capacity challenges? The results are that it has impacted on the quality of audits, it has limited the number of audits that the Auditor General can undertake, the number of compliance, financial and performance audits. There are many performance audits that could be done, but because this important office is under staffed in terms of the number of auditors, we have a challenge there.

The other problem is the delay in submission of accounts, and Honourable Reatile will recall that there was a two-year delay in the submission of accounts of the NPF, and as they usually say, the rest is history, we know what has happened with the NPF. Up to this point, I am not aware of any submission of the DIS accounts to the Supreme Audit Institution, for the past 14 years. If they have been recently submitted, I am amenable to the advice, but I know as a matter of fact that we went for more than a decade without the DIS submitting accounts to the Supreme Audit Institution.

Now, let us go to the political challenges; on the political challenges, the most important challenge and the most glaring challenge is the independence of the Supreme Audit Institution which remains under the wing of the Office of the President, that is why we have Honourable Mthimkhulu here requesting money for the Supreme Audit Institution. The Office remains as part of the public service, the office has suffered undue political influence. Why am I saying this? This is contradicting Section 124 (5) somewhat. I am aware of the provisions of Section 114 in terms of tenurial security of the Auditor General. Mr Chairperson, what happened in the past was that, the Auditor General was appointed on a short term contract. In the letter that appointed her, was a



Clause that she could be transferred or terminated. This clearly contradicted Section 114 which provides that, the Auditor General shall vacate his or her office when he or she attained the age of 60, or such other age as may be prescribed by Parliament. In fact, Parliament must prescribe maybe the age of up to 65. Mr Chairperson, the point I am making is that, that appointment, the letter which was signed by the Permanent Secretary to the President (PSP), contradicted the provisions of Section 114. The Auditor General must never be employed under the conditions where the Executive has the ability to dismiss such an important officer. It is very, very important to guarantee the full independence pursuant to the spirit of provisions of Section 124 Subsection 5. We must secure the tenure of office of the Auditor General.

Mr Chairperson, it is important that the Auditor General must also be appointed in a mechanism that will deprive the Executive of unfettered powers to appoint that officer, because it is a very, very important office. At times they have adverse findings on the Executive and we do not want the appointing authority to have full powers of appointment without adequate oversight in terms of who is appointed and the competence of the person that is appointed.

The other problem still on the political challenges, is the inability of the Supreme Audit Institution in Botswana to impose their recommendations or enforce their audit findings and recommendations, to make sure that these recommendations of findings are acted upon. A lot of times there is a delay in implementation or there is complete ignoring of the findings and the recommendations. There are adverse findings on how COVID-19 was managed and we have heard so many shocking revelations. Somebody was a tourist here in Botswana and ended up being part of the team that helped manage COVID. Companies which were registered in the recent past, one contract in the region of millions. COVID-19 has created COVID-preneurs who became overnight millionaires. These are adverse findings which we have worries that recommendations will be ignored or would not be implemented. Especially that the Auditor General seldom appears before Parliamentary Committees to account on the execution of her mandate, including recommendations and findings which have been ignored by the Executive. I have said in the past that because the Auditor General is a peer to the Permanent Secretaries, the office is packed at the level of the Permanent Secretary, there seems to

be a treatment of the Auditor General as just a peer in the sense that sometimes there is a delay in submitting the books of accounts. Sometimes there is outright like a basic attitude towards the Auditor General because other Permanent Secretaries *ba mmona e le molekane wa bone fela*. They think they can do as they please or do things at their own time. Perhaps you need to pack this institution and empower it to be above Permanent Secretaries, so that Permanent Secretaries actually respond timeously to the Supreme Auditing Institution.

Information and Communications Technology (ICT); the Supreme Auditing Institution needs to embrace ICT and modern technology in conducting audits. With that, I thank you Mr Chairperson.

#### ASSISTANT MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION

**(MS MAKWINJA):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson. Ke eme Tona nokeng mo pegong ya gagwe ya Auditor General. Lephata le fela jaaka la Attorney General's Chambers, le botlhokwa fela thata. Ditiro tsa lone di ama lefatshe ka bophara. Mr Chairperson, re dira thata mo lephateng le, le fa go na le dikgoreletsu tse Matona ba ntseng ba bua ka tsone re di utlwa. Le tshwana fela le la Attorney General ka gore bodiredi bo tlhela fela thata. Fa re bona pego ya ga Tona, o kare 79 ya dikgetsi tsa audit, ke tsone di feditsweng. Mo go rayang gore it is about 50 per cent ya dikgetsi tse ba lebaganang le tsone. Go botlhokwa thata fela jaaka Attorney General gore lephata le, le dire tiro ya lone ka bonokopila. Le na le bommantswitswidi ba e leng gore tiro e, ba a e dira. Fa ba sa e dire, ke sone se re neng re na le greylisting le backlisting. Dilo tse re ka bo re di thibetse fa le ne le na le bodiredi jo bo lekaneng ka dikitso le dipalo tsa bone. Borukutlhi jo, bo dirwa ka matsipa a a rileng, a e leng gore go thata gore Auditor General a ntshe bofereferere le tshenyetso-setšhaba e e kanakana. E dirwa ka maretshwa a e leng gore batho ba Modimo go nna thata go bona gore ke eng re nna le greylisting le blacklisting. Fa audits di dirwa ka nako, e bile ka mabaka a a tlisiwang kwa go bone, dikgetsi tsa audits di ka bo di le botoka re sa wele mo greylisting le blacklisting. Ke yone kgwetlho e ke e bonang ya bodiredi. Ofisi e ya Auditor General e botlhokwa fela mo go maswe. Corruption e re ntseng re lela ka yone, re utlwa gore annual reports tsa maphata le parastatals, o tlaa fitlhela di nna two, three years di sa isiwe kwa go Auditor General. Ke tsone dilo tse e leng gore Auditor General fa a na le bodiredi jo bo lekaneng, ba tshwanetse ke go leka ka bojotlhe gore annual reports tse di tle go sukunyololwa fa go na le mathata a a leng teng.*





Ke ba akgole ka *audit report* ya COVID, e gorogile. Batho ba ba Modimo fa ba ka bo ba na le ba ba ba thusang, gongwe *audits* tse dingwe tse di setseng tse e leng gore *they are probably 80 or so*, di ka bo di setse di ela go fetswa le tsone. Ke ba lelele ka gore re a itse gore madi ga a yo mme lephata le jaaka fela la *Attorney General*, le tshwanetse go thusiwa fela thata. Borukutlhi jwa tshenyetso-setšhaba mo lefatsheng la rona ba kgone gore e re ba dupa dibuka jaana, ba nne le ba ba ka salang morago go bona gore tota mathata a fa kae.

Ke lephata le le tshwanetseng *to notify irregularities as they see them on an ongoing basis* e bile re lela ka tshenyetso-setšhaba e e kanakana. Ke bone fa e le gore ba neelwa *annual reports...* ba tsaya *reports* tsa *internal audit* mo maphateng a a farologanyeng fa di tla ka nako e bile di diriwa ka bonokopila jo bo rileng ke *auditors* tsa *departments*. Tota ga ke bone gore mathata a mantsintsi a re nang le one *Mr Chairperson* gongwe a ka bo a se mantsi. One ga a ka ke a tlhokafala mme ke akanya gore gongwe a ka ya kwa tlase.

*Delay in submission of accounts by* maphata a ga Goromente le *parastatals*, ke dingwe tsa dilo tse e leng gore fa lephata le le ka nonotshiwa, ke akanya gore mathata a a ka fela.

*Mr Chairperson*, tota ke ne ke sa batle go ya looloo le yone. Ke *report* e e tlhamaletseng. Gongwe go ya pele, re tlanyetlanye dilo tse tsa *corruption* gore *on a day-to-day basis*, *administration* ya *Auditor General* e ntshe dikgwetlho tse e di lebileng. E re fa re lebile kabo ya madi jaana, re bo re itse gore e ya go leka go fokotsa mathata a a kanakana a *Auditor General* e lebagang le one. E tshwanetse go thusiwa ka bojotle gore e kgone go thusa tsamaiso e e lolameng ya lefatsho leno mo tirosong ya madi bogolo jang. *Mr Chairperson*, ke a leboga ka a le kalo. *Thank you*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Minister. Honourable Dr Letsholathebe followed by Honourable Mmolotsi.

**MINISTER OF TERTIARY EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR LETSHOLATHEBE):** *Thank you very much Mr Chairperson for the opportunity.* Ke go leboge go mpha tshono le nna ya gore ke akgele ke eme nokeng Mokaulengwe Mothusu Tona Mthimkhulu mo pegong e a e beileng mo boemong jwa *Minister*. Ke mo eme nokeng.

Re bua ka lephata le le botlhokwa fela thata. Re le bantsi fa, re nna re ngongorega ka dikgang tsa *implementation*, go sa dirisa madi a Puso sentle le ditirelo tsa Puso tse dingwe. Lephatla le *Mr Chairperson*, le di goga kwa pele go ka re thusa gore re kgone go tokafatsa diemo tsa go nna jalo.

Tona, ke bete se molangwana. Sengwe se se dirang gore ke nne bete se molangwana ke gore go lebega madi a a yang go thusa lephata le a ile kwa tlase. Kgangkgolo e le tsa *travelling* le *training*. *Mr Chairperson*, sengwe se re tshwanetseng go se dira gore tshenyetso-setšhaba le *wastage* e ntsi e e diragalelang lefatsho leno ka bophara di ye kwa tlase, *Auditor General* o tshwanetse gore gongwe le gongwe leilho la gagwe le bo le le teng. Fa ke lebeletse pego e, go supafala madi a eng a nna a fokotsega ngwaga le ngwaga. Se se ka dira gore tiro ya gagwe e se ka ya nna motlhofo. Dikgang tsa *training*, lefatsho le le fetoga ka bofelo jo bo feteletseng, mme ka jalo, re tshwanetse gore re nne re tsaya kgang ya *training very seriously*.

*Mr Chairperson*, kang e ya go ka dirisa madi mo *Auditor General* e botlhokwa. *Let us spend a few more millions* mo *Auditor General* *to save billions* tse di nang le go ka latlhegela Puso. Fa re ka kgona go dirisa madi a a kwa godimonyana, re ka kgona go boloka madi a mantsintsi a a latlhegelang Puso. Go ka re isa golo gongwe.

Kgang e nngwe e e leng gore *Auditor General needs also to be supported*, ke gore go lebelelwe. Le yone *the Public Act* ya 2012, fa e le gore re tlhokana le gore re e lebalebe, re neele *Auditor General* dithata tse di kwa godimo gore a kgone go re thusa, *let us do that*.

*Apart from* kgang ya gore ke *feel* gore ba na le go tlhalelwa ke madi, ditlamelo le *the human resource*, o fitlhela e le gore ga ba tseye *Auditor General* tsia. Ba bangwe ba leka *to interfere* le dipatlisiso tsa ga *Auditor General*. Batho ba ba ntseng jalo ba tshwanetse ba gagamatswe diphogwana, ba ba sa reetseng kana ba sa thuse *Auditor General* sentle, ba leka go ka *interfere* le dipatlisiso tsa gagwe. Ke sengwe se re tshwanetseng gore re se lebalebe *Mr Chairperson*.

Sengwe se ke batlang go feta ka ga sone, ke gore kana *Auditor General* re le bantsi re mmona jaaka motho yo o dingalo yo e leng gore gantsi o tla ka dikgang tsa *financial audit*, gore fa o bona a tsena ka dibuka tse dikimakima o tsile go re lebaleba gore re sentse eng. Sengwe se ba se dirang se ke ba phophothang legetla, ke kgang ya *performance audit*. Fa re ka e lebaleba



fela sentle, sengwe re ka se bona. Fa re ka kgona go ba *support* gore *performance audit* e ba e dirang e kgone gore e ye kwa godimo, re ka kgona go bona gore lefatshe la rona le a tokafala.

Sengwe se nkutlwisang botlhoko ke gore e ne ya re ke leba *report* ya bone ga lebega e le gore *there were only two reports* tse ba di ntshitseng tse ba kgonneng go di fetsa malebang le kgang ya *performance audit*. Se se supa gore tota sengwe se tlhokana le go dirwa golo foo *Mr Chairperson*.

Sengwe se ke batlang re se lebelela Tona ke kgang ya *auditing of parastatals*. Mo *report* e go supafala gore *some statutory bodies and state-owned enterprises* o kare di itirela jaaka di batla mo e leng gore *independent auditors* ke bone ba ba dirisiwang *and* ba dirwa ke *boards* e le bone ba ba batlang. Gongwe fa *Auditor General* a ka tsenya letsogo go fetanyana gore gongwe a kgone gore a fiwe dithata tsa gore e nne ene yo o lebalebang gore ke bomang ba e leng gore ba ya *to audit* gore dipogo tsa gagwe di kgone go goroga ka bonako. Sengwe se e leng gore *Auditor General* o lela ka sone gone foo ke gore le *reports* tse gotweng di tlaabo di dirilwe koo, ga di goroge ka nako. Nako e di yang go goroga kwa go ene, *a lot of things have changed*, batho ba *transferred*. Ke re nnyaa *Mr Chairperson*, se se ka dira gore re felele re tsaya gore *Auditor General* ga a na meno mme batho ba Modimo ba leka.

Sengwe se ke tlhokanang le gore re se lebelele ke gore *we need to improve on the human resource* kwa *Auditor General*. Go nne le *scientists and engineers who can provide technical advice and a lot of issues* tse di gone koo. Dikgang di tshwana le tsa bo *specialised audit and forensic*, di lebelelwe, go tsenelelwe fela thata. Lefatshe le a fetoga, le rona re nna re bua ka *digitilisation, one of the priorities* tsa ga Tautona gore re tseye kgang ya *digitilisation* re e ise kwa godimo. Jaaka go ntse jalo, ba tshwanetse gore le bone ba nne *capacitated*. Ba rutuntshiwe *in the areas* tsa dikgang tsa maranyane. Re batla go bona le bone ba mekamekana ba dira jaaka mafatshe a mangwe a dira, re kgone go bona ba dira *the remote auditing, or e-auditing*, ba kgone go nna le *access* fa ba na le *serial numbers* tsa *computers* tsa rona ba bone le *information* e ba e batlang. E seng mo o fitlheleng ba batla *information* ba kgona go nna *three months* otlhe ba eme golo go le gongwefela ba letetse *information* go tswa golo gongwe. *Let us give them that* ba bone gore ba mekamekana le boranyane jo bo leng teng gompiano.

Ba bangwe *they edit documents electronically* ka gore ba itse go dirisa maranyane mme go felele e le gore ba tsietsa *Auditor General*. *Let us look at that Mr Chairperson*.

*Policy, Research and Development*; kgang nngwe e ke ratang go e bua thata mo Palamenteng ke dipatlisiso gore a re ba thuseng ka kgang ya go nna jalo. Ba berekisanye le bo Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis (BIDPA) le *institutions of higher learning* gore ba batlisiso gore fa ba *audit policies* tse ba di lebeleleng ba bo ba kgonne *to research* ka ga tsone le go fetisisa. Ba kgone go di itse go feta rona ba e le eng gore re a di tsamaisa ka kwano. Ka se ba ka kgona gore ba re thuse sentle ba re neele *direction*.

Sengwe se ke nang le go utlwa botlhoko ka sone ke kgang ya *monitoring and evaluation* gore a mme bana le *capacity* ya gore fa ba re file *these reports* ba kgona go boa ba tla ba sala morago, ba tla ba bona gore a mme se ba se gakolotseng se a dirwa. Tota fa go sa nna jalo, batho ba Modimo ba tlaa ngakalala fela, *reports* di tswa mme go sa diragale sepe. A le rona re ikiteye ka thupana ba rotlhe; badirelapuso le rona baeteledipele ba sepolotiki, re itse gore *reports* tse di direlwa gore re kgone gore re tseye *informed decisions*. Fa *reports* di dirwa re sa di bale, re sa di lebelele, re tlile go felele re ntse re dira diphoso tse re ntseng re di dira. Se se ka re thusa fa re ka di lebelele gore re tlhabolole go ya kwa pele.

*I appreciate auditors* tse di leng mo *ministries* tsa rona. A re di neeleng dithata tse e leng gore *they can at any given point see* boeteledipele jwa *ministries*. E se ka ya nna o fitlhela batho ba Modimo ba *internal audits* morago ga dingwaga tse di fetileng gotwe, “nnyaa mme kana ba kile ba lebaleba kgang e ba leka go gakolola.” O fitlhela e le gore *Minister* ga a itse ka kgang ya go nna jalo, *Permanent Secretary* gongwe le ene a sa itse. Dilo tsa go nna jalo ga di ka ke tsa re thusa ka sepe. *We need to take care of the thebes, the Pulas will take care of themselves. Auditor General will help us to do that*. Re tlhokana le gore re somarele bonnyennyane jo re nang le jone gore re kgone go thusa Batswana, re kgone go bona gore *bus rank* e e kwa Tati East madi fa a somarelesegile sentle ba ka kgona go e bona. Dikgang tsa bo *police station* kwa Matsiloje, *if we take care of the thebes we will save money to help those people*.

Le dikgang fela tse dintsi tsa *service delivery*, fa o ka lebelele kgang e ke neng ke bua ka yone ya *performance audit*, e ka re thusa gore *service delivery*



ya rona Batswana ba kgone go bona dithuso tse di maleba. Batswana ba kgone go bona *value for money*. Ke ka jalo ke re, *I really support this. I really want to emphasise* mo kgannyeng ya gore, *let us relook at this* Tona Mthimkhulu, a re lebelele kgang e, re bone gore *we cannot facilitate these people more*. Re ba thuse *in the sense of human resource, finance*, re kgone go ba thusa gore ba dire tiro ya bone sentle.

Sengwe se ke batlang gore ke se ba lebogele ke *the way there are thorough. I have been sitting on this chair seeing some of their reports*, o bona gore ke batho ba dira tiro, *even though* ba na le *the challenges*, ba tsentse moko mo nameng. Ke re *they should not give up, they should keep up doing that without fear or favour*. Ke bangwe batho ba e leng gore ga ba a tshwanela go tshaba. Fa e le gore mongwe ga a dire sengwe sentle a go buiwe, go baakangwe. Ke re ka se Tona, *I want to support* pego ya gago, mme ke re fa go kgonagala re oketse madi a gore *Auditor General* a kgone go dira tiro ya gagwe sentle. *Thank you Mr Chairperson for the opportunity*. Ke a go leboga *sir*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Minister. Honourable Mmolotsi.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ne a kopile gore go tlaa tsena nna *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR MMOLOTSI:** Ee rra re dumalane *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Reatile.

**MR REATILE (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** *Thank you Honourable Chairperson*. Ke re le nna ke eme fa ke buise kopo ya madi a ga *Honourable* Mthimkhulu, e e leng gore ke ya Lephata la *Auditor General*. Ke dumela gore o re boleletse gore o ikaelela gore ngwaga o o tlang o wa 2022/2023, e bo e le gore jaanong o ya go dira jang ka disheleng tse a di kopang.

Ke bo ke re *Honourable Chairperson*, go ka nna botoka, e bile go ka nna molemo gore re itsese *Honourable Minister* gore, kana mme o tshwanetse o itse gore dikgang tse dingwe di ka bo e le gore re tswa kwa e le gore ofisi e dira ka matsetseleko. *Office* ya DPP e dira ka matsetseleko. Ke baya e le sekai fela gore, e ne ya re kwa Komiting ya gago ya Public Accounts ka gore le yone e ka fa tlase ga gago o le *Honourable* Mthimkhulu, ra fitlhela e le gore o hirile diofisi tse pedi tse ka dikonteraka, o saenne, mme *Constitution* e sena *that provision*. Jaanong ke ne ke re ga gona jaaka e ka re *Honourable* Mthimkhulu e le wena o tshwanetseng

*to guard jealousy* ka tsamaiso e e leng gore ke ya *Constitution* ya lefatshe la Botswana, ra ba ra bona *violation* ya *Constitution emerging* kwa ofising ya gago. Re kopa o netefatse gore ka metlha le ka dipaka tsotlhe o beile seemo se leitlho, go tsweng fa go ya pele. Ka gore kgang e o a itse gore re ne ra felela Permanent Secretary to the President (PSP) wa nako eo re mmiditse, re batla go botsa gore mme gone fa o tlaa hira *Auditor General* ka kgang ya Public Service Act, *what informed you*, ka gore *he/ she is not covered by the Public Service Act, he/she is housed under the Constitution of the Republic*. Jaanong ke bo ke re e *Mr Chairperson*, ke ne ke feta e le gore ke ne ke tsibosa fela Tona gore a nne lefufa, a bo a netefatse gore *Constitution* e a tlotlwa mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

Jaanong e nngwe e ke neng ke batla gore re tle re e buise *Honourable Minister* ke kgang ya gore, lephata la gago le botlhokwatlhokwa thata, ke ne ke eleditse gore gongwe e kare fa o tsena fa o bo o re bolelela gore, bagaetsho le o bona ke kopa madi a a kana a, ke tlhalela kgakala mo bodireding. O lebile gore o tshwanetse *to cover* dikhansele le *ministries* tsotlhe tsa lefatshe la Botswana, le *foreign missions* tsa rona tsotlhe kwa di leng teng di ntse di batla ofisi ya gago, gore re itse gore a madi a a kopiwang mo go *Honourable* Serame, a a ntshang ngwaga le ngwaga, a a tlaabo a le *well accounted for*. Re ka itse gore *accountability* ya teng e tsamaile sentle fela ka ofisi ya gago. Mme fa e tlhotsa, e tlhaela bodiredi, ga gona ka fa re ka itseng gore a dilo di tsamaya sentle teng.

Ke tshwanetse gape ke supe *Honourable Chairperson* gore, kana batho ba ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* ba leka ka tsotlhe tse ba nang natso. Fa ke bua jaana ke re dikhansele, o ya go fitlhela e le gore dikhansele dingwe di saletse kwa morago ka dingwaga tse pedi. Ke gore nako ya fa jaanong ba ya *to pick...* ba ba neng ba le foo ba ba ka bong ba lebisitswe...e bile ba *on pension*, bangwe *have retired*, bangwe ba sule. Jaanong *audit* e tshwanetse e goroge ka nako. Ga gona mosola wa gore *audit* e ye *to pick* dikgang tse e leng gore ga gona ope yo o ka di arabelang, ka gore e tlaabo e le gore nako ya fa ba ya go tsena, *audit* e e ntshiwang foo yo e leng gore jaanong ke *Accounting Officer* foo a re, “ke ne ke seyo, le a itse gore ke gorogile ka letsatsi la gore,” mme ba ba neng ba dira jaana motho wa teng e bile ke yo o saleng a tlogetse tiro ka bogodi, yo *resigned*, yo o kwa boketekete. Jaanong Puso e latlhelwa ke madi a mantsintsi ka go tlhoka go dira *audit* ka nako *Honourable Minister*. Jaanong netefatsa gore ka ditsela tsotlhe fa madi a latlhega...





rona re leba wena, gore ke wena o sa ikalelang *to audit* ka nako ka ke wena o tshwanetseng go bona gore *you capacitate* lephata le la gago ka sengwe le sengwe se se tshwanetseng, gore e tle e re fa *audits* di dirwa, ngwaga wa madi o fela, e bo e le gore *the financials* fa di tla di goroga di tla di le mmogo, ka gore le bone ba kgonne *to audit*. Bogolo ba go bolelele gore re paletswe ke *to audit* Khansela ya kwa Southern kana ya Jwaneng ka mabaka a gore *financials* tsa bone ga di a wela *Minister*. Ke yone kgwetlho e re nang le yone. Jaanong Matona ba ba maleba ba tshwanetse ba emele dilo tse ka dinao.

Kgang e nngwe e e leng gore ga re ka ke ra tlhoka go go e bolelela *Honourable Minister* ka ke itse gore ba ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* ga ba na go go e bolelela, fa ba na le rona ka re bereka le bone thata, *frustration* ya gore fa ba tsena kwa *ministry* mongwe ba re *they are auditing*, e le gore jaanong *they are just... (Inaudible) ... in*, gore ba tle ba bone gore ba tlhola lephata la gore, *Director* kana babereki ba lephata leo ba a gana fela ba re, rona ga re ka ke ra le neela dibuka ka gore ga le ise le kwale. E le gore ba tsena e le ba ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* e e letlelelwang ke *Constitution* ya lefatshe la Botswana. Jaanong leka go ruta bo *Minister* ba gago ba ye go ruta badiredi ba bone gore ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* e a tlotlwa. Ga se mo go nang le polotiki fa e tsena. Fa ba tsena ba dira tiro ya bone. Ke gore o kgona go bona gore *Auditor Generals* tse di fetileng ba ne ba tlotliwa ke bogogi jwa nako eo. Jaanong o kare bogogi jwa gompiano go na le kgang ya *power play* fela e e *serious* mo lefatsheng la Botswana, mo go rayang gore golo mo jaanong ke sone se o bonang tshenyo e le kanakana, e ropame, e bile e gaisa le tlou e kotame. Ka mabaka a gore diofisi tse re tshwanetse *to accord them respect*, re tswelera re ntse re netefatsa gore ga re ka ke ra ba neela se ba se tlhokang. Ke gantsi ba ntse ba re bolelela gore fa re ne ra nna le *challenge*, ra felela re ya go bona dithuso morago ga beke. Potso ke gore fa re santse re kganela ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* go dira tiro ya yone, re ipaakanya eng, re gana go ba neela dibuka ka fa *Constitution* e batlang ka teng? Jaanong o kgona go bona tota *Mr Minister* gore go na le bothata mo maphateng a le mantsi.

Dikgang tse ke tlaa di bua ka gore ke di bua jaana e le gore e ke e gakologelwang ba ne ba re go diragetse jalo kwa *Ministry of Youth*. Jaanong ke batla gore e nne kgang e o tlaa netefatsang gore ke dilo tse o di latedisang. O bo o ba bolelele gore batho ba ba dirang jalo ba kgwe mathe ba bo ba itshware khubu, ba se ka ba tlhola ba bo ba lekeletsa *to challenge* ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* fa

e dira tiro ya yone, ka fa ba dira ditiro tsa bone tse ba di hiretsweng, *Auditor General* ga a ba kgopakgopetse. Se e leng gore *Auditor General* o se phakelela kwa tirong ke go tla go bona gore a madi a Mma Serame a ntshitseng a a diriseditswe dikgang tse di kopetsweng sone seo. Jaanong ke sone se tota ke neng ke batla go se gatelele *Honourable Minister*, gore o netefatse gore dikgang tse o di tsaya tsia. O bo o bone gore tota o sireletsa ofisi ya gago e ya ga *Auditor General* ka sengwe le sengwe se se e tshwanetseng.

Kgang e nngwe e ke neng ke batla gore o tle e re fa le di atlhaatlha Tona, le ba ofisi ya gago, ke ya gore *performance audits* di a dirwa, mme fa di dirwa, Palamente ka bo yone ga e na nako ya gore e simolole e dire *performance audits*, ka gore nako ya yone ya *to examine* dibuka tsa PAC tsa ngwaga, e khutshwane. *Performance audits* di tlaabo di dirilwe, jaanong go tswa foo ga re kgone go bona gore a mme *gaps* tse di supilweng ke *Auditor General*, a ba setse ba simolotse go bereka mo go tsone ba *offices* tse *performance audit* e dirilweng teng. Jaanong dilo tse le leke go di fatlhafatla, le bone gore mme re ka siamelwa ke eng ka gore ga gona mosola wa gore *performance audit* e dirwe, go tswa foo re bo re palelwa ke gore re le Komiti ya PAC, re nne le nako e e tlamang go ya go bona gore batho ba go nna jalo ba arabela dikgang tse di ntseng jalo, tse di nopotsweng ke *Auditor General*.

Gongwe e bile o santse o ka dira gore fa e le gore *performance audit* e ntse jaana, ke dumela gore ga go itse sepe Tona, go na le batho ba o kgonang go ba dira jaaka ba *Local Government*, ba tsaya batho ba e leng gore ke ba ba fetileng, e bo e nna yone komiti. Gongwe *performance audit* o santse o ka tsaya tshwetso ya gore jaanong o batla go di tseela batho ba e leng gore *are experienced*, ba fetile, ba bo ba simolola go nna ba tlela tsone *fela to examine* maphata gore go se ka ga nna le *gap* gope ya gore dithoto tsa setšhaba ka fa re di neetsweng ka teng, ga re a di tshwara ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng. E bo e le gore Mapalamente, bo *Auditor General* le bo *Accountant General* ba ba fetileng ba na le *experience*, fa o aga *team* ya teng gore e simolole e bone gore *performance audits* le *specialised audits* a di dirilwe sentle, *have they been observed*, a go tsweng ba ba tshwanetseng gore ba bo ba baakantse tse di latelang, ba dirile.

Ke gakologelwa gore go ne ga nna le *performance audit* ya Omang wa dikgomo. Ga e ise e re le fa e le ka letsatsi lepe, ga ke bue ka mo ga *ear tags*, ke bua ka Omang yo o neng a jesiwa. Ga e ise e re le fa e le ka letsatsi



lepe go nne le nako e go neng ga nna le gore komiti e bitse ba *ministry*, e tle go ba bontsha *gaps* tse *Auditor General* a setseng a di supile. Jaanong ke tsone dikai tse ke lelang *to demonstrate* mme ke dikgang tse dintshintsi fela tse ke santseng ke ka bua ka *performance audits* tse di sa felelang *interrogating Accounting Officers* mo dikgannyeng tse ba *Auditor General* ba neng ba di bone.

Ke ne ke ntsha fela e le mogopolo gore fa e le gore go molemo go ka nna molemo, fa go le bosula go ka nna bosula gore o ka dirisa ba ba fetileng go netefatsa gore dikgang tse nako le nako di bo di tsewa ka manontlhotlho, di ya go fitlha kwa di tshwanetseng go fitlha teng Tona. Gongwe ke buile ka bokhutshwane e bile o ntsera ka tlhamalalo. Gongwe ga o a nkuhlwa le fa e le, ga o dumalane le nna mme go ntse go a amogelesega motlotlegi. Ke a leboga.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Reatile. Honourable Modukanele.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**(MR MODUKANELE):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo wa Komiti e e tlotlegang. Tla ke simolole fela ka go supa gore ke ema nokeng Rre Mthimkhulu mo pegong e a e re beileng pele. Ke tlaa siana ka bokhutshwanyane Modulasetilo, ke re kgang e tona e ke tsayang gore Ntlo e e a e dumalana, ke gore Ofisi ya ga *Auditor General* needs to be capacitated both in terms of quality and quantity. Re tshwanetse go bona gore fa go kgonagalang teng, re dira jang go thusa ofisi e ka tse di maleba Modulasetilo. Re ka se ka ra bua ka *Reset Agenda* kana tlhomontšha, re bo re tswelala *doing things* fela ka fa re tlwaetseng ka teng. *It cannot be business as usual Mr Chairperson*. Re tshwanetse go simolola go leba dilo ka leitlho le lengwe, le le rileng.

Ke batla go bua jaana *Mr Chairperson*, tota mme gone maikaelelo a *audit* nngwe le nngwe ke eng? Kana *audit* nngwe le nngwe ga re e direle go tomola ope ka lesolegolo kana *to punish anyone*. Ke go leka go bona gore fa go kgonagalang teng, re dira gore go tle go nne le bogakolodi gore dilo di dirwe ka tsela e e maleba. *It should be preventative in nature*. Re bone gore dilo ga di dirwe ka tsela ya bohahalele ka tsela epe Modulasetilo. Ke gone fa ke reng go botlhokwa gore *auditor; audits* tsa rona di nne di ntse di le fa pelenyana, ba siana fa pele ga maphata go bona gore ba a thusa, ba a gakolola gore *wastage* e go tilholwang go buiwa ka yone ya bo 37 per cent, ga e nne teng *Mr Chairperson*. Fa e sa nne teng, ke gone fa ditirelo tse dingwe tse gompiano re tlhaelang

gore re di dire, di bo di ka diragadiwa *Mr Chairperson*, di tshwana le tse ke letseng ke bua ka tsone tsa Kgaolo ya Lerala-Maunatlala le tse dingwe mo dikgaolong tse dingwe.

Sengwe se ke batlang go se bua ke gore fa re bua ka *capacitation of the Auditor General's Office*, re ka bona gore dilo tse dintsi tse gongwe di kwa thoko di bosula, ga di diragale. *Speaking where I am seated Mr Chairperson*, gone fa *Local Government*, fa le utlwa ke bua ka *capacity* ya ofisi e, ke ipotsa gore dikhansele di le kanakana jaaka mongwe a sa tswa go bua, re tshwanetse go dira ka bojotlhe go bona gore *they are being audited and* ka nako. Re dire *performance audits* go bona gore dilo tse dingwe ga di dirwe ka tshokamo.

Se sengwe se setona ke gore fa go nnileng le bohahalele teng, *we hold those responsible accountable*. Go botlhokwa Modulasetilo, *it cannot be business as usual. It cannot be an audit for the sake of auditing*. Re tlaabo e le gore jaanong re senya madi a ga Goromente *by so doing* re siana re netla. Re tshwanetse gore fa go nnileng le bohahalele teng, *those responsible are held accountable and there are consequences to their actions*. Jaanong ke supe jalo ke re *Mr Chairperson*, fa re kgonang teng, a re boneng gore dilo tseo di a diragala. *Gompiano we are in the era of digitisation*, re tshwanetse gore re dirise maranyane go bona gore re dira dilo ka nako mme a e re fa *reports* di gorogile, *Auditor General* a dirile ya gagwe le bana ba gagwe, *they should be acted upon*. Di se ka tsa etsa fale fa go neng go gotwe *reports* di phutha lerole fela.

Selo se setonatona *Mr Chairperson*, ke gore fa re bua ka *mindset change*, ke batla go boelela kgang e ke neng ke e bua le maabane gore *this mindset change should talk to us in the context* ya gore re dira eng se se maleba ka pharologano gore *we deliver services to* Motswana ka tsela e e farologaneng, re kgona *to deliver those services in time and* di le *quality*. Dilo tse tsotlhe ke gone fa ke reng le mo *audit* fa re e dira, re tshwanetse gore gompiano re e dire ka pharologano go na le jaaka re ne re ntse re dira *10 years ago Mr Chairperson*.

Ka mafoko one a, ke batla go bua gore fa e le gore *we can capacitate Auditor General*, kana *reports* tse di tlaa goroga ka nako, le bone ba di dira ka nako mme e le tsa *quality* e e maleba *Mr Chairperson*.

Ke batla go gatelela mafoko ao gore go botlhokwatlhokwa gore fa *report* e gorogile, e bo e le *understandable, simple and actionable*. Dilo tse di botlhokwa fa re





tswelela kwa pele ka gore ke gone fela fa re ka kgonang tse dingwe, tse go lebehang bangwe ba nna ba siana kwa pele ga rona. *Issues* tse di tshwanang le tse Mme Mma Makwinja a neng a bua ka tsone tsa *corruption*, kana *corruption* e e ka kgona gore re e nkgankge, re bo re bone gore fa go nkgangwe ka nako. E bo e le gore fa go kgonagalang teng *Mr Chairperson*, re bo re ka emisa ditiro tsa go nna jalo. Fa re di emisitse jaaka ke sa tswa go bua, tsone dithebenyana tseo tse gongwe di ka tsenang ka mosima kana motlhobodika, di bo di ya go dira tiro, di bona gore jaaka nna le Rraagwe Nkamo re tlhola re lela ka dipatela, gongwe di bo di ka bona tsela, go na le gore di tsene mo dipateng tse di neng di sa tshwanela go tsena mo go tsone, di bo di ka felela di thusa Batswana kwa mafelong one ao *Mr Chairperson*.

Ka one mafoko a, ke batla go tshepisa *Minister* gore ke mongwe wa ba ba go emang nokeng rra. A Palamente e go rebotelele madi ao mme fa go ne go kgonagala, re a itse gore re mo leshekereng madi ga a yo, *but in the future*, a e re fa seemo se tokafala, re bone gore o ka thusiwa jang *Minister to capacitate this office so that* e dire tiro ya yone ka bokgabane, gape e re thuse *to manage* madi a Batswana. Ka one ao Modulasetilo, ke a leboga.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Minister. Honourable Ambassador Kapinga.

**MR KAPINGA:** Thank you Mr Chairperson, I do not intend to speak on this issue.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Okay, thank you. It looks like I have to call upon you Honourable Minister to reply to the debate.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Ke simolole fela ke re ke leboga bakaulengwe botlhe, Mapalamente a a tlotlegang ba ba akgetseng mo kgannyeng e ya *Auditor General (AG)* le ba ba sa akgelang, ka ke lemoga fa ba lemoga botlhokwa jwa ofisi e ya AG le botlhokwa jwa tiro e e leng gore e dirwa ke AG.

Ke simolole fela ke bue ka mafoko a a neng a buiwa ke *Honourable* Dithapelo Keorapetse, a bua ka gore kana AG, Molaomotho o supa fa a le *independent*, mme ntswa go supafala e kare ga a *independent* ka gore ke fa re tlile go mo kopela madi. E bile gape a bo a boa a umaka le ka fa ofisi ya gagwe kana ka fa konteraka ya gagwe e dirilweng ka teng. Kakgelo e e ne ya boa gape e tswa le ka *Honourable* Reatile, a supa e kare

o a ngongorega ka *independence le tenure of office* ya ga AG. Nnyaa, bakaulengwe, tota Molaomotho o tlhamaletse, jaaka mokaulengwe a ne a bua fale ka *Section 124* gore AG o bereka jang, e bile *is appointed* jang, le yone *section* e e buang ka *the tenure of office* ya 114. Ke bue fela gore, jaaka Molaomotho o buang, fa AG a sena *to be appointed, what takes precedence*, se e leng gore se a lebelelwa go feta dilo tse tsotlhe, ke Molaomotho. Bakwadi ba makwalo ka re ne re kwala re batla re akantse dilo dingwe, mme *at the end of the day* go lebelelwa Molaomotho gore o tsamaya jang. E bile gape fa re tla e le gore go na le kgang nngwe e e ka tswang e tlhagoga, *at the end of the day* selo se se lebelelwang ga se mekwalo epe gape e e ka fa thoko, go lebelelwa mokwalo fela o motona o e leng gore ke one Molaomotho wa Botswana. Le se ka la etsaetsega, la tsietsega bakaulengwe ka *the independence* ya AG le ka *the tenure of office* ya ga AG. *As set in* ka Molaomotho wa Botswana, go ntse fela jalo, go tlhamaletse, e bile ga go a tshwanela gore ope a tsietsege ka tsone. Ka moo ke re, e bile ...

**MR MMOLOTSI:** *Clarification. Thank you very much Mr Chairperson, thank you Minister:* Ke ne ke re mme gongwe *Minister*, ke eng dikwalo fa di kwalwa, di sa kwalwe go lebilwe gore *Constitution* ya reng gona le gore *Constitution* e lebe kwa, lekwalo le bo le leba *the other direction*? Fa re le kwa PAC *we picked up* gore batho ba e leng gore *Constitution* ya re ba tlaa ntshiwa ke dingwaga, jaanong mme lekwalo la *appointment* lone ga le supe jalo. *Why is it like that?*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** Tota ga ke batle go tsena mo makwalong a a kwadilweng ka gore ga ke ise ke a bone. Fa ke go bolelela gore fa e le gore *there is any doubt* ka fa e leng gore lona le itshupa le ipelaetsa ka teng, re tshwanetse re itse gore *the Constitution is the one taking precedence*. Ke gore *whatever we do, cannot detract from what the Constitution stipulates, from what is provided for by the Constitution. We should all adhere to it.* Rotlhe re tshwanetse gore se re se dirang, re dire gore *it is in conformity with what is stipulated in the Constitution.* Ke ne ke le tshepisa gore *once the AG has been appointed, and she knows she has been appointed in accordance with the law, once she is in that office, then she knows.* Le ene kwa a leng teng, ke dumela gore o le tlhaloseditse gore o a itse gore *the Constitution takes precedence over everything else.* Jaanong ke yone fela e ke neng ke batla go e tlhamalatsa mo go lona. Re se ka ra e dira kgang ka gore rotlhe re a itse. Nna le wena Motlotlegi Rre Mmolotsi, re a itse gore le fa re ka tswa





re e dira kgang, mme go tlhamaletse, dilo di ntse jaana, e bile *some of these matters have been litigated before kwa courts tsa Botswana, tsa mafatshe a sele, mo go reng we know precedence is out there ya gore how we should treat them.*

Ke tswelile gape ke bue gore Motlotlegi Keorapetse o buile gape a tsosa kgang ya gore kana *there is a problem ya limitation ya the AG on the extent of what she can do in relation to parastatals. If that limitation is embedded in the law, mo Molaomothoeng wa lefatshe la Botswana, jaaka re ne re bua fela ka ene a le an independent office, a na le security of tenure, then there is very little we can do by talking here about it, unless we take steps. We are having the Constitutional Review e e tlang ya lefatshe la Botswana e e leng gore it has been set in Motion, of course it is being preceded ke the consultative process ya teng ya the Commission of Inquiry into the review of Constitution. When it comes, you will raise those issues at the appropriate time, but for now, there is very little that we can do but adhere to the letter of the law as is now, o e leng gore ke Molaomotho wa Botswana jaaka le batla re o obamela in other respects, re tlaa tswelile re ntse re o obamela. I can assure you that the AG is doing the best she can to audit tsone dibuka tsa Government institutions and parastatals. I was with her the day before yesterday, and she assured me, and I can assure this House that she is doing everything in her power to ensure that these things are done.*

*As for uncovering corruption jaaka Motlotlegi Mma Makwinja a bua, and of course some of the sentiments that were raised by Honourable Rre Keorapetse, ke ka bua fela gore reports have been made by the AG, go supa gore ga a ise a kgopakgopediwe gope. Motlotlegi Rre Keorapetse o ne a bua ka findings tsa the audit process e e neng e dirwa in respect of COVID-19 relief funds, a bua gore that process has uncovered a lot of irregularities or misappropriation of public funds. O ne a bua gore it has shown from that process, from that report that some COVID-19 premiers have overnight become like millionaires. Ke re golo mo go supa gore the AG o ne a dira tiro ya gagwe ka matsetsseleko, e bile a sa tshosediwwe ke ope if she made those findings when we were at the height of a pandemic and it was also a State of Emergency (SoE) mo lefatsheng la Botswana. These too go supa gore despite that, there was confidence in that office such that she was allowed to do her job, her responsibility without fear of anyone. The report that some of us are making a lot of noise about, we should be commending that office of the Auditor General gore she*

*is doing a brilliant job. You should be commending the leadership of this country that it allowed the AG to do her job even during SoE.*

**MR MOSWAANE:** *Clarification Mr Chairperson. Thank you so much Honourable Minister. Go na le nngwe report kwa PAC e e supang gore go ne ga rekwa dingwe ditante tse di belaetsegang e le tsa Camp Dubai mme di rekwa ke Office of the President (OP). Mo go rekweng ga tsone, di bo di nyelela gone foo go ya ka report ya ga AG, a bo e bile gotwe di neetswe balaodi, ga go itsiwe gore di ile kae. A kgang e Minister, o ka tswa o e gakologelwa, kana fa o sa e gakologelwe, ke tle ke go romelele pampitshana ya teng o tlhotlhomise gore naare ditante di ka rekwa di le disha e bo e bile di nyelela, tse go belaetsegang e ne e le tsone tse di dirisiwang kwa Camp Dubai mo BDP Congress. Thank you so much.*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** *Gakere o a bona gore jaanong o bo o simolola o tsenya dilo tse di seyong fa pele ga rona, insinuating gore things were diverted, they were stolen from the Government?*

**MR MOSWAANE:** *No, ke report fela, ga se nna.*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** *Ga go nne sentle, report eo ga ke ise ke e bone, o tlaa e tlisa kwa go nna. Fela mme ga go nne sentle gore when we are discussing this issue ya AG and how it should be acted upon, wena o bo o tlisa dilo tse di kwa thoko. Why did you not go and report that matter to the police so that action can be taken...*

**MR MOSWAANE:** *Ka re report ya Auditor General, le ne le gana go e araba.*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** *I think those who have misappropriated things... Anyway, ga gore sepe Mr Moswaane.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Minister, o se ka wa araba gatwe. Batswana ga ba batle gatwe.*

**MR MOSWAANE:** *A ko o iketle Mma Monnakgotla, wa itse. Just keep quiet once fela o itumedise Mr Monnakgotla wa itse. O a borega the way you behave ka teng. Thank you.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *You are out of order Mr Moswaane. O ka se ke o...*

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** *O a itse Rre Moswaane gore o dule mo tseleng fela thata. Ke ne ke re ke a mo araba, o nthusitse Rre Morwaeng, gore ke se ka ka tswa mo tseleng jaaka ene.*



Rre Modukanele, ke dumalana le wena gore *the Auditor General must be capacitated. As much as we are sitting here, we wish gore re tshwanetse to capacitate*, jaaka go builwe gore *there is a problem* ya kwa dikhanseleng kana *other agencies tsa Government* tse di diegang ka *this information that is required by the Auditor General to report. When I spoke to her, she assured me that there have been a lot of progress. In fact, quite number of audits have been completed. What is awaiting is the actual printing of them or the release of those audit reports by the Auditor General. So, le tlaa di bona mo malatsing a a latelang di tla ka mmalwa. O ntsholofeditse gore a lot of them have been done, go setse fela the production of those reports. Di tshwanetse di dirwe.*

Re dumela gore go ya kwa pele, selemo sa rona se re neng re lela ka sone gore *audit reports* di a diega, bangwe ba ne ba bua gore di tla morago ga lebaka, batho ba setse ba dule mo ditirong. *It will be addressed because they have been able to catch up and again, mo kopong e re e dirang e, there is where they want now to digitise and automate their processes so that they become even more quicker and faster to be released.*

E nngwe gape e ne e le ya ga mokaulengwe, ke dumela gore ke Rre Reatile, a re *people were denied access* kwa *Ministry of Youth. I do not want to talk for the Ministry of Youth, but ke dumela gore Auditor General* ga a tla le ene, ga a tshwanela go tla fela jaaka legodu la bosigo kana leso le tla le sa laela. Go tshwanetse gore fa go tliwa kwa go bone, go bo go tliwa fela go tlhamaletse sentle gotwe “*ke etla koo ka di kana, ke tlele to audit.*” Sengwe le sengwe se tlhamalale sentle, *unless* go na le sengwe se se dirwang se se neng se sa itsagale. Gongwe e le tiro e e dirwang ka sephiri, kana e dirwa ba bangwe ba sa itse. Fa a tla, ba tshwanetse ba mmaakanyetse dipampiri gore a fitlhele di ntse di le *well on paper trail* ya teng e a e batlang. E se ka ya re fa a tsena a bo a re ke batla se, ga se yo. *Everything that is done by Government leaves behind a paper trail ya whatever* se se diragalang *unless* mongwe a e senya. *It will always be there and I do not believe that is what the civil servants of this country will do, unless e le people accuse* ka sengwe gape.

Ke dumela gore ke le arabile lotlhe bakaulengwe ba me, ba ba neng ba akgela.

**MINISTER OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT (MR RAKGARE):** Elucidation. Thank you. If you allow Mr Chair.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Yes, Minister, proceed.

**MR RAKGARE:** *Thank you so much. Honourable Mthimkhulu, we have nothing to hide. I have always maintained* gore fa re santse re tshwere marapo a re a tshwereng, ope o gololesegile gore o ka tla go tlhodumela *what we do because* re fa go tla go dira tiro ya Puso *not to hide anything*. Ke a bo ke tshwenngwa ke mo go tlaabo go tla e le mabarebare a le rona re sa itseng lepele le morago la one. *I think* mo gongwe e a bo e le maikaelelo a *to tarnish* tse Puso e di dirang go sena sepe se se kalokalo se motho a se buang, se le maleba go na le lepele le morago.

Ke fete ka mafoko a a ntseng jalo *Honourable Mthimkhulu*, ke re ga go na le fa e le sepe, le fa e le sepe. Ba re dirang le bone ba a itse gore e bile ga re tshikinyege fa re bua ka *corruption. We are very clear* gore *we will not tolerate* dilo tse di duleng mo tseleng. *Never!* Ga re ka ke tsa tshameka ka madi a Batswana ka tsela e e ntseng jalo *and anybody who engages* mo ditirong tse di sa nnang sentle tsa tshenyo, *will go immediately*. Fa e le sengwe re tlaa seka mme a seyo mo lephateng. Ke a leboga.

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** Ke boammaaruri *Honourable Rakgare*, ke dumalana le wena. Ke ne ke bua gore tota mafoko a o a buang, ke gore fa *Auditor General* a batla sengwe kwa *ministry* wa gago, dikgoro di butswa. Jaanong ga o ka ke wa tla fela phakela o tsena mo ofising, o ya go fitlhela motho yo o tshwarang dibuka a seyo. Ke itse go rulagannngwa, go kwalwa lekwalo gore ke tla koo ka di kana, *unless* go na le sengwe se ke sa se itseng. Se e leng gore mongwe o ne a batla go tsosa mathata le modumo kana a batla go bua dikgang ka fa o buang ka teng.

Jaanong *before* ke tswala, Rre Letsholathebe o buile ka thutuntsho. O a ngongorega ka madi a a fokoditsweng a thutuntsho ya babereki ba kwa *Auditor General*. Ba tlhoka gore ba rutuntshiwe gore ba nne le dithutego tse di rileng, jaaka tsa *forensics, audit* le eng, le eng. Ke a go utlwa Rre Letsholathebe, re go utlwile sentle fela thata. Go ne go na le *shortage* ya madi a se kalokalo, a sa lekane sengwe le sengwe. Ke dumela gore ba go utlwile, re go utlwile, e tlaa re nako e e tlang, *these concerns will be addressed* ka fa tshwanelong.

Rre Keorapetse o ne a re, Permanent Secretaries (PSs) *treat the Auditor General as their peer*. Nnyaa, ga ke dumalane le gone moo. Ba ka tswa ba lekana ka *scale* ka fa o buang ka teng, mme ditiro tsa bone di a



farologana. *Everybody has his or her own responsibility defined by the law.* Fa motho a tla a dira tiro ya gagwe ka fa molaong, ga o ka ke wa re o lekana le ene ka gore o dira tiro ya gagwe. Fa *Judge* a tla, ga a ka ke a kgopakgopetsa *Attorney General, Attorney General* ga a ka ke a kgopakgopetsa *Judge, DPP, kana Auditor General.*

*These are Government officials that have been set up by the Constitution. Their respective functions have been clearly spelt out by the Constitution.* Ga go na gope fa gotweng yo mongwe o lekana le yo mongwe kana ga a lekane le yo mongwe, nnyaa. Ba dira ditiro tse di farologanyeng. Madi ke madi, *but* ditiro *and responsibilities* di farologanye. *Responsibility* ya ga *Auditor General* ga e tshwane gotlhelele le ya ga *PS, Judge* kana *DPP*, ga di tshwane. Botlhe ba a itse gore fa ba bereka, *they work independent of each other.*

Jaanong ke wetsa kwa bokhutlong *Mr Chairperson*, ke re, *this conclude my budget proposals for the office of the Auditor General and I request that the sum of P92,970,080 be approved and stand part of the 2022/2023 estimates. I move accordingly. Thank you Mr Chairperson.*

Question put and **agreed to.**

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** Honourable Members, that concludes the matters on the Order Paper and may I call upon the Leader of the House, His Honour the Vice President (VP) to move a Motion of adjournment.

#### MOTION

#### ADJOURNMENT

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ka gore o kopile gore re setse re feditse tiro ya letsatsi le, re tle eme gone fa. Ke kopa gore Ntlo e dumalane le kopo ya gago. Ke a leboga.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Next time go mover nna, re lekana ka maemo.*

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

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 17:21 p.m. until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.





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