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Thursday 7th April, 2022

THE ASSEMBLY met at 11:00 a.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

P R A Y E R S

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**ADOPTION OF THE REPORTS OF THE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE,
LANDS AND HOUSING**

**CHAIRPERSON OF AGRICULTURE, LANDS
AND HOUSING COMMITTEE (MR REATILE):**

Thank you Mr Speaker. Good morning Mr Speaker, and thank you for giving us the opportunity to present the report. Mr Speaker, I stand before this Honourable House to present the reports on the activities and findings of the Committee on Agriculture, Lands and Housing for the years 2020 and 2021.

Mr Speaker, this report is an account of interactions with critical stakeholders under the mandate of the committee. Some of the engagements were done at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, during the time when borders were closed, while some are more recent.

Mr Speaker, in terms of the mandate of the Agriculture, Lands and Housing Committee, our responsibility is to ensure that Government interventions relating to the Agriculture, Land management and Housing sectors are delivered within the provisions of the laws are affordable, that is within the budget and relevant or meet the needs of the people.

The committee's expectation is that given the critical need to address issues of food security in this country, it is imperative to develop strategy within the agriculture sector and grow it from its current infancy to an economic engine before the minerals were discovered. In achieving this, there is also a need for greater accountability on planning and performance by the various stakeholders tasked with such responsibility.

As a landlocked net importer of most commodities, Botswana finds itself in a rather precarious position, especially during times of crisis as highlighted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The country's over-reliance on our neighbouring countries for almost every good consumed locally, including food exposes us to external vulnerabilities.

Moreover, our vulnerability is further exacerbated by aridness and mostly poor soils. This challenge is further compounded by climate change which presents further risks to a sector whose productivity is already declining and without meaningful strategies to harvest, recycle and re-use water to support agriculture production, this sector may never realise its full potential.

Mr Speaker, there is an urgent need to address issues of the national head and food security, our agricultural support systems and regulatory framework if we are to achieve food security.

In considering some of the Legislative framework under the agro sector, we found that most of the laws in place are very old and have been surpassed by new and emerging challenges. Our Agriculture Policy was developed over 40 years ago and current developments tell us we need a new framework to raise this sector from its slumber.

In the committee's interactions with role players in the affected areas, it is evident that lack of access to productive land and basic shelter further compounds our food and housing security situation.

Currently, the country is saddled with long waiting lists for land allocations in both state and tribal land dating as far back as 30 years. In addition, many still demand a roof over their heads. These challenges require that we review our current strategies as a country and put in place robust and sustainable interventions, which have the potential to transform this country into a high-income economy.

Land is not an infinite resource and we now need to be thinking if the waiting lists for Gaborone as an example, does it make sense, when we know very well that there is no more land available. Can we attempt to address housing needs with the few remaining parcels of land as a thought perhaps Mr Speaker?

Mr Speaker, Botswana can never attain meaningful economic emancipation and participation if they cannot access land and derive value from that land. To empower Botswana, we need to provide land to them as we already have supporting policies and laws to facilitate businesses participation and other ventures.

In a nutshell, the Agriculture, Lands and Housing Committee took these things into consideration when it embarked on public hearings across the country to facilitate dialogue with stakeholders and the public



on key issues affecting the sectors under its mandate. When we talk about the public hearings Mr Speaker, we managed to travel along the Limpopo River, Molopo River and the Chobe River. That is where Batswana that we have managed to visit and interact with.

Mr Speaker, primarily, our concern was to appreciate where we are missing it as a country on issues affecting the country's food security, to end up with persistent outcries from various producers and industry stakeholders. The COVID-19 pandemic also brought to light the need for the country to seriously assess its food production capacity and ability to feed the nation.

It is our conviction Mr Speaker, as an Oversight Committee that the agriculture sector in particular, holds the key to our country's prosperity and employment creation. There are numerous opportunities under the sector, provided, we create a conducive environment for it to thrive. There are many Batswana out there Mr Speaker, who are keen on growing this sector and contributing to making it our economic flagship and they require facilitation through a robust policy framework.

In that regard, this report is an outcome of efforts from many stakeholders through their input to the committee. This report carries the aspirations of Kasper, a small stock farmer in the sand dunes of Rappelspan in Kgalagadi South; it carries the thoughts of the people at Lobu and echoes on the sentiments of the people of Bray, also from Kgalagadi South; the commercial farmers doing wonderful work in Mosisedi who have to contend with persistent droughts; *bo Rre Molale ka fa*.

This report reflects the dreams of the people at Sunny Side Dairy and the dream by the Lobatse Town Council for Milk Africa to come to life and change its economy; this report echoes the dreams of the beneficiaries of Serowe Milk Collection plant which today lies idle, and has never really reached a full operational capacity.

This report talks to the heartbeat of those determined cohort of producers of Dikabeya and Shashe River Agroprojects, the Pandamatenga farmers toiling amidst wild animals and remain undeterred, the farmers in the SPEDU Region, Talana farms and its workers, the people of Bobirwa struggling with the cross border cattle rustling, and shortage of arable land, JP Roos, a beneficiary of CEDA Young farmers Fund and his counterparts in the Tuli, who contribute to feed the nation and neighbouring country because they are exporting to the west of Botswana.

This report is an outcome of inputs by among others, many patriotic Batswana who want to make difference through agriculture, and ensure we attain food nutrition security. It is words from Botswana Dairy, Poultry, Beef producers, and Horticulture Associations; the dreams of patriots like Mr Monty Chiepe, Pula Institute of Town Planners, Botswana Veterinarians Association, Agricultural Graduates Association and many others, that this Committee has interacted with over the past two years.

Mr Speaker, I have to pass many thanks to the Secretariat of this Committee, and the Clerk of National Assembly for making sure that they facilitated the Committee in travelling from south to north, east to west, to make sure that we interact with the people.

Mr Speaker, I have to thank the Members of this Committee who have availed themselves, making sure that the Committee is always forming the quorum, we have never struggled with a quorum since we have been constituted as the Committee under this portfolio Mr Speaker.

I have to give thanks to you Honourable Speaker, and may the merciful God, give you guidance while you still keep on leading us in this august House Mr Speaker.

It is our expectation of the Committee that there will be more contributions from all of us on the issue raised above, and the report will hopefully receive the blessings and adoption by this august House.

Mr Speaker, I move that the report of the Committee on Agriculture, Lands and Housing for 2020/2021 be adopted. Mr Speaker, I humbly submit the report before this House. I thank you.

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE): On a point of procedure. Procedure *ya me ke gore, kana* we appreciate the reports as they are presented, *mme fela* I think there is going to be a gap in terms of the way we attend our Parliament these days virtually, *ka gore* normally you would expect that you get the write-up or the presentation, *o bo o kgona gore* now you can remember everything that has been said, but without the presentation, then it becomes difficult sometimes to follow-up on certain issues that have been presented. It is a very critical report, well presented, but we do not have the copy of the report. *Ga ke itse gore* in the future *fa go ka dirwa jang*, can they not be sent virtually before the presentation, because there is a presentation, and



there is a report itself. Presentations really I meant to be lucid, and to enable us to catch-up with the report, they are like a summary of the report. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMAND): Thank you Vice President (VP). I suppose *ke mathata a mangwe a tlang ka* virtual sitting of Parliament. We can go and find a way around it by asking Honourable Members who are presenting to give the Clerk of Parliament copies of their statements, which can then be sent to Honourable Members for ease of reference, rather than relying on their memories as you say VP, it is a matter which is not impossible to deal with. Thank you very much for alerting us to that difficulty.

MR REATILE: Sorry Mr Speaker. Thank you Mr Speaker. I note the concern of Honourable Leader of the House, and I will make sure that we do deposit the statement into the 12th Parliament folder for access of ease reference for the members.

MR SPEAKER: Now to the debate, Honourable Morwaeng? Oh! they are not on this list, sorry. I want people who are talking on the matter at hand.

MR LUCAS (BOBONONG): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Le nna ke ithalose kwa tshimologong fela gore ke leloko la komiti e ya *Agriculture*. Modulasetilo wa me o begile kgang ka tsela fela ya botswerere, le fa letsatsi leno a ne a le mo Sekgoeng, mme fela dikgang ke tsone.

Sengwe sa dilo tse re neng ra di bua le ba ba amegang mo temothuong, ke gore go setse go tsere lebaka le le lee jaanong re bua ka *policy* ya *agriculture*, e e leng teng gompieno, e na le dingwaga di feta 30 *years*. E kgologolo mo e leng gore jaanong ga e sa tlhole e itepatepantse le tse di tlhagang gompieno, tse di amanang le *agriculture*. E bile go supafala gore mo ditshetlaneng tse dingwe tse di amang bo *genetically modified food*, le tse dingwe, e saletse kwa morago fela thata. Gone moo ka bogone, ke tlhaelo nngwe e e batlang gore e ithaganelelewe. Kana tsholofetso ya gore *policy* e tlaa nna teng, e ntse e buiwa mo di Palamenteng ka go farologana gotwe e etla, e etla, mme nako kgolo ke eno, *policy* e e lebege e kete jaanong ga e bonale. Gone moo, mme go tlile go dira gore go nne thata gore re le lefatshe re kgone go gatela pele mo *sector* e ya temothuo. E le ntlha ya ntlha e ke neng ke re ke e gatelele, e e builweng gape ke Modulasetilo.

Ke supe gape gore, go ne go le matshwenyego a mantsi mo go ba re neng re kopana le bone, matshwenyego a gore ga go a re siamela re le lefatshe gore re bo re jeswa

ke mafatshe a mangwe, mo e leng gore gone moo letsatsi le gongwe re ka sekang ra utlwana, go ka fitlhela e le gore tlaa e ka re etela ka bofelo re le Batswana. Gone moo ba re neng re kopana le bone, ba ne ba tshwenyega ka gone fela thata, mme ba supa gore kana fa o bona re santse re jesiwa mo mabeleng *or* lesika loo mabele, mmidi, re jesiwa re bo re *depend* mo mafatsheng a mangwe, kgotsa re ikaegile ka mafatshe a mangwe mo go tse di tshwanang mashi jalo go supa gore re santse re saletse kwa morago. Re santse re jesiwa ke mafatshe a mangwe fa go tsena mo dikgannyeng tse di tshwanang *fruits* ka go farologana ga tsone, le fa re ntse re beile mo mafatsheng a mangwe, bogolo jang lefatshe la Aferika Borwa. Ba le ba ntsi ba ne ba supa gore seemo se se tshwanetse gore se ithaganelelewe gore re se ka ra iphitlhela re le lefatshe re jesiwa ke mafatshe a mangwe, ga go a re siamela.

Go ne go supafala gape gore ba re neng re bua le bone, ba ne ba na le matshwenyego thata ka gore ga go na thulaganyo fela e e faphegileng ya gore mme lefatshe la Botswana le thusa jang batho ba ba batlang go lema mme ba na le bothata jwa metsi.

Water for agriculture policy or programme, ga e yo. Ga go na thulaganyo fela e e reng fa o na le phisego kgotsa le keletso e tona ya go lema, mme o sena metsi, Puso e ka go thusa jang. Gone moo ka bo gone, ba le bantsi ba ne ba lela ka gore go tshwanetse ga nna le thulaganyo fela ya gore Puso e thuse batho gore ba nne le metsi mo masimong a bone.

Ke kgang e tona e e kileng ya ba ya tsena ka *Motion* wa ga Rre Wynter Mmolotsi, mme ke kgang e e leng teng mo bathong, mo dikgaolong gore nnyaa, ba batla thuso e ba ka e bonang gore ba kgone go epa didiba, ba kgone go bona metsi, le fa e le ka matamo tota. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse di neng tsa buega di le kwa godimo thata, e bile di botlhokwa, di tshwanetse go salwa morago ke Lephata la *Agriculture*.

Sengwe sa dilo tse di neng tsa buega tse di tshwenyang fela thata, ke mo re go bitsang re re ke *Government subsidies on agriculture*. Diphokoletso tse Puso e di dirang mo mananeong a a farologaneng. Kgang ya gore batho ba kgona go thusiwa go teratela masimo a bone, mme e le gore motho o tshwanetse go ntsha sephatlo sa seo, se e leng gore ke boturu jwa go teratela tshimo, go lebege e kete jaanong kwa bofelong, mananeo a a felela a sologela molemo ba ba nang le letseno kana madi a go duela sephatlo se sengwe. Fa o sena madi gotlhelele a go duela sephatlo se sengwe, o ka eletsa, o ka *apply*, mme



fa go setse gotwe tshimo ya gago e tlhoka gore wena o ntshe P10 000, Puso e ntshe P10 000, go raya gore gone moo go a pala, go bo go kgona fela ba ba berekang le bo radikgwebo, batho fela kwa magaeng kwa Bobonong, Semolale le Gobojango, ba sa bereke, go ne go lebega gore tota ba a babalelwa.

Go ne go tlhokafala gore ba ba babalelwang ka gore ga ba na letseno, gongwe go nna le thulaganyo ya go ba thusa gore e nne bone ba ba ka kgonang go bona phokoletso e e oketsegileng go na le gore phokoletso e tshwantshannngwe fela le ya Mopalamente, o kgona go bona terata, motho yo o sa berekeng gotlhelele a le kwa Tsetsebjwe le ene gatwe ba lekana fela, ba fokoletswa ka 50 per cent. Gone moo go ne go na le matshwenyego a re neng ra kopana le one gore jaanong kwa bofelong, batho ba ba nang le letseno ke bone ba kgonang go bona diphokoletso tseo.

Go ne go tshwana le ya Integrated Support Programme for Arable Agriculture Development (ISPAAD) *horticulture*, le yone fela jalo molemi o ntsha 50 per cent, Puso e ntsha 50 per cent. Jaanong ba ba kgonang gore ba duele 50 per cent yo mongwe, ke bone ba ba nang le letseno. Ba ba nang le keletso le phisego ya go dira, mme ba sena letseno, ba palelwa ke go duela 50 per cent yo, go bo go raya gore ba ba nang le keletso e bile ba kgona, mme e le gore ga ba na madi, ba felela e le gore jaanong ga ba kgone go bona thuso mo mananeong a go nna jalo. Re ne re le kwa bo Dikabeya, re utlwa batho ba supa gone jalo gore nnyaa, rona jaanong 50 per cent yo gotweng re mo ntshe, ke ene yo o re palelang, mme gone re ne re na le keletso e bile re ne re ka kgona go dira temo fela e e duleng mabogo. Mathata a rona jaanong e nna gore ga re na *contribution* e e buiwang ya 50 per cent. Gone moo re tshwanetse ra go ela tlhoko, go ne ga buiwa ke batho ba le bantsi thata, mme e bile re tshwanetse ra bona gore re baakanya seemo se gore yo o kobodikhutshwane le ene, mme a na le kitso le phisego ya go lema, a kgone go bona thuso e e ka mo kgontshang go lema.

Mananeo a mangwe a a leng teng a tshwana le bo Livestock Management and Infrastructure Development (LIMID), re ne re kgona go kopana le batho ba ba supang gore ee, LIMID e teng, e thusitse batho ba bangwe, mme jaanong bothata jwa teng ke gore o kgona go fola lebaka le le leele. Re ne re kgona go tsena mo Kgotleng, batho ba bua gore ke sale ke filwe lekwalo la gore ke tlaa fiwa dipodi ka 2017, yo mongwe a re nna e bile ka 2016, mme ga re ise re bo re bone thuso epe. Go tshwanetse ga fefosiwa, ga itlhaganelelwa gore

fa e le gore jaanong motho o ikopetse, mme e bile a le *approved*, o tshwanetse a thusiwa ka bofefo jo bo rileng, ka gore batho ba eme fela lebaka le le leele, mela ya teng e lebega e le meelele thata. Batho ba ne ba bua ka dikgang tse gore go botlhokwa thata gore fa ba solofeditswe thuso, ba e bone nako e santse e le teng, ba se ka ba tsaya lebaka le le kalo.

Lenaneo la LIMID go ne go na le ba ba neng ba supa gore mo dintlheng dingwe tsa lefatshe la Botswana, le itebagantse fela le go neela batho dipodi gongwe le dinku, mme mo bontlheng bongwe jwa lefatshe, le kgona go thusa batho ka dithuso tse dingwe tse di tshwanang le go epela leruo metsi, mme ba re go tshwanetse ga nna *uniform*. Ga tshwana fela gore kwa Bobirwa, Tswapong le Kgalagadi, fa e le gore lenaneo le le na le thulaganyo ya go epa didiba, go lebege gore nnyaa, mme le gone koo batho ba ka thusiwa. Go ne go supafala gore nnyaa, mme go thatanyana mo mafelong a mangwe. Go lebilwe fela mo dipoding, mme fa go tsenwa mo thusong ya go epela leruo metsi, go ne go lebega e kete mo mafelong a mangwe ga go na thuso e batho ba e bonang. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse di tshwanetseng ra di ela tlhoko, mme e bile ra di sala morago. Ba lephata le le amegang, selo se ba se tsenye leitlho, ba bone gore se a diragadiwa.

Kana komiti e gape e ne e amana le dikgang tsa lefatshe, mme mo dikgannyeng tsa lefatshe jaaka re tshela re ntse re supa, le yone Palamente e supa, batho ba le bantsi ba emetse ditsha tsa bonno, go tsaya lebaka le le leele gore motho a kgone go bona setsha sa bonno. Mo ditoropong gone e bile go le *worse*, ka gore mo ditoropong di tshwana le bo Gaborone, go na le batho ba ba nang le bo 25 years ba emetse ditsha. Kwa bo Francistown go na le batho ba ba emetseng ditsha *for* bo 23 years. Gone foo batho ba le bantsi ba ne ba supa matshwenyego ao, go ema mo go kanakana ga go a lebana. Kwa garona kwa Bobonong, o fitlhela batho ba sale ba *apply ka* 2005, ga ba ise ba bone ditsha. Ke dilo tse di neng di buiwa ke batho mo kgannyeng ya lefatshe.

Lefatshe gape go ne go buiwa ka la kgwebo gore kana re bua gantsintsi re re batho ba tshwanetse go inyalanya le dikgwebo, mme jaanong go bona lefatshe la kgwebo mo Botswana gompieno, go thata fela mo batho ba le bantsi ba ba batlang go dira dikgwebo, ba hirisa lefatshe, *profits*-nyana tse ba di bonang, bogolo jang banana, *profits* tsa teng di jewa ke *rents* tsa lefatshe. Batho ba le bantsi ba ne ba ntse ba supa jalo gore nnyaa, a re ko re itebaganye le kgang e ya go neela banana bogolo jang lefatshe la dikgwebo gore ba se ka ba hirisa lefatshe le le felelang le jele *profits* tsa bone. Fela jalo le lefatshe



la masimo, ba le bantsi ba batla go lema, ditiro ga di yo, mme ga ba kgone go bona tshimo, fa gongwe ba a solofediwa gore nnyaa, mme o bone lefelo la tshimo, go bo go tsaya lebaka le le leele ba sa neelwe tshimo eo. Fa gongwe gotwe nnyaa, ke lefelo la tshimo. Fa go tshwanetse gore go abiwe gatwe nnyaa, ga o ka ke wa abelwa foo, ke lefelo la moraka, mme motho yoo a biditswe a tswa kwa Kasane, a tswa kwa kae, a biditswe kwa *land board* e tshwana le ya Bobonong fela jalo, kgotsa a biditswe a tswa kwa Bobonong a ya kwa bo Tsabong. Seemo seo o fitlhela se tshwenya fela thata. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse Modulasetilo a di buileng, mme ke ne ke re ke di gatelele, gore ba ba amegang le bone dikgang tse ba ko ba di sale morago, re bone gore go nna le tokafatso ya matshelo a batho ba lefatshe la Botswana. *Thank you very much Mr Speaker.*

MR LEUWE (TAKATOKWANE): *Thank you Mr Speaker. Good morning Mr Speaker.* Ke a dumedisatlotlegi. Le nna ke ne ke re ke amogele *report* ya ga Modulasetilo, e e *well-detailed*, le fa ke le sebete se molangwana gore o kare e ganeletse thata kwa *agriculture*, kwa go tsa lefatshe, le ntswa le tsone di e ama, ga di a dirwa thata. Mme fela ke supe fela ka botlalo jaaka Motlotlegi Lucas a sa tswa go supa gore Batswana ba solofetse go le go ntsi thata *after this report*. Bogolo jang jaaka lekoko la gago Modulasetilo, le ne le tsamaya kwa Batswaneng. Ba ne ba nna le tsholofelo e e kwa godimo thata gore fa ba bone komiti e e tswang kwa Palamenteng, ba bone Palamente, ba bone Goromente *and* ba dumela gore Palamente ke yone fela e e ka ba inolang mo manokonokong a ba leng mo go one.

Re dumela gore morago ga pego ya gago le *report* e Palamente e sena go nna e e amogela, Batswana ba tlaa bona se ba se solofetseng Modulasetilo. Go supafala ka botlalo gore Batswana ba santse ba na le selelo se se tonatona thata sa go batla banka ya temothuo. Banka fela e e itebagantseng le temothuo ka gore tse dingwe tse ga di ba direle *justice*, ga di ba direle se ba se solofetseng, ga di ba direle ka fa ba eletsang ka teng, *because* temo yone fela ka boyone *Mr Speaker, is very seasonal*, e na le nakonyana ya yone.

Jaanong o tlaa fitlhela dibanka tse dingwe tse di sa lebelele seemo seo, mme gongwe fa e ka re go ntse go tswetse, jaaka ba solofeditswe gore ba tlaa bona pego fela e e nonofileng morago ga go etelwa ke Mapalamente, ga nna le banka fela e e itebagantseng le bone, e e itseng gore temo e *seasonal*. Ba tshwanetse gore fa ba adima madi, kgotsa ba tlhoka sengwe, ba bo ba itse gore ba se tlhoka mo lebakeng le le rileng, *as*

opposed to dibanka tse dingwe tse di nang le *terms* tsa tsone tsa go adima madi. Go ka lebosega thata fa go ka nna le banka eo. Batswana ba eletsa thata go nna le banka ya mofuta o, e e itebagantseng fela le bone. E e bileng ba dumela gore e ka nna le morokotsonyana o o botoka, gona le o o dirwang ke dibanka tse dingwe.

Batswana ba sebete se molangwana thata ka kgang ya ISPAAD yo mosh. Ga a ise a goroge kwa go bone, mme ba utlwalela dikgang, ba a botsa ga gona dikarabo. Go botlhokwa gore ba ka bo ba sa bolo go itse nako e le teng, ba tlhalosediswa, ba bona gore ba ipaakanyetsa seemo seo jang, ka gore karabo e ne e ntse e re, nnyaa re a baakanya, re a tlhabolola. Jaanong go ba tlatsa dimpana, ba ipotsa gore a tlhabololo e, e ya go re thusa, go ya go diragala eng kgotsa e ya go re tlhoka eng se re yang go se tlhoka mo lebakeng le le rileng. Ba eletsa go ipona ba boleletswe ka paakanyo ya ISPAAD.

Le gompieno jaana Batswana ba ntse ba a lela *Mr Speaker*. Ba mo masimong ba a roba, *but even up to now* ga go ise go balwe mo masimong. Ke sengwe sa dikgoreletsi tse Batswana ba lelang ka tsone gore, go tsaya lebaka gore ba thusiwe. Go bo go ba kgoba marapo, bogolo jang fa o ka ya kwa bananeng. Banana ke batho ba ba berekelang mo nakong, fa a kgaogantse nako ya gagwe ka ditiro, o eletsa gore tiro nngwe le nngwe e je nako ya yone, e nngwe e se ka ya ya go fetelela kwa go ya e nngwe. Jaanong fa o ya go tsena mo bogompionong, go setse go rojwa go ise go balwe, monana jaanong o setse a fela pelo mo go mo itsapisang.

Ke eletsa go supa gore, batho botlhe ba komiti e e tsamaileng kwa go bone ke ba lebojele *their contributions*, ka gore go supile gore Batswana ba a eletsa, e bile ba na le lerato le tumelo ya gore temothuo e ka isa lefatshe la Botswana golo gongwe. Gongwe fela rona ke rona ba re sa ba feng *support* e e *enough*. *We are giving them the support, but the support is not enough* go ya ka fa ba buang ka teng, tota le go ya ka fa le rona re neng re lebile seemo ka teng, ka gore le nna ke le leloko la komiti ya ga Rre Reatile, re lemogile seemo seo gore Batswana ba bua nnete, e bile fa re ka ba ema nokeng ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng, ka fa go tlhokafalang ka teng, ba ka kgona *to achieve* se re se batlang.

Batswana ba santse ba na le selelo se se tona thata ka kgang ya *clustering of* balemisi, gore nnyaa a re boeleng kwa marakanelong a ditsela. Mo o tlaa fitlhelang gotwe molemisi o okametse metse e le mebedi, e le meraro, mme go sa tewe metse go tewa temo, mme a se na *transport*, ke sone se ke reng re a ba thusa, *but it is not*



enough. Ke sone seleso sa Batswana, se re eletsang gore morago ga pego ya komiti e, go nne le pharologanyo.

Batswana ba santse ba eletsa gore go ka boelwa fa morago, gore ba tle ba kgone go tsena botlhe sentle mo temong; ba ba dikobo dikhutshwane, ba ba dikobo di fa gare le ba dikobo tse di telele, fa go na le Setswana se se rialong sa dikobo di telele, a go boe go tliwiwe (*introduce*) *that system ya contribution in kind*, e se ka ya nna kgang ya madi fela gore o ntsha 50 *per cent*, Goromente o ntsha 50 *per cent* e le *hard cash*. Ba gakologelwa gore e ne ya re gore ba kgone go teratela masimo a bone fa moragonyana fale, go ne go dirwa mo gotweng *contribution in kind*. Go kgonwa gore gotwe wena tsamaya o ye go rema dipale tsotlhe tsa tshimo, rona re tlaa go neela terata. Ba re a go boe go nne jalo, gongwe go ka kgona go ba thusa gore ba kgone go teratelela masimo a bone, ba kgone go dira ditiro tsa bone tsa temothuo.

Se sengwe se ba eletsang gore ba thusiwe thata ka sone, ke kgang ya *clusters*. *Clusters* di a thusiwa, *but* ga ba dumele gore go gorogilwe tota kwa go tshwanetseng teng, ka gore o tlaa fitlhela fa gongwe ba na le molemisi a le mongwefela, mme a sa lebagana le *cluster* eo fela. Fa ke ka baya sekai jaaka re na le *cluster* ya Phuduhudu, mo gongwe a bo a thusa kwa mafelong a mangwe a ya kwa go bone ka go ba etela. Jaanong keletso ya bone ke gore go nne jalo.

Ke eletsa go supa gore Batswana ba na le lesokolela le lentsi thata la go bewa ga ditsha. Temothuo e tsamaelana le kabo ditsha tota mo go nonofileng, ga o ka ke wa rua kana wa aga o se na lefatshe. Kopo ya bone ke gore, a kwa go santseng go na le lefatshe teng go itlhaganelwe. Mo gongwe e bile tlaa fitlhela seleso sa bone se se tona e le gore, re bone lefelo *but* go pala gore le tsennngwe (*transferred*) mo maineng a rona. Kopo ya bone ke gore, jaaka re ne re utlwa Tona maloba a tlhalosa fa gore, o dumalane jalo morago ga dipuisanyo tse re neng ra di bua mo Palamenteng, *but* go lebega go santse go le bokete, go le thata mo Batswaneng gore ba bewe ditsha, ba fetolelwe ditsha. Mo gongwe mo go tshwanang le *to transfer* ditsha, ke tsaya gore ga se sepe se se ka ntshang mokola. Ke dumela gore ke sengwenyana fela se go kwalwang dipampiri fela, go bo go ya go bonwa gore a mme tota setsha Leuwe o na le sone se a reng o se isa kwa go *Honourable* Saleshando. Ga ke reye gore ke ka mo neela setsha, ke ene a ka mphang, o na le ditsha tse dintsi. Ke baya sekai fela, ka gore ke tsala ya me. Eo e utlwisa botlhoko thata, ka gore e a bo e se sepe se se seyong. Go a bo go le teng go tlhoka bodiredi fela *to facilitate* neelano eo.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke eletsa go supa gore ke amogela pego e le botswere jaana, mme ke kopa Palamente e e fano gore e re fa e e amogela, go ye go diragadiwa, ka gore Batswana *back home* ba solofetse go le gontsi thata mo komiting ya ga *Honourable* Reatile.

Sa bofelo ke gore, fa re tsamaya le lefatshe le re le Komiti ya Temothuo, re ne re betsa kwa le kwa, go na le fa gongwe fa re sa fetang teng. Jaaka *Honourable* Lucas a ne a bua, ga go batle go dirwa mo gotweng go *uniform*, ka gore o tlaa fitlhela go farologana; motho yo o kwa Tsabong a sa tshwane le yo o kwa Gantsi, yo o kwa Gantsi a sa tshwane le yo o fa Molepolole. *So* go botlhokwa gore re itse gore mo Kgaolong ya Kweneng, ba eletsa gore ba ka thusiwa jang mo go ka ba sologelang molemo, ba ba kwa Bokalaka ba ka thusiwa jang mo go ka ba sologelang molemo.

Ka mafoko ao *Mr Speaker*, ke amogela *report* ya ga *Honourable* Chairperson wa komiti Rre Reatile. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR HIKUAMA (NGAMI): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke kopa gore ke bue ke sa tshuba *camera*, ka e na le mathatanyana fa ke leng teng. Ke eme nokeng kana ke amogele *report* ya ga *Honourable* Reatile, e le Modulasetilo wa komiti, ka fa a e beileng ka teng, ka fa re e utlwileng ka teng.

Mr Speaker, re ka dumalana rotlhe mo lefatsheng gore temothuo le lefatshe ke tsone konokono ya botshelo jwa motho. Motho gore a re o na le kwa ga bone, o raya a na le lefatshe fa a nnang teng le fa a direlang teng tsa botshelo jwa gagwe. Fa a tswa foo gore a tshele, ke gore go bo go na le se a se jang le se a se nwang. Tsotlhe tse di ka diragatswa ke temothuo, bogolo jang dijo.

Go a supagala gore mafatshe otlhe a a tllhabologileng le a a tllhabologang, ba ka dirisa temothuo go ka tllhabologa le go aga itsholelo ya one. Itsholelo ya mafatshe a a ikaegileng ka temothuo ga e ke e phuthama, ka gore ke dilo tse o di itirelang, *process them*, o bo o di rekisetsa le ba bangwe. Ka jalo go a supa gore le rona fa re batla go tllhabologa le go dira tsotlhe tse re ka di kgonang, ke gore re beye mo temothuong, ka gore ke yone fela e re sa ka keng ra re e fedile. Ga e ke e fela, ga e tshwane le ditswammung tse di epiwang, ka gore re tlaa e dira letsatsi le letsatsi gore re ntshe dijo. Ka jalo ke mhama o o botlhokwa fela thata, o e leng gore fa re tlhwaafetse re le lefatshe re tshwanetse ra dira mananeo otlhe a a godisang mhama wa temothuo.



Ka maswabi go a supagala gore rona re le lefatshe le fa re ka tswa re bo re simolotse sentle, re eletsa go godisa itsholelo ya rona ka temothuo, mo dingwageng tsa go simolola ka Tautona Mogae go tsena jaana, e kete phisego ya rona mo go godiseng temothuo e wetse kwa tlase. Re bona ka dilo tse di neng di dirilwe tse di emang nokeng temo thuo e le dikampa tsa *quarantine*, kgodiso ka seatla (Artificial Insemination) e le mananeo jaaka mafelo a tshwana le a *research* a Nxaraga a phuthlame, e bile dipolase tsa teng di dirisiwa di sele.

Go lebeга gore *now we have adopted a policy to deviate from agricultural development, which to me, it is an unfortunate situation*. Re tshwanetse go amogela ra atla *report* e. Re rotloetse gore le Puso e e atle, e bo e netefatsa gore dilo tsothle tse di tlhokiwang gore mohama wa *agriculture* o ye kwa godimo, e o eme nokeng. Ke one o o ka re ntshang le lehumeng, mo tlaleng e e kanakana le go itirela madi ka one. Re a itse gore dikgaolo ka bontsi, *rural population* e tshela ka temothuo. Fa temothuo e ka phuthlame, go raya gore itsholelo ya kwa magaeng le yone e ya wa. Jaanong ka tsela e e ntseng jalo batho betsho, temothuo re e emele ka dinao. Re eme nokeng mohama o ka gore ke one fela o o ka sireletsang itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona. Ba ba itseng go bua ba a tle ba re, *“agriculture is the backbone of the economy.”* Ga go supafale gore fa e le *backbone* ya *economy* jaana, re e dira jang. Ga re a tshwana gore re felele mo go ntsheng dijo kana mo go abeng lefatshe mme re sa le dirise. Re tshwanetse re abe lefatshe re netefatsa gore le a dira le ntsha dijo, re le dirisa ka mokgwa o o siameng.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se gatelela ke kgang ya lefatshe. Jaaka ke setse ke supile, komiti e, e dira ka lefatshe. Gore o re golo ke kwa ga lona, go tewa lefatshe. Go lebeга Batswana ka bontsi ba santse ba lela ka go tlhoka ditsha tsa bonno. Ditsha tse ba ka direlang ditiro mo teng. Go lebeга ba santse ba sena kwa ga bone. Go maleba gore ba ba dirang le lefatshe, ba netefatse gore le neelwa Batswana. Ga go fe tlhaloganyo mo go kalo gore Botswana re le lefatshe le le tona le le kanakana, mme re na le dipalo tse di kwa tlase tsa batho, o bo o utlwa gotwe lefatshe ga le yo. Lefatshe ga le yo jang? Go supa gore le mananeo a rona re le Puso le bogogi, ke one a paledisang gore lefatshe le nne teng. Botswana ke lefatshe le le tona mme le palo e e nnye. Ga go maleba gore gotwe lefatshe le a tlhela. Batho ga ba a bolo go kopa lefatshe dingwagangwaga. Ba santse ba le mo meleng ba sena lefatshe. Ga go *...(interruption)...* sentle gore a mme tota re tlhwaafetse go tsamaisa lefatshe le ka thelelo le mo go ka sologelang Batswana mosola. Re tshwanetse go dira gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe a nne le sekidi sa gagwe se a itebaganyang le sone.

MR MOATLHODI: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke a leboga thata Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ngami go bo o ntetleletse go go tsena ganong. Ke a go utlwa ka fa o buang ka teng gore batho ga ba na lefatshe. Ke etse tlhoko, ke balela le kwa kgaolong ya me ya botlhophi ya Tonota, batho ba abelwa lefatshe. Motho fa a sena go fiwa lefatshe, o tla a setswe morago ke yo o rekileng lefatshe le le sa tswang go abiwa. *How do you reconcile this* le selelo se se kanakana se o se buang Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ngami? Ke a leboga *sir*.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke a leboga *Honourable Deputy Speaker*. Se o se buang se na le boammaaruri gore go na le ditiragalo tsa gore bangwe ba fiwa lefatshe, ba bo ba le fetisa. Se re tshwanetseng go se leba gone foo ke gore, go dirwa ke eng? Se se dirang dilo tse tsothle ke lehuma. Batho ba setse ba na le lehuma mo e leng gore se a se bonang se le gaufi, se se ka mo direlang madi ka bonako, ke go rekisa lefatshe le a le filweng. Ke sone se se dirang gore batho ba rekise lefatshe. Fa re ka papamala ra netefatsa gore *we support agriculture*, batho ba dirisa *this land productively* gore ba ntshe dijo, ba tswe mo lehumeng, lefatshe ga le ka ke la rekisiwa. Lefatshe le rekisiwa jaana ka gore ba bangwe ba tsaya lefatshe e le gore ba ya go lema e le masimo. Mo boutsaneng jwa pula e re e bonang re le lefatshe, ba bo ba felela ba sa robe sepe mo tshimong. Se se ka thusang go itsa go rekisa masimo ke gore, re tle ka lenaneo le le thusang batho ba ba filweng masimo go epa didiba mo go one. Ba tle ba dirise masimo a *profitably*, *otherwise* e tlaabo e le lefatshe fela foo le le sa ntsheng sepe le bolaisa batho tlala, le lehuma ba bo ba felela ba le rekisa. *Let us make this land valuable. Let us make this land productive. We can do that as a Government by supporting those people to drill boreholes to get water* a ba ka a dirisang mo masimo a bone.

MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY: *Clarification.* *Thank you Honourable Hikuama.* Ke utlwa o bua ka mananeo a go epela batho didiba, *are you talking complementary to what already exist* jaaka *clusters* tse di epang didiba? O raya re tlaleletsa mo godimo ga moo kana ga o bue ka lenaneo la go nna jalo? *I thank you.*

MR HIKUAMA: Le lone ke lenaneong le e leng gore re se ka ra le tlogela. Re tshwanetse re tswelele ka lone, ra atolosa. Le fa motho a filwe tshimo, a batla go epa, o tshwanetse a thusiwe, e seng gore o mo pateletsa go batla ba a ka kopanang le bone. Fa gongwe ba seyo gaufi le ene, a na le tshimo ka boene e le *individual*. Fa a batla go thusiwa, a re nne le lenaneo, re thuse a epe. Se ke se



buang ke gore, re atolose thuso e, re epele batho didiba. Gompieno se se leng teng mo *cluster*; gongwe ke kwa dikgaolong tse ke leng kwa go tsona, ga go na lenaneo lepe le le thusang go epa didiba mo masimong. Lenaneo le le thusang go epa didiba le le kwa go rona, ke le le epang kwa merakeng, gongwe o na le lefatshe le sele e se tshimo. Masimo ba a gana, ba a pala. Gongwe fa re ka dira gore le mo masimo mananeo a nne teng, a a tlaa epelang batho didiba, re ka fokotsa bothata jo re buang ka jone jwa go rekisa lefatshe le go nna le lefatshe le le seng *productive* mme le filwe batho. Ke sone se ke se buang *Honourable* Mangwegape-Healy.

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MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Hikuama. Your time is up!

MR HIKUAMA: Thank you.

MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY SECURITY (MR MOAGI): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker* go bo ke bone go tshwaela mo mafokong a *report* e. Ke leboge komiti jaaka e re neetse *report* e. Ke tshwaele mo go dingwe tse ke lemogang gore ba ka re di thusa tse ba sa di amang, kana e le dingwe tse ba di boneng mme di sa tsena tsotlhe mo *report*. Konokono ya *agriculture* jaaka ba e bua ka komiti, e akaretsa *agriculture, land and housing*. Re ka ikemela ra dira dijo jaaka re setse re lemogile mo bogautshwaneng gore lefatshe le tshwanetse go ikemela ka go di dira. Fa o ka lebelela, re tshwanetse go bona gore ba ba dirileng dijo, ba ka kgona go di isa kwa mmarakeng. Jaaka re na le *clusters* tse dintsi jaana, re tshwanetse go tsosolosa *our horticultural markets*, metse ka metse fela jalo ra tsamaya le tsona. Re bone gore ba ba ruang ba tswetse ka *field days* tsa bone, *auctions* tsa bone, go supa gore go nne le golo gongwe kwa ba ka yang go rekisa teng. Mo metseng gape re bule *market days* tse di neng di ntse di le teng.

Metse ka bontsi o tlaa fitlhela e le gore e ne e na le mo go bidiwang gotwe kwa mmarakeng kwa dithoto tse tsotlhe di neng di tla koo di bo di rekisiwa koo. Ke eletsa jalo gore dilo tse di nne teng.

Mo go rueng, go na le bothata jwa *abattoirs* ka gore gantsi fa o *handle* nama, *hygiene* ya teng e kwa godimo thata, o tlaa fitlhela e batla tsele le tsele. Jaanong ka fa ga Malete re na le mmaraka o o boitshegang wa dikolobe. Kolobe ke selo se re se jang thata kwa ga Malete. Re tsene mo go yone ka bonako ka gore gape e bogadi bo gaufi. E kgona go betsa dikolojwanyana fela

tse di boitshegang, e re mo dikgweding tse tharo o bo o setse e bile o o ja madi a tsona. Jaanong ke re re thuseng ka *abattoir* ya dikolobe. Le yone ke nngwe ya dilo tse tota di tshwenyang. Gape ke tsaya gore thulaganyo e ka dirwa gore *abattoir* nngwe le nngwe e nne a *multi species abattoir* gore e kgone go ka tlhaba dilo tse dintsi ka pharologanyo *as long as* re itse gore *hygiene* yotlhe e a bo e letleletswe.

Abattoir e nngwe e e saletseng kwa morago ke ya dikoko. O fitlhela e le gore batho ka bontsi ba tabogile ba rua dikoko *and* ba di rua sentle, di a ba tsalela, di ka ba direla letseno mme o fitlhela e le gore jaanong *abattoir* go le *licenced* e le nngwefela le gone e le kwa Kgatlang. Fa o ya koo o tsamaela koo ka *transport* tse di kalo, ga o boelwe ke sepe. Ke nngwe ya dilo tse tota di tshwenyang.

Mo teng ga mananeo a a teng jaaka re le mo a *digitisation era*, re tsenya maranyane gore a leke go re thusa dilo, jaanong re tla re boela kwa morago. Go na le lenaneo le la Botswana Animal Identification and Traceability System (BAITS) kwa *Agriculture* le le neng le re thusa thata, re sa tlhole re tshwenya bakenti gore ba re tsenyetse *permits*. Jaanong gore o bone *permit* malatsi a fela ke fa e le gore o e dira kwa diofising tsa bone. Fa o re o tsena *online* o ka tsena a bo e fela fela e nna jalo, *no matter how strong your Wi-Fi is*. Ga ke itse gore go kgotlhilwe fa kae ka gore go ne go tilwe go dirwa *upgrading* jaanong *upgrade* ya teng e gana go gana tota. Golo mo go bo go felela e le gore go futsafatsa barui thata ka gore bodiredi jone bo tlaabo bo re ga bo bereke ka *weekend*. Jaanong re bo re boa re boela kwa moragorago kwa. Kgabagare batho ba felela ba tsere *leave* gantsintsi fela ba sa tlhole ba nna mo diofising. Ke re golo fa a re tsenye leitlho *as an oversight committee*. Botsang ka dilo tse le bone gore di tsamaya fa kae gore re tle re kgone gore re di fitlhelele.

Jaanong rra rona ba melolwane re mo mathateng ka gore se se bonagetseng ke gore diruiwa fa di tsene ka kwa mafatsheng a a tshwanang le bo South Africa, *because of Foot and Mouth*, ga di sa tlhole di boela ka kwano. Golo mo go bo go raya gore ba ba matsipanyana, ba ba dinalanyana, dikgomo tsa gago fela di fula foo, ba di kgoromeletsa ka kwa ga terata ka kwa ba itse gore owai! fa di setse di le ka kwa ga go na jaaka di ka boa motlhofo. E bo e le fa di etse ruri, di tsamaetse ruri go bo go sa nne le gore jaanong wena o ya go boelwa ke eng ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Dilo tse tota le fa Batswana ba le tlhaga ba kgothetse gore ba tlaa dira dijo ba jesa lefatshe, jaanong di boa di ba busetsa kwa morago gore



tota ba tlaa kgona eng fa e le gore go ntse jaana? Go raya gore le yone meelwane fa e bulwa, a ko re boneng fela gore bagaetsho mongwe le mongwe yo a neng a bereka kwa molelwane wa gore a boele teng, re mmatlele mooki wa COVID, meelwane e bulwe re tle re kgone gore dilo tse le tsone gape re di tsibogele fa di setse di direga ka gore re humanegisitse batho go ntse jaanong, mme re itse gore re ne re babalela bolwetse gore bo se ka jwa re tsena ka mmetela.

E nngwe e ke tlaa e buang rra e dira le ditsela tse di yang kwa re ka kgonang gore re ntshe dijo teng. Go bothokwa thata gore re le maphata a Puso re dire mmogo gore re bone gore fa yo mongwe a tlhela ka sengwe, a ke sedirisiwa, go ka dirwa jang gore re ise ditirelo koo. Ka gore o tlaa fitlhela e le gore ditsela tse fa gongwe di fetang ka masimo tse di na le ditirelo tse dingwe gape mo tseleng. O bo o fitlhela e le gore tsela ga e baakannngwe mme e dirisiwa ke batho botlhe, a e ba ba yang *clinic* e e fa gare ga masimo kana kae fela. Dilo tse tsotlhe tse di a dirisiwa. Village Development Committees (VDCs) di hirelwa koo, sengwe le sengwe se direlwa koo mme tsela o bo o fitlhela e le gore khansela e ipeetse kwa morago mo go e baakanyeng. Ke re dilo tse a re di lebelele gore di raya rona rotlhe re le maphata a Puso gore re tle re kgone go thusa ba ba ntshang dijo ka gore re setse re itemogetse gore fa re salela kwa morago mo go ntsheng dijo, go felela e le gore ditlhwatlhwa di a palama ka gore se se seyong kana se bonala ka bothata, se pega tlhwatlhwa. Fa ditapole di seyo, go raya gore di pega tlhwatlhwa. Re ne re ka dira jalo fa re na le *linkages* ka gore re tlaa tswelela. Le tsa metlakase re di ise koo le tsone gore le tle le kgone gore fa e le gore o wa mašhi ka koo o a direla koo kana fa o le wa nama o e tsidifaletsa gone ka koo. Le gone moo go ka thusa le one malwetse a re a bonang gantsi a tla ka dijo.

Ke re go thusa jalo gore le ditsha jaanong di letlelelwe. Kana mo gongwe o tlaa fitlhela batho ba sokola tota gotwe motho a ye go dira *change of land use* mme go ne go ntse go dule tsamaiso e e neng e supa gore fa o na le setsha o ka se thubaganya ntlha e nngwe wa dira se, kana wa nna mo go sone, ntlha e nngwe wa dira dijawalo kana temo ka fa. Fa o ya go tsena kwa tirisong o bo o fitlhela e le gore gongwe o ya go diega thata kwa e le gore o tikelwa kwa go tswa mo ofising ele go ya go tsena mo ofising ele. Ke re nnyaa a dilo tse re nne re di lebelebe. Fa re ka di leba rotlhe, re tlaa kgona gore re bo re gakolola sentle gore batho ba se ka ba sokodisiwa ka mananeo a a setseng a ntse a letleletswe ke Puso gore a tle a kgone go thusa Batswana ka kakaretso.

Gape re bo re supa gore e re le fa batho ba neelwa ditsha jaaka go tswelletswe go abiwa ditsha kwa bo Seuwane le kae le kae, a ba fuduge ba ye go simolola go aga mo go tsone gore go tle go *avoid* tshenyego e ntsi e re e bonang e direga. Gompiano go itseelwa mebu gongwe le gongwe. Go itseelwa metlhaba gongwe le gongwe mme go lebilwe fela jaana. Jaanong ke re dilo tse jaaka go ajwa ditsha jaana a banni ba ye go simolola go aga ba tle ba kgone gore ba *avoid* gore go bo e re nako e a reng o ipaakantse a bo a fitlhela e le khuti jaanong, batho ba ntse ba tsaya *gravel* kana motlhaba mo masimong a gagwe.

Ke re re e lemoga *report* e rra e bile gape re letetse ISPAAD e ntšha ka thobo ke e e tsile go tlaabo go simolola letsema le lešha. A re tle re bone gore *guidelines* tseo re di neela Batswana jang jaaka re tlaabo re boela kwa go bone fa Palamente e tšhaisa. Ke re ke akgele jalo mo *report* ya komiti e, e tle e re nako e e tlang ba re lebise tse. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. *Amen.*

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Minister. Honourable Your Honour the Vice President Tsogwane followed by Honourable Motsamai.

HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE): *Good morning Mr Speaker.* Re lebogela *report* e e rotsweng ke Modulasetilo. Fela jaaka ke ne ke supile go le pele, ga ke na mafoko a mantsi tota mo pegong e ka gore ke e re e neelwang ke ba komiti e e maleba ba tswa go dira ditlhotlhomiso tse ba di dirileng mabapi le tse e leng gore *report* e tshwanetse gore e bo e itebagantse le tsone le maphata a *report* e itebagantseng le one. Fela se ke se kopang ke gore re tshwanetse ra itse, gongwe ra fetola ditsamaiso ra bona gore *reports* tse tsa Palamente di sologela molemo lefatshe go le kae gammogo le maphata a re a bong re itebagantse le one. Ke buisiwa se ke gore *report* ya malatsi a ga se *report* fela, go a bo go ne go tswa go tsewa megopolo jaaka e ntse. *It is a research.* Mo go nna *it is a research that can inform our policies and programmes.* E kgona gore e nne le seabe sa gore mo nakong e e tlang *programmes* dingwe di bo di ka lebelelwa go bapisiwa le se *reports* tse di se buang.

So it must inform the officers, le bone ba tshwanetse gore fa *report* e ntse jaana e se ka ya felela mo Palamente. Lephata le ye go e nnela fa fatshe le e lebe, *because* e bua ka mananeo, *policies* tse di leng teng, mme tsone *policies* tseo *need to be reviewed based on research, evidence.* Ke tsaya gore *report* e e ntseng jaana le ba



ba dirang ditlhotlhomiso le kwa bo Mmadikolo ba tsaya *reports* tse *more seriously, they inform their studies* ka *reports* tsone tse. *So e bothokwa fela thata, ke go leboge Modulasetilo wa report.* Re na le *policies* tse dintsi thata, bo National Settlement Policy, Revised Destitution Policies, *all these things* di ama matshelo a re a buang fa re ntse re ya kwa bathong re ya go dira *report*. Le a bo le le mo ditlhotlhomisong tse di tseneletseng, tse e leng gore *they can guide. Even the national development plan can be guided from these reports. So these reports I take them seriously and I think they are very critical.* Di tshwanetse go tsenya moko thata re bone gore di re thusa go le kae. Jaanong ke sengwe se ke neng ke batla gore gongwe ke fete fela ka sone.

Ke bo ke kope gape gore *reports* tse re se ka ra di remelela fela mo goreng re ile kwa bathong, *we must also have our own theoretical framework* fa re ya teng koo. E bo e raya gore gone moo, *we must study these policies* tse di leng teng, tse di amanang le se re yang go se tlhotlhomisa. *So that* fa re ya kwa bathong re bo re itse *and very much aware of those policies* tse e leng gore *they are existing.* Fa re ya kwa bathong jaanong re a bo re ntse re leka go ba tlhotlhomisa gore mme gone fa le bua jaana le a itse ka lenaneo, *policy* ya gore, a le a itse ka *development plan* gore sennanne se mo teng. Dilo tse di ka re thusa mo go tseneletseng, e bile di ka tokafatsa matshelo a batho. *I have realised* mo malatsing a gore Rural Development Policy ga re ise re e tseye tsia mo go kalokalo, ke gore *it is by the way* mo maphateng a a farologanyeng. Mo e felelang le maphata a a tshwanetseng gore a dire dingwe tsa Rural Development Policy ba sa di dire, *just because* e eme fela foo, e tsewa fela gotwe ke Rural Development Policy, go tlaa tsenwa *meetings* go bo go fela go ntse jalo. Dilo tse di ka tokafatsa matshelo a batho fela mo go tseneletseng. Ke sone se ke reng, di bothokwa, ke ne ke batla go supa fela foo *Mr Speaker* ka gore ga re na nako. *Otherwise I would list a number of policies* tse di ka amanngwang le *report* e tshwana le e, tsa bo tsa lebelelwa gore *those policies...* jaaka a ne a sa tswa go bolela Modulasetilo jaana gore tse dingwe *policies* di na le lebaka le le leele, *therefore* fa le ile jaana le tla ka megopolo e e a ya go thusa gore fa *policy* e e ya *to be reviewed* e bo e le *informed by a research in the form of the report that you represent.* So dilo tse di ka re thusa, fa re ka di dira ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Ka ga ke batle go ya moya goleele, Rre Hikuama o ne a bua fa ka go sa epelwa didiba mo masimong. Dilo tse dingwe ke rona ba re di ithontshang, *simply because we do not educate the public* ka tsone. Re a itse gore go na

le *cluster farming* e e leng gore *component* ya go epa didiba e teng mo go yone. Ke na le yone kwa kgaolong ya me, *at least* setlhopho sengwe sa balemi se ipopile ba dirile *cluster farming*. Ba tshwanetse gore ba nne le sediba mo nnetlung ka fa thulaganyo eo e ntseng ka teng.

Dilo tse di tshwanang le mebaraka mongwe o buile ka tsone, ke mo leboge thata, o buile dilo tse dintsi tse ke neng ke re ke ya go di kgoma Rre Moagi. Dilo tse di tshwanang *a common market* di bothokwa, ka gore fa go na le mmara o o kopanetsweng, o batho ba isang dilo teng, ga re ka ke batho ba ba lemanang merogo ba jewa ntsoma, ka gore gompiano jaana fa o tla ka morogonyana wa gago o swabile o le mo koloing, fa o akanya gore fa shopo e e sa o reke ke boa ka one o senyegile, *but if we deliver this thing to a common market* e ya go re thusa gore ditlhwatlhwa di tokafale, ka gore jaanong bagwebi ba botlhe ba tlaabo ba lebile gore ba tsaya dilo tseo kwa mmarakeng oo, o e leng gore o teng. VDC e ne e na le mmara wa go nna jaana, mme re batla gore dilo tse re di tsosolose, ka gore batho ba jewa ntsoma fela. Motho o go leba fela jaana a bo a re owai! kana fa a tswa fa ka koloi e ka morogo o a itse gore o ya go senyega. Jaanong le ditlhwatlhwa di ya kwa tlase, balemi ba jewa ntsoma ka ditsela tse tsotlhe. Mo o fitlhelang fa gongwe ba utlwiswa botlhoko ba re, kana ke dilo tsa temo fela tse e leng gore moreki ke ene a bayang tlhwatlhwa. Dilo tse dingwe tse batho ba ipeela ditlhwatlhwa tsa bone. Ke dilo fela tsa temo, kgomo le merogo tse moreki a bayang tlhwatlhwa. *Is not the value* e e leng gore *is determined* ke yo o rekisang.

Ka mafoko a a kalo *Mr Speaker* ke lebogetse *report* e thata. Mme ka re a re nneng re di lebe jalo, re di bapise le mananeo gore re tle re kgone go tlhabolola mananeo a mangwe ka *reports* tse di tswang mo Palamenteng. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR MOTSAMAI (GHANZI SOUTH): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Mma ke tseye nako e le nna ke amogele *report*, ke e lebogele, ke bo ke e tlatse fa ba tlhaetseng teng. Ke bo ke ikopele *Mr Speaker* gore, ke sale ke kopile gore komiti e ba mponole *plan* ke tsene mo go yone, ka ke tsaya gore dikgatlhego tsa me tse dintsi thata di mo go yone.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke gore ka re re go tsentse mo go ya *gender*, o ngongorega eng?

MR MOTSAMAI: Ke tlaa tsenya wena kwa *gender* o ntshutele. Ke tshwanetse ka supa *Mr Speaker* gore ke nna mongwe wa Mapalamente ba ntlha le tswetse go



bua ka Banka ya ditlhabololo ya *agriculture*, mme ke itumelele gore *Honourable* wa Takatokwane Rre Leuwe o gatelela thata kgang e gore banka e e a tlhokafala go thusa balemi barui ka gore e tlaabo e itebagantse le dikgang tseo fela e seng National Development Bank (NDB) *Mr Speaker*.

Mr Speaker, ke bo ke feta ka kgang e nngwe ya gore, kana e ama gape...jaaka bangwe re ntse re bua kgang ya *agriculture* ga gona kwa o ka lemanang kana wa nosa teng go sena lefatshe. Kgang e fa o e bua e kopana gape le kgang ya lefatshe mme ke re, ba Ghanzi South ba na le ngongorego, go le Magosi, le di VDC. Ngongorego ya bone ke gore, fa ba lela ba le mo metseng, ba lela ba supa gore re pitlagane, ga gona kwa re hudisang teng, re batlele sekgethenyana sa lefatshe re ye go hudisa koo, fa lefatshe le tswa jaanong le beelwa gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe *can apply for* lefatshe leo. Ga go molato gore gongwe Motswana a bo ka neelwa lefatshe, mme kgangkgolo ke gore, kana ba bangwe ba a bo ba tsentse kopo ba lela gore ga gona kwa hudisang teng. Ba bangwe ba a bulelwa gatwe, mongwe le mongwe o ka tsena *and apply*. Fa a sena *to apply* ba tsaya lefatshe leo *Mr Speaker* ka gore ga ba le tlhoke, ba ne ba le batla, ba a le rekisa. Ba ba neng ba tlhoka lefatshe ba tswelela ka go tlhoka lefatshe. Ke supe jaana gore ke dikgang tse di tshwanetseng go tsenngwa leitho thata, le gore e re batho ba hudisa a dikgomo a leruo ba kopa, e bo e le gore fa go ntshiwa lefatshe leo go ya go segwa dipolase tsa bo 12x12 mo teng gotwe ke tsa diphologolo. O bo o sa itse gore kana batho ba ne ba kopa kana bone ba ne ba itebagantse le dikgomo le dipodi tse bone. Jaanong go supa go sa rarabololwe mathata a bone. Go tlhoka gape gore re gatelele thata kgang ya ditsela, ya *phones*, gore e botlhokwa mo temothuong *Mr Speaker*. Batho *cannot market* dilo tsa bone; ditswa tshimong le dikgomo jalo go sena ditsela, *phones* le *networks*. Go a tlhokafala gore *ministries* tse dingwe di nne le dilebelela gore totatota ba *agriculture* ba patikwa ke eng, ba kgone gore ba thusiwe jaaka Rre Lefoko a ntse a gatelela thata kgang e ya ditsela. Ke itumelele gore o kgonne go latlhela mafoko a a ntseng jalo.

Mr Speaker, ke tshwanetse go supa gore ba kgaolo ya me ba batla gore e re komiti e ntse e tsamaya jaana e gakologelwe matshwenyego a bone, a gore kana go buiwa ka gore ba ntshe dijo le leruo, mme mathata a teng ke gore bogodu bo kwa godimo thata. Le re kopele Rre Mmusi e tle e re fa ke ya go mo kopa gore a re etele kwa kgaolong a itlhaganele, gore a ye go bona diemo.

A kopane le batsadi, go ntshiwe *choppers* gore e re fa gotwe motho o utsule kgomo ba siane ka bonako go fengngwe seemo se sa go phamola leruo la batho mo go ileng magoletsa *Mr Speaker*.

Ke utlwiwiwa botlhoko ke dikgang tsa bomme ba ba kopang leruo, a ke dikgomo kana dipodi, dikoloi *reverse* di tsaya dipodi kana dinku tseo tsotlhe, e le motho wa mme yo o senang le fa e le kwa a ka lelelang teng. Dikgang tse *Mr Speaker*, di batla go okediwa sepodise, go agiwa *Magistrates Courts* ka bonako. Go batla *cases* tsa leruo di tsena ka bonako, ditsheko di sekwa kwa Makgotleng a Setswana, e le gore dikatlhoho tsa leruo di a okediwa *Mr Speaker*.

Four per cent Motlotlegi Reatile, ba Kgaolo ya Ghanzi ba ipotsa gore *four per cent that is charged* yo gotweng ke wa *levy*, o dira eng. Ke eng go sa bonale gore madi *after being charged to farmers* jaana, a ya go dira eng kae *Mr Speaker*, ka gore *farmers* di lela ka gore kana madi a ba a tsayang ba sena go rekisa dikgomo, ba ya kwa *filling stations* ba fitlhela ditlhwatlhwa di le kwa godimo, kwa dishopong gape *they get charged* Value Added Tax (VAT) le makgetho a mangwe? Fa ba reka metlakase le metsi go na le makgetho mo teng. Jaanong *four per cent* yo gatwe ene o bereka fa kae, bogolo fa go sa lejwe gore a neelwe ba *Farmers Associations* ba kgone go tlhabolola mafelo ka one?

Mr Speaker, go tshwanetse go simolodisiwa lenaneo le le ka thusang *farmers*, bogolo jang ba ba epang didiba. Ga o ka ke wa epa sediba *about 300 metres*, 250 kana 200; tla ke re go epa sediba fela *Mr Speaker* go a tura. Go tshwanetse ga bonwa gore Motswana yo o nang le maiteko o batla go epa sediba a ithusa, a kgone gore le ene *be met halfway* mo go epeng. Go se ka gatwe jaanong fa o ya go gokela, ke gone gongwe o tlaabo o ya go batla madi a LIMID, o bo o ya go fitlhela a fedile. Fa o batla go epa sediba *Mr Speaker*, lantlha go bonwe gore batho ba ba go dupelang metsi *are qualified*, go tlaa kgonagalang gore o bone metsi. Go nne le *that kind of insurance* e e kopanelwang le Motswana wa mofuta o o ntseng jaana. *If you hit a blank Mr Speaker*, a Goromente a bone gore Motswana yo o epileng sediba a itaya *blank* o ka kopantshiwa jang, a thusiwa ka gore tota o a bo a wetse mo ditshenyegelong. Batsadi ba kgaolo ya me *Mr Speaker*, ba felela ba epa didiba *about 200, 250, 300 up to 400* a ya go tlhoka metsi mme a rekisitse dikgomo tsotlhe, a bo a sala jaanong e le mohumanegi wa nta ya tlhogo *Mr Speaker*; Goromente a tswelutse a re Batswana ba iketshe kwa morago. Motho yo o a bo a supile maikaelelo le maikemisetso. E bile fa gongwe fa a ka



tshwara thothinyana ya metsi a re o nosa dikgomonyana tse pedi, a bo a re o ya National Development Bank (NDB) go tsaya *loan* a reka dikgomo, merokotso e kwa godimo. A dilo tse di sekasekwe *Mr Speaker*, gore batho ba thusiwe.

Mr Speaker, fa e le gore ga go ise go simolodisiwe banka ya *agriculture*, go lejwalejwe gore lekalana le la Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) le nne le *branch* fela jo bo gagametseng bo akanya sentle, e seng mo o tlaa tshamekiwang ka dikeletso le maikutlo a batsadi. Kamoso gotwe tla le se, yo mongwe o tla ka se, kgantele fa o re ke feditse tse di neng di batliwa gatwe nnyaa, ga re ka ke ra go neela madi ka gore le kopa le le bantsi go rua dikgomo mo kgaolong e e ka koo. *So what?* Phulo e le teng e sekasekilwe. Fa gongwe o dirisitse nako le madi a gago a bofelo go dira dilo tse. Ke dikgang tse di tshwanetseng gore di tsibogelwe.

Mr Speaker, ke fetse ka kgang e ya gore kana *farmers* ba ngongorega ka gore thulaganyo ya bone, bogolo jang baruakgomo, ga e tshwane le ya molemi. O kare dithuso tse dintsi thata di ka kwa moleming, tsa bo dipeo le tse dingwe jalojalo, diterata mme fa go ya go tla ka kwa moruakgomong *Mr Speaker*, le fa tota le bone balemi dilo tse tsa bo diterata jaanong go setse go eme lebaka le lelele, a baruakgomo ba thusiwe le ka go tipa dikgomo. Ba thusiwe ka nako ya dikgofa le ya lethobo jaaka batho ba Ngamiland. Ba thusiwe ka nako ya dikgofa di kelemile mo dikgaolong, go bonwe gore batho ba ka thusiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang gore ba ikitshe kwa morago. Go bo go nne le kgang ya gore di supywa tsa bone ba di ise golo gongwe kwa di ka yang go tsewa teng go le gongwefela, e seng go ganwa ke Botswana Agricultural Marketing Board (BAMB) o tswa kgakalakgakala. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *Thank you*.

Ke a go ba bolelela gore o pelo ntle, le fa nako ya me e tshaile o nneela fela. Ke lebogile *Mr Speaker*, kana *should I go deeper?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: O feditse *Mr Speaker*, ke tsene?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *O man of God wena?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke tsene *Mr Speaker?*

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MR PULE): Thank you *Mr Speaker*. *Ke a go dumedisa mongwame this morning...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Sorry Mr Speaker*. Ke ne ke re ke tlhola gore a letsogo la me le a bonala. Ke bona o kare batho botlhe ba ba tlileng fa morago ga me ba a bua *sir*.

MR SPEAKER: Le a bonala Morolong.

MR PULE: *Mr Speaker*, tla ke dumedise mme ke tswelele ka go leboga Modulasetilo wa Komiti yo o sa tswang go re fa *report* ya gagwe e e botlhokwa e. Re utlwule Modulasetilo ka fa le ntseng le tshwere ka teng le maloko a gago, e bile re lebogela thata gore o bo o beile *report* e e botlhokwa jaana fa pele ga rona. Mafoko a me a ratile go tshwana le a *Leader of the House, His Honour the Vice President* fa a tlhalosa a re kana tiro e le e dirileng, ke e e botlhokwa thata. Keletso ya aka e tona, o kare Modulasetilo nako nngwe le ka bo le ipha nako le bitsa baeteledipele ba maphata a a farologaneng. Kana fa o ka lebelela sentle, kgwetlho ya komiti ya gago ke go netefatsa gore lefatshe la Botswana le nna le dijo. Kana ga se *Ministry wa Agriculture* fela o o filweng thata ya go ka rurifatsa gore dijo di nna teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana. *Ministry of Agriculture* o dira le *ministries* tse dingwe jaaka fa batlotlegi ba bangwe ba ntse ba bua jaaka wa *finance*, o re itseng gore ke one o o tsholang madi. Go na le *Ministry wa Trade, Ministry wa Lands*; go ntse go buiwa ka ditsha, go na le *Ministry wa Transport* o e leng gore o bua ka *infrastructure, especially* ya ditsela le boranyane jo bo ka dirisiwang *to make sure* gore dijo di nna teng, fa di dirwang teng di a tsewa di isiwa kwa marekisetong. Ke selo se se botlhokwa thata se e leng gore *is my strongest recommendation*.

Sa bobedi Modulasetilo, o kare le tsamaela ntlha e le nngwefela. Ke a gagamala gore kwa kgaolong ya me ya Mochudi East, ga le ise le kgabole teng. Kana fa o ka lebelela kgaolo ele ya Mochudi East Modulasetilo, ke nngwe e e leng gore *is a potential* ya go ka tlisa dijo, bogolo jang mo mafelong a setoropo jaaka bo Gaborone jaana. Ke tlaa le kopa gore fa le ka bona nako nngwe, le nne le nketela kwa Mochudi East, le tle go bona gore mebu ya rona e ntse jang, re na le eng se re ka jesang Batswana ka sone jaaka le itse gore re na le dinoka tse di nang le ditlhapi. Re na le mebu e e bidiwang gotwe ke *cotton soils*, e e kgonang go ka ntsha dijo fela tse di rileng jaaka *vegetables* jalo le jalo tse di ka rekisiwang mo mafelong a setoropo jaaka Gaborone jaana.

Jaanong Modulasetilo, ke tswelele gape ka go tlhalosa gore tiro e le e dirang e botlhokwa fela thata, ke a e rata, le dira tiro e ntle. Ke ne ke ratile thata gore mo go se sebaka Modulasetilo, gongwe le fa tota ke itse gore



report le ne le ntse le e dirile gongwe pele fa go nna dintwa tse di tshwanang le tsa bo Russia le Ukraine, kana jaanong sebaka se se go gwetlha le komiti ya gago gore le nne fa fatshe le akanyetse gore ntwa e e lowang ka teng kwa Russia, re itse gore Russia ke yone e e re fang *oil* e ntsi kana *petroleum*, Ukraine e re direla *wheat*, e e dirang borotho, mo go rayang gore kana jaaka mafatshe a mabedi a a lwa jaana, go raya gore re tlile go tlhalelwa ke *oil*, *petroleum*, *wheat* kana korong e e re direlang borotho.

Kana go raya gore fa go nna jalo Modulasetilo, tlala e tlile go nna teng. Ke eletsa e kete ke ka *recommend* gore fa le ka kgona mo bogautshwaneng, le bitse maphata a ke ntseng ke bua ka one a tle go botswa dipotso gore ba rulagantse eng go netefatsa gore mo lefatsheng la Botswana ka jaaka re itse gore re utlwa gotwe mafatshe a mangwe a setse a simolotse go boloka dijo *in anticipation* ya gore ntwa fa e ka gotela ya tswelela ya nna bogale thata, re tlile go felela re nna le tlala. Gongwe e bile ba e leng gore re na le bone jaaka gompiano re eteletse pele lephata le e leng gore le dira le batlhoki ba ba fiwang matsananyana a a rileng gore ba itshetse, mo go rayang gore kana fa *prices* di simolola di nna kwa godimo, batho ba go nna jaaka batlhoki, masiela le ba bangwe ba ba leng teng ba re ba fang *allowances* tsa gore ba ithute, banalebogole, madinyana a ba nang le one a ya go ba paledisa gore ba reke dijo tse di ka ba lekanang. Tota e ne e le gore ke dingwe tsa dilo tse ke kopang Modulasetilo gore fa le bone sebaka mo bogautshwaneng, *can you line-up these people* gore ba tle go bua ka dikgang tse di ntseng jaana.

Go na le kgang e nngwe e e builweng ka dikgang tse di lebagang le ISPAAD, mme jaaka sebui sengwe se ne sa bua, o kare ISPAAD *in times of* gore *information* ya teng e goroge kwa baleming. E e neng e le teng, e e neng e diragatswa ya bofelo, e re neng re tlhalosediwa gore ke ya bofelo, go lebega go na le madiadia a go duela batho ba ba neng ba thusa balemi jaaka boraditerekere le go balwa ga masimo, dilo tse di ntseng jalo. Ga se mo dikgaolong tse di neng di buiwa ke Batlotlegi fela, le nna kwa kgaolong ya Mochudi East, ke ntse ke ithaya ke re ke nna fela ke saletseng kwa morago. Go a bonala gore tota mafelo a mantsi a tshwana fela le kwa Mochudi East. Gongwe nako e tsile Modulasetilo ya gore tota le botse bo Permanent Secretary (PS) kana baeteledipele ba maphata gore gatwe golo fa go tsalwa ke eng. Ka gore jaanong tota re mo mathateng, kana re tswa mo segajajeng sa COVID-19 se e leng gore se fokoditse dipata tsa rona, batho ga ba kgone go reka dijo, mme e

le gore ba ba kgonneng go itemela ka ditonkinyana tsa bone, kana ka dipholo tsa gagwe, mme gongwe a na le matsananyana a a tshwanetseng go a *claim*, a thusiwe ka one gore a tle a kgone gore a beye borotho mo tafoleng. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse ke eletsang gore tota le di tsibogele le le komiti e jaaka le dira tiro e e botlhokwa jaana. Fela jaaka moeteledipele wa me a ne a bua, ke tsaya gore Ntlo e e fano e tsaya *report* e *very seriously*. *Agriculture* ke mafelo a e leng gore tota re tshwanetse re tlhoafale Modulasetilo, re bone gore re tsholetsa serodumo sa temo-thuo. Ke sone fela se e leng gore se ka re jesa mo malwapeng a rona, re ka rua leruo le le nang le boleng, le e ka reng re le rekisa kwa mafatsheng a sele, ra nna le dipoelo tse e leng gore gongwe di ka re tshetsa. O a itse Modulasetilo, gore dinako tsa me nna le wena fa re gola, re ne re na le difalana kwa masimong. Bo nkukuarona ba ne ba lema mabele le mebedi ba bo ba a baya mo difalaneng. Modulasetilo, a re busetseng serodumo seo, re bue le ba temothuo gore ba dire jang gore ba rotloetse balemi gore ba nne le difalana. Fa o lemile mmidi o le montsi, *you must have a silo*. Nkuku e ne e re fa a lemile mabele a le mantsi le mmidi, a bo a a baya mo sefalaneng, mme a ne a sirelediwa ka molora fela wa leiso, o ne o kgona gore o dire gore o somarele mmidi o kana mabele ao, ngwaga otlhe re e ja moo, re sila, ka rona re ne re sila ka dikika tsa Setswana, re sa ye kwa dishopong go ya go reka bopi jwa mabele, kana mmidi. Re ne re itshilela mmidi re dira setampa, re reng. Modulasetilo, le kang go buisana le ba temothuo gore ba leke go rotloetsa Batswana go boela mo ngwaong ele ya maloba. Nako e tsile ya gore re ikemele ka nosi.

Gompiano jaana maloba go ne go na le *restrictions of vegetables*, ra bo re simolola re le mapolotiki re tsaya kgang eo re e gasagasa re e isa kwa le kwa, re simolola re re ga go a siama gore Goromente o ka bo a dirile jalo. Go ya ka nna, dilo tse ke dingwe tse re tshwanetseng gore re di rotloetse mo lefatsheng la Botswana, re rute Batswana gore ba ikemele ka nosi. Mafatshe a otlhe a a ikemetseng ka nosi ka dijo le tsotlhe tse ba di tlhokang kwa malwapeng, ba ne ba simolotse ba dira fela jaaka re dira jaana, *restricting* dilo dingwe gore di se ka tsa rekwa kwa mafatsheng a sele. *Of course* go tlaa nna le mo go tweng ke *teething problems*, and fa e le rona re le mapolotiki e bo e re fa batho ba tsamaya *through those teething problems*, re bo re simolola jaanong re kgakgautlha re re hee ke *party* e e busang, e a jesa, e a reng, e a reng, dilo tsa nako ya gore re ka bo re rotloetsa Batswana re ba raya re re nnyaa Batswana, amogelang seemo ka fa se ntseng ka teng, itekeng, dirisang mananeo a a leng teng a Pusong gore le itirele dijo. Mo nakong e e



rileng le rona re tlaabo re kgonne, re sa tlhole re reka dijo kwa mafatsheng a sele. Re tshwanetse re lebele dilo kwa pele Modulasetilo. Ga re itse gore re tlile go tshela jang le mafatshe a re bapileng le one lebaka le le kae re utlwana. Go tlaa nna le nako ya gore e bo e le gore ga re utlwane, mme jaanong fa e le gore re beile mo go one fela le go tla go dira tamati kana *onions*, ao bathong, re tlile go iteka leng gore nako e nngwe le rona re bo re ipona re na le ditamati le *onions* tsa rona, re di ntsha ka dipalo tse e leng gore e bile go re pateletsa gore re rekisetse one mafatshe a re ntseng re reka kwa go one. Jaanong ke dingwe tsa dilo tse e leng gore Modulasetilo, ke eletsa gore mo komiting e ya lona, le buisanyeng ka tsone. Le tswe le rute Batswana, fa go kgonagala, re tshware diphuthogo lona le le komiti eo, le rute Batswana, *because you are an oversight committee* ya Palamente, gore bagaetsho Batswana, go na le mo go tweng *self-reliance*. Ba tshwanetse gore ba iteke, ba itirele, ba se ka ba baya mo mafatsheng a e leng gore e tlaa re nako fa jaanong a gotlhagotlhana le rona jaaka gompiano Russia e gotlhagotlhana le Ukraine, e bo e le gore jaanong ba re tshwara fela mo dijong ka gore re beile fela mo go bone mo sengwe le sengweng.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke ratile thata *report* e, mme ke e ema nokeng. Ke kope le Mapalamente otlhe a re leng fano, gore re eme nokeng *report* e. Re tseye *recommendations* tsa teng, re se ka ra di emisa golo go le nosi, re di gogele kwa pele, mme re leke ka bojotlhe re le lefatshe la Botswana gore Batswana ba ikemele ka nosi fa go tsena mo dijong. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Segokgo, followed by Honourable Mmolotsi.

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Tota le nna ke ne ke re ke eme ke kgwe Modulasetilo kgaba mo *report* e a ntseng a re e baya pele. Mo go mokgweng kgaba gone ke batla ke dumalane thata le mafoko a ke neng ke bona a bua ka one a supa botlhokwa jwa gore tota fela temothuo mo lefatsheng leno e tshwanetse e ikemele, re ijese. Ke sone tota kang e e botlhokwa e ke tsayang gore rotlhe re le Mapalamente re ka dumalana thata ka yone.

Mapalamente ba akgetse ka dintlha tse di mmalwa tse e leng gore ke tlaa feta fela ka bokhutshwane ka tsone ka gore le nna ke batla gore gone ke di gatelele ka tsela nngwe. Ya ntlha ke gore, go botlhokwa gore re lebelele seemo sa gore bao ba ba lemanang kana ba ba ruang tse e

leng gore jaanong ba a di roba, kana tse e leng gore di tlhoka gore di ye kwa mmarakeng, go nna le mmaraka fela o o *organised*, ka gore ke one o o ka kgonang go thusa gore go nne le ka fa ditlhwatlhwa di laolesegang ka teng. Bogolo jang ke gatelela mafoko a a neng a buiwa ke *His Honour the Vice President* gore bangwe ba jewa ntsoma, ke gone fela gore ba bo ba tlhoka *an organised market* e e leng gore ba ka ya go rekisa teng. Ke bua *ke re an organised market* gona le gore ke re a *corn market* fela jaaka gongwe *His Honour* a neng a bua ka yone.

Selo se ke neng ke eletsa gore ke leke gore ke se tlhaloganye, le fa ke ne ka leba *report* ka bofefo ke sa gakologelwe sentle gore a dintlha tse di tlhatswegile sentle mo teng, ke gore fa ba tsamaya ba buisana le Batswana, a ba ne ba sekaseka seemo se sa gore tota ka Puso e na le mananeo a le mantsi a a ntseng a thusa Batswana gore re tlhabolole temothuo, ke eng se bone ba se bonang e le Batswana sa ntlha se ba paledisitse gore ba tseye mananeo a?

Sa bobedi e le gore tlhalelo mo tiragatsong ya mananeo a, ba ne ba e bona fa kae ka gore ke dumela gore re ka dumela rotlhe re le Mapalamente gore Puso e tsentse madi a mantsi thata mo temothuong, mme ga re a roba maduo a re neng re bona gore a ka re baya mo seemong sa gore e bo jaanong re ijese. Ke itse gore rona le ditshekatsheko tse ka fa di dirilweng ka teng, mo Pusong le keletso ya go tlhabolola mananeo a tshwana le a bo ISPAAD jaana, a dirilwe, mme ke ne ke eletsa go bona ka fa go bone gore fa ba ntse ba tsamaya, seemo se ba ne ba se lebile, Batswana ba se ba tlhalosetsa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Bogolo jang ke eletsa gore ke tle ke tlhaloganye gape gore ntlha ya lefatshe, ke utlwile Modulasetilo a e gatelela, a supa gore ke nngwe ya tse di paledisang go gola ga temothuo. O ne a gatelela le gore melao le yone e saletse kwa morago. E batla gore e tlhabololwe gore re tle re tokafatse temothuo ya rona. Ke ne ke re ke tlhaloganye gore ntlha e e tshwanang le e, boranyane le tiriso ya bone mo temothuong ya rona, ga a bone gore a ke sengwe se se botlhokwa thata? Ke gone fa re ka bong re saletse kwa morago. Ke bua jaana ka tsela e ke sa reyeng gore ke lebile fela gore ke itse gore ba bangwe Mapalamente ba buile ka ditsela, go gokelela maranyane a ditlhaletsanyo jaana, le go a tsenya kwa masimong le merakeng, mme ke lebile fela boranyane tota jo bo tseneletseng, jo bo mo teng ga go dira temothuo ka bo yone. Ke fe sekai gore tota fela mo seemong se re leng mo go sone gompiano jaana, Motswana gore a jwale,



kana o jwala mmidi, mabele, e bile nte ke tseye mabele, peo eo re ipotse gore e tswa kwa go mang? Re e reka kae? A re mo seemong sentle sa gore re bo re dirisa dipeo tsa rona? Tse ke tsayang gore batsadi ba rona, ba ne ba ntse ba na le tsona, kana ke dilo tse re di latlhileng, mme e bile ga re dirise botlhotlhomisi jo bo tseneletseng go bona gore re tokafatsa maduo a temo ya rona ka go dirisa kitso e re ntseng re na le yone mo batsading ba rona mo temothuong.

Ke eletsa go leboga gore ba tsamaile lefatshe ka bophara lotlhe, le nna ke ne ke reeditse thata. Gongwe ke na le ngongorego e e tshwanang le ya ga Rre Mabuse Pule gore go na le Kgaolo ya Tlokweng, ga re a aga matlo fela a re a hirisitseng, le gone go na le masimo le leruo. Mme e bile mabaka a a neng a ntshiwa ke Rre Mabuse Pule, a maleba fa o lebile kgaolo e ka gore re atamalane toropo e bile go feta ene. E bile ke na le tumelo ya gore re na le tshono ya gore merogo e gompiano e emisitsweng, ke yone e nne gongwe re ka remelelang mo go yone, le fa ke itse gore sebe segolo ke gore metsi ke letlhoko le letona la gore gantsi o kgone temo e e ntseng jaana.

Jaanong rra, le nne le gakologelwa, re se ka ra akanya mafelo a a phuthologileng fela a le itseng gore go na le thuo ya dikgomo jalo, go na le temo e e atologileng e e buang ka *hectares* tse dintsi, mme le mo metseng e e setoropo le mo toropong, re tshwanetse go lebelela gore re dira jang go tokafatsa seemo sa rona sa dijo. Go kile ga nna le lananeo le leka gore Batswana ba itemele mo dijarateng tsa bone, le ke tsayang gore mo nakong e jaanong, ga le sa tlhola le le teng. Ke santse ke na le tumelo e e tletseng gore tota fa e le selo se se ka dirwang ke Batswana ba le bantsi, re ka fitlhela gore seemo sa rona sa go tlhoka go ijesa, ga se se re se bonang sa gompiano.

Rraetsho, ke tsene fela mo goreng lebaka le le neng la ntshiwa ke *Honourable Lucas*, a supa gore tota go aga itsholelo, e bile le itshireletsego ya lefatshe, *can be compromised* kana e ka digelwa tlase fela ke seemo sa gore re bo re sa kgone go ijesa. Ke sengwe se ke dumelang gore le sone tota ke se ka ka wetsa fela ke sa se gatelela ka gore fa re sa ijese bagaetsho, tota fela re ka iphitlhela gone mo seemong se mo mabakeng a a tlaabong a lebilwe ke mafatshe a mangwe, ka nako gongwe go na le ditumalano kana kutlwisisano le bone, ba bo ba dirisa lebaka la gore ba itse gore ga re kgone go ijesa, go re baya mo seemong se re felelang jaanong re ya go tsaya ditshwetso re dumalana le bone, mme e tswa e ne e le se re neng re sa eletse gore re ka se dira.

Ka mafoko a a kalo, ke ema nokeng *report* ya ba Komiti ya *Agriculture, Lands and Housing*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR MMOLOTSI (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker.* Le nna ke ne ke re gongwe ke kgwe kgaba *report* ya ga *Honourable Reatile* ya *Agriculture*. Gongwe ke simolole fela *Mr Speaker*, ke leke go thusa bakaulengwe. Kana ke tsaya gore go a itsiwe gore tota ke morutabana wa *Agriculture*. Jaanong ke ne ke re gongwe ke simolole fela ka go thusa bakaulengwe gore lefoko le la *agriculture*, ke lefoko le le tswang mo Selatining, se se reng '*agricultura*', mme le gore '*agri*' yo o raya *field*, '*cultura*' a raya *cultivation*. So re kgona go lemoga gore ke mafoko a mabedi. Le lengwe le simolola ka '*a*' which is *agri*, le lengwe le simolola ka '*c*' which is *cultura*. Jaanong ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, ke le rotloetsa gore fa o le bitsa lefoko le, o nne o akanyetsa thatathata gore ke mafoko a mabedi, le lengwe le simolola ka '*a*' le lengwe le simolola ka '*c*', gore re *avoid* go le bitsa '*agrigulture*.' Ke gore re bo re ka kgona go tlhaloganya gore le lengwe le simolola ka '*a*' le lengwe le simolola ka '*c*' and then we can call the word '*agriculture*.' Ke bua jalo bakaulengwe ka gore ke morutabana wa *Agriculture and I thought maybe it is important for me to be of assistance to you Honourable Members*.

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

MR MMOLOTSI: *Having said that*, tla ke leke gore komiti e ya ga *Honourable Reatile*, e tona, ke tsaya gore ke yone e e tshwereng *economy* ya lefatshe. Le kgona go lemoga le lona *Honourable Members* gore komiti e e tshwere *two out of the three traditional basic needs of life* tse re neng re di bolelelwa; tsa bo bonno le dijo, ka gore *this is where food is produced and where other commodities that are basic to our lives are produced*.

Having said that, kana lefatshe la Botswana mo nakong ya gompiano *Mr Speaker*, le mo seemong se le nang le kgwetlho ya go itirela dijo. Re a itse gore mo dingwageng tse di fetileng, ba *Ministry of Agriculture, in fact many years ago*, tota ba ne ba *preach* dilo tse pedi tsa *food security and food self-sufficiency*. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, go lebega e le gore re ne ra se ka ra kgona, e re ntswa *Ministry of Agriculture* o ne o rotloetsa jalo, gore re *achieve any of the two; whether ke food security kgotsa ke food self-sufficiency, we failed completely*.

Ke tsaya gore komiti e ya ga *Honourable Reatile*, *it is better placed to lobby Government* gore tota re boelele dikgang tse, jaanong re di emele ka dinao. Go bona gore



now that we have realised especially during the time of COVID, gore lefatshe le kgona go nyelela fela ka lebaka la letlhoko la dijo, go a tlhokafala gore ba komiti e ba leke to lobby Goromente go leka go thusana le the relevant Ministry of Agriculture, go bona gore kgang e ya food production, food security le food self-sufficiency, re e emela ka dinao gore e se ka ya re ka nako epe, ra iphitlhela re le mo mathateng. Dikai di setse di itshupa mo nakong ya gompiano gore fa re sa emele kgang e ka dinao, re tlaa tsena mo mathateng. O a bona gore gompiano ga go na tapole mo Botswana, Batswana ba mo mathateng, lately gatwe onions le merogo ga di bonale, and you can see gore komiti ya ga Honourable Reatile, tota ke yone kgakgatšhe mo go lekeng go bona gore lefatshe la rona le nna le dijo tse di lekaneng, tse di tlhokiwang ka dinako tsotlhe.

I think jaanong re tshwanetse re tsene thata mo kgannyeng ya research and development, maikaelelo e le gore mo dikannyeng tsa crops, research e thuse ka go bona high yielding varieties which mature within a short period of time, re lebile gore ka dipula di a tla di a nyelela, gompiano jaana ke mongwe wa batho ba ba neng ba lemile, ke itswetse fela. Therefore go a tlhokafala gore ba ba dirang dipatlisiso, ba dire tse di ka re neelang even drought resistance varieties of crops, crops that are resistant to pests jalojalo, mme di na le a short lifecycle gore motho a itse gore le fa ke lemile maybe within a month and a half I have already harvested. These things are possible if we invest money in research and development. Ke sone se Mr Speaker, go tlhokafalang gore re leke go dira jalo. Re mo seemong se e leng gore re a bona gore metsi mo lefatsheng la Botswana ke kgwetlho.

Maloba ke ne ke tlisitse Tshutiso mo Palamenteng, e ke neng ke kopa Goromente gore a leke go epela balemi didiba, ba ba nang le kgatlhego ya go lema ka tlhwaafalo kgotsa subsidise kepo ya didiba tsa bone. Ke a utlwa gore even the Vice President (VP) o ntse a tlhalosa gore, fa farmers ba le organised ba kgona go thusiwa ka sediba but you know Botswana kwa masimong ka go farologana, ga se gore mongwe le mongwe wa bone o na le kgatlhego ya go lema ba le cluster e le nngwefela, mme go na le ba ba tlhwaafetseng tota ba le very serious about food production. Jaanong fa re thusa bao gore ba kgone go nna le metsi mo masimong, they can produce food all year round re bo re sa iphitlhelere re na le dinako tse mo go tsone go senang ditapole, onions le dijo, we even import grains from as far as Brazil. O ipotsa gore ao! le raya gore le mabele le mmidi fela re ka di tsaya

bokgakala jo bo kalo, when Batswana have so many farms tse ba ka di dirisang. Kana kgang ke gore farms tse di foo, mme Goromente ga a leke go thusa gore dilo tse di tlhokafalang gore go lengwe di nne teng jaaka metsi and other things.

I know gore Goromente o a thusa ka subsidies tsa bo fencing, ka lenaneo la LIMID, that we appreciate, mme ga go a lekana. Re tlhoka infrastructure ya ditsela tse di yang kwa masimo, masimo a a nang le motlakase, because ultimately the food value chain gore re e kgone go a re re bo re na le ditsela le metlakase e e ka fetlhang tse re di tlhokang. E bile re na le metsi gore re bo re ka kgona gore what we produce kwa masimo, re kgone to process them kwa masimo so that we explore the whole value chain ya food production. Ke dumela gore komiti ya ga Honourable Reatile e ka dira tiro e ya to lobby lephata le, gore tota re tsene mo direction eo, ka gore batho ba ka tswa mo ditoropong ba ya kwa masimo, ba ya go lema and process sengwe le sengwe se re se tlhokang fa re ka dira dilo ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Go na le the new ISPAAD e e tlaa tlang. Go ya ka tebo ya matlho a me Modulasetilo wa komiti e, ke bona o kare ga e na go re thusa sepe. For example, fa jaaka go buiwa gatwe ba ya go thusa to equip didiba, how many people will be able to drill boreholes mo masimong a bone, very, very few. So if you offer thuso ya gore I am going to equip didiba, o ka nna wa fitlhela e le gore ga gona didiba that you can equip. Fa di le teng e tlaabo e le tsa ba ba itsholetseng enough gore ba ka kgona gore ba epe didiba mo masimong a bone. O kgona go bona immediately gore, this is a programme e e leng gore mo Motswaneng wa sekei le yo o senang se a nang le sone mo go kalokalo, ga e accessible. Go tshwana le go tsenya motlakase kwa masimong, mo Goromente according to the new programme a yang go leka go thusa Botswana go tsenya motlakase. Fa bill ya motlakase e tla e le P500 000 go isa motlakase kwa tshimong ya gago, obviously o a bona gore there is a segment ya Botswana ba e leng gore golo mo e tlaabo e le programme e e leng teng mo pampiring, mme e sa ba thuse. So it is one way of Goromente wa lona maDomkrag of just ticking the boxes, gore gotwe re tsenyetsa batho motlakase kwa masimo, re thusa batho ka metsi jalojalo. Gore dilo tse di kgone gore di nne meaningful, let us look at batho ba rona botlhe. Programme ya ISPAAD e e ntseng e lemela Botswana e ne e lemela Botswana ba le bantsi, mme go sena mosola mo go kalokalo, ka lebaka la gore ba tlaa lema, fa ba fetsa go lema pula ga e ne, ba boa fela. Therefore, return on investment was not there. At one



point I remember in the Eleventh Parliament I wanted the Minister to tell me gore return on investment ya yone thulaganyo e ya ISPAAD ke eng, and the Minister was quick to say gore we cannot use return on investment to measure a social programme like ISPAAD. But then what is the use fa re na le programme e re sa kgoneng go bona gore a e a re busetsa kana ga e re busetse, re ka dira jang gore Batswana ba kgone gore ba boelwe mo mading a a dirisiwang mo go bone.

Mr Speaker, ke tsene mo kgannyeng ya lefatshe fa ke fetsa gore go mosola Honourable Reatile gore, le leke to lobby Goromente gore tota Batswana ba tshwanelwa ke go bona lefatshe ba santse ba tshela. Gompiano jaana ke na le mme mongwe wa monalebogole kwa kgaolong ya me, yo o sa bolong go kopa setsha, yo o sokolang yo le maabane bosigo a neng a lelela mo go nna gore, Member of Parliament (MP) ke gore jaanong fa ke ka swa ke ya go fitlhelwa kwa kae ka nna ke nna mo ke hirisitseng. Tota waiting lists tse ga re re di lwantshe, re leke to service lefatshe ka minimum servicing, batho ba kgone gore ba neelwe lefatshe. Gape a re lekeng to consider gore fa re re motho o ka neelwa plots tse pedi, e nngwe mo toropong e nngwe kwa gae, kana ba bangwe gongwe ga ba na kgaolhego ya go nna le plots kwa ditropong. Ke eng re sa re plots tse pedi for Motswana mongwe le mongwe, o tlaa itlhophele ene gore o di tsaya kwa kae. Ke a leboga Mr Speaker ka nako ya gago.

MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION (MR MOLAO): Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke tlaa leka go bua ka bokhutshwane go tsibogela report e e beilweng fa pele ga rona ke komiti ya Palamente e e botlhokwa, e e tshwanetseng gore re e eme nokeng go dira tiro ya yone.

Se ke batlang go tsena mo go sone ke kgang ya lefatshe la temo kana masimo, gore gongwe e le nngwe ya dikakanyo mo nakong e e tlang, ba kgone gore le bone ba lebelele gore mme gone lefatshe la temo le le setseng le abilwe gale, le le mo matsogong a Batswana ka go farologana, go ya ka dikgaolo tsa rona ka go farologana ga tsone, le kana ka eng le le sa dirisiweng. Lefatshe le le e leng gore *it is lying fallow* le le mo diatleng tsa Batswana. Le fa kae, ke eng le sa dirisiwe, *and really call out* ba ba tshotseng lefatshe *to really understand deeply* gore lefatshe ke eng le ntse foo le sa dirisiwe. Le gone fa le ne le ka dirisiwa, le ne le ka re tswela mosola ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Ke buisiwa kgang e ke gore, tota gona le lefatshe la masimo le le ntsi le le setseng le abilwe, mme e bo jaanong re sa le dirise, e nna sekgwa fela. Ba ba tlang

kwa morago e le bana le banana ba bo ba folela go batla lefatshe, mme gona le lefatshe le le mo diatleng tsa Batswana ka go farologana. Mo gongwe e le la batsadi, ba bo ba palelwa ke gore ba na le bana ba ba sa tsholang lefatshe ba ka kgona go ba adima lefatshe le gore ba le dirise *productively* le bo le ka tlisetsa lefatshe le dijo. Ke sengwe se se tshwenyang, se batla go lebelelwa ka tlhwaafalo.

Kgang e tona tota fela mo Temothuong, re tshwanetse ra tlhaloganya ra ba ra leka le go rotloetsa ka tlhwaafalo gore, go bereka batho ba le mmogo go mosola gona le go itirela o le nosi koo, ditsompelo le kitso tsa gago di tlhela. Fa le ne le kopanetse tiriso, le ne le ka nna le letseno le dikakanyo tse di botoka, la kgona gore lefatshe le le le tshotseng le ntshe dijo tse di lekaneng mo go lone. Ke yone kgang ya *clusters* e e nngang e buiwa gore, e tshwanetse gore tota e gatelelwe mo bathong, Batswana ba tlhaloganye go bereka mmogo. Gompiano le fa go ne go ka kgonega gore metsi a ka isiwa kwa Batswaneng, jaaka re tlhola re ntse re bua re re fa le na le masimo a bapile e le diekere di ka nna 100, mme mongwe o tshotse 10 hectares (ha), yo mongwe *five*, yo mongwe 15, mongwe le mongwe a bo a re le nna ke batla sediba sa me, mo masimong ao, a go ka kgonega gore Goromente a thuse batho ba le kalo ka didiba tse di kalo? A mme di ka kgona thusa go tshegetsatsa masimo a, *and function productively?*

Fa e ne e le gore batho ba ba ntseng jalo ba itetla go nna a cluster, e bo e le gore Goromente o ba thusa go ntsha disana, go teratela masimo a, go sika fa go nang le metsi, e bo e nna tiriso e e kopanetsweng. *The production will certainly go higher and we can yield better results than re bereka individually* jaaka Batswana go lebelega mo mafelong a a farologanyeng e kete mongwe le mongwe o batla go ema fale a le nosi. Ke sengwe se se bokete se diang tswelolepele ya temothuo mo Batswaneng bogolo jang mo go ya temo. Komiti e tshwanetse e etelele pele *to encourage clustering* ya masimo a Batswana, *cooperatives between* Batswana. Fa o ya kwa mafatsheng a mangwe jaaka Israel, kwa e leng gore ke lefelo la sekaka, ba na le thulaganyo ya dikoporase e ba e bitsang Kibbutz Villages. Ke thulaganyo e e tsepameng ya gore batho ba bereka ba le mmogo, *as an example in dairy farming. They have clustered* gore ba ba itebaganyang le *production* ya *feeds* tsa leruo ke ba. E bo e le gore bao tiro ya bone ke go lema *feed* e fela. Ba bo ba e tsaya ba e isa kwa go ba ba tlhokometseng dikgomo. Gone foo ba ba tlhokometseng dikgomo, kgang ya bone ke go di tlhokomela, go bona gore di a



gamiwa, di nna fa go siameng. Go bo go nna le ba ba tlhokometseng gore fa go sena go gangwa, mashi ao a a tsewa a ya kae, thulaganyo yotlhe ya go ntsha boleng jwa mashi, go dira *yoghurt*, go dira eng tsotlhe...

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: You are lost Minister.

MR MOLAO: ...bona kae *feed*? Ke ya go bona kae mmara ka gore bangwe le bangwe *specialise on what they can do and do best. This is what has put Israel to be one of the best producers* tsa temothuo ka bophara jwa yone. *This is what we should be encouraging* Batswana *to adopt*. Go itsiwe gore fa e le kwa dikgomong, go nne le balemi ba ba dirang *feed* fela. Go nne le ba ba ruang, ba ba tsayang *product* e sena go wela ba e isa mmarakeng. Fa go duwa gone koo *like the Kibbutz system*, ba ba lemanang, ba ba gamang, ba ba tsayang mashi ba dira *by-products* ba a isa mmarakeng; ke gore mongwe le mongwe o na le seabe gore wena *proceeds* tse di tswang kwa bareking, madi a a kgaoganwa jang, bafe ba tsaya bokae, bafe bokae mo thulaganyong e. Ke sone selo se se beileng Israel gore e nne *one of the best producers*. Le rona re le Batswana *if we can adopt a model* o o tshwanang le o, o ka dira gore Botswana a ntshe dijo tse di lekaneng.

Gompiano jaaka go tswetswe merogo jalojalo gore re se ka ra tsaya kwa Aferika Borwa, ke selelo. Bangwe ba akanya gore Goromente o ne a sa akanya sentle. Go tswa kgakala e le gore melelwane e nne e tswalwa gotwe, "re a tswala gompiano ditamati le eng di dintsi." Ga go ise go re busetse gore Batswana ba *produce* go feta selekanyo se re se tlhokang le gore re ka felela re *export*. Jaaka go tswalwa *completely* jaana, go tlaa pateletsa gore mongwe le mongwe jaanong a eme ka dinao. *These big retail shops* re tshwanetse *to call them for hearing* re le komiti *and see* gore ba ka thusa Batswana jang *through various schemes tsa contract farming schemes*. Go itsiwe gore Choppies, Pick n Pay, Shoppers, *whoever*, ba ka *cluster* balemi *to say*, re kopa le re lemele tamati. *They can advance them with equipment* ya go dira thulaganyo yotlhe ya kwa masimo; go epa metsi, go dira tsotlhe tse di tlhokafalang. E bo e le gore ba tla *to pick* merogo e ...*(Inaudible)*... *and pay off* sekoloto se ba se dirang. Batho fa ba tlhwaafetse ba kgona go dira jalo. *These big chain stores can contract farmers* mme le bone *we need to engage them. The committee needs to call them in, engage them* gore dirang *schemes* tse di ka neelang Batswana dithata, re sa leba kwa go Goromente fela *because these things are doable*.

BAMB gompiano e dira *contract farming* ya dipeo, le fa gongwe di ise di lekane. Go na le balemi ba ba tona ba ba lemanang, *being contracted by* BAMB *to produce* peo le tse dingwe tse di tlhokafalang. *These big retail stores* di ka kgona *if we engage them. If this committee can call them in*, ba ka kgona *to cluster* balemi *and assist them to cultivate and take care of the crops* ba itse gore ba tlaa tsaya madi a bone a ba a adimileng balemi mo thekong e ba e tsayang. *Ultimately* sekoloto seo se a duelwa, e bo batho ba tswela *standing on their own and supply effectively*. Go dira *clusters* tse go botlhokwa teng kwa ...*(inaudible)*... metseng ka go farologana ...*(inaudible)*...

MR SPEAKER: Go na le bothata ka koo *Honourable Minister. Your time is up!*

MR MATHOOTHE (SEROWE NORTH): *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Mma le nna ke supe gore ke mo komiting e jaaka Modulasetilo a sa tswa go baya pego fa pele ga rona. Ke batla go dumalana thata le *His Honour the Vice President (VP)* gore *reports* tse di ntseng jaana ga re di tsewe *serious*. Ke tsone tse di ka re thusang thata fa re dira melao re ya kwa pele. Ke tlaa simolola ka go tshwaela gore e rile fa re ntse bua le balemi, re lebile kgang ya MilkAfric, ke dingwe tse di tlhokanang le go itlhaganelelwa ka pela. *The plant* e e agilweng kwa *is one of the best plants in the world* ya the Rotary Milking Parlor. E e nang le *sensors that detect* dikgomo gore *are they pregnant*, a mashi a siame le gore a go na le bolwetse. Ga e bolo go bewa lebaka le le leele, e tlaare nako e go simololwang, e bo e le gore *it needs a lot of maintenance* mo go yone. Ke dingwe tse Batswana ba ntseng ba di tlhalosa. Dilo fa re tsere tshwetso mo go tsone, re di itlhaganelele ka pela *to implement them* gore baagi le banni ba Lobatse le mo tikologong, ba tle ba tseye dikitso gone fa *plant* e setse e bereka.

Dingwe tse re di itemogetseng ke gore mo lefatsheng la Botswana re na le kitso e e ntsi thata. Bana ba Batswana ba rutegile, ba na le sengwe le sengwe. *Any information* e re e batlang, ga re re dirise bana ba Batswana. *Opposite* MilkAfric go na le Sunnyside fa ke bua ka tsa mashi. Yo o e tsamaisang mo nakong ya gompiano, ke mongwe wa bomankge ba ba rileng. Dikitso tse dingwe ga go tlhokafale gore re ye kwa mafatsheng. Go tlhokafala gore re tsene ka kwa ka gore o setse a supile nako e re neng re mo etetse gore o gololesegile go thusa Batswana *because* kgang ya mashi mo lefatsheng la Botswana e na le *potential* e e ntsi thata *because the market is still there*. Ke motho yo o ithaopileng gore kwa dikgaolong



tsa ba ba batlang gore ba ntshe bana ba ye go ithuta koo, o gololesegile gore a dire jalo. Go bothokwa thata gore dikgang tse re di itlhaganelele jalo re itse gore re na le...

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Mathoothe, it is now 1 o'clock. We will suspend our deliberations up until 2:00 p.m. You will continue when this matter when we come back after we have dealt with the questions. Honourable Members, the House is adjourned until 2:00 p.m.

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

PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AT 2:00 P.M.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, let us resume our business today with questions.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

ARRESTS MADE BY DIS OFFICERS

MR D. SALESHANDO (MAUN WEST): asked the Minister for Presidential Affairs, Governance and Public Administration to state the number of arrests effected by the Directorate of Intelligence and Security Services (DISS) in the last three years.

ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU): Thank you Mr Speaker. It would be ill-advised to publicise information regarding arrests by the Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) in the period specified by the Honourable Member of Parliament. Reference or allusion to any such specific information would ordinarily prejudice strategic and investigative objectives of operations which necessitated the arrests, some of which are ongoing.

However, Mr Speaker, this Honourable House can rest assured that any arrests conducted by the Directorate are done within the laws of Botswana and are guided by the Intelligence and Security Services (2008) Act. The DIS conducts arrests in terms of Section 21 of its Act and related provisions. The arrests are conducted based on information which contains reasonable basis to warrant the intervention of the Directorate as envisaged in its establishing Act. Once arrests are conducted and further relevant information is established, the Directorate shares it with other law enforcement entities for different purposes. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SALESHANDO: *Supplementary.* Mr Speaker, ga ke itse gore a go ka thusa gore o re tlhalosetse gore *once again is it on your instruction* gore Tona a se ka a araba le gore fa e le gore ke ka taelo ya gago, bodiphatsa jo bo ka tswang teng ke eng ka gore re bua ka tse di fetileng? DIS dinako tse dingwe fa e tshwara batho e laletsa babegadikgang gore tlang le boneng re tshwara motho, *cameras* di le foo e le *a scene*. Ke eng se se ka senyang ditlhotlhomiso fela gore re itse gore mo dingwageng tse tharo tse di fetileng ke ba le kae ba ba tshwerweng ke DIS? Go kgotlela fa kae tsa itshireletso mo lefatsheng la Botswana *when I am looking for historical information* e e leng gore le gone DIS go le gantsi e e direla mo mpepeneng, dinako tse dingwe e bile e biditse babegadikgang gore tlang le re boneng?

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Saleshando. The first part, the Speaker has no authority to instruct the Minister what to say. The Speaker can agree with the Minister when he brings to the attention of the Speaker that such question with the follow-ups that may come are likely to reveal matters which will relay to its operations and therefore to secret matters. Therefore, I did not instruct him but I agreed with him.

MR SALESHANDO: I want to understand how this would compromise national security?

MR SPEAKER: That is why *ke ne ke re* the first part, this is the one that I agreed. The second part, you can ask the Minister how he thought it would cause or compromise our security situation.

MR MTHIMKHULU: Thank you Mr Speaker. The activities of the DIS are by their nature covert operations. They gather intelligence in a covert way, secretive way. If in the process of gathering information or doing their investigations they arrest suspects and we come here *re bo re tla go bua gore* how many arrests we done in the past three years, it will lead to a situation where now we may be forced now to disclose what were the nature of the arrests and where and how, which will then lead again through follow-up questions to a situation where we end up disclosing this sensitive information to the public.

MR SALESHANDO: Mr Speaker, I think there is a difficulty here because the Minister says he cannot answer because he anticipates supplementaries that may compromise their investigations. However, the information sought, he is not saying how it compromises. It does not compromise. So, why do we not deal with



what is on the table? Why can he not answer? If there is a problem with the supplementaries, he will say so but this particular question there is absolutely no way in which the Minister can say it compromises national security.

MR MTHIMKHULU: Standing Order 38.1 paragraph (g) reads as follows, “the question shall not seek information about a matter which is of its nature secret.” Therefore, I am saying that the activities of the DIS are in their nature covert. They are secretive activities. *Fa e le gore* DIS during their investigations *e kile ya bitsa babegadikgang ka gore nna ga ke itse*, that would have been very unfortunate. In terms of their operations, they are secretive; they undertake their investigations in a very covert manner. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SALESHANDO: Mr Speaker, this Standing Order does not apply to this question because DIS arrests people publicly, not in a covert manner. They have an option of arresting people in a covert manner, *ba ba latela kwa malwapeng a bone ba ba tsaya*. Their arrests are done in full glare of the public. I am not asking about anything covered by Standing Order 38 (1) (g). Like I say, if their operations are covert, there is no way the press would be able to know when the DIS is going to mount an arrest and at what time. It is purely because the DIS does invite, in certain instances, journalists to come and cover. Mr Speaker, I insist that the Minister should answer the question because it is not covered by that Standing Order. If there is a problem with the supplementaries, we will deal with it when we get there.

MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG): *Point of procedure Mr Speaker. Honourable Saleshando a re DIS e laletsa media. It is not correct. A o ka ntsha bosupi jwa gore DIS e laleditse media kae, e tshwara mang? A a tlhalose gore fa a re DIS e laleditse media, ke kae?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: E ne e laleditse media kwa airport le tshwara Isaac Kgosi.

MR MTHIMKHULU: You are not correct, *ga ba a ba laletsa*.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, let us try and deal with the questions asked by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition as they stand. If indeed *ba ba itseng ba re go ne go na le ditaletso*, Minister can then say if that is true.

MR MTHIMKHULU: Thank you Mr Speaker. *Ga ke itse go na le ditaletso kwa DIS*. In fact, I do not believe they could have done that because in accordance with their Act, they are not supposed to do that. What they do should be secret because they are gathering intelligence. They cannot gather intelligence and then publicise it to the public. It is not in the nature of their duties. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SALESHANDO: The long and short of this is that, the question as asked, the Minister has not said how it would compromise their investigations or strategic objectives of the investigations they are carrying out. He has said his fear is that the supplementaries compromise their investigations and the Standing Order he has quoted have not applied to this particular question.

So *ka boikokobetso ke kopa gore* Mr Speaker, *e e arabiwe e, ya gore gongwe supplementaries di ka dira mathata*, you will make a ruling when we get there.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Mr Speaker, kante Rre Saleshando o batla eng mo bathong ba ba tshwerweng?*

MR SPEAKER: ... (Laughter!)... That is not an answer to his question, *gore o batla eng*. On the face of it *o batla go itse dipalo*, but the Minister says, once we do that, his fear is... (inaudible)...

MR TSOGWANE: *Point of procedure. Re a utlwa Mr Speaker. Re utlwa potso ya mokaulengwe le karabo ya ga Minister. Minister kana has quoted Standing Order. A standing Order is not an incident, an event, so there was an incident which Rre Saleshando based his question mo go yone, but the Standing Orders will remain jaaka di ntse. Whether there was such an incident where things were not done properly, is not to change the Standing Order. Jaanong ke ne ke re itebaganye fela le Standing Orders, gore batho ba ka gatwe ba dira tiro ya bone, ka sephiri, sephiri, Standing Order sa re, sepe se se bodiwang o ntshetsa mo pontsheng kana mo pepeneneng se e leng sephiri ga se tsamaiso, gore there was such an incident kwa Shakawe le Kasane, is neither here nor there. Re itebaganya fela le gore molao wa reng o o ba laolang, o laola ditiro tsa bone, le gore a mme ditiro tsa bone ke tsa sephiri. That is where we can get to resolve these matter. I thank you Mr Speaker.*

MR SPEAKER: I think the reason why Honourable Saleshando is asking is because of what the Minister said at first, that his fear was that there are supplementaries which could lead to the revelation of other matters which should never be revealed. That is where the problem



started, and when I said to Honourable Saleshando that, I agreed with the Honourable Minister that he cannot really go into details if the matters dealt with would put this republic in danger. I was quite aware of one or two incidents where it was public knowledge that Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) had arrested and the pictures appeared, *jaanong e o e tlhalosa a re* they did that, that is the arrest had not been at the invitation of the DIS. In other words as I understand him correctly, they should never have allowed the situation of their arrest to be publicised. That is the import of his sentence, that is what I had agreed with him, that *ee fa e le gore* they are not supposed to do that, then you do not go and start revealing *dilo tse e tlaa reng kamoso go bo gotwe ehe! ba dira jaana*. The problem we have of cause is that, when you are dealing with this area of operation you will have that difficulty of exactly where do you stop. If you tinker around the subject which is supposed to be done covertly without the danger of really revealing things which you should not be revealing, at one point I thought the question could be referred to *komiti e e lebaganeng le dilo tse ya Palamente*, but...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Saleshando o e ganne sir.

MR SPEAKER: Mma?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Saleshando o ganne komiti ya teng, ga e bereke.

MR SPEAKER: *Nnyaa*, the committee was established, *ga ke itse gore wena o tswa kae*. That is as far as I am concerned how I look at it.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: You are correct Mr Speaker, you are right.

MR SALESHANDO: Mr Speaker, would it help if ...*(inaudible)*...and forgo supplementaries, because the question as it stands, you cannot refuse answering it on the basis that it compromises investigations. The number of people arrested, can I have that and I will forgo my right to a supplementary.

MR SPEAKER: It is up to the Minister if he does not see the any danger. Honourable Minister.

MR MTHIMKHULU: Thank you Mr Speaker. I do not have the numbers, precisely because we did not request for them. We understood that those were matters of security. So we do not have them now with us. Thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SALESHANDO: Kana go raya gore DIS e gana go mo araba, tota *that is where the problem is*. Go gana DIS.

MR MTHIMKHULU: *Ga go gane DIS, ga ke a di kopa*. I am saying I did not request for them.

MR SALESHANDO: Then Mr Speaker in that case, *a re ka busetsa potso* to a later date, so that I get the information I have asked for?

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

MR SPEAKER: *Nnyaa lesang dilo tseo le senya nako*, whether the public has to know or not know, that is your opinion. We are dealing with the question asked by Honourable Leader of the Opposition.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

MR SPEAKER: Procedure.

MR TSOGWANE: *Point of procedure*. Mme kana *Mr Speaker, there is no need of pursuing this matter in any other route than you have suggested, because Minister o ya go tsoga a tla fa kamoso e le gore jaanong o tseeneletse, le Ramolaomogolo o mo gakolotse ga o ka ke wa ntsha dikgang tse di ntseng jaana, Standing Order sone se eme jaana. A bo a tla fa kamoso e bo e le gore Saleshando accuses him, a mo raya a re, o rile o ya go tla ka numbers. We do not want such things. Ke raya gore fa e le gore Tona o ikutlwa gore...ka o ntse a bua re mo reeditse gore dipalo tseo is tantamount to disclosing the operations that are secretive. So fa a simolola a ithata, e bo e re kamoso a nna le bogakolodi jwa Ramolaomogolo, because Goromente o gakololwa ke Ramolaomogolo, a bo a tla fa a re jaanong ga ke ka ke ka dintsha, e ya go nna kgang ya gore you are dishonest, o rile o ya go dintsha. Ke batla gore the Minister must be very clear in his mind, gore mme ka fa go ntseng ka teng... ka potso jaaka Rre Saleshando a bua, o ne a bone gore e batla dipalo, se se mo iditseng gore a tle ka dipalo, how is he going to resolve that, because he was very much aware gore dipalo tse di a batlega? Jaanong fa a tla gone fa a bo a nna o kare o sokiwa letsogo, I do not think that is the right route to go. I thank you Mr Speaker.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: I think we must understand what we are dealing with. The supplementary was Honourable Minister, if I do not ask any supplementary can you give the numbers? There was an answer to that one, so the



matter of procedure is not going to take us any further. I hope Honourable Members do understand what procedure means. Honourable Minister.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Kana Mthimkhulu o feditse kgang a re ga a kopa dipalo, o tlaa tla ka tsone.

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

MR SPEAKER: Ao ke a gago *Honourable* Ramogapi.

MR MTHIMKHULU: I believe you gave me the floor Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Yes.

MR MTHIMKHULU: The point is *kana* these numbers *jaaka ke ne ke bua*, they are subject to Paragraph (g) *ya* Standing Order 38.1. *Jaamong* in their nature secret, that is why we did not request for the numbers and we still maintain that they are secret, unless the Speaker rules otherwise that they are not secret and we should disclose them. We stand *gore* they are secret.

MR SPEAKER: As far as the issue, in fact as the Speaker, I have already said I had agreed with the Minister and I still agree with him that whether or not any arrests were made such that the public saw and know about them, that is not an excuse for revealing what Honourable Saleshando wants. That is what I have said and I still say so but *ga se nna ke arabang potso*. *Mafoko a mangwe* in English language, not very carefully, *e bo e tsosa dikgang* but that said me, my position and it is still is. Let us go to the next question.

MOBILE MONEY SERVICES

MR D. TSHERE (MAHALAPYE WEST): asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Development to apprise this Honourable House on mobile money services; and further state:

- (i) the yearly transaction for each mobile money service provider (My Zaka, Orange Money and Smega) since inception;
- (ii) what happens in an unfortunate case of death of the subscriber when he/she still has a balance on their My Zaka, Orange Money or Smega;
- (iii) how much money has been left pending or unclaimed as a result of the above; and
- (iv) plans to rectify this problem so that beneficiaries of the deceased can claim the balance.

Later Date.

FOOD PRODUCTION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/2021

MR S. N. MOABI (TATI WEST): asked the Minister of Agricultural Development and Food Security to state:

- (i) the current status of food production in the country for the financial year 2020-2021, in terms of yields; and
- (ii) the viability of food production given the current food importing trends.

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD SECURITY (MR GARE): Ke a go leboga *Mr Speaker*. Tla ke go dumedise tshokologong eno, ke dumedise le Batlotlegi Mapalamente. Karabo ya me e eme jaana gore;

- (i) Mo ngwageng wa temo wa 2020/2021, re ntshitse dijo tsa 116,401 *metric tonnes* mo mohameng wa mabele, mmidi, lebelebele le korong, se e le tlhaelo mo go se re se tlhokang sa 300,000 *tonnes* ngwaga le ngwaga. Mo mohameng wa dinawa, re ntshitse 31,004 *metric tonnes*. Mo merogong le maungo re ntshitse 75,449 *metric tonnes*, e e leng gore le yone ke ntse ke tlhaelo ka gore ngwaga le ngwaga re tlhokana le 112,000 *metric tonnes*. Mo merogong e e tshwanang le bo ditapole, re ntshitse 16,732 *metric tonnes*. Ditamati re ntshitse 7,933; *cabbage* re ntshitse 20,066 *metric tonnes*. *Onions* re ntshitse 4,028 *metric tonnes*. Mo go tlhaelang teng *Mr Speaker*, re ne re tlatsa ka go reka kwa ntle.
- (ii) *Mr Speaker*, go boammaaruri, go ntsha dijo go re fa tshono ya gore batho ba ka tsena mo dikgwebong tsone tse, re lebeletse tlhaelo e e leng teng. Re le lephata re a rotloetsa e bile re leka go thusa gore ba ba nang le kgatlhego ya go tsena mo temong, re ba thuse ka fa re ka ba thusang ka teng go leka go netefatsa gore tse di tlhaelang mo garona, ba a di re direla. Jaaka go ne go buiwa kgantele fa go begwa pego ya *agriculture*, go supa gore totatota re le lefatshe re tshwanetse gore re ikemele ka dinao, re itirele dijo ka gore go ikaega ka mafatshe a mangwe go ka re baya mo seemong se se sa nnang sentle. Re ka iphitlhela re na le madi mo dipateng mme go sena sepe se re se rekang kwa dishopong ka gore ba re ntseng re reka kwa go bone fa ba ka nna le seemo se ba ka kgonang go ntsha mo go



lekaneng ba ga bone fela, re ka nna le seemo se se sa nngang sentle. Ka go rialo *Mr Speaker*, go viable gore motho o ka tsena mo *food production*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR MOABI: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, ke a leboga Tona ka tlhaloso e bile ka fa o lemogang le maiteko. Ke tla ka potso e *Mr Speaker*, ke tshwentswe ka go bona ka fa dijo di tlhaelang ka teng le *food import bill* e oketsega. *Mr Speaker*, fa o ka lebelela *from May to October*, *import bill* ya dijo e ne ya oketsega ka P171 million. Ke batla go botsa Tona gore jaaka *import bill* e ntse e ya kwa godimo jaana, o ya go dira eng go fokotsa *import bill* ya dijo e re e bonang? Potso ya bobedi e le ya bofelo *Mr Speaker, Minister*, fa ke lebeletse Gross Domestic Product (GDP) ya Botswana, ka 2020 *agriculture contributed 2.1 per cent* mo ke tseelang gore e kwa tlase. Fa ke lebeletse dingwaga tsa maloba tsa bo 2010 le 2011, e ne e le 2.5 *per cent contribution to national GDP*. Jaanong ke botsa potso ya gore go ne ga dirwa ke eng gore gongwe GDP e fokotsege e ye kwa tlase? Gape o ya go dira jang *Minister* gore re tle re bone e ya kwa godimo, e boela kwa e neng e ntse e le teng? Ke a leboga *Minister*.

MR GARE: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke leboge Motlotlegi Moabi ka potso le *supplementary* ya gagwe. Ke dumalana le ene gore *import bill* e a oketsega mme kana fa e oketsega jaana, re a bo re rekisa ditiro. Jaanong dikgwetlho di dintsi *Mr Speaker*, nngwe ya tse re nang le tsone ke gore seemo sa loapi se re lebaganeng le sone, se re itsa gore re ka kgona go ntsha dijo *all year round*.

Sengwe sa dikgwetlho tse di leng teng ke gore ditlhwatlhwa tse di golang di godisiwa ke gore dilo di tshwana le bo dipeo, menontshane, dibolaya diji le dibolaya mohero ga re di dire mo ga rona, re di tsaya kwa ntle. Golo mo go dira gore dipoelo mo temong e bo e le tse di kwa tlase *and obviously* fa go sena *profits*, go kgoba batho marapo go tswelela ba ntse ba setse selo morago se se senang dipoelo.

Mr Speaker, re na le maiteko a a farologaneng mo lephateng. Re ne re sa tswa go supa gore re leka go baakanya ISPAAD, e re ntseng re tswelela re dirisa madi a mantshi e le gore *it covers* batho ba le bantsi mme dipoelo tsa teng di sa tsamaisane le ditshenyegelo tsa rona. Re leka gone gore *one*; re e baakanye e nne mo seemong sa gore re kgone go nna le dipoelo. Dipoelo tsa rona tse re di lebeletseng thata ke *output* ya gore re ntsha dijo go le kana ka eng mo masimong a rona. Nngwe ya dilo tse re di dirileng ke *Industry Support Fund*, e re ikaelelang go e dirisa go ka nonotsha balemi ba rona gore ba kgone go oketsa lebelo le ba ntshang dijo ka lone le boleng jwa tsone.

Ka kgang ya GDP *Mr Speaker*, go boammaaruri. *Obviously* fa *production* e ya kwa tlase, go tsamaisana *directly* le gore batho ba rekisa go le kana ka eng *and hence*, go ya go ama seabe sa temothuo mo *contribution* ya GDP. Maiteko ke one a ke a supang gore ka mananeo a a farologaneng, re sa lebelela temo fela re lebeletse temothuo yotlhe ka kakaretso, re leka go tsosolotsa dilo tse go netefatsa gore re nna le *production* e e kwa godimo le dipoelo tse di botoka.

Nngwe ya dilo tse re dumelang gore re ka di dirisa gore re kgone go nna le dipoelo tse di botoka, ke *to develop value chains*. Totatota *when you add value to the products*, o kgona go bona madi a a botokanyana a e leng gore *ultimately*, o ya go fitlhela o tokafaditse GDP e bile o fokoditse *import bill*. Ke ne ke re gongwe ke ka e araba ka bokhutshwane jo bo kalo *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Ramogapi.

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: Ga a yo. Honourable Dr Gobotswang.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Honourable *Minister*, sengwe se re tshwanetseng go itlwaetsa go se dira ke go baya dielo. Ke ne ke batla go itse gore mme sentlentle Puso, seelo sa yone ke eng mabapi le go ntsha dijo? Le ikaelela gore gongwe le bo le ntshitse dijo tse di lekaneng mo mohameng wa gore, ka ngwaga wa gore. A le na le dielo tse le di ipeetseng?

Potso ya bobedi ke gore, Honourable *Minister*, re tsamaya fa kae mo lenaneong la temo le leruo, *policy* ya *Agriculture*? Kana ke yone e e neng e tshwanetse gore e tlhalose gore sentlentle re ya go fitlhelela jang dielo tse re di ipeetseng. Le tsamaya fa kae mo *policy* ya *Agriculture* Honourable *Minister*? Ke a leboga.

MR GARE: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, ke leboge Motlotlegi Ngaka Gobotswang.

Ke dumalana le wena gotlhelele motlotlegi gore re tshwanetse re nne le dielo. Ke tsaya gore le fa ke ka se ke gongwe ke bale dingwaga le dipalo, selo se se papametseng fa pele ga rona ke gore, re ntsha bokae re tlhela ka bokae. Maikaelelomagolo a rona ke gone gore, mo go tlhaelang moo, jaaka ke sa tswa go bala gore mo *cereals* re ntshitse 115 *metric tonnes*, mme ngwaga le ngwaga re tlhoka 300,000 *tonnes*. Re tlhokana le gore mo go tlhaelang moo, sengwe le sengwe se re se dirang, kana *interventions* tsotlhe tse re di ntshang ka kwano,



di bo di itebagantse le go netefatsa gore mo nakong e e riling, e e leng gore gongwe gompiono ke ka tswa ke ka se ke ke e bue, re bo re kgonne go fitlhelela e le gore re kgona go itirela dijo tsoone tseo. Ke di lebeletse fela tsotlhe ka bophara jaaka ke ntse ke di nankola gore fana re na le bokana, re ntsha bokana, re tlhabela ka bokana, mashi re ntsha bokana, re tlhabela ka bokana. Golo mo ke gone seelo sa ntlha se e leng gore re tshwanetse re se beye e le maikaelelomagolo *or the overarching objective* ya gore re batla go fitlhelela eng re le Puso. Ke gone gore kwa bofelelong e bo e le gore ga re sa tlhole re *import* sepe mo go tse ke di nankotseng.

Mo kgannyeng ya *policy* motlotlegi, ke tshwanetse ka dumalana le wena gore e ka tswa e diegile. Fa e leng teng, ka ke dumela gore tsamaiso ya Puso o a e tlhaloganya, re setse re e dirile, e mo go tweng *circulation*. Ga ke itse gore ke ka bua ka Setswana ke reng; ke gore e mo maphateng a mangwe go e lebelela; gakere *we are one Government*. Re e dirile re le Lephata la *Agriculture*, re tshwanetse re e bontshe *ministries* ba bangwe ba bone gore le bone ba nne le seabe. Kana ga re ka ke ra dira tlhabololo ya temothuo kana kgang ya go ntsha dijo re le nosi, ba ne ba tshwanetse gore ba lebelele, ba nne le seabe go bona gore nnyaa mme fa go tlhabela fa, go ka nna botoka fa go ntse jaana. Tsholofelo le tumelo ya me ke gore, mo Palamenteng e e tlang ya *July*, re tlaabo re e buisana gone fa motlotlegi. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR REGOENG: *Supplementary.* Tanki Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Nnyaa, re utlwa dikarabo tsa gago Tona *Honourable* Gare. Ke go botse gore, kana *we have three points* tse e leng gore *they are food baskets*; e leng Pandamatenga, Mosisidi le Barolong Farms, a ga o na maikaelelo le lephata la gago gore gongwe o senke lefatshe lengwe gape golo gongwe le go ka lengwang fela go tlhoafetswe, gona le go baya mo balemi-baruing ba ba lemanang mo go botlana ba re a tleng re ba bitse *subsistence farmers*? Fa re ka ipaya fela ka gore re tlaa berekisa bone bao, ga ke bone palo e e farologaneng ya *grains* ya bo 116,000 le 300,000 re ka e tshwara mo nakong e khutshwane. A go na le maikaelelo a gore le ka senka lefatshe lengwe gape le le tshwanang le one a ke ntseng ke a bua jaaka a bo Pandamatenga?

MR GARE: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, ke go leboge motlotlegi. Ee go ntse jalo, gongwe re ka tswa re bua ka Pandamatenga, Mosisidi le Barolong Farms, mme ga ke itse gore a ke kgang e re kileng ra e bua mo Palamenteng. Fa e le gore ga re ise re ko re e bue, ke supe gore re na le *clusters* di ka nna 13 *that we are developing* ka tsholofelo le tumelo ya gore di tlaa tla di tlatse mo godimo ga se bo Panda, Mosisidi le Barolong Farms ba se dirang.

Re tshwanetse ra dumalana nna le wena motlotlegi gore lefatshe ga le yo, mme *at the same time* re na le lefatshe le le ntsintsi le e leng gore le foo ga le dirisiwe sentle, kana ga le dirisiwe gotlhelele. Maikaelelomagolo a rona ke gore re leke go tswela re buisana le Batswana *to cluster* mafatshe a gore a kgone gore a tlatse a bo a re thuse gore mo maikaelelong a rona a go fitlhelela dielo tse re neng re di bua kgantele, re a kgone. Ke raya gore ka bokhutshwane, ke dumalana le wena gore ga se kgang ya go batla lefatshe fela mme re lebeletse le a a setseng a le teng go bona gore re ka a tsenya mo tirisong botoka ka mokgwa o o ntseng jang. Ke a leboga *Honourable Member*, ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

UNSERVICED ELECTRIC POTS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

MR K. K. KAPINGA (OKAVANGO): asked the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development:

- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the majority of electric pots in primary schools are unserviceable; and if so,
- (ii) what interventions he intends to make or he has made to ensure that the situation is returned to normality and catering for students is made more manageable.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MR PULE): *Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke bo ke leboga le Motlotlegi Kapinga potso e a e boditseng e e bothokwa e.*

- (i) Mr Speaker, I am aware that some electric ignited boiling pots, also known as oil jacketed, in most Local Authorities have maintenance and service challenges mostly attributed to their age and the nature of their operation, which render them prone to frequent breakdowns and periodically requiring maintenance and servicing.

Out of a total of 1,335 electric pots across all Local Authorities, 828 are working, and the remaining 507 are not working. In North West alone, we have 136 pots, of which 116 are working and 20 are not.

- (ii) My ministry has provided industrial gas stoves in all the primary schools in all districts, as an alternative to remedy the situation.

A budget provision of P140 million under Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP) has been set aside for maintenance of primary schools, inclusive of electrical and mechanical assets and replacement of kitchen pots, are part of the scope of work.



(iii) Mr Speaker, finally, we have mechanical technicians in Local Authorities who we continuously train in order to enhance their capacity to service and maintain these pots. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR KAPINGA: *Supplementary Mr Speaker. Thank you.* A Tona o a itse gore mo dikoleng ka bontsi dipitsa tse ga di bereke, e bile go hirilwe batho ba ba isang dikgong ka dikotsekara ba ba duelelwang go rwalela dikgong? Le gore a selo se ga a lemoge se eme kgatlhanong le *the environmental protection strategies* tse re nang le tsone *as a country* tsa go fokotsa go rwalelwa ga dikgong? Le gone gore go dirisiwa ga dikgong ke baapei, go ama botsogo jwa bone? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR PULE: *Mr Speaker*, ke a leboga, ke a leboga *Honourable* Kapinga. Nnyaa, ya dikgong ga ke *aware* ka yone, ga ke e itse sentle, re tlaa tshwanelwa ke go e tlhotlhomisa. Ke dumalana le wena gore fa e le gore go santse go na le ba ba dirisang dikgong golo gongwe, go tlaa bo go sa nna sentle.

Kana jaaka ke ne ke tlhalosa *Mr Speaker*, ke ne ke re mo dikoleng tse e leng gore dipitsana tse tsa motlakase ga di bereke, re rekile *gas stoves* gore gona le gore batho ba dirise dikgong, *when the electric stoves are bad, then they can actually resort to using gas stoves*, ba apaya ka dipitsana. Ke raya gore fa e le gore go na le ba ba dirisang dikgong, go tlaa re re tle re tlhodumele, re bone gore go diragala jang gore seemo seo re se emise. Ke a leboga.

MR BOKO: *On a point of order. Mr Speaker*, gongwe fa ke dule mo tseleng le nkgakolole, *because* tsamaiso e fa gongwe e etla e ntimetsa. Ke ne ke lebile *Honourable* Motaosane, ke bone a apere mebala ya *party* mo Palamenteng ka thai a feletse. Ke ne ke re a mme go a letlelelwa *Mr Speaker*, fa go sa letlelelwe, gongwe a ikgogele kwa morago ka kgang ya teng, ka gore ke tloga kamoso ke tla ka mebala ya Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) gone fa go bo go tlhakatlhakana.

MR SPEAKER: Ga ke a mmona *Honourable* Boko.

MR BOKO: Ee, le mmone *Mr Speaker*, a apole thai eo, ga go a siama.

MR SPEAKER: Ke motho yo ke sa mmonang. Ba le mmoneng ka koo, buisanang.

MR BOKO: Ee, *thank you Mr Speaker*, Motlotlegi Mothusa Tautona o tlaa bua le ene.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa, *Honourable* Boko o apere eng ene re sa mmone? Ke kopa gore a bue gore o apere eng.

MR SPEAKER: Ke bona *Honourable Member* for Selebi Phikwe West a tshwara thai ya gagwe, kana go tloga gotwe ke ya Domkrag.

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

HONOURABLE MEMBER: O mpiditse *Mr Speaker*?

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, ke ne ke re ke bona o tshwara thai, a o tshaba gore ke ya Domkrag.

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

REGULATION OF USE OF E-COMMERCE

MR T. MANGWEGAPE-HEALY (GABORONE CENTRAL): asked the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry to state:

- (i) the current Government legislation covering or regulating the use of E-commerce;
- (ii) incentives or promotion of the use of E-commerce and the facilitation of licensing for businesses that want to sell online; and
- (iii) if the Government will consider allowing one-stop-shops for manufacturing companies in the sense that they should not be required to obtain a retail license if they are operating/intend to sell from the same premises or online.

MINISTER OF INVESTMENT, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MR KGAFELA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke leboge le motlotlegi.

- (i) Re na le mekoakoa ya melao, e e dirisiwang tebang le kgwebo e e tsamaisang ka maranyane e. Re na le molawana wa Electronic Communications and Transactions Act wa 2014. Re na le Electronic Records (Evidence) Act wa 2014, re na le Data Protection Act ya 2018, re bo re nna le Communications Regulatory Authority Act ya 2012, re bo re nna le Cybercrime and Computer Related Crimes ya 2018. Ke tlhalose Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente gore, re na gape le *the E-commerce Strategy*, e ke sa tswang go e *launch* mo nakong e e seng kgakala e e fetileng. Mo go yone, re ne re *recommend* gore go nne le



molao o le mongwefela o o tlaa tsayang melao yotlhe e e amang bogwebi jwa maranyane, jo bo tsamaisanang le maranyane, a bo e le gore jaanong bo tsena mo ntlong e le nngwe, e nna molao o le mongwe o *regulate* bogwebi jwa mofuta oo.

Fela ke tlhalose gore re eme ka dinao, e santse e le *at procurement stage* khiro ya *consultant*, gore ba ye go sekaseka gore a go a kgonagala gore re tseye melao e ke sa tswang go e bua e, le yotlhe fela e e ka tswang e tlhokafala, e bo jaanong re e bopa e nna molao o le mongwe, re e *consolidate* gore e tle e laole *e-commerce*.

(ii) *Incentives* kgotsa se re se dirang go rotloetsa *e-commerce*, ga go gontsi se re setseng re atlegile ka gone, ka gore *E-Commerce Strategy* tota fela ga e bogologolo, e le *launched*. Re mo thulaganyong ya go bopa *the e-commerce portal*, maikaelelo e le gore ba dikgwebo tse di potlana, kgotsa Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs), ba kgone gore ba fitlhelele dimmaraka tse di mo Botswana le tse di kwa ntle ga Botswana, ba dirisa maranyane ao, mme e bile go nne ka ponyo ya leitlho.

(iii) Dikompone tse di mo tirong ya *to manufacture*, ga go na sepe se se patikang gore di batle a *Retail Licence*. Se di se rekisang, di se rekisetsa gone fa di direlang (*manufacture*) teng. Mme fela fa e le gore jaanong di batla go ya go se rekisetsa go sele, e se fa di direlang teng, ke gone jaanong fa *licence* e tlaa tlhokiwang teng. Se se kgonagala ka fa tlase ga tsetlana ya *Section 9 (2) (a)* ya *Industrial Development Act*. So ka bokhutshwane fela tota ga go tlhokafale gore ba ye go batla *Retail Licence* fa e le gore ba rekisetsa gone fa ba direlang teng, *it is only then* fa ba batla gore ba ye *to another site*, ke gone fa jaanong ba tlaa batliwang *this licence*.

Kwa bofelelong, ga go na molao ope o o thibelang *businesses* gore di tsene mo kgwebong, di dirisa maranyane e le yone tsela ya gore ba ipapatse. Ke tsaya gore ke amile potso e, ke e boledisitse, tla ke e beye khutlo gone fa, ke tlaa emela *supplementaries*.

MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY: *Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ke lebogetse dikarabo ngwana wa ga Kgosi. Ya ntlha o kare o setse o e arabile gore ga le *consider* go dira molao o le mongwefela *which governs* selo se. O setse o supile gore le batla *consultant*, motho o ne a ka botsa gore gongwe re ka solofela mo lebakeng le le kae gore le bo le setse le hirile *consultant*, tiro e simologile?

Ke botsa ka gore, ke tsena mo go ya bobedi, e o reng ga go na sepe se le se dirang se se ntsi, *in terms of promotion of e-commerce*. *Honourable Minister*, ga o bone go le botlhokwa, o lebile kwa *the direction* e lefatshe le tsamayang ka yone gore *e-commerce* jaanong *is becoming a major way of trading*, ga o bone go tlhokafala gore makalana a a ka fa tlase ga gago jaaka bo Botswana Investment and Trade Centre (BITC), le a mangwe, le gone fela kwa *ministry*, gore le tseye kgang e ka tlhwaafalo? Le bone gore *you have robust strategies* tsa *e-commerce*, tse di tlang *for the promotion of e-commerce* because jaaka re tlhola re bua gore COVID e re rutile go le gontsi, ke tsaya gore ke nngwe ya dilo tse e re di bontshitseng di le dintsi, *the importance of e-commerce*.

Labofelo *Minister*, ke utlwa o re ga go na sepe se se itsang gore go ka rekisiwa jaana. *Are you aware that traders* mo toropong ya Gaborone, *manufactures*, ba dira mo gotweng *one-stop shop*, ba tshwenngwa ke ba *council*, ba ba tsamaisang ditesi tse tsa go rekisa kana *licences* ka kgang ya gore; tla ke re gongwe *fashion designer* a batla go dira, a bo a rekisa golo go le gongwefela, batho ba Gaborone City Council ba ba tsenya tsebetsebe. Ga ke itse gore mo dikhanseleng tse dingwe *in the country* go ntse jang, mme mo Gaborone *that is the situation*. *I want to know if you are aware. Thank you Mr Speaker.*

MR KGAFELA: Dipotso tsa Mapalamente di a re thusa tota, ka gore di re gwetlha go bereka. Gongwe ke baakanye motlotlegi fa a ntse a akgela, *he used the word not considering*, mme ke supe gore ke ne ke sa rialo tota fela. *I think* o ne o re *I am not considering developing and consolidating the law*. Nnyaa, *it is the other way round sir*. Ke ne ke re *we are considering to consolidate...*

MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY: *Mr Speaker, correction.* Nnyaa, eo e ne e le ya *incentives* tsa *promotion*, ke yone e ke neng ke botsa gore a ga o *consider*. Ya *the single law*, ke ne ke batla go itse gore re ka solofela leng gore *you would have consolidated* molao? *Thank you Mr Speaker.*

MR KGAFELA: *Okay.* Nnyaa, ya *the incentive* jaaka ke ne ke tlhalosa, mabaka a gore tota fela... jaanong le nna fa ke ntse ke tlhotlhomisa, ke leka go ipaakanya, ke lemogile gore ka se sebaka, ga re ise re dire go le gontsi *in terms of incentive* le *to encourage e-commerce*, ke gore go go sha. Re magorogo masha ka *strategy* sa rona, ga re ise re se phutholole, ra se boledisa mo go kalokalo, mme fela ke sa re ga re na lenyora la gore re *incentivise*



kgotsa re *promote e-commerce*. Re amogela ka botlalo gore lefatshe le a sutelela. Lefatshe go gwebiwa ka maranyane go yeng pele, jaanong le rona re tshwanetse ra ema ka dinao, ra tlhomamisa gore re *provide incentives* e bile re a *encourage* gore go nne le *e-commerce*. Mme fela ke re ke ka amogela megopolo, ke le kopeng thuso batlotlegi. Puso ga se maitsegotlhe. Puso ga se yone e tshotseng maboko e le nosi. Ke ka amogela batlotlegi gore ba re thuse gore fa ba na le megopolo e rona re ka tswang re sena yone, ya gore go ka rotloediwa *or* ga *incentivise* ka tsela epe, re ka lebogela thuto eo fa e le gore e tswa mo batlotleging.

Ke a dumela gore re tlaa tsamaya re ya go kopa thuso le kwa BITC jaaka motlotlegi a *encourage*. Kana Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, jaaka ke tlhalosa, dipotso tsa batlotlegi *are very valuable*, ba re fa lesedi la gore re ka ya go tsomela kae. Jaanong ke tlaa tsamaya ke ya go tsomela kwa BITC, motlotlegi o mphile leano. Gore ba ka se ka ba re thusa le bone ka baitseanape ba ba kwa go bone, gore ba re thuse *to intensify* bagwebi go dirisa *e-portal*.

Jaanong e ya bagwebi ba ba kgopakgopetswang ke khansela, mma fela ke amogele gore ke ne ke sa itse gore e teng. Kwa ntle fela ga gore gongwe ba ba kgopakgopetsa ka lebaka la gore e bo e le kgwebo e e batlang *licence*. Jaaka ke tlhalositse, fa e le *manufacturing*, o filwe tseletso ya *to manufacture* foo, o bo o batla go rekisetsa gone foo, e se go sele gape mme foo, ke gone fa e ka bong e le phoso gore gatwe o ye go batla a *Retail Licence*. *Of course* jaanong fa e le gore o batla go sutelela fa pele o sutelela go sele, o tlile go wela dingalo teng foo, ba tlaabo ba go raya ba re jaanong o ka fa ntle ga tshireletso ya Section 9 ya Industrial Development Act. Ga o sa tlhole o le ka fa tlase ga tshireletso ya yone, tsamaya o ye go batla a *Retail Licence*. Fela ke utlwile, ke tlaa ya go tlhotlhomisa gore ba ba kgopakgopetsanang bale, yo o phoso ke ofe fa gare ga bone. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

DR MATSHEKA: *Supplementary*. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke lebohe le *Honourable* Kgafela ka fa a arabileng ka teng. Ke botse *Minister* gore, *given* gore tota *we want to promote business in the country*, le fa re dira melao e ga se gantsi ke utlwa sentle gore tota *impediment* kana bolekanano jwa kgwebo bo kana ka eng, e bile *it is going to be promoted* ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke botse *Minister* gore, a o na le dipalo, *and I will accept* fa a sa di tshwara, tse di supang gore tota *how much of the industry is regulated within the jurisdiction* ya Botswana. Re kgone go bona gore melao e e ya go godisa kana e ya go diragatsa jang.

Potso ya bobedi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente ke gore, Tona kana golo fa re leka *to promote online*, a ga a bone go na le bothata gore o kgona *to trade online* go sa tlhokafale gore o ye go tsaya tetla mme *when you relocate* o batla *another space*, o tshwanetse o tseye *permit*. *What should we be promoting Mr Speaker?* Ke a leboga.

MR KGAFELA: Dipotso tsa ga motlotlegi di a mpetla Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ya ntlha, tota fela e batla ke ya go tlhotlhomisa. O ne a eletsa gore fa ke tshotse dipalo ke kgone gore ke fe seelo sa gore *we regulate* bagwebi ba le kae Botswana ka bophara. Eo e mpatla gore ke ye go tlhotlhomisa, ke ne ke sa e solofela, a intshwarele.

Ya bobedi e ke ne ke utlwa sentlentle gore a re, ga tla jang gore le re *manufacturer* a le fa, le bo le re nnyaa fa a rekisa a le fa go siame ga a tlhokane le *Retail Licence*, mme fa a ya go rekisa ka maranyane jaanong foo o tlhoka *Retail Licence*. Tota ke gore ga ke tlhaloganye motlotlegi sentle, ka gore kana ke tsaya gore fa o gweba o le fa, mme e bo se o se rekisang le fa o se rekisa ka maranyane, mme lefelo *from which you are trading, is where you have been licenced to under the Industrial Development Act*, ga ke tlhaloganye gore ka mabaka a tiriso ya maranyane, go raya gore jaanong ga o sa tlhole o le foo o go sele. *Maybe* a e tlhalose, ga ke e tlhaloganye.

DR MATSHEKA: *Supplementary*. Thank you Mr Speaker. I am asking on the licensing regime even in the various Acts that require *gore fa o le mo* location, and we really want to create an atmosphere where you can sell from where you are, are they considering dealing with this issue *ya* licensing by location on account of our desire to go e-commerce. I hope I am clearer.

MR KGAFELA: Yes, I agree with the Honourable Member of Parliament *gore*, our legislation that licences, time and again you will find reference to it licensing in respect of a location not in respect of a person. *Gone ke a mo utlwa*, what he is saying is that because we are now going e-commerce, location is henceforth going to play a very insignificant role, because you will be able to trade from anywhere and are we not considering to do away with location based licensing, so that we remove it as an impediment and we liberalise more trade. I agree with him, these are things that we need to look into and that is why in respect of the consultancy service that we have sought, *e tiro ya yone e santseng e le* at procurement stage, it is one of the things that the consultant must be instructed to look into. *Gore kana jaaka re riana*, we



are now electronic, so is it really important *gore* in that era going forward we should then insist *gore e bo e le gore* location plays a significant factor. I agree that in the future it is not going to be of any significance.

I had forgotten go araba e nngwe e go neng gotwe *timeframe* ke leng. *I have not yet found out* gore tota fela go tsamaiwa fa kae *with that*. *So I am unable to give an answer* ya gore re solofele gore pula e ka bo e nele leng. Mme fela jaaka motlotlegi, *by way of a supplementary question* a nkgwethile, *it is an instruction to me* gore ke ye go epa ke tlhole gore bagaetsho a le tswelitse pele. Fa e le gore go bonya, ke bo ke ba tlhabatlhaba ka sejabana gore ba itlhaganelele tiro gore ke tle ke kgone ke reye batlotlegi ke re pula e tloga e na batlotlegi betsho. Ke utlwile Dr Matsheka, o nthomile rra. Ke eme motlotlegi.

REHABILITATION OF BURROW PITS

MR M. G. J. MOTSAMAI (GHANZI SOUTH): asked the Minister of Transport and Communications to state:

- (i) his ministry's policy on rehabilitation of burrow pits dug during construction of roads ;
- (ii) when the burrow pits along the Charleshill-Ncojane road will be rehabilitated; and
- (iii) whether those whose livestock fell into those burrow pits will be compensated.

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Dumlani Mbidzi, ke dumedisile le *Honourable* Motsamai.

- (i) *Mr Speaker*, lephata la me le sala morago *policy* e e baakantsweng ke ba *Ministry of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security*, mo go reng mafuti a re epang mebu mo teng fa re aga ditsela, a tshwanetse gore a baakannngwe ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo *Mr Speaker*, fa ditsela di agiwa, re a bo re kaelwa gore mafuti a baakannngwe ka tsela e e ntseng jang, ke molawana wa Environmental Impact Assessment Act le *the Mines and Mineral Act*. Gape re a bo re lebile gore le mo konterakeng ya rona le rakonteraka, re a bo re dumalane ka *technical specifications* tse di ntseng jang, tse di tlaabong di tse tse mo konterakeng fa re aga tsela.

(ii) *Mr Speaker*, *the burrow pits* tse di neng tsa nna teng fa go agiwa tsela ya Charleshill-Ncojane, di buseditswe mo maemong a re reng di a bo di le *rehabilitated*, go tsamaelana le konteraka e re neng re e dumalane le rakonteraka yo o neng a aga tsela. Mo sebakeng se *Mr Speaker*, re kopile ba *Mines* gore jaanong ka boikarabelo ke jwa bone, ba ye go lebelela *these burrow pits*, ba di sekaseke e bo e re fa ba itumelela ka fa di ntseng ka teng, ba ntshe ditlankana tsa go supa gore rakonteraka o di buseditse mo seemong se ba dumelang gore ke sone ka fa tlase ga molao. Re santse re letile ba *Mines* gore ba tle ba dire tiro e e ntseng jalo *Mr Speaker*.

(iii) *Mr Speaker*, e ne ya re ka *December* 2019, lephata la me la amogela dipego tse di supang gore go na le dingwe dikgomo tse di wetseng mo *burrow pits* tse di neng di dirisiwa go agiwa tsela ya Charles Hill-Ncojane.

Re ne ra tsamaya go ya go tlhotlhomisiwa, ga fitlhelwa e le gore boammaaruri ke gore dikgomo tseo di ne di tsamaya ka dinao di tsena mo *burrow pit*. Tse dingwe di ne tsa tswa di ntse di itsamaisa. Ka maswabi, tse supa go ne ga fitlhelwa di swetse mo *burrow pit*. Go bonala e le gore bontlha jwa lebaka legolo e le gore di ne di le bokoa. E ne e le ngwaga o dipula di neng di sa na sentle, di sa itekanela mo mmeleng.

Mr Speaker, fa e sale *December* 2019, ga re ise re amogele *report* epe ka dikgomo tse di wetseng mo *burrow pit* go tswa foo. Ke batla go tlhalosa gore boikarabelo jwa gore ba ba latlhegetsweng ba ka atsiwa, tota bo lebagana le mong wa *burrow pit*. Mo sebakeng se, re raya rakonteraka. O tsaya boikarabelo ka fa tlase ga botsogo le tshireletsego fa tlase ga konteraka e re e dumalaneng le ene. Mo sebakeng se, ga go ise go five *clearance certificate*. Se ke ka se supang ke gore, fa e le gore ba *Mines* ba ka supa gore *burrow pits* ga di a bewa mo seemong se se siameng, tsholofelo ke gore dikgang tsa phimolodikeledi di tlaa tliwa kwa go rakonteraka. Ka go rialo *Mr Speaker*, tota lephata la me ga le a rwala boikarabelo jwa gore le phimole ba ke buileng ka bone dikeledi. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR MOTSAMAI: Supplementary. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *Minister*, ke go leboqe. Ke a go utlwa Thakadu. Ke go beye dipotso tse pedi pele; ke go botse gore le ne la dira go le kae le le *ministry* go supa gore dipe tse di ka tsenyang matshelo a batho mo diphatseng mo tseleng ya Charles Hill-Ncojane jaaka mahuti, ke dibonwa ke



rakonteraka ga se boikarabelo jwa Lephata la Ditsela? Le dirile go le kae go lemotsha morafe? Ke bua se ka gore morafe o tswelela o tla kwa diofising tsa Molaodi go supa gore ba itse gore ke lona bo tshosoerweleng mo go ba feng kitso. Ya bobedi ke gore, o supa fa le santse le emetse pego kwa go ba *Mines* gore ba sekaseke ka fa ba ka sekasekang ka teng. Pele ga ke botsa potso e, a le ne le setse le dirile maiteko a go batla gore ba *Mines* ba le fe dikarabo tsa gore mahuti a siame kana jang? A o mpha karabo e, fa ke sena go tsenya potso le bo le romela ba *Mines* gore ba ye go tlhola seemo? Ke bo ke wele ka gore, le ba solofetse gore ba le neele pego mo lebakeng le le kae? E bile gape le gakolotse rakonteraka ka seemo sa go wela ga dikgomo tsa batho mo mahuting ka tsela e e ntseng jang? Ke tsaya gore le gompiano *Mr Speaker*, dipula di nele, dikgomo di tswelotse di a wela, di a swa. Kgang ya gore dikgomo tse di neng di palelwa ke go tswa e ne e le ka mmopamo, nnyaa *Minister*, re tlhola re dumalana ka sengwe le sengwe, e, ke a ganetsa. Dikgomo di ne di palelwa ka gore lehuti le ile kwa teng. Ke sone se se tlaa batlang gore rakonteraka a ba phimole dikeledi. Fa le simolola le re, e ne e le ka gore di a bopama, le mo fa *window* ya go gana go duela batho. Malebo rraetsho.

MR SEGOKGO: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Mma ke simolole ka ya bofelo ka gore ke batla go tlhaloganya gore re ne ra dira eng gore re ye go bona gore go diragetseng eng ka dikgomo. Motlotlegi, ke jaaka ke bolela gore go ne ga ya go sekasekwa. Dikgomo tse di fitlhetsweng di swetse mo *burrow pit*, ga se tsone tsothle tse di neng di tsene mo teng. Go na le dikgomo tse di neng di tsene, ra fitlhela e le gore di ne tsa kgona go tswa. Ke sone se o bonang re ne re leka go bona gore bothata e ne e le eng. Karabo ya tla e supa gore seemo sa tsone, se ne se supa gore ke mopalo. Ke dumela gore fa o dirile ditlhotlhomiso tsa gago o di tlhomamisa, ga ke na go go ganetsa ka gore ke tsa gago. Ke supa gore ditlhotlhomiso tsa rona di ne tsa reng.

Ke tlaa tsena mo go ya gore re ile leng kwa go ba *Mines*; nnyaa, re sale re ile kwa go ba *Mines*. Ga ke a tshwara letsatsi mme ke ka tlhomamisa gore ke go le batlele. Ba tle ba *issue clearance certificate* ya *borrow pits*. Go sekgele *burrow pits* tseo di sa tlhole di dirisiwa ka tsela e agilwe. Ke solofetse gore ba ka bo ba setse ba boetse kwa go rona. Ke solofela gore mo nakong e e khutshwane, go tlaa diragala.

Morafe gore o ya kwa diofising tsa rona; ke dumela go ka nna jalo ka o ne o supa ya ga Molaodi. Ke na le tsholofelo, ke dirisa lefoko la tsholofelo ka gore ga se se

ke se letedisitseng gore fa ba tsena koo, ba tlhalosediswa gore yo o rweleng boikarabelo jwa go phimola dikeledi ke mang. Ke tsholofelo ya me ka gore ke tsaya gore fa e ka fitlha kwa lephateng la me, ba itse ka fa re dumalaneng le rakonteraka ka teng. Ga re na maikaelelo ape gore e re fa rakonteraka a ne a tshwanetse go phimola batho dikeledi, e bo e kete re mo direla lebaka la gore fa gongwe... Ke go fa karabo ya gore tshokatsheko ya rona e ne ya fitlhela eng. Ke ka fa ke begetsweng ka teng le ka fa ke neng ke latisisa ke batla go tlhaloganya gore dikgomo tse di wetseng la re dipalo di kae, go ne go diragala eng. Ke dumela gore se re neng re se go fa, e ne e le boammaaruri jwa se ba se boneng ka *December* 2019. Ke a leboga motlotlegi.

MR MOTSAMAI: *Further supplementary.* *Mr Speaker*, fa go ntse jaana, ke tlhamalele ke go botse potso ya gore *are you aware* gore mahuti a ke buang ka one, go nnile le kgang ya gore ngwana mongwe o ne a wela mo go one a bo a tlhokafala? Gompiano jaana batsadi ba santse ba na le kgang le rakonteraka. Ke batla gore ke tle kwa ka tsone ke go bolelele gore mahuti a a diphatsa go le kana ka eng fa e le gore le ka tsaya nako le ise le amogele *report*. Kgang ya dikgomo ya gore tse dingwe di ne di sena boitekanelo ke sone se di swetseng mo teng; dikgomo di tlhokile boitekanelo di le mo teng ga lehuti e le ka lebaka la tlaa.

MR SEGOKGO: Motlotlegi, ga ke eletse go nna ke ganetsana le wena, kana o dirile ditlhotlhomiso. Ke bua ka tse di neng tsa dirwa ke lephata ka 2019. Ke go fa kgwedi e re neng ra ya teng, dipalo tse re di fitlhetseng le tlhaloso e re neng ra nna le yone.

E nngwe ya go tlhokafala ga ngwana; ke maswabi thata ka kgang eo. Se o batlang go se mpontsha ke bodiphatsa jwa *burrow pits* tse. Ke tlaa dira gore re fefoge le ba *Mines*. Ke tlaa tsaya matsapa gore go fefogelwe go bona gore *borrow pits* tse ba ye go tlhomamisa seemo sa teng, gore re sireletse dikgomo, bana le batho mo diphatseng tse o di kayang. Ke a leboga *Honourable Member*.

MR MATHOOTHE: *Supplementary.* *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Tona, gongwe o re beye sentle mo dinakong re tle re tlhaloganye gore le tlhola ba *Mines* morago ga lebaka le le kae fa le sena go nna le dira *the final payment* to rakonteraka? A le dira jalo *before* le dira *final payment* kana le sena go nna le duela? Ke batla gore ke tle ke e tlhaloganye ka gore fa e ne e le gore le tlhola ba *Mines* pele ga le duela *the final payment*, golo moo go ne go ya go dira rakonteraka gore a tle a baakanye *burrow pits*. Ke re mo go yone eo o re beye sentle mo dinakong re tle re tlhaloganye ka gore bolwetse jo o kare bo tletse lefatshe lotlhe.



MR SEGOKGO: Ke a leboga *Honourable* Mathoothe. Ga ke na go go araba ke re morago ga nako e kana pele ga re dira *final payment*. Kana *burrow pit* fa re ya go tsaya tsela e a bo e le mo seemong se e leng gore ka nako eo e tsena mo gotweng *defects notification period*. Ke yone nako e tota jaanong re a bo re itse gore ditiro tseo di eme. Ke yone paka e re a bong re tlhomamisa gore dilo tse di tshwanetseng gore a bo di fitlheletswe ka fa Environmental Impact le tsa *rehabilitation* le tsone di dirilwe. Ke yone nako e re yang kwa go ba *Mines* ka yone. Kana re a bo re bua ka nako e e leng gore re a bo re santse re tshwere bontlha jwa madi a ga rakonteraka go ise go feleletswe dituelo tsa gagwe. Ke solofela gore ke go arabile ke a leboga.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Supplementary.

MR SPEAKER: Last supplementary, Honourable Tshere.

MR TSHERE: *Thank you very much.* Tona, ke a go utlwa. Re ne re tswa kwa tseleng e re le Komiti ya Information and Communication Technology (ICT). Potso ya me ya ntlha ke gore Tona a ga o bone gore o utlwisa Kgosi Peter kwa Ncojane botlhoko o mo raya o re kgomo ya gagwe e tshwere ke seretse mo *burrow pit* e o e dirileng o bo o mo raya o re ke gore kgomo ya gagwe e na le mopalo?

Sa bobedi, ke boikarabelo jwa ga mang gore a agelele *burrow pit* e ka gore le nako ele re ne re bona o kare ga e a agelelwa mme e santse e le boteng? Ke a leboga.

MR SEGOKGO: Ke a leboga *Honourable* Tshere. Go ka tswa go ka utlwisa bangwe botlhoko, mme ga se maikaelelo a me. Se ke le kang go se dira ke go araba potso ka boammaaruri jo ke nang najo, jo ke bo filweng. Ga se ka maikaelelo a gore ke eletsa gore ke bo ke utlwisa ope botlhoko. Fa o amogela gore ke ne ke araba se e le ka mabaka a gore go ne ga ya go dirwa ditshekatsheko... Ke file kgwedi e re ileng teng mme *report* e re neng ra e amogela, ra ya teng ra ya go dira tshekatsheko. Fela se ke go se fang ke se se tswang kwa tshekatshekong eo. Ke na le keletso ya gore tota fa go tshwanetse gore go phimolwe dikededi, go phimolwe dikededi *sir* mme ga go reye gore ke se ka ka bua se ke se neetsweng ka fa *report* e tsileng ka teng.

Ya *fence sir* ga ke na karabo e e tsepameng ka gore ke tshwanetse gore ke ye go tlhodumela sentle gore a mo *contract* e ne e patika gore gotwe e tle go teratelwe le gore boikarabelo e tlaabo e le jwa ga mang. Ke tlaa kopa gore eo ke go boele ka yone. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

REFURBISHMENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL HOUSE

DR T. MATSHEKA (LOBATSE): asked the Minister of Environment, Natural Resources, Conservation and Tourism to state whether there are any plans to refurbish the Constitutional House, where the constitutional talks for this country took place pre independence, given the ongoing constitutional review process; she should further state if the ministry intends to use the following places as a tourist trail:

- (i) the Constitutional House;
- (ii) Mr Fish Keitseng House where the late President Mandela stayed when he was in this country;
- (iii) Mr Samora Machel Museum where the late President Machel stayed stayed when in country; and
- (iv) the Old Radio Botswana.

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND TOURISM

(MS KERENG): *Mr Speaker,* ke a leboga. *Good afternoon Honourable House.* *Honourable* Matsheka, ke lebogela potso. Mongwame, ke dumela gore potso ya gago e tshwaragane le ya beke e e fetileng e re neng re bua ka *monuments* tsa kwa Lobatse le dipaakanyo tsa yone le gore tota lephata le ikaeletswe gore le tlaa thusa jang mo go busetseng seemo kana mo go baakanyeng dikago kana matlotlo a a tlhologo.

Mr Speaker, the Constitutional House, ke dumela gore Motlotlegi Mopalamente o bua ka *the Legislative House* kwa go simolotsweng teng ditirelo tsa Puso kwa Lobatse. Ke dumela gore re bua ka selo se le sengwefela. O ne o botsa gore ka gore gompieno go na le *Constitutional Review*, nkabo gongwe re dirile sengwe ka kwa go baakanya ntlo eo, gongwe re tshwaraganya le tiro yone e. Ga re a kgona go dira jalo *Mr Speaker*. Ke supe gore *in the short-term* kana mo nakong ya gompieno e khutshwane e ga re na lenaneo leo la gore re ka baakanya *the Constitutional House* kana *the Legislative House*.

Ke supe gore ka 2012 ka lenaneo le ke neng ka bua ka lone mo bekeng e e fetileng la 100 *monuments*, re ne ra baakanya bontlha jwa dikago tse. gompieno bontlha jo bo dirisiwa e le *side office*. Re ne re leka go busetsa matlotlo (*national monument*) a teng. Puso e na le boikarabelo jwa go tlhomamisa gore *national monuments* di mo seemong. Re dirile jalo ka 2012. Ke



dumela gore go ka tswa go ntse jalo gore gongwe mo nakong ya gompiano go tshwanelwa ke gore re lebelele gape lenaneo leno, re leke go leka go tlhabolola. Kana re bua ka dikgang tsa madi, *budgets* le ditsompelo tsa Puso tse di tlaelang *Honourable* Matsheka.

Ka ke go itse ke go tshepa gore re ka akantshanya, ke itse le gore re ka akanya sengwe mo dikitsong le bokgoni jwa gago jwa go akanya, ke eletsa gore ke go reye ke re dithulaganyo tsa go ka baakanya matlotlo a, ga ke eletse re ka di tsaya fela re lebeletse *maintenance* ka boyone, *outside of broader projects* tse e leng gore mo go tsone re ka fetlha ditiro, re ka dira ditiro tsa bojanala tse go ka nnang le go etela ka koo le *other activities that can support the monument* e bo e le gore re phophumisa bojanala ka kwa. Re lebile Lobatse gore re tlhabolola the Southern Heritage Trail re leka go ntsha bojanala. Re lebile dikgwebo tse di potlana *and the value chains* ba ba ka dirang sengwe mo go yone, e tshwaragane le bone bo Greater Gaborone jalo le *trail* ya tsela e e yang ka kwa bokone le Trans Kgalagadi. E mo lefelong le le siameng. Ke batla go go ngoka gore re akanye mmogo thata ka *projects* go nale *maintenance* fela o re tlaabong re baakanya mme go sa diragale sepe. Go a rutlomologa, pente e a kgoboga, re baakanya fela. Fa re ka dira *projects* tse bajanala ba ka tlang foo, banana ba ka dirisa mafelo a, a ka rekisiwa fela ga bo go nna le gore *projects* tse di tsenyang madi. Gongwe *maintenance* oo re o sutise mo goreng letsatsi le letsatsi e bo e le gore Puso e a *budget* go ya go baakanya. E bo e le gore *projects* tse *they will generate revenue*. Mo gare ga *revenue* eo, re tlaabo re nna le madi a re tlaabong re ka baakanya kana ra *maintain* le go sireletsa dikago ka one.

Something that I propose kwa go wena Motlotlegi Mopalamente ke maikaelelo a re a solofeditseng Batswana gore fa re tsena mo Pusong re tllile go tlhomamisa gore Batswana ba tsene mo bojanaleng le a *heritage-led economy in the area of tourism*. Re tllile go tlhomamisa gore *we have our towns thriving*. Re batla Lobatse a phophome mme ga re ka ke ra re re ka dira jalo fela ka go dira dikago tse dintle tse di mo seemong mme di sena letseno la madi.

Ke supe gore mo nakong ya gompiano fa ke bua jaana, nngwe ya *monuments* tse o buileng ka tsone gore re ikaeletse go dira eng ka tsone ke supa maikaelelo a rona, ke Samora Machel Museum. E tllile gore ka 14 mo bekeng e e tlang ka tshwaragano ya rona le ba boemedi jwa lefatshe la Mozambique le Puso ya Mozambique, *museum* ono o o tlhabolotsweng kwa ntlong ele e nneng Motlotlegi moswi Tautona Samora Machel a nna kwa

go yone kwa Lobatse e tlaabo e bulwa semmuso. Ke *project* e e ntle thata. *Project* eo ke yone e e supang gore *those monuments* tse di kwa Lobatse di ka golaganngwa jalo gore kwa bofelong e bo e le gore tsotlhe ke *trail* jaaka o supa. Gaufi le yone, go na le e nneng Motlotlegi Tautona Rre Nelson Mandela a neng a nna kwa teng, le yone ya bo Fish Keitseng, *the old* Radio Botswana le *Legislative House*.

Jaanong gore re bo re setse re go supegeditse gore Puso fa e ka tshwaragana le ba ba maleba ba ba nang le seabe, batlhokomedi kana beng ba *these monuments*, go nna motlhofo gore re kgone go tshwaraganela tiro e e tshwanang le e. Ke dumela gore e tlaa re fa re ya go bula *museum* o semmuso jaaka ke setse ke kopane le ba khansela fa ke ne ke ile go lekola *museum* o jaaka *the exhibition centre* e ne e dirwa re supa kwa go Council Secretary le Molaodi gore jaanong tsenyang banana gaufi le *museum* o, ba dire *the arts exhibition* go nne le *trade fairs* gone foo, re kgone go itse gore fa o le kwa Lobatse e tlaa re ka Labotlhano e bo go rekisiwa diteko, dilo tse di farologaneng gone koo.

Re bua ka *the value chains* tse e leng gore ke maikaelelo a rona. Re diragatsa *policy* e re reng re atolosa bojanala, re bo isa kwa mafelong a bo ntseng bo seyo teng, e bile gape re tsenya bo *heritage, culture* mo teng. Lobatse *is perfect for us to do that, including the scenic view* ya Lobatse e e dithaba *and everything*. Ke dumela gore motlotlegi o tlaa dumalana le nna gore fa re ka tshwaragana, bogolo jang gore le yone Act ya Monuments and Relics e supa gore re tshwaragana le batsayakarolo. Ke lebile khansela rra, ofisi ya Mopalamente le *private sector* ka kwa Lobatse, gore jaaka re atolosa *tourism policy* e ntsha, re tsamaisa Dipitso. Pitso e tlaa nna teng, ke dumelang gore Lobatse o ka kgona go itshwarela Pitso ya bone fela e re tlaabong re tla go bua ka Lobatse mo kgweding e e tlang kana e e latelang e e tlang e. Re tle go phutholola *policy* e, mme re bo re phutholole le Lobatse, re mmeele kwa godimo, e bile ke supe gore kana selo se se ntseng se sa diragale thata *in the heritage sites* gore di tsenye letseno, ke jone bothata jwa gore kana *museum* o tlaabo o tsamaya o dira *sites* tse, *gazetting them*, mme go sena *the business or enterprise aspect* ya gore re ka di dirisa jang go tsenya letseno la madi. Ke lenaneo le re le simolotseng, le e leng gore *in the heritage sites* re tlaabo re simola go bona seabe le letsogo la bo Botswana Tourism Organisation (BTO) jalo, ba kgone gore le *events* tse e tlaa re re buisanya di bo di tswa foo, di ka tsena *on the calendar* ya teng, ra bo re rekisa Lobatse. Se se golo ke tshwaragano ya



rona le lona motlotlegi. Ke dumela gore, ke ka solofetsa gore *one of the* Full Council Meetings tse di tlang, re tle koo re tle go buisanya ka dikgang tse. Re tswelidise fa re setseng re simolotse teng. *I want to thank you Mr Speaker.*

DR MATSHEKA: *Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker.* Mma ke leboge Tona ka karabo ya gagwe e e siameng, e e supang tota gore Lobatse o na le ditso tse dintsi, e bile *there a lot of opportunities* tsa go tlhabolola. Ke bue gape ke leboge gore, ba tlaabo ba bula kwa ga Rre John Kgaboesele, kwa go neng go nna Rre Machel teng ka di 14, gore selo seo se bothlokwa gore re leke go tsoa toropo ya rona ya Lobatse. Ke bue *Mr Speaker* gore, gone mme go botoka *Minister to maintain* mo go leng teng, jaaka o kaya ga gona letseno le le kalo mo itsholelong go ka dira jalo. Potso e ke tlaa e botsang ke gore, a *Minister* o kgotsofalela tirisanyo kwa ntle ga loeto le a neng a le dirile a ile go bona *museum* wa ga Rre Machel...a o kgotsofalela tirisanyo ya Khansele le *ministry* wa gagwe, *not necessarily* kwa Lobatse, *to promote* bojanala mo ditoropong fela le mafelo a a faroganyeng le bone ba *ministry* wa *Local Government*? *Thank you very much.*

MS KERENG: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker. Thank you very much Honourable Matsheka,* le nna tota ke bona Lobatse a nkgothatsa gore re ka kgona go supa bojanala fa re bua ka *thriving towns, heritage, scenic views, the trails* tsone tse di ntseng jaana, *especially as we want to really build up and provide opportunities in the value chains for our youth* ba ba *talented*. Re setse re rile ba phuthiwe ba ye go supa bokgoni jwa bone. Nna le *Minister* wa Mozambique re ne re le kwa, ra dumalana gore bitsang banana ba tle *to exhibit* fela ka fa *the other side of the road*, re ba fe sebaka sa go dira jalo. Go ka siama gore re leke go taboga mongwame ka kgang eo. Ke lebogela gore o bo o itumelela gore mme gone re mo lenaneong le le siameng.

Go bereka ga rona le dikhansele *Honourable Member and Mr Speaker*; ga ke ka ke ka ba tshwaya phoso fa re ise re tsene kwa go bone thata go ya go ba phuthololela mananeo. Fa o utlwa ke italetsa ke re ke batla ga tsenelela Full Council, ke tlele go tsaya boikarabelo le maiteko ao. Tsholofelo ya me ke gore, selo sa ntlha ke go fitlhela e le gore ke keletso ya bone, e bile ke ditoro tsa khansele go tliša bojanala e le lengwe la letseno la ditlhabololo. E bile gape ba ka taboga le rona, gore *the monuments* tse di mo tlhokomelong ya setšhaba tsa Puso jaaka tse o ntseng o bua ka tsone e bo e le gore *they can be prioritised*. Ga ke ka ke ka ba tlhobosa kana

ka tlhobosa bodiredi, bokopano jwa rona mme gone ga bo ise bo tie *across the country*. Re leka *to sensitise*, re rute khansele gore mananeo a rona ka bontsi *through the local economic drive* tota a remeletse kwa khanseleng. Re tlaa ba thusa go tlhologanya, ka gore fa gongwe dilo tse gongwe di a bo di sa goroga kwa go bone gore ba di itse ka phuthologo. Ke solofela gore e tlaa re re dira jalo go tlaa nna botoka gore tshwaragano ya Puso le dikhansele e bo e ka re direla mananeo gore a kgone *to be implemented on the ground*. *I thank you Mr Speaker.*

SETTLEMENT OF INVOICES IN GOVERNMENT AND PARASTATALS

MR M. BALOPI (GABORONE NORTH): asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Development to state the average turnaround time for settling invoices in both Government and Parastatals and:

- (i) whether the Minister is aware of any formal or informal complaints of delayed invoice settlement for small businesses;
- (ii) if the Minister is aware that payment delays cause cash flow problems which affect the viability of some small businesses; and
- (iii) what will be done going forward to rectify the situation in both Government and parastatals.

Later Date.

BOTSWANA HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

MR M. REATILE (JWANENG-MABUTSANE): asked the Minister of Health and Wellness, given that he is on record during the Winter Parliamentary meeting of 2021 as having said that the Botswana Health Professions Council is facing resource constraints leading to its weakness in law enforcement to state the following:

- (i) if he is aware that the lack of capacity by the Council is a self-created monster by the ministry because it is a direct result of the ministry not allowing the Council to operate independently and where the Council is more of a division under Health Policy Department is limiting to the Council;
- (ii) what makes it difficult for the ministry to copy how other professional bodies are run irrespective of the fact they have parent ministries; and
- (iii) why the Botswana Health Professions Council currently occupies a poorly maintained building.



ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE): *Thank you so much Mr Speaker, and thank you so much Honourable Member.*

- (i) *Mr Speaker*, ke supe jalo gore go boammaaruri gore dikhansese tsa rona di na le lethoko la bodiredi kana re ka re *a lack of capacity* fa re lebeletse jalo dikhansese tsa rona tsotlhe ka bobedi e leng khansese ya baoki Botswana Health Professional Council le ya bo *Nurses and Midwife* ka bobedi jwa tsone. Ke dikhansese tse tota mo nakong e ya gompiano *the capacity fela in terms of* go thusa batho kana tsone *the professionals* e kwa tlase *Mr Speaker*. Re le lephata re supe jalo gore re simolotse go leka go sekaseka melao e e tsamaisang *these two professional councils*, Botswana Health Professional Act, ya 1995 le *the Nurses and Midwife Act* ya 2001. Maikaelelo e le go leka go bona gore a dikhansese tse re ka se ke re di tshwaraganye e nne khansese e le nngwe fela. Mme kana gore re simolole kgang e, ke e tona ka gore go na le *unions that are involved* mo dikgannyeng tse, go bona gore a kwa bofelong re tlaa felela re wetse. Ke dumela jalo gore ke kgang e e leng gore go leka go di tshwaraganya jalo re tsweletse *Mr Speaker*, e tlaa re mo bogaufing re e ise kwa Khuduthamageng kana *at the Cabinet* le bone ba ye go re thusa go bona gore a se ke se se ka diragalang.

Re supe jaana *Mr Speaker* gore...gape kana re gakologelwe gore dikhansese tse di tsamaelana le tsone *professionals* tse di leng teng mo nnetlung. Ke go leka gape go di tshwaraganya, kana di kgone go amana le mo gotweng Botswana Qualifications Authority. Molawana o o lebelelang dikgang tse tsa Botswana Qualifications Authority Act ya 2013, e e leng gore ke sone se jaanong o fitlhelang e le gore mo sebakeng se sa gompiano dikhansese tse di lebelega jalo di le bokoa. *Mr Speaker*, ke supe jalo gore dikhansese tse ka bobedi kana khansese e ya Botswana Health Professional Council, e ikemetse ka bonosi, *it is semi-autonomous*, go na le se motlotlegi a neng a re ga e a ikemela. Re supe jalo gore *the decisions* kana ditshwetso tsotlhe tse e di tsayang *even though they are appointed by the Minister*, di ikemetse ka bonosi. Ke raya gore *the board is appointed by the Minister*, le madi ba a tsaya mo lephateng, mme ditshwetso tse ba di tsayang ka ba na le molao o ba o setseng morago di ikemetse rra ka fa di tsamaisiwang ka teng. Le fa tsone di ntse di le ka fa tlase ga Lephata la Director of Health Services, le le leng teng mo *ministry* wa rona.

- (ii) *Mr Speaker*, ke supe jalo gore *in relation to* dikhansese tse ka bobedi re supe jalo gore ke tse dikgologolo, *is one of the oldest regulated professions* mo Botswana. Lefatshe le la Botswana le tswa kgakala, re ka le opela matsogo, gore mo bogologolong jo bo kana ya bo e le tsone dikhansese tsa ntlha, *the professional bodies* kana ya babereki ba dithutego tse di rileng, ba e leng gore *they are regulated* mo lefatsheng le la rona. Jaanong se ke sone se eleng gore jaaka ke buile fa godimo gore re lebeletse jalo gore dikhansese tse re ditshwaranye di kgone *to exist in one council* go leka jalo go di neela gore di ikemele mo go feletseng. Re supe jalo gore, gape kana khansese tse tsa rona tse di tsamaisang bodiredi jwa rona jo bo leng teng *under* Lephata le la Botsogo, ke dingwe tsa tse e leng gore ga di ka ke tsa tshwantshwannngwa le *councils* tse dingwe ka gore fa o tsaya *council engineers, architects* kana ya eng, o fitlhela e le gore gongwe ba lebeletse *professions* tse pedi kana tse tharo.

Mo go rona fa o fitlhela e le gore ke *council* e e nang le *more than 25 professionals*, ba tsamaisiwa ke Botswana Health Professionals Act ya 2001. Se se a supa gore nako le nako go a tlhokafala gore jaaka *professions* tse dingwe re ntse re di kwadisa mo lefatsheng la rona, re ntse re di tsenya ka fa tlase ga *this same council*. Dipuisanyo di tsweletse *Mr Speaker*, go bona jalo gore *how to align them* go ya kwa pele.

Ke amogele gape *concern* ya ga *Honourable* Reatile ya gore kana fa ba ntseng ba berekela teng, go ne go sa siamela gore e ka nna ofisi, go le gogologolo, go onetse. Ke supe jalo gore se ke se ke se amogelang gore go ne go ntse jalo *Mr Speaker*. Re le lephata re ne ra tsaya tshwetso ya *to relocate council* e fa e neng e le teng, go e tlisa *in the current buildings* e le go leka fela jalo gore re kgone go baakanya kwa ba ntseng ba le teng. Re ka bo re dirile mo ngwageng o o fetileng, ya re go tsewa *quotations*, ga fitlhelwa e le gore madi a a tlhokafalang le go baakanya lefelo la teng a mantsi fela thata. Jaanong ke sone se ba setseng ba le mo *ministry* go bona gore kwa ba neng ba le teng go tshwanetse go baakanngwe, go busediwe mo maemong. E tlaa re fa lefelo leo le fedile, ba boele teng jaanong ka seemo se se botoka se *Honourable Member* a se supileng. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR REATILE: *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ke leboegele Tona ka matsetseleko a a arabileng ka one. Re a go utlwa Tona mme kana kgang e ke lelang go e bua fa



ke ya gore fa o gakologelwa, *Council* e ya Bongaka, e na le gore fa o leba fa morago fale, re ne ra nna le dikgang tsa gore e tle e lwe, mafufa mme go supafala gore o kare *it is being instructed by your ministry*. Jaaka o itse gore go ne ga nna le kgang ya gore mongwe ga se ngaka, *is not qualified* mme e bile rona re itse gore ke *specialist*. Go fitlhelela *when cleared by the court*, e bo jaanong motho yo a tshwarang dipampiri tsa gagwe a tswaledisa tiro e a nang nayo. Ke sone se ke neng ke batla go itse gore tota sentlentle, *when will you delink council*, o lesa go tlhoma batho bao ka gore go lebelega o ba neela ditaello fa o na le lefufa lengwe mo ngakeng nngwe e e ikemetseng.? Jaanong lefufa leo, le bo le ya go tsena mo teng ga *council*.

Sa bofelo Tona, re tshwanetse re go leboge gore o bo o tshwaraganya *councils* tse gore jaanong e nne selo se le sengwefela. Netefatsa gore o ba rotloetse, lephata la gago le se ka la diegela Batswana ba e leng gore *they are qualified*, ba tshwanetse gore jaanong ba ba neele ditlankana tsa gore ba ye go batla tiro. Bana ba gago ba a boaboa Tona kwa *council* ba sa neelwe ditlankana ka nako. Ke a leboga motsadi.

MR LELATISITSWE: *Thank so much Mr Speaker.* Ke lebogele *Honourable Member* ka kutlwisiso le go tlhaloganya ka fa *councils* tse di berekang ka teng. *Mr Speaker*, gongwe go bua fela ka bokhutshwane ka yone ya gore ba se ka ba lwa ka lefufa, ga se golo mo re go rotloetsang. Re eletsa jalo gore ba dire tiro ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng, e le go lebelela jalo gore a mme se motho a se begang a re *is a professional* mo nnetung eo, a dithutego tseo ke tsone tse e leng gore rona re le lefatshe, kana re tshwanetse go gakologelwa gore fa re neela motho setlankana, re mo neela jalo gore jaanong a ye go dubadubana le motho. Diphoso tse di ka dirwang mo mothong *Mr Speaker*, *they are not easily reversible*, kgantele re nna le digole le mathata a a seng kana ka sepe. Jaanong fa re fitlhela e le gore dikgang di felela kwa *court*, motho a tsennngwa mo go rona ke ba molao, o fitlhela e le golo mo go botlhoko. Gongwe bone ba lebeletse fela se se kwadilweng. Go a supafala gore go na le *gaps* fale le fale mme ke tsone tse re yang go di tswala ka *this merging* le go ya pele gore jaanong ba tlaabo ba ya go ikemela go ya kwa pele *to regulate*.

Gape ke dumele gore go diega mo go kana mo go dirwa ke *lack of capacity* e re neng re bua ka yone. Re tswelsetse *Mr Speaker*, re e lebeletse jalo go bona gore Batswana ba ka thusiwa ka bofelo ka gore jaanong le *universities* tse di rutuntshang *professionals* mo lefatsheng la rona

di oketsegile. Ga go tshwane le bogologolo, re setse re fitlhela e le gore jaanong re le *council* re palelwa jalo ke go neela batho ditlankana ka bofelo. Le nna ke a se amogela, se ntshwentse *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: We have run out of time for questions. We should move on to the next items.

MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT – DEFINITE MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Amendment of Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana

Motion

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, I understand that Honourable Balopi has an urgent Motion for the adjournment of the proceedings of the House in terms of Standing Order 50. Honourable Balopi.

MR REATILE: *Procedure.* Ke dumela gore golo fale re ne re santse re le mo go ele mme ke itse gore *Honourable* Balopi o tlile ka e. Re ne re kile ra bua, a bo a dumela gore ka gore e tlaabo e le 20 *minutes*, re bo re e tswalela ruri, go ka nna maleba *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: I go by on our regulations; there is absolutely nothing out of order. Honourable Balopi.

MR BALOPI (GABORONE NORTH): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Nnyaa, o kgaratlhile *Honourable* Reatile. Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke setse ke dumedisitse batlotlegi. Ke na le Tshutiso e ke kopang gore le e atle, ke lebile tshetlana ya bo masome a matlhano a a tsamaisang ditsamaiso tsa Ntlo e gore Tshutiso e ke tlang ka yone e e nne ya potlako, e seegele ditsamaiso tse dingwe tse di ka tswang di le teng mo Palamenteng mo bogompionong. Ke dumela e le Tshutiso e e maleba gore Ntlo e e ka e amogela e ntse jalo.

Tshutiso e ke tlang ka yone Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, fa o ka ntetlelela gore ke e bale ka Sejatlhapi jaaka ke e beile mo pampiring ya rona ya Palamente e e tsamaisang Ntlo e.

MR SPEAKER: Please do.

MR BALOPI: “*That this Honourable House resolves as a matter of urgency to allow for the amendment of Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of*



Botswana to increase the number of Elected Members of the National Assembly from 57 to 61, in an effort to increase the number of constituencies from 57 to 61.” Ka boripana ke gore ke kopa Ntlo e gore fa ba letla, re kgone go sutisa gore tshetlana ya masome matlhano le borobabobedi, potlana ya bobedi, ntlha (a) of the Constitution, that is 58 (2) (a) ya lefatshe la Botswana, e e letlang gore Palamente e e ka oketsa baemedi ba dikgaolo mo Palamenteng. E letle gore mo bogompionong e oketse tsone dikgaolo tse tsa Mapalamente ba ba tlhophilweng go tswa mo masomeng a matlhano le bosupa, go ya kwa masome a marataro le bongwe. Mo go rayang gore e tlaabo e le koketso ya kemedi ya Mapalamente ba le bane.

Mr Speaker, ke kopa se ka gore ntswa go letlelela mo Molaomotheong, ke dumela gore rotlhe re le Mapalamente re a itse gore go na le thulaganyo e e tsweletseng, e e sekasekang Molaomotheo ka bophara jwa one.

Gape re a itse re le Ntlo e gore go na le tsamaiso e e teng ya go bala batho e e mo Molaomotheong, e supa gore dingwaga di se ka fa tlase ga bothano kana di sa fete dingwaga tse di lesome, go tlaabo go nna le palobatho.

Tsotlhe tse fa o bona ke tsisa Tshutiso e, ke batla gore e tsene ka bofeho fano, ke gore Motswana a re o mpotse tsa kwa ke tswang. Re a itse rotlhe gore re ka bo re setse re simolotse thulaganyo, nngwe ya dilo tse ke ntseng ke bua ka tsone tse, mo nakong e e fetileng. Ka ntata ya se se ntseng se re lebagane se ise se felele, mme re ntse re tsweletse ka go dira thulaganyo e nngwe, re bone go diega, lebaka le le leele gore ditshetlana tse di diragale, segolo jang ya Molaomotheo.

Sa bobedi, Palamente jaaka re itse, re setse re itse gore palobatho ba setse ba supile gore ba feditse, mme ba santse ba dira go feleletsa, mo go tlaa felang ka kgwedi e e tlhola malatsi a le lesome le boraro; *the 13th of April*. Kana Palamente go raya gore re tlaa bo re tswala, jaaka re setse re buile mo nakong e e fetileng, kgwedi e e tlhola malatsi a le 14. Mo go rayang gore nako e e tlang e re yang go kopana re le Palamente, e a go nna ka Palamente e e tlang ka *July*. Kana fa go sena go nna go dirwa palobatho, lekalana la Judicial Services Commission (JSC) jaaka e le tsamaiso, e le tlwaelo mo Molaomotheong, ba tlaabo ba ka tlhopho ba ba tlaa bong ba lebile gore go raya eng mo dipalong tsone tseo jaaka bo Delimitation Commission jalojalo. Re ya go bowa kwa go setse go le thari re sa itse gore ba tsamaya fa kae. Ka ntata ya gore Palamente e letlelelwa ke

tshetlana ya Molaomotheo wa lefatshe la Botswana wa 64 Subsection 2(a) e e supang gore Palamente e ka baya seelo sa palo ya dikgaolo tse e leng gore Mapalamente ba ka tlhophiwa mo go tsone, ke sone se o bonang ke dirisa tshetlana yone e. Gape ke supa gore nako fa re e lebile re ya kwa pele, go supa e le gore re tlaa se ke re kgone gore ka *July* fa re bowa, re bo re na le nako e e kalo ya go ka tla ra tswelela ka kgang e, re lebile thulaganyo ya ditlhopho tsa lefatshe la Botswana go ya kwa pele re le diphathi tsa sepolotiki.

Ka jalo, ke sutisa jalo mo kopong ya me, ke supile tse e leng gore di gwetlha gore nako e re dumalane gore e nne kgang e re ka e bayang pele Palamente ka bofetshwana. Ke tlaa tla ke e tlhalosa ka bophara Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente fa ba ka ntetla gore re emise thulaganyo e e teng mo bogompionong gore re kgone gore re atlhaatlhe kgang e ya Tshutiso e ke tlang ka yone mo Palamenteng. Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR BALOPI: Mongwe a re *clarification*?

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

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, ya eng?

MR BALOPI: Tanki *Sir*. Ee, ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa, Motlotlegi Balopi, o tlaa tla o tlhalosa.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! The question is that the proceedings be suspended to allow for the discussion of a definite matter of urgent public importance in terms of Standing Order 50.

Matsogo a ke a boneng, ke one a a tsholeditsweng gore batho ba bue gore a kopo ya ga Motlotlegi Balopi e letliwe kana ke a a tsholeditsweng go reng?

MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST): Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, tota e ne e le go ikuela mo go bagarona, bogolo jang ba ba kwa Kganetso, gore tota ke kgang e e setseng e dumalanwe kwa phuthegong ya *Caucus* ya Botswana Democratic Party (BDP). So le fa re ka re re a ikitaaganya jang ka gore kopo e ga e *urgent*, ga go na go kgonega. Jaanong fa gongwe ga re re somarele yone nako ka golo mo e setse e le tumalano e e dumalanweng, gongwe re tsene fela mo go yone Tshutiso re e buisaneng.



Go na le mabaka a mantshi a re ka a rolang mabapi le Tshutiso e. Ke dumela gore re fa re le teng ka di *constituency* tse 57 ka ntata ya *Motion* wa ga; ke dumela gore ke *Honourable* Tshipinare ka nako e a neng a tlile ka Tshutiso yone eo, mo Palamenteng ya Bolesome, ke dumela gore *Honourable* Bagalatea Arone le ene o kile a leka go tla ka Tshutiso ya mofuta o ya gore go okeditswe ka Mapalamente a le lesome mo godimo ga 57 yo o leng teng.

Ke ne ke re ke ikuela mo go bagarona fela gore nnyaa, Tshutiso e bagaetsho e setse e dumalanwe ke bontsi jwa Mapalamente a BDP jaanong gongwe re se ka ra dia nako fela, re tilhamalaleng kwa go yone, kwa dikgang tsa rona re tlaa di buang teng. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Member.

As I have said, before I go by the Standing Orders, *o na le kitso e nna ke senang nayo.*

Honourable Molao, on the question of urgency, he is not there?

ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU): *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ke ema go ema nokeng kopo e ya ga *Honourable* Balopi gore a tsise kopo e ya gagwe fa pele ga Ntlo e ka potlako.

Ke e ema nokeng jaana ka mabaka a a latelang, *I start with Section 64* ya Molaomotho wa Botswana; *Section 64(2) paragraph (a)* e e supang gore Palamente ke yone e e ka letlelelang kana e e ka dirang gore *numbers* tsa *constituencies* tse di mo Botswana di ka okediwa kana tsa fokodiwa *to be altered.*

Fa re tswa gone foo, *Section 64 proviso thereto*, e bo e bua gore, “the JSC shall as soon as practicable thereafter, appoint a Delimitation Commission.” E supa gore fa re sena go kgaoganya *constituencies*, then the Delimitation Commission e tswela jaanong e align *constituencies* sentle, e di sega sentle.

Re bo re tsena kwa go *Section 65(1)* yone e e buang jaanong ka Delimitation Commission gore fa e sena *to be appointed* e tlaa re fela...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Bua ka *urgency* Motlotlegi Mthimkhulu, bua ka *urgency* re tsene mo *Motion.*

MR MTHIMKHULU: Ke tsena mo *urgency*, ke a e alela ntate.

E tlaa re fela *as soon as practicable, submit to the President, a report.* So golo mo go a supa fela gore Delimitation Commission fa e dira tiro ya yone, e tshwanetse gore e e dire ka bonako jo bo riling, ka potlako, ga e emele ope. Jaaka gompieno re tlaabo re tsena mo *census* jaana, fa *census* e sena go fela, ke dumela gore Delimitation Commission e tlaa re *as soon as practicable* ka yone tshetlana eo ya 64(2b) e bua gore *as soon as practicable thereafter*, e bo e simolola tiro ya yone. Jaanong go supa fela gore jaanong kana fa go sena go dirwa *census*, jaaka re le mo *census* jaana, fa e fela JSC yone e tlaabo e dira tiro ya yone, *it is going to appoint the Delimitation Commission, and Delimitation Commission* e bo e simolola tiro ya yone. Jaanong ka nako eo, Palamente yone e tlaabo e ile boikhutsong, e tlaabo e sa tsene. Re ka dumalana gore re a itse rotlhe gore *census* e ne e simolotse maloba kgwedi e e fetileng. *The first part ya census* e fedile ka 4th April 2022, ga ba ise ba ntshe dipalo, re a dumalana foo. Le fa ba ise ba ntshe dipalo jaana, go a supafala gape gore ba dira mo go tweng ke gone *mopping exercise*. Re bone ka lekwalo la bone la di 5th April 2022 le e leng gore ba le tsentse mo *social media* le mo dikgannye gore Batswana botlhe ba itse gore ba a tswela ka *the mopping exercise*, e simolola ka di 6th April e felela ka 13th April 2022. So go raya gore *this mopping exercise* e ya go fela ka di 13th April 2022. *Census* jaanong re tlaabo re dumela gore *counting of people* e fedile jaanong, go setse gore ba Statistics Botswana ba ntshe *report* ya bone ya gore dipalo tsa batho di kae mo Botswana. Golo mo fela re ka dumalana rotlhe fa gore tota tiro yotlhe e e tlaa bong e dirwa, e ya go fela re sena go tsamaya re ya malwapeng re seyo fa.

Jaanong mathata a re nang le one ke gore, e rile ka 2011 ga nna le *census* e nngwe gape e *report* ya teng e duleng ka 2018 fa re ka dumalana. *After that*, go ne ga nna le Delimitation Commission, mme ba ne ba supa gore kana Palamente e ne ya se ka ya oketsa *constituencies*, jaanong bone ga ba na thata ya gore ba ka oketsa *constituencies* jang kana ba di fokotsa jang ka gore Palamente *did not alter the number of constituencies which is provided under Section 58 of the Constitution of Botswana* gore *there shall be 57 constituencies* mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

Jaanong *if it is not altered, Delimitation Commission*, e bo e tsaya tshwetso gore ga e ka ke ya *alter constituencies.* *This is the problem that we find ourselves facing*, gore fa *census* e ka fetsa tiro *now, the count of people* e ka fela gompieno jaana, re le kwa boikhutsong, go reela



gore jaanong *Delimitation Commission* a bo e simolola tiro ya yone e sena *guidance* e re tshwanetseng gore re e fe ya gompiano gore re elets a *constituencies* di ka nna bokae mo Botswana. Kana ga re ye go ba bolelela gore ba sege fa kae, re ya go ba bolelela gore re elets a di ka nna bokae, di ka oketsega ka *four*. Bone fa ba tswelala, ba tlaabo ba simolola jaanong ba sena *guidance* ya gore ba ye go goroga mo tshwetson e ba neng ba e tsere ka 2013, ya gore *constituencies* ga di okediwe, se se ka diriwang fela *they can be realigned to make sure* gore batho ba a lekana mo *constituencies*. Se se diragetse ka 2013.

Jaanong tota re *support* kopo e ya ga Balopi. Ke e eme nokeng ka gore e a re thusa go hema seemo sa ngwaga wa 2011-2013 fa *Delimitation Commission* e ne ya bona e ka se ke ka tsela epe ya oketsa *constituencies* tsa Botswana. Jaanong mme kana fa o bala *Section 65* ya *the Constitution of Botswana*, o tlaa lemoga gore ga go na gope fa go itshupang gore *Delimitation Commission* e ka oketsa *constituencies* kana ya di fokotsa. Jaanong fa go nnang fela le thata ya gore ke mang yo o ka di oketsang, ke mo *Section 64 (1) (a)*, e e supang gore ke Palamente e e ka di oketsang. Mme fa *census* e sena go fela, *Delimitation Commission* e tshwanetse gore e simolole tiro *immediately, as soon as practicable thereafter. As soon as practicable thereafter*, e kgona go nna beke, letsatsi, *three weeks* kana eng, mme ga e ka ke ya nna *three months* yo rotlhe re itseng gore re tlaabo re seyo fa mo Palamenteng, re tlaabo re le kwa boikhutsong, re ya go tla fa fela ka *July*, re tla go simolola *meeting* o o latelang wa Palamente.

Ka a le kalo *Mr Speaker*, ke eme Rre Balopi nokeng. *This tota is a definite matter of urgent public importance.* Ke mo ema nokeng ka one mafoko ao. *I thank you.*

MINISTER OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT (MR RAKGARE): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker.* Gongwe ke re ke tlile go nna mokhutshwakhutshwanyane ka gore *Honourable* Mthimkhulu o setse a adile kgang go supa gore go botlhokwa go ema nokeng kopo ya ga *Honourable* Phosta Magwaragwara Balopi *because of* mabaka a a setseng...

MR TSOGWANE: *Procedure Mr Speaker.* O tlaa intshwarela *Mr Speaker*. Ke a itse gore re go neetse *list*, mme kana fa re go neetse *list* e ntse jaana, re a bo rotlhe re ne re sa itse gore mo go rona, mogolo o tlaabo a kgonne go tsena, mme a batla go bua. *My procedure* gongwe go botlhokwa *to alter list* ya rona gore His Excellency (HE) a tsene, o ntse a supa gore o na le kakgelo e a batlang go feta ka yone. *That is my procedure Mr Speaker.*

MR SPEAKER: Vice President (VP), the list is yours, you can alter it any way you want.

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

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable* Rakgare, nna mokhutshwakhutshwane.

MR RAKGARE: *Mr Speaker, thank you very much.* Jaaka ke ne ke supile, ke tlile go nna mokhutshwakhutshwanyane ka gore *Honourable* Mthimkhulu o setse a adile mabaka. Kana *Mr Speaker, Honourable* Keorapetse a emetse kganetso, le ene o setse a supile gore tota go botlhokwa gore re tsene ka tlhamalalo mo goreng jaanong re buisanye mogopolo wa ga *Honourable* Balopi. Jaanong ke dumela gore *Mr Speaker*, gongwe re ka se ke re diege thata *on the urgency part* ya *this Motion* ka gore go lebege e le gore re dumalana gore *it is urgent*. Kgang e re e bue, re tle re e digele. Go botlhokwa gore pele ga Palamente e e tswala, re bo re buile kgang e e wetse mo Palamenteng, re lebile gape *the sensitivity* ya yone.

Go dikgang *Mr Speaker*, re a bona gore go na le *background as it was laid by Honourable* Mthimkhulu gore go diragetse eng mo nakong e e fetileng ka 2013. Go ne go na le kakanyo kana mogopolo wa gore dikgaolo di ka okediwa, mme ga se ka ga kgonagala ka ntata ya tiego e e neng ya nna teng. Jaanong gompiano re le Palamente, re ikgakologetse boikarabelo jwa rona, gore ke rona fela ba re ka dirang gore *Delimitation Commission*, ba lebelele *recommendations* kana taelo e e tswang mo Palamenteng gore go okediwe dikgaolo.

Jaanong ka mafoko a a ntseng jalo *Mr Speaker*, a gongwe re se ka ra diega thata mo go yone e, re ye ka tlhamalalo mo go one *Motion* kana kopo e e beilweng pele ke Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Gaborone North, Rre Balopi, re tle re tswelale pele ka tse dingwe tsa Ntlo ya Palamente. Ke a leboga.

“EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”

MR SPEAKER (MR MOATLHODI): *Afternoon Honourable Members.* Mongwame o mpha marapo. Ke tsena fela ka go bitsa Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona gore le ene a tshegetse *slot*.

MR KEKGONEGILE: *Procedure Mr Speaker.* Tanki. Tsamaiso ya rona ke gore o tsaya *one* ka fa, o tsaya *two* kafa. O setse o tsere *two already*, so ga o ka ke wa tsenya wa boraro go tswa kwa BDP. O tshwanelwa ke gore o bo o tsenya rona *and then* ke gone o bo o tswaledisa kwa BDP. Re ne re kopa gore o sale tsamaiso morago fela e re e dumalaneng *Mr Speaker*. Tanki rra.



MR SPEAKER: *I could not agree more with you Honourable Member for Maun East but Standing Order 21.1 (a) and (b) tsa re fa Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona a le mo front bench, he qualifies fela jaaka lona. However, at the back of mind that grey matter in the little box is called cerebellum, teaches me gore Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona is the Head of State. Ka malatsi otlhe, o apere tlotlo e re tshwanetseng ra mo e neela. Ke kopa gore le dumalane le nna gore Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona fa a tsene, ke tlotlo e lefatshe le mo e neetseng. Immediately a fetsa, ke na le thulaganyo ya gore go tlaabo go bua Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Maun Botlhaba. Ke yone kopo ya me batsadi ba me. Ke ikobile thata fa pele ga nyena ka Sengwaketse.*

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

MR SPEAKER: I have made a ruling on that issue, let us not make a debate out of it. I have made a ruling on that matter. Your Excellency the President of Botswana, *rraarona*.

MR KEKGONEGILE: Further procedure Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: I have ruled on that issue Honourable Kekgonegile. I have already called upon His Excellency the President to take the floor. *Rraarona*.

MR KEKGONEGILE: Further procedure Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: I have made a ruling on that issue please. HE, please unmute yourself.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT (DR MASISI): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke batla ke simolole ka go leboga Mapalamente go tswa dintlheng tsothe tsa Ntlo ka gore go bonala re le seoposengwe sa gore kgang e, e le kgang ya ntlha ya gore a golo mo ke ga potlako, go ama setšhaba sentle ka kakaretso, a ke kgang e e ka buegang ya kgaola kana ya emisa ditsamaiso tse dingwe gore e buiwe.

Ke batla go ema, ke tlhomamisa, ke bo ke tlhomamisetsa Batswana botlhe le Ntlo e gore ke le Tautona wa lefatshe, e bile ke le Tautona wa Domkrag, ke ema Mokwaledi Mogolo wa Domkrag nokeng, Mopalamente wa Gaborone North, *Honourable* Balopi ka Tshutiso e a e tlisitseng ka dintlha tsoo pedi. Ke kgang e e tlhokang gore e potlakelwe, e bile e e maleba gore e buisanngwe ka nako ya gompiano, e seng epe gape.

Ke batla ke gakolole gore bathai kana bakwadi ba Molaomotheo o re o dirisang gompiano, ba ne ba akantse sentle. E ne e le ka bomo, ka maikaelelo gore ba fe mongwe kana sengwe, kana lekoko lengwe dithata tsa gore le ka dira jaana.

Go papametse mo molaong o motona, Molaomotheo jaaka bakaulengwe ba ntse ba bua wa Section 64 (1) (a) gore Palamente, e seng ope gape, Palamente ya Botswana ke yone e ka dirang koketso e ka go le maleba ka tsamaiso e e re tlwaetseng go e dira.

Jaanong ka go rialo, ke ema nokeng mogopolo wa ga Rre Balopi gore a go potlakelwe go bua kgang e. Mabaka a ntshitswe ke ba bangwe gore Palamente e a tswala, jaanong fa Palamente e se mo teng go ka nna bokete gore re tle go buisana kgang e. *Census* e tswetsetse, fela fa e wela ba Delimitation Commission ba a tsena jaaka Molaomotheo o ba laela gore ba tsene. Ga gona gore ba emela ope e bile pheletsong ya tiro ya bone ya Delimitation Commission, e nna molao. Ga gona yo o ka o fetolang se ba se kwadileng. Jaanong gore re dire gore ba bereke sentle, ba filwe tse di ba tshwanetseng jaaka ba dipalo ba tlaabo ba na le dipalo tsa batho, re le Palamente re tshwanetse gore fa re akantse jalo re ba neele palo ya dikgaolo tsa Mapalamente tse di ka nnang teng. Ka jalo, go tlaabo go le bonolo gore re ntshe kgang e re e bue ka bofefo. Fa re ka se ka ra e bua, go bo go ka patikega gore re e buisane Palamente e sena go tswala, re tlaabo re tsena mo ditshenyegelong tse re batlang go di hema, tsa gore re bitse Palamente e ne e se mo teng, le boe Mapalamente le tle go bua kgang e. Jaanong, a re direng se re tshwanetseng go se dira.

Ka mafoko a le kalo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ka tlotlego ke kopa gore ke eme Rre Balopi nokeng a itshetlele le Mapalamente a kganetso tota, ka gore ke ba eteletse pele le bone, ba itshetlele ba itse gore re ntse sentle re tlaa bua kgang e. Ke a leboga, a pula e ne.

MR KEKGONEGILE (MAUN EAST): Tanki *Mr Deputy Speaker*. Re dumedise batlotlegi, setšhaba ka kakaretso le ba Bophirima. Motho o ka simolola fela ka go supa matshwenyego *Deputy Speaker* gore, kana jaanong e nna o kare a *prescribed principle within the Standing Orders, you violate it* fela. Le tsamaiso e re e dumalaneng *you violate it* fela, o tsaya tshwetso e e farologanyeng le tshwetso ya Mapalamente. Golo moo fela ka bo gone *Mr Speaker*, go felela go tsala tlhakathakano mo Ntlong go sa tlhokafale. Re go kope *Mr Speaker* gore, a ko o emise go dira jalo.

Mr Speaker, fa re bua ka *urgency* ya *Motion* o kana re bua ka *Motion* o o gorogang go tswetsetse go sekasekiwa *Constitution*. Re bua ka *Motion* o o tsenang re solofetse gore *Delimitation Committee, immediately after census* e tlaabo e tsena. Bakaulengwe ba tlisa *Motion* o ba re



ke wa potlako, mme ditlhopho tse re yang go tsena mo go tsone di le *two years from now*. Re mo go 2022, ditlhopho di ya go tsena ka 2024 a fela, *it is two years from now*. Ga re bue ka ditlhopho tse di tsenang *in six or 12 months*. Motho o ka ipotsa gore, *urgency* ke ya eng? Ke selo sa ntlha.

Selo sa bobedi, *Constitutional Review* ga re itse gore setšhaba se ya go reng. Setšhaba se ka nna sa re raya se re ga re batle *First-Past-the-Post*, re batla *Proportional Representation*. Se ka nna sa re sa re raya se re ga re batle *First-Past-the-Post*, re batla *Mixed System* e e kopanyang *First-Past-the-Post* le *Proportional Representation*. A fa setšhaba se rialo, re tlaa boela kwa morago? Moo fela ka bogone go raya gore *Constitutional Review* e tshwanelwa ke go kaetsa gore *constituencies* fa di oketsega, di ka oketsegela fa kae, ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Sa bobedi *census* ke yone...

HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE): *Clarification*. Ke go leboge Motlotlegi Mopalamente Rre Kekgonegile. Tota *clarification* ya me e mo *issues* tse pedi tse o di buileng, ke ya *Constitutional Review* e e ka fetolang *the system*. Kana *system* fa e fetoga, ga e fetole *constituencies*, *constituencies* di tlaabo di ntse di le teng *whether* re fetotse kana ga re a fetola. Ke kopa *clarification* foo.

Le gore kana fa o ne o re *urgency in two years*, kana *Delimitation Committee* fa e setse e le *set*, fa e fetsa tiro ya yone fela e a phatlaladiwa gone foo. Ga e ka ke ya boela gape ya nna teng. *Urgency* ke ne ke ithaya ke re go lebilwe gone moo gore, fa e sena go nna e dirwa e bo e fetsa tiro ya yone e sa kgaoganya dikgaolo, go tlaabo go ile fela jalo. *Thank you Mr Speaker*.

MR KEKGONEGILE: Tanki *Mr Speaker*. O bona nako tse dingwe go fa motlotlegi *clarification* ke selo se se botlhokwa thata, se kgona *to expose the thinking* ka kwa. Go raya gore golo fa, ga gona le fa e le mabaka. Fa o utlwa gotwe fa *Constitutional Review* e fetola *system* ga e fetole *constituencies*. Fa *Constitutional Review* e ntsha (*scrap*) *First-Past-the-Post*, ga re sa tlhole re nna le *constituencies*. E ya go nna dipalo fela tsa *percentages*, gore phathi e e boneng *popular vote* ya *percentage* e, e tsaya *seats* tsa *percentage* e. Ga go sa tlhole go na le *constituencies*. E bile gape fa re tsenya *mixed*, go raya gore ke *constituencies plus* batho ba bangwe ba ba tlaabong ba tsena ka ntata ya palo e e okediwang ke *Proportional Representation*.

I am not saying Delimitation Committee e tsaya *two years*, *I am saying* e ka tla ya nna teng morago ga *census*, e bile le rona re ka tla ra tsaya tshwetso *to guide delimitation* re sena go nna re kaetswa (*guided*) ke *census* gore dipalo di oketsegile ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Lona gompiano fa le tla ka dipalo tsa gore go oketsege ka *constituencies* tse *four* fela, le tsaya kae *statistics*, le kaetswa ke eng? Kana ke dipalo fela tsa go bona gore *political mileage and landscape* e wela kae. Ga gona *urgency* fa *Mr Speaker*. *Without statistics*, *July* o gaufi re ne re ka emela *preliminary report* ya *census* e e re kaetsang gore dikgaolo di godile ka tsela e e ntseng jaana. *Then Motion* wa gago o o *urgent*, o ne o ka tsena ka *July* wa buisanngwa wa bo wa fela ka *July*, *Delimitation Committee* ya simolola tiro ka *August*, by *November delimitation* e feditse, go a tswelelwa. *So* ga gona *urgency* fa.

Kgang e tona fela *Mr Speaker* ke gore, ba tsere tshwetso ya gore fa ba bona ba ka fenya ditlhopho ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Moo fela bogone go raya gore re senya madi ka go ya go dira *Constitutional Review*, *census and delimitation*, re ntse re setse re tsere tshwetso. Re a itse *on the ground* gore bomang ba simolotse go ipapaletsa ntlha efe, *because you have already drafted the map*. *You have already drawn the map* ya gore dikgaolo, *wards* le *constituencies* di ya go tla ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Go ne go sa re sepe gore le ka tla la tshwantsha *map* o, *but drawing it* mo *fairness* le *guidance* ya dipalo, e seng mo *guidance* ya *political mileage and expediency* e le leng mo go yone maDomkrag. Le batho ba le senang boammaaruri, Tautona re ne re sa solofela gore ke wena yo o ka tlang fa, wa paka dilo tse di ntseng jaana tse di ntshang lefatshe mo tseleng, di le isa go sele. *I do not agree with this Motion Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: *Thank you Honourable Member for Maun East*. Ke feteng fela ka bokhutshwane bagaetsho gore, Standing Order 2.1 se mphata e e seng kana ka sepe go dira jaaka kgantele ke ne ke bitsa Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona. Se mphata thata yotlhe, *nobody can query me on that one*, ka fa se ntseng ka teng. *Honourable Lelatisitswe followed by Honourable Ramogapi*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE): Thank you so much Mr Speaker...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.



MR LELATISITSWE: *Gatwe procedure Mr Speaker.*

MR SPEAKER: That is the voice of Honourable Member for Selibe Phikwe West, if I am not wrong.

MR KEORAPETSE: Procedure. Mr Speaker, *ga gona phoso mo go se o neng o se dirile* earlier. The tradition which was set *mo Ntlong e* besides the Standing Orders, we know that source of law *ya Palamente* has also been tradition. *O ne o setse morago* tradition but where I fault you Mr Speaker, *ke gore* on our side *fa* Leader of the Opposition (LOO) *a tsholeditse letsogo*, you must recognise him. *Fa* Whip *a tsholeditse letsogo*, you must recognise him. That has been the tradition set, *e ke tsayang gore o tshwanetse go tsamaya* mo go yone. Just as *fa* Leader of the House *a tsholeditse* on the side *ya* the ruling party, *kana fa* His Excellency the President *a tsholeditse*, *o bo o ka mo* recognise because we recognise *gore ke bagolo ba Palamente*. *Ke ne ke kopa* that consistency especially when it applies to the LOO because *fa gongwe ke bona o kare re a e fapoga*.

MR TSOGWANE: Procedure. Go nna le *experience* ya go tsena dingwaganyana mo Palamenteng go a thusa. Ke dumalana thata le Rre Keorapetse *because it happened in the past where* go engwa ka bofelo re santse re le kwa Ntlong kwa. Le *fa Leader of the House* a ka ema kwa morago ga mongwe, go ne go dirisiwa *that tradition*. *I agree with him* *gore seniority* eo has to *reflect on both sides of the House*. Ke ne ke re gone foo o bua nnete. Jaanong yo mongwe yo o timetseng yole, o bua gore dipalo ga di bereke, wa kgantele a bua *fa*. *Seats* o di bitsa eng? A *ke seats* tse di mo phefong fela di sa beelwe le dipalo? *It is not constituency based but the seats are there to be determined*. *Fa re na le number ya constituencies, those constituencies will translate into seats* tse e leng gore ga di a emela *constituencies*. *Thank you*.

MR LELATISITSWE: *Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, the urgency of the Motion;* ke supe gore ke eme Rre Balopi nokeng. Ke tlaa gata mo mafokong a ga Mothusa Tautona a gore *fa gongwe* go nna lebaka mo Palamenteng go a thusa. Re a itse rotlhe *gore this exercise* ya go bala batho e kgoreleditswe ke Corona. E ka bo e dirilwe kwa moragonyana. *Gompieno we are under pressure*. *Fa gotwe two and half*, o tshwanetse go itse *gore the Delimitation Commission* fa e setse e tlhomiwa ba lebelela, go ya go dirwa golo mo gotweng *renaming of constituencies* le dilo tse dintsi. *Fa* motho a ema a re, *this thing is easy, it can be done in six months*, go a supa tota *gore fa*

motho a le setlaboshane ga re a reetse *the experienced* ba mo tlhalosetse. Se re se dirang *Mr Speaker*; se ka fa molaong. *The Constitution allows that. Without us giving the number of constituencies*, go raya gore se se dirwang ke *commission*, ga ba ka ke ba oketsa ka dipalo dipe. Se mo Molaomotheong. Nako e re e lebeletseng e khutshwane thata. *This exercise* e tshwanetse go dirwa sentle ka matsetseleko. Fa e le *gore constituencies are shifted*, di ya go batlelwa maina le gone go simolola batho ba kwadisiwa, *it is a long process*. Motho o ka akanya *gore two and half* kana *two years is a short period of time*.

Ke gakolole Kekgonegile gore a se ka a nna a tla mo Palamenteng a galefa. Ga go ka ke ga mo thusa ka sepe. Fa re tletse go ganetsana ka bokgoni jwa rona re le Mapalamente. Ga re a tshwanela gore e re fa re bua, re bo re tsenya maikutlo mo teng, re galefa, re bua dilo tse di gakgamatsang. Seo ga se ka ke sa go thusa ka sepe. Batho ba Maun East kwa ba teng ba itumetse, wena o fa o tenegile, ga re itse *gore o tenegetse mang. The urgency of this Motion* ke gore, Palamente e tlaabo e tswetswe fa palobatho e wela. Re tlaabo re sena nako ya go tla fa re bua. Gape *this Budget Session has been too long*. Re sale re nna mo Palamenteng. Ke nako ya gore re ye go dira dilo tse dingwe, ba ba lebaneng ba tle ba dire tsa bone. A Kekgonegile a boele kwa Maun go dira *meetings*. A bitse batho a ba bolelele gore re ntse re nnetse eng mo Palamenteng, ka re ntse re bua ka *budget. In short, this Motion is urgent and* e bile o ka bo o dirilwe kwa morago kwa fa e ne e se ka *this COVID exercise. The urgency of this Motion* ke e eme nokeng. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: *Thank you* Motlotlegi Mothusa Tona wa tsa Botsogo le Boitekanelo. *Honourable Members*, ke ya go tsaya ba le bane, e tlaabo e le bone ba bofelo, *and then I will be putting a question*.

MR SALESHANDO (MAUN WEST): Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ga ke tlhaloganye *gore gatwe urgency* e tswa kae. *Urgency* o e tlisa fa o re go diragetse sengwe bosheng, se re neng re sa se solofela, se se tlhokang *gore re se tsibogele. That is what urgency means*. O tshoganyeditse ke sengwe se o neng o sa se solofela. Fa dilo di ne di tsamaya sentle, se ka bo se seyo fa pele ga gago. Re ntse re itse *gore go tlaa tla nako ya gore constituencies* di okediwe. Nako ya COVID, Palamente e ne e tsena. Ga go na Palamente e e kganetsweng ke COVID go buisana ka *gore palo ya constituencies* e ka nna kae. Fa e le *gore* le Tautona a re o ne a lebetse, go ne go mo fapogile,



o ne a sena bogakolodi. O ne a sena kakanyo ya gore go tlaa tlhokafala gore go okediwe *constituencies*. Ba gakologelwa beke ya bofelo ya Palamente. Ke lantlha mo ditsong Molaomotheo wa Botswana o ya go fetolwa ka *Motion of Urgency*. Batswana ba tshwanetse ba itse gore le fa gotwe ba kganetso ba a dumela, ga re dumalane. Puso e robetse, Tautona *is not on top of his job*. Ga go supe fa ba tsaya tiro ya bone ka tlhwaafalo e le *party* e e busang. Ke Puso ya ga Rre Masisi ya ntlha e sale Botswana a simolola ka 1966, e e baakanyang *Constitution* ka lepotlapotla. Ke ene wa ntlha. Ba bangwe ba ne ba ithulaganya boTautona. Ba itse gore go ya go nna le nako ya go oketsa *constituencies*. Le sa kopane le kgang phakela gotwe fa le tswa fa, re tlaabo re fetotse Molaomotheo. Batswana ba tshwanetse ba itse gore golo mo, go supa go palelwa ke tiro ga ga Tautona le Khuduthamaga ya gagwe.

Constitutional review Mr Speaker, e ka nna ya tla jaaka Rre Kekgonegile a buile. Re rile ga re sa tlhole re batla tsamaiso ya *constituencies*, re batla *proportional representation*. Ke a utlwa gore Mothusi Tautona ga a utlwisise kgang e. Mme gongwe o tlaa batlelwa letsatsi le a ka rutwang gore fa Batswana ba ka re, re batla thulaganyo e sele e seng ya *constituencies*, di ya go phimolwa tsotlhe. *Under proportional representation Your Honour the Vice President (VP)*, ga go na *constituencies*. *This section* go tlaabo go raya gore e tlo dilwe ke dipeba, e le reng re tsene mo go yone. Se ke se lemogang ke gore, golo mo ga *Constitutional review* go a itshupa gore ke go baya Batswana bobi matlhong. Ke tshela ke utlwa le Matona a Puso ya Domkrag le Tautona ba bua gore, nnyaa, e ya go tlhophiwa ga ga Tautona, e se ka ya fetolwa, e lesiwe fela. Go raya gore re diela Batswana nako re re, re a ba rerisa ka Molaomotheo, le tsere ditshwetso. Ga go ka ke ga fetolwa *electoral system*, ke sone se le batlang *this amendment today*.

E nngwe kgang *Mr Speaker* ke gore, le fa gotwe go okediwe ka *four* ka bonako, a re oketseng ka *four come on, come on*, re ntse re itse gore nako le nako fa go okediwa, go a bo go lebeleletse gore mme palo ya batho e oketsegile ka bokae. *Census e on*, ga re ise re utlwe le fa e le moshadile gore dipalo tsa rona di lebe ga di wela fa kae. Go bo gotwe a re fetoleng Molaomotheo, re dumalane gore re oketsa ka *four*, ke go tsaya Batswana motlhofo.

Final point, Motion o gape o supa go tlhoka boammaaruri ga Puso ya gompiano. Tautona fa a ikanisiwa, o ne a re, o ya go tsamaisa ka *political inclusion*. Go ya go

tshwaraganelwa tiro ya go tsamaisa Puso; ba ba busang le ba ba tlhophilweng mme ba se mo Pusong. Mo dinakong tse di fetileng, dikgang tsa mofuta o, di ne di buisanwa kwa *All Party Conference*.

Go a bonala gore Tautona Mokgweetsi Masisi o palelwa ke *inclusivity*. E ne e le lefoko fela la Sekgoa le a neng a le ratile a bo a bona gore a le dirise jaaka ditsholofetso tse dingwe tse a di dirileng tse a sekeng a ipha nako ya go itshekatsheka gore o di diragatsa leng. BDP e tswa go dumalana e le nosi kwa bothokong gore go okediwa ka dikgaolo di le nne. Ba itse gore golo fa re bua ka thulaganyo ya lefatshe e *all stakeholders* ba tshwanetseng ba ye go nna fa fatshe kgang e reriwe. Tota e bile re ka bo re tla jaana re sa tle ka *Motion*, re ka bo re tla jaana re tla ka Molao-kakanyetso (*Bill*), e e fetolang jaaka *the stakeholders* di dumalane. *President Masisi* o dumela gore mo polotiking, *there is only one stakeholder*, ke Domkrag. Ga a dumele gore banaleseabe ba bangwe ba a kgathala. Legale dirisang dipalo tsa lona mme molaetsa o tshwanetse o tsene kwa Batswaneng, *Government is leaping*. Tautona o kgona go tla ka diamaramara a re a re fetoleng Molaomotheo. BoTautona ba bangwe botlhe ba ba tsileng pele ga gagwe bone ba ne itsile nako e le teng gore a re tseneng mo kgannyeng ya *delimitation*. Ke lantlha go diragala gore go tsenwe ka diamaramara. Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Leader of the Opposition. Honourable Member for Goodhope-Mabule, Honourable Minister of Infrastructure and Housing Development.

MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (MR MOLALE): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke go dumedise le batlotlegi botlhe. Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke ema fano ke ema Motlotlegi Balopi nokeng ka Tshutiso e a e tlisiseng. Ke mo ema nokeng ka gore tsamaiso ya rona ka dinako tse tsotlhe re a bo re lebile gore se re se direlang Botswana ke se se molemo, e seng se se akanyediwang gore gongwe se tlaa nna maswe. Ga gona ope yo e ka reng a dirisa *Constitution* gore e direle Batswana molemo, a bo a dira bosula ka gore *immediately* ba ba itseng molao fa ba bona gore maikaelelo ke go dira bosula, ba gololesegile e bile ba tshwanetse go ya Kgotlatshekelo go emisa se ba se bonang e le bosula.

Mr Speaker, re mo mosepeleng wa go fetola molao jaaka re le mo mosepeleng wa go utlwa dikakanyo tsa Batswana ka go fetola Molaomotheo, ga go reye gore



re seega Molaomotho. Molaomotho *remains in force until such time that consensus* ya Batswana ya go o fetola e tlaabo e utlwiwa ka nako eo. Fa re sena go e utlwa jalo, Palamente e, *and nobody else*, ke yone e tlaabong e ema ka dinao e tsenya se Batswana ba rileng ba a se batla, *but in the meantime, Constitution has to operate in the interest* ya Batswana *and this is one of them Mr Speaker*. Ga re eletse gore e re fa re dira dilo re bo re di dira ka tsamaiso e e leng gore kwa morago re tlaa ikotlhaya re re fale go ne go rile, fa re ne re rile. Re mo tsamaisong, ga gona gope fa go robiwang molao teng.

Selo sa boraro *Mr Speaker*, ga se nako ya go bua ka *electoral system*, re bua ka go oketsa *constituencies*. Gore *constituencies* tseo di ya go tla jang kana a *Constitution* fa e sena go fetolwa di ya go phimolwa, ke nako ya teng eo. Gompiano jaana ka tsamaiso e *Constitution* e e leng *in force* e buang ka teng, Puso e tshwanetse *to guide delimitation* ka gore morago ga *census* go ka okediwa ka palo e e kae. Re fela foo, ga re bue ka tse. Tse dingwe tse nako ya tsone e tlaa tla...

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Minister, did we lose you? Honourable Minister, please unmute yourself.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Re loile *system* ya gagwe *Mr Speaker*, ya kwa go yo mongwe.

MR SPEAKER: O ronwa ke mafoko ao Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima. *Let me try my last chance, Honourable Minister.*

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: *We are now going to* Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa...

MR MOLALE: Mr Speaker...

MR SPEAKER: Oh! You are back?

HONOURABLE MEMBER: He has made his point.

MR MOLALE: *I am back.* Go ntse go buiwa mme ga ke ise ke reye ope ke re o buile dintlha tsa gagwe a sute.

MR SPEAKER: Do not address side remarks.

MR MOLALE: Se ke se buang ke gore Motlotlegi Tautona Masisi o dira se e leng gore Molaomotho o a mo patika gore se dirwe. Ga gona ka gope mo re ka buang ka go tshuba lefatshe. Ke lebogela mafoko a ga *Honourable* Lelatisitswe gore a kgalemele *Honourable*

Kekgonegile to impute improper motives on the President mme a setse Molaomotho morago a direla Batswana bomolemo. Tota e bile fa re ne re bua ka go tshuba lefatshe, re a mo itse ene *Honourable* Kekgonegile gore ka 2011 ke na le Tautona Masisi re bua le bone, e re fa re sena go dumalana a bo a ya go bua *untruths* kwa e le ene a tshubang lefatshe, a gogela badirelapuso go sele. *That is the character* ya motho yo o tshubang lefatshe, *not* ya motho yo o setseng *Constitution* morago go direla Batswana bomolemo.

Ga gona ope yo o tsayang Batswana motlhofo *Mr Speaker*. Se re se dirang ke gore *constituencies* tse *four* tse go oketsa tse 57, re ya go ema mo go tsone rotlhe re le diphathi tsotlhe. Re fa mo Palamenteng e, re ne re eme mo *constituencies* tse 57 go na le ba kganetso le ba phathi e e busang. Jaanong gore go buiwe fa gotwe re setse re itiretse *constituencies* e bile re batla gore re ye go tsenya *...(inaudible)...* mo teng, *our system does not allow that* gore re tlhophe batho pele ga Batswana ba ba tlhopho. E bile re itsege ka go sala Molaomotho *...(inaudible)...* se motho a ka se buang a re *...(interruption)...* ke nyenyefatsa kgang eo.

So, kgang e Mr Speaker, ke kgang e ke e eme nokeng mme e bile ke batla gore re tsene mo *Motion* o re o ngange re tle re ntshe batho bangwe ba ba nang le le lesokolela la gore go a tsiediwa re ba baakanye maikutlo ba itse gore golo fa re mo tseleng e e nametsang Motswana mongwe le mongwe pelo ya go sala *Constitution* morago. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: *Thank you Honourable Minister.* Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Jwaneng-Mabutsane.

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Reatile.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: A mme ga re a a bua *Mr Speaker*?

MR SPEAKER: A ko o inketelele rraetsho. *Honourable* Reatile.

...Silence...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Iketelele *Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Reatile.

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Mathoothe, I can hear your voice, you can go into Honourable Reatile's place.



MR MATHOOTHE (SEROWE NORTH): Re a buile *Speaker*...

MR REATILE (JWANENG-MABUTSANE): I am covered Mr Speaker, I am not commenting.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you sir.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Just truncate* re tseneng mo kgannyeng.

MR SPEAKER: A ko le inketlele, ke dira tiro ya me. Ke lona le ntseng le lela ka *fairness*, legale ga se wena Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Phikwe. *Honourable Mathoothe*, a o ne o re o siame?

MR MATHOOTHE: *Re a buile* Mr Speaker. I am okay.

MR SPEAKER: Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Serowe Bokone. Wa bofelo ke Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Nata-Gweta.

MR MAJAGA (NATA-GWETA): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, ke a go dumedisa le Batlotlegi Mapalamente. Ke ne ke re ga ke na mafoko ape a a kalo, tota *I wanted to truncate using the relevant* Standing Order.

Ka go lebega o na le nako ya gago e re ka se keng re e eme pele *Mr Speaker*, tota ga go na sepe se re ka se buang ka gore kgang e ke ya Molaomotho. Mme re ka bua tse tsotlhe, tse dingwe re tlaa ya go di bua fela kwa go tshwanetseng teng le *rallies* re batla dikgaolo tseo. A re yeng kwa pele fela, re tsene mo kgannye e, re fetse ka yone, re lebelele tse dingwe. Tiro e ntsi, re tloga re sa ye go fetsa fa ke lebelele gore *we have not tabled* dikomiti ka bontsi. Ke a leboga, ke re *I support* Tshutiso e gore a e tsene *as a matter of urgency*. *I thank you Mr Speaker*.

Question put and **agreed to**.

MR SPEAKER: *Kana jaanong Batlotlegi Mapalamente go raya gore* Motion o dumetswe. Procedurally we should now go into the real meat of the Motion. *Jaanong go raya gore re tlaa bo re o buisana re nweeletse*, and mind you...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Ke a digela Motlotlegi Rraetsho Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Intshwarele *sir*.

MR SPEAKER: Le gakologelwe gore re na le *two hours*, re berekela mo *two hours*, ke tseela gore *...(interruptions)...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *...(Inaudible)...* ga se gore go raya gore go siame.

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MR KEORAPETSE: Procedure Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, I beg your indulgence, and I plead with the Leader of the House and the other side of the aisle that we suspend Standing Order 50.4, it is the Standing Order dealing with the time for discussion of Motions for the Adjournment, – Definite Matter of Urgent Public Importance, limiting the debate to two hours, maximum of two hours. I do this Mr Speaker against the backdrop that this is a very serious constitutional matter, and I think the wider the views of Members of Parliament the more informed the decision would be at the end of the day. I beg members to support the suspension of Standing Order 50.4 so that we can have more time to debate this matter. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Ke re ke go botse Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima *before you go away*, fa o kopa gore re ntshe *two hours*, *what do you want us to replace it with* ka eng, kana re bue fela *until cows come home*?

MR KEORAPETSE: No sir, we have two options, but the first option will be to give it the normal time we give to an ordinary Motion of the House. The second option, which would be more compelling to me, would be maybe to take up to four hours on the Motion.

MR SPEAKER: *Kana* it is your proposal, I want you to come with a guideline. *Wena o batla re dira* how many hours?

MR KEORAPETSE: Four hours Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Four hours?

MR KEORAPETSE: Yes, so that it continues tomorrow for another two hours, but I am amenable to advice of other Members of Parliament. I was thinking that it may attract a lot of interest.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mr Speaker, if I may?

MR SPEAKER: I need to put a question first, the Motion has been tabled. I have to put a question that the Motion as proposed by Honourable Keorapetse be agreed to, from two hours to four hours. That is the question I am going to be putting.



MR KEORAPETSE: Procedure Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, *ke re gongwe re utlwe Mothusa Tautona, ka I had indicated gore I am amenable to advice, especially from him in terms of gore should we go for...*

MR SPEAKER: *Nnyaa rra! nnyaa rra! o batla go mphaposa mo tirong ya me e ke itseng thata.* We are on the procedure, you have proposed a Motion.

Honourable Members, the question before the House this afternoon is that, the proposal as proposed by Honourable Member for Selebi Phikwe West that the Motion be agreed to...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Yes Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! *Mma ke digele* Your Honour. Order! Order! Honourable Members, the question before the House this afternoon is that, the proposal as proposed by Honourable Member for Selebi Phikwe West that the Motion be agreed to. As many as a of that opinion aye...

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

MR SPEAKER: *Emang pele batlotlegi,* I will come back to yourselves. Now this is the time for *Motlotlegi rraetsho Moeteledipele wa Ntlo jaaka a ne a ntse a re o elets a go bua,* it is time for me to give him a slot, Your Honour?

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE): Thank you Mr Speaker. *Ke yone procedure I think e e neng e batliwa le ke Motlotlegi Keorapetse. Fa go na le proposal batho ba ka akgela mo go yone gore a ba a dumalana* before the question is put. *Ke ne ke re ke latlhele gone foo* Mr Speaker *gore, kana Motion o selo sa ntlha re rile* is very urgent, and if it is very urgent it must remain urgent in all essence.

The other thing *ke gore, Motion o o tlola tse dingwe le reports, policies le sepe fela se se fa pele ga Palamente. Fa o se tlola jaana* Mr Speaker *go raya gore dilo tseo re lebile gore Palamente e gaufi le go tswalwa, di tlile go felela gongwe re sa fetsa business ya Palamente.* So on the basis of that *ke ne ke re, a o fiwe fela nako e e mo Standing Order, so that tse dingwe tse di bothokwa le tsone tse re ntseng re bua ka tsone fa, re na le reports, Rre Reatile o ne a batla gore report eo* we should have concluded it. *Ga re a kgona* because this Motion is coming under Certificate of Urgency, so it is of public interest, but *go sa reye gore o fetile sengwe le sengwe se se tshwanetseng go dirwa.* At the end of the day

what is important is the vote that will be deciding the fate of the Motion. So how many 100 people will be debating taking more than two hours, I do not think it really changes the taste of salt. So *ke bua fela ke re I am opposing the Motion wa extension on this Motion.* I thank you.

MR MATHOOTHE (SEROWE NORTH): *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Mma le nna ke nne le sebaka sa gore ke tsene mo Tshutisong. Mme pele ga ke tsena mo Tshutisong ke dumedise Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana.

Mr Speaker, ga ke dumalane le Motion o o sa tswang go bewa fa pele ga rona. Ga ke dumalane le palo e e beilweng ya 4, mabaka a me e le gone...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Procedure. Honourable Mathoothe o dule mo setlhogong.*

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

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Laughter!)...

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

MR SPEAKER: Order *bagaetsho!* Let us have order please! Honourable Mathoothe, *a ko o itlhalose.*

MR MATHOOTHE: *Mr Speaker, ke ne ke batla gore re tsene mo Motion, re tswe mo dikgannyeng tsa nako. Fela ka bokhutshwane, ke dumalana le nako ya two hours, ke tsaya gore mabaka a re yang go a fa ga a kalokalo. Ke dumalana le two hours.*

MR KEORAPETSE: I beg to withdraw that Motion, if it does not have any support. I really want to save time Mr Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Fa o bona e ganwa ke Mathoothe, go raya gore ke mathata jaanong. Go raya gore ga o a akanya monkane waaka.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: O a simolola kana wena, o ne wa raya *Speaker* o re ke seganka.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Let us have order *bagaetsho.* On that understanding *ya gore* the Motion have been withdrawn, I am now going to call upon the Clerk.

MR BALOPI (GABORONE NORTH): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Le wena ke go dumedise rraetsho. Santlha tla ke simolole fela ka go leboga Ntlo e gore ba bo ba bone go le matshwanedi,



le go leboga Tautona yo o mo Ntlong gore le ene a bo a tsile fano go supa ka fa a tsayang Batswana ka tlhoafalo ka teng mo dikgannyeng tse di tshwanang le tsone tse mo nakong ya gagwe e e nngang e pitlagane.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, fa o ntetla *sir*; ke kopa gore ke beye pele setšhaba le Palamente Tshutiso e ke tlang ka yone ka puo ya Sejatlhapi pele, e re mo nakong ya me fa e santse e ntetla e o tlaabong o e mphile, a bo ke ka atlaatla ka puo ya garona ya Setswana, e le go akaretsa dintlha tse ke tlaabong ke di buile ka bofetshwana.

MR SPEAKER: Please go ahead Honourable Member.

MR BALOPI: Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, I wish to request this Honourable House to allow me to table a Motion that has been adopted as urgent by this House, which is the to amend Section 58 Sub-Section 2(a) of the Constitution of Botswana. The resolution that I am seeking is to increase the number of elected members from 57 to 61 constituencies and subsequently, they will be increased by four.

Mr Speaker, we are all aware that there is an ongoing Constitutional Review Exercise and population census. The urgent Motion that I am bringing to this House cannot wait for the conclusion of these exercises. Following the submission of Population Census Report, there will be need to appoint a Delimitation Commission to determine any alteration of constituency boundaries in compliance with Sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution.

Mr Speaker, on the 18th July 2002, a Delimitation Commission was appointed following the Population Census of 2001. This was done after Parliament had increased the number of seats of Elected Members of the National Assembly from 40 to 57 under Constitutional Amendment Act 12 of 2002, as per Section 64 Sub-Section 2(a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana which reads, “Notwithstanding the provisions of Sub-Section 1 of this section, at any time when Parliament has made provision altering the number of seats of Elected Members in the National Assembly, or a comprehensive National Population Census is held in Botswana, the Judicial Commission shall as soon as practicable thereafter, appoint a Delimitation Commission.”

I want to reemphasise this point Mr Speaker, as this section provides for Parliament to increase the seats as they may consider relevant at any particular time as per the Constitution. It does not say “and”, it says, “or”

which means 64 Sub-Section 2(a) *ya re*, “Parliament has made provision altering the number of seats of Elected Members in the National Assembly “or” not “and.” I take it that the lawyers will be able to assist those who might miss the point in this regard.

Part (a) of the above therefore demonstrates Parliament’s power to increase number of seats of elected members in this Assembly. Following the Population Census of 2012 Mr Speaker, in compliance with the Constitution, the Delimitation Commission was also appointed which concluded its work in March 2013. At the time, the constituencies were not increased as the National Assembly had not proposed an increase in the number of elected members, despite the increase in population. It is worth noting that the last increase of constituencies was done in 2002. That is 20 years ago.

Mr Speaker, from the delimitation report submitted in March 2013, the Commission reported that it had done everything possible within its power to realign the constituency boundaries to ensure that the population of each constituency is nearly as equal to the population quota as it is reasonably practicable. In so doing Mr Speaker, the Commission was not merely complying with the Constitutional imperative but was upholding an equitable principle that equal numbers of people should ideally have equal representation. Despite this Mr Speaker, the Commission did not increase the number of constituencies because it is Parliament responsibility to determine the number of seats of elected members in the National Assembly, which will in turn inform the number of constituencies in accordance with Section 63 of the Constitution.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR BALOPI: The Delimitation Exercise of 2012 was carried out through the realignment of the existing constituency boundaries only.

Honourable Lucas, if you allow me, I will give you a minute at the end. I think I will still have time to take your clarification point. Thank you.

Mr Speaker, the population census is nearly complete and will be followed by the appointment of the Delimitation Commission in accordance with Section 55 of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana. I believe that the same constraints faced by the Delimitation Commission of 2013 are going to be faced by the next Delimitation Commission if this House Mr Speaker, fails to amend Section 58 Sub-Section 2(a) of



the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana, hence the need to table this Motion before the next Parliament sitting scheduled to start on the 4th of July 2022.

So, the Motion passed today or tomorrow Mr Speaker, the process of drafting a Bill to amend Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution can start.

Mr Speaker, I must state from the onset that it is not my intention to dictate how the boundaries of constituencies should be drawn as others might have alluded to, but proposing the number of additional constituencies the Delimitation Commission should work within. It is my informed view that there is no denial that the population has increased since 2002, and it will be very irresponsible of this House to maintain that we can adequately serve our constituencies whose population size has surely increased with the current 57 constituencies.

Mr Speaker, we cannot wait for the next Parliament to move this Motion as I believe that by July Statistics Botswana would have completed the Population Census Report and the process of selecting Delimitation Commission by the JSC would have been completed. This will be a missed opportunity to do the right thing considering 20 years is a very long without having increased the constituencies.

Mr Speaker, for this reason, I would like to move that this Honourable House resolves that we should allow for the Constitutional Amendment Bill amending Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution to increase the number of Elected Members from 57 to 61 be brought before to this House.

Before I conclude Mr Speaker, I would like to take Honourable Lucas before I summarise *ka Setswana mong wa me*. If you allow Mr Speaker?

MR SPEAKER: Ka re o *Speaker* yo mongwe le wena.

MR LUCAS: *Thank you Mr Speaker. Honourable Balopi, o bua gore go na le dingwaga di le 20 constituencies di sa okediwe. Jaanong wa re wena you move gore di okediwe ka constituencies dile four; from 57 to 61. Ke re tota what informs the four you mentioned ka gore gompieno ga re itse the rate of increase of the population of the Republic of Botswana?*

Sa bobedi, a ga o bone go ne go ka nna botlhale gore re emele gore maduo a *census* a tswe pele go lemoga gore tota *population* e oketsegile mo go kae gore re bo re ka kgona go abelela re le Palamente palo e go ka okediwang ka yone? Ke a leboga rraetsho.

MR BALOPI: *Mr Speaker, ke a leboga. Honourable Lucas, fa bakaulengwe ba ntse ba supa botlhokwa jwa kgang gore re tlise Tshutiso, le nna fa ke bua lantlha ke le kopa gore e ka tsena ka potlako, re supile gore re bua ka seemo se e leng gore re bona go na le tshwanelo ya gore re oketse constituencies ntswa re nnile le dikgwetlho tse dintantsi. O a itse gore Palamente yone Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke raya fa ke araba Rre Lucas, ke yone e laolang letseno la madi, ke yone e begelwang madi, le bothata jo bo teng. Ke tsaya gore ke keletso ya mongwe le mongwe yo e leng Mopalamente, lona ba le tlholang le lela ka bokete jwa dikgaolo tsa lona ka fa le di dirang ka teng, mme go na le dingwe tse le sa di fitlheleleleng ka ntata ya gore ga go na didirisiwa tse dingwe jalojalo, ka ntata ya madi a e leng gore re santse re ise re kgone go ka fitlhelela mo go reng re tlise tsotlhe tse di maleba go tla go kgontsha kgang yone eo, e re gorositse mo go reng re lebelele segolo tse nne tse go tlaa bong go le botlhokwa gore di lebelelwe ke bone ba e leng gore ba tlaabo ba tlhomilwe gore ba lebelele melolwane jalojalo.*

O a itse Rre Lucas gore re bua jaana mo nakong e e thata e e sa tlwaelesegang. Le maloba Motlotlegi Serame o ne a re bolelela ka *deficits* tse di kwa godimo, a re bolelela gore re tshwanetse re tsetele adima kante re gatllhele adimo ka ntata ya gore ga go na madi go ya kwa pele. Jaanong Tshutiso e e tla ka nako e e leng gore mathata a a ntseng jalo, a re farafere. Kana Motswana jaaka a etle a bue gore tota fela ga go na gore go ka tweng ka gore takataka ga a tshwane le tshoo, kante lemme ga le bolae go bolaya lefifi, re lebile seemo se re leng mo go sone.

Se ke lelang go se araba ke gone gore, o ne o bua gore ke eng re ka se ke re emele dipalo tse e leng gore di a dirwa mo bogautshwaneng. Re sa tswa go bua ka bo 2013 gore go ne ga diragala eng, le gore go ne ga tlhoka gore go okediwe ka ntata ya gore ba Delimitation Commission ba ne ba tshwanetse gore ba ka bo ba ne ba fiwe lerala ke Ntlo yone e ka fa Molao Motheong jaaka rentse re bua ka *Section 64 (2) (a)*. Ka jalo, re fa lerala e le tsamaiso ya rona ka fa molaong jaaka Molaomtheo o ntse ka teng. Fa re ka se ke re fe lerala gompieno, re ka nna ra felela re le mo seemong se e leng gore se ya go tshwana le sa nako e e fetileng. Go bo go raya gore fa re ya go sutisa re ya kwa pele, re ka tla ra tsena mo lepotlapotleng le Motswana a reng fa gongwe le ja pudi. Ka jalo, ke ne ke dumela gore tsotlhe tse re di dirang, di ya go siamela rotllhe ba re mo Ntlong e ka gore Puso ya batho ka batho yone e e leng gore mongwe le mongwe go tlaabo go mo lebane gore emele dikgaolo tsone tse,



di tlaaletsa tse di 57, o tlaabo a na le tshwanelo. Ga se gore jaaka bangwe ba bua, di beetswe bangwe. Puso ya batho ka batho e e mo Molaomotheong le tsamaiso ya rona e emo Molaomotheong, e tlaabo e ntse e tswelsetse gore *Honourable* Lucas jaanong o ka ya go iteka lesego teng kante ope fela, kwa go tsone. ...*(Interruptions)* ...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: I beg your indulgence Mr Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR BALOPI: Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, o rile ke se ka ka nna *Speaker*. Tlaa ke tswelele ka pego ya me ka gore fa ke ka simolola ka ba hesa, ke tlaabo ke le *Speaker*.

MR MMOLOTSI: *On a point of clarification.* Ke a leboga *Honourable* Balopi. Gongwe re se ka ra e baya thata gore go ne go diragetse phoso mo nakong e e fetileng, tota ga se gore go ne go diragetse phoso, Goromente *had made a determination* ya gore ga a batle *constituencies* di okediwa. O tlaa gakologelwa Rre Balopi gore nako ya teng, *Honourable* Bagalatia Arone o ne a tla ka a *Private Members Bill* e a neng a re *constituencies* di okediwe, e e leng gore Palamente e ne ya e gana ka lebaka la gore *Cabinet was not inclined to increasing the number of constituencies*. Ke ne ke re ke e baakanye, le gone gore ga ke itse gore gompiano *Honourable* Balopi gatwe re e dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang, ka gore kana Molao -Kakanyetso o tshwanetse gore o tle, ga ke itse gore a e ka dirwa ka *Motion*. Ke itse gore a *Bill must come to Parliament*...

MR SPEAKER: I hope you were asking a question, now you appear to be debating Honourable Mmolotsi, which is not very proper. *O ne o batlile* clarification, *jaanong* you are debating.

MR MMOLOTSI: Ke ne ke re ke botse ya bofelo fela gore, kana golo mo go tshwanelwa ke gore go dirwe ka *Bill*, jaanong fa go tla *Motion*, o ya *to be implemented* jang ka gore golo mo go tshwanetse gore e bo e le molao?

HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE): *On a point of elucidation.* Ke kopa *elucidation* ka gore bangwe ba ntse ba bua fa ka dipalo gore go *based* mo dipalong dife, bangwe ke fa e bile ba bua ka *Motions* gore o tlele *to be implemented* jang. Ke *elucidate* fela rra gore kana mo itsholelong, le mo go sengwe le sengwe fela, go na le golo mo gotweng *projections* tse e leng gore *they guide* gore go ka diragala

jang mo lebakeng le le rileng. *Our population growth is also projected. So, census* ya bofelo e ne e supa gore *the growth was decreasing*, go bo go nna le *an annual average* ya 1.7 per cent.

So on the basis of the projections, you can tell gore mme *population* e gongwe e ka gola ka bokana, *you can guess*. Ga se gore go direlwa mo legoeleleng. Gape *the other thing*, yo mongwe o ne a re *Motion* fa o fetile kana o a diragadiwa. Gore o diragadiwa jang, go tlaabo go raya gore *ministry* o o lebaganeng le *Motion*, o ye go diragatsa *Motion*, ke one o o tlaa tlang ka *Bill*. So ga go a twe go ya go tla go fetolwa *constituencies* ka *Motion*. *Motion is to request the responsible ministry to act and the implementation if it requires a Bill, it will so be done*. So ga ke tlhaloganye gore Mmolotsi o tsiediwa ke eng gone fa.

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

MR SPEAKER: Order! Let us have order please.

MR BALOPI: Ke a leboga *Your Honour, the Leader of the House*. Gongwe ke leboegele dintlha tse o di ntshitseng, mme ke gatelele gore ke buile Rre Mmolotsi mo *presentation* ya me ya *Motion* o ke rile, *should the Motion pass today, the process of drafting a Bill to amend Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution will start*, fela jaaka Mothusa Tautona a bua, gore jaanong ba ba maleba ka gore ga se gore ke santlha go dirwa jalo, ba tlaa itse gore ba ya go baakanya tshetlana e jang, e bo e ka kgona gore e diragadiwe. Jaanong Rre Mmolotsi ka kgang e a neng a bua ka yone gore ke se ka ka nna ka bua jaaka e kete gongwe go ne go na le phoso e e diragetseng, nnyaa, ga ke a re go ne go diragetse phoso, ka re ga go a diragala jalo ka nako yone eo. Jaanong ke sone e neng ya re fa ba ya go sekaseka, ba fitlhela go sa nna jalo. Mme jaanong ka gore le wena o a tlhomamisa gore go ne ga se ka ga nna le sepe se se neng sa dirwa, ntswa go ne go supa dipalo di godile, ke tsaya gore o dumalana gore jaaka ke ne ke bua gore lemme ga le bolaye, go bolaya lefifi, nako ya teng e ne e le *zero*, mo bogompionong ke bone (*four*). Ke tsaya gore o tlaa bona gore go dirilwe maitlamo a go ka leka go thiba phatlha nngwe, re ntse re na le dikgwetlho tse di leng teng.

Jaanong Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ga ke itse gore nako e e ntshaletseng e kae. Ke ne ke batla fela gore ke atlaatlhe kgang e mo metsotsong e e ka fa tlase ga botlhano, ke e bue ka Setswana. Ke tlhalosetse Batswana gore se re se kopang fano, ga se sepe e bile se se ka ntshang mokola kante gongwe ke tlholo ntsha,



ke sengwe se se diregileng mo dinakong tse di fetileng e le molao o o teng, o Batswana ba itseng gore ke one o ba tsamaisang. Ka jalo, se re se kopang ke tshwanelo ya Palamente gore e kgone go se dira, e tle kwano, e tle go tlisa ...(*Interruptions*)... jaanong bangwe ba ne ba bua ba re gongwe ke santlha go tla jalo ka lepotlapotla. Mme kana lepotlapotla le lone, jaaka mongwe a ne a bua gore *emergency* o tsaya gore ke selo se se mo tshoganyeditseng mo gompionong, mme fa o na le tebelopele, o tshwanetse go bona gore kwa o yang teng, go ka nna ga nna le dikgoreletsi dingwe tse di ka dirang gore mo bogompionong, o tsiboge seemo go fema kwa go ka nnang le bothata kwa pele, kwa o yang teng. So ke dumela gore ke sone se re se dirang...

MR MMOLOTSI: Procedure Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: What is your procedure *Rre* Mmolotsi? What is outside the procedure?

MR MMOLOTSI: Ee rra, *what is outside the procedure Mr Speaker, is that Honourable Balopi is insinuating, in fact not even insinuating, he is saying it is not new* gore go dirwe dilo ka tsela e e ntseng jaana, *but the fact of the matter is that, it is new. All this time, tsamaiso e e ntseng e le teng ke gore, go tla Bill kwa Palamenteng, e seng Motion. So o tshwanelwa ke gore a tlhalosetse setšhaba fela gore ke lantlha go dirwa ka Motion, dinako tsotlhe Minister wa Presidential Affairs o tla ka Bill.*

MR SPEAKER: Your procedure is quite in order.

MR BALOPI: Nnyaa, *Rre* Mmolotsi, ke ne ke seyo mo Palamenteng mo nakong e e fetileng, se ke se lebileng, ke tshetlana ya melao ya gore yone a e a letla gore go diragale jalo mo nakong epe fela. Jaanong se ke se bonang ke gore fa e le gore go ne go na le tlwaelo ya go dira jalo, mme le molao ka fa o ntseng ka teng, o a letla gore go ka diragala gore *Motion* o tle, e le kopo. Mme kana kopo ya *Motion* fa o tla ka yone fa, fa o dumalana, go tlaa gwetlha gore ba ba tshwanetseng gore ba ye go dira se se maleba, ba se dire, mme e re kwa bofelong, re bo re kgonne, re fitlheletse se o neng o eletsa gore re ka bo re ne re se fitlheletse ka bofefo kante ka tsela e e farologaneng go na le ya gompiono.

Jaanong ke ne ke re ke tlhalosetse Batswana gore kopo ya rona ke yone eo fela, ka gore bangwe ba botsa ka *constituencies* tse nne gore ke eng di le nne. Ke tlhalositse ka botlalo gore bagaetsho, re a itse gore rotlhe le teng mo Palamenteng, pele ga re bua le Batswana, re nna re bua ka letseno le le kwa tlase la madi mo lefatsheng, segolobogolo segajaja sa COVID se re tswang mo go

sone, se re diretse bothata jo ope a iseng a bo bone mo lefatsheng. E bile go ntse go tswelletse, le jaaka le bona ditlhwatlhwa le dilo tsotlhe di ntse di gola, ke ntata ya manokonoko a dikgang tse. Jaanong gore re bo re lebile mo re dumelang gore go ka thusa, mme go ka se ke e nne jone bofelelo jwa thuso, ke gore re bo re lebile letseno, e bile gape re lebile se se ka kgonagalang. Letsatsi le letsatsi, go molemo gore tšhaba e itse gore Mapalamente botlhe, e se ba phathi e e busang fela, le ba diphathi tsa kganetso, ba a ngongorega, ka dilo tse dintsi tse di ba amang, tse dingwe e le tse di tsamaisang go nna Mopalamente ga bone, *conditions of service*, tse dingwe e le go fitlhelela kwa go direleng ba ba ba tlhophileng, ditlamelo ga di mmogo. Jaanong re ka ipotsa gore fa re oketsega dipalo tse dintsi thata, go raya gore seemo se se ya go tswelala se nna sentisi.

Gape re gakologelwe gore morago ga thulaganyo e, go ya go nna le thulaganyo ya Makhanselara, le yone e go lebelelwang melelwane le Makhanselara go tla go direla Batswana gore a bone ba lekane mo dikgaolong tsa bone kante go ka dirwa jang. Makhanselara ba ba tlaabong ba ya *direct* ka tlhamalalo kwa bathong. Ka jalo, ga se gore fela fa go se na go nna go diriwa Mapalamente, go okediwa ka *constituencies* tse nne tse, go tlaabo go felela fela gone foo. Go ka nna ga felela e le gore dikgaolo go na le tse Makhanselara a tlaa oketsegang, go lebilwe seelo se se tlhokafalang gore batho ba kgone gore ba fiwe ditlamelo, ba thusiwe go ya kwa pele. Ka jalo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke tsaya gore tsotlhe ditshetlana tsa molao le tsotlhe tse di letlang, re di buile. Bakaulengwe ntswa ke ba lebogile gore ba bo ba letleletse gore kgang e re simolole go e bua, re seegetse dikgang tse dingwe tsa Palamente kwa thoko, mme re e bue dioura tse pedi, re bo re wela mo go yone, ke tsaya gore ba tlaa dira jalo, mme se ba se buang, ke tlaa se reetsa ka tlhoafalo, le Batswana ba tlaa se reetsa ka tlhoafalo. E re kwa bofelong, re kgone gore re bo re ka thusa tšhaba, lefatshe le go tsamaya re dira sengwe le sengwe ka fa molaong. Ke tsaya gore thapelo ya rona ya malatsi otlhe fa re simolola Palamente, e tlaa buabua, e bile e kuelelsa mo dipelong tsa bone botlhe gore e se ka ya nna thapelo fela e e welang mo lekgwarapaneng, e nne thapelo e e welang gore e dire dipelo tsa bone, di nne tse di edileng. Ba bue mafoko a a molemo, a a agang, a a tlaa kgonang go lemotsha batho gore Tshutiso eo, re leka go e dira go tla go ba thusa, go ba direla, e bile ga go na sepe se re se tlodileng ka fa molaong. Gape fa e le gore gongwe go na le tlolo molao, jaaka mogolole *Rre* Molale a ne a bua, go na le tsamaiso fela e e tlhamaletseng ya gore yo o dumelang gore mongwe



molao o tlodilwe, o ka ya go ikuela, a supa fa molao o tlodilweng teng. E tlaare fa ba ikuetse go sena go supiwa jalo, yo o tlodileng molao o tlaa supegediwa fa a tlodileng molao teng, a bo a ka tseelwa dikgato tse di maleba. E seng jalo re tlaabo re tsaya fela gore tota e a bo e le gore dikeletso tsa ba ba ntseng ba bua, ga di tsamaelane le se re batlang go se dira mo bogompienong, e se gore sepe se tlodilwe kana se dirilwe se se molato. Ka jalo, ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke sutisa go le kalo. *Thank you very much sir.*

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, the matter is now open for debate.

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

Mma ke go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Sa ntlha ke a ikokobetsa Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente rraetsho, ke lemoge boeteledipele le bogogi jo bo leng fano. Ke a le lemoga ba lotlhe e bile ke a leboga, ka gore go lebega re dumalana ba rotlhe. Sa ntlha ke supe gore Tshutiso e e tlang ka Motlotlegi Balopi, ke e ema nokeng *more than 100 per cent.* E tla ka nako e e lebanyeng, e maleba, ga e a fapoga gope mo tsamaisong ya Molaomotho wa lefatshe la Botswana.

Tshutiso e e tsamaelana le ditso tsa Palamente ya Botswana, jaaka a setse a buile fa a baya kopo ya gagwe, ke Ntlo e e le esi, e e tlhalosang gore Mapalamente a ka nna kae. *Members of this House, not necessarily constituencies, but constituencies will be determined by the number of Members* tsa Ntlo e. Moo go bo go dira gore Delimitation Commission ke yone e tlaa tlang e *determine constituencies* ka go di sika kgotsa go di gaba, ba lebile dipalo tse ba di filweng ke Palamente. Jaaka Motlotlegi Balopi a ne a supa, *commission* e e fetileng ya 2013 e ile ya supa gore, re le *commission* tota tiro ya rona ke go gaba dikgaolo, e seng go supa gore dipalo di tshwanetse go nna kae. Ka tsela eo, ba re rurifatsa tsetlana ya molao e e supang gore ke Palamente e le esi, e e dirang seo. Ka moo, re mo tseleng e e maleba, e e siameng, ga re a fapoga gope.

Ke eletsa gape ke tswelile *Mr Speaker* gore, ke ema nokeng thulaganyo ya ga Motlotlegi Balopi ka gore, kgang e e nang le go buiwa ke bangwe go nna gotwe tse di dirwang, maloba go ne go na le *Commission* ya *Review of the Constitution* e e neng e ntshiwa, bangwe ba re nnyaa Motlotlegi Tautona le Goromente wa gagwe ba dira se se sa tlwaelesegang, ba dule mo tseleng. Gompiano re bua ka dikgaolo ba re nnyaa, ke la ntlha

go dirwa jalo. Botswana ba tshwanetse ba lemoge ba bo ba itse gore, go na le ba ba tsereng maikano a go ganetsa tsotlhe tse Puso e e tlang ka tsone le sotlhe se se dirwang ka fa tlase ga boeteledipele jwa ga Rraetsho Tautona Masisi. Botswana ba tshwanetse ba itse, le fa dipuo tse di buiwa di leka go supa gore go dulwe mo tseleng, ba itse gore nnyaa e a bo e le batho ba diragatsa maikano le ditshwetso tsa bone ba dira segabone, gore tiro ya bone ke go ganetsa ka dinako tsotlhe. Kgang ya gore go tlodilwe molao golo gongwe, boammaaruri ke gore ga gona gope fa molao o tlodilweng teng, ga gona gope fa Motlotlegi Balopi a duleng mo tseleng teng mo molaong, e bile ga gona gope fa Puso ya ga Motlotlegi Tautona e tlodileng molao teng.

Ke gore go a gakgamatsa, *some few minutes back* motlotlegi mongwe o ntse a bua a re Motlotlegi Rre Bagalatia o kile a tla ka Tshutiso ya mofuta o. Se Rre Balopi a se dirang gompiano o tla ka Tshutiso, fela ke gore eo ya ga Rre Bagalatia e ne ya se ka ya amogelesega, ga go phoso gope fa Rre Balopi a dirileng teng. E ntse e le bone ba re, Puso ga e ka ke ya *determine* pele ga nako...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ga gotwe Tshutiso, gatwe molao, *Bill.*

MR SPEAKER: Order!

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

MR MORWAENG: A ralekgotla a nne a iketla, mo reyeng a iketle. Se setona ke gore ga gona phosego epe e e dirilweng, Tshutiso e ya ga Motlotlegi Balopi *is in order.* Kana bangwe ba eletsa fa go nna le tlhakatlhano, ke gore fa dilo di sa direge sentle, fa dilo di tsamaya sentle...

MR TSOGWANE: *Clarification.* Kana golo mo *yes*, dipalo di a bereka *and that is why* go emelwa *census.* A o ka *clarify* gore ga se gore go lebilwe dipalo fela, go lebilwe le gore dikgaolo di bophara bo kae, di bokgakala bo kae, *constituencies* di ditona go le kae, *not necessarily* fela ka dipalo. Moo le gone *must be taken into consideration*, fa e le gore dipalo di ne di tlaabo di sa supe gore go ka okediwa, mme tse dingwe *which are considered* di ka dira gore go bonwe gore kgaolo e ka okediwa.

MR MORWAENG: Ke a leboga Mothusa Mookamedi. Fa godimo ga se Mothusa Mookamedi a se buang, Botswana ba tshwanetse go itse gore *Constitutional Review Commission* ga e *suspend Constitution*



ya lefatshe, ga se Delimitation Commission, ga e tlhakatlhakanye lefatshe. *It is not even a referendum* jaaka bangwe ba ne ba batla go timetsa Batswana ba re, kana go na le *Constitutional Review* e e tswelletseng, *therefore* fa go ka tla go tserwe ditshwetso tsa gore. Batho ba farologanye gore ga go tshwane, *review and the referendum* ke dilo tse pedi tse di farologanyeng.

Se sengwe jaaka Motlotlegi Molale a ne a bua, ga se gore fa *Constitutional Review* e tswelletseng sengwe le sengwe se a ema, *because* lefatshe ga le tseye *leave* Motlotlegi Gobotswang, le a tswelela ka fa molao o ntseng ka teng *at the moment*. Re setse molao morago, ga re a tloa molao gope, ga re a tswa mo tseleng.

Mma ke wetse ka gore, jaaka mongwe a tlhalositse mabapi le gore dikgaolo ke eng di akanngwa di le 4; ka 1972 go ne ga nna le *commission* ya dipalopalo. Morago ga yone, ga felela dikgaolo di okeditswe *from 31 to 32*, go raya gore go ne go okeditswe ka 1. 1982 *from 32 constituencies*, Palamente ya tsaya tshwetso tsa nna 34. Ka 1992 tsa bo di le 34, tsa okediwa tsa nna 40. Fa o leba dipalo tse go tswa kwa morago, o bona gore go okeditswe ka 1, ga okediwa ka 2, ga okediwa ka 6, e rile ka 2002 ga okediwa *from 40*, e le ya ntlha ya dipalopalo tse di kwa godimo e ya kwa go 57. Fa o ka ela tlhoko, dipalo tsa rona di ntse di tla di le *conservative*, di le fa tlase jaaka Motlotlegi Balopi a ne a bua, go lebilwe dikgang tse di farologanyeng bogolo jang ya ditshenyegelo le tse dingwe jalo. Mo gompionong, mogopolo wa ga Motlotlegi Balopi o o reng a re oketseng ka 4, ke o ema nokeng ka gore go nyalana le segarona, go nyalana le thulaganyo ya rona fa o leba kwa re tswang teng, ka fa re ntseng re tla re oketsa ka teng. Re ile ra ya kwa godimo thata ka 17 mo nakong e e fetileng ka 2002, jaanong gompiono ke dumela go lebane gore fa re okeditse ka 4, ke palo e jaaka re supa gore Molaomotho o a letla gore Palamente e tle ka palo ya gore re akanya jaana, re bo re tsaya ditshwetso jaana.

A go tla molao pele, a go tla *Bill* pele kwa Palamenteng, se se supagetseng ka ditso tsa Palamente e ke gore, ga se kgang e e teng mo tafoleng. Kgang ke gore *Motion* o tlele ka leloko la Palamente e bong Motlotlegi Rre Balopi. Re o ema nokeng. *Bill*, molao, o tlaa dirwa morago ga Palamente e dumalana gore a re direng jalo. Ke dumela gore Motlotlegi Rre Balopi o lebetse kwa pele. A tla ka *Motion* wa mofuta o. O tlaa tsala gore *Bill* e tle fa. Re ka dumalana re le Palamente gore a re ye *to draft a Bill*, re bo re e tlisa mo Palamenteng. *It is in order* ka fa Motlotlegi Rre Balopi a dirileng ka teng. Ga go a fosega gope. Re se ka ra reetsa ba ba reng

phosego e dirilwe, ke la ntlha go direga jalo. Ee, dilo di a direga batlotlegi. Se se teng ke gore, ga go na ope yo o ka reng go tlodilwe tsamaiso gope. Ga e a tlolewa gope. Batswana ba tshwanetse ba itse gore ga go na tsamaiso epe e e tlodilweng. Ka fa re itseng batho bangwe ba rata dikgotlatshekelo ka teng, fa tlolo molao e ne e le teng, re a itse gore ba ka bo ba setse ba tabogile...

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO): *On a point of clarification Mr Speaker:* O tlaa intshwarela Motlotlegi Rre Morwaeng, ke ka bo ke e kopile fa moragonyana go se kaenyana. O ne o tlhalosa dikoketsego tse di ntseng di dirwa mo dingwageng. Fa ke lebile koketso e ya *constituencies* tse *four*, ke bona e kete e re fa *almost 8 per cent* ya kgolo ya *seats* kwa Palamenteng. Fa ke lebile se sengwe, kgolo ya rona ya ngwaga e ntse e tsamaya fa go *2 per cent and 1.95 per cent*. Se ke lelang go se supa gore kwa ntleng ga ngwao, le fa re sa tshola dipalo, kgolo ke *2 per cent over four years*. Ga ke batle go remelela thata *on compounding*. E nyalana le kgolo e ya *seats* tse *four*. O a go fitlhela Mapalamente *on the principle* ya *equity* ya batho ba ba tlaabong ba ba emetse, e ba beile mo seemong se re leng mo go sone. E kgonne gore *constituencies* dingwe jaaka tse re reng di tlaabo di le bophara, e di fokoditse ka tsela nngwe. A selo seo ga o se bone motlotlegi?

MR MORWAENG: Motlotlegi Rre Segokgo, o e tshwere sentle, *you are quite correct*. Go tlhamaletse se o se buang rraetsho. Go nyalana le kakanyetso e e teng e. Se o se buang, se nyalana le kakanyetso e e teng, e e tllileng ka Motlotlegi Rre Balopi.

Sengwe se Motlotlegi Rre Balopi ke dumalanang thata le sone, se a se buileng, se Batswana ba tshwanetseng go se lemoga, ga a re dikgaolo di ye go kgaogannwa jaana le jaana di ye go gabiwa jaana, eo ke tiro ya *Delimitation Commission*. Ke yone e e tlaabong e ya go gaba dikgaolo ba lebile dipalopalo tsa rona re le Batswana *generally*. Se re se dirang fano, re tla ka keletso ya rona re le Palamente gore dikgaolo di nne jaana. Re setse molao morago gore ke rona re nang le tshwanelo ya go tla ka dipalo tseo. Batswana ba tshwanetse go nne *clear* mo go bone gore re setse molao morago, ga re a fosa gope. Kgang e e buiwang ke mongwe a re, “pele ba kganetso go ne go buiwa le bone, gompiono Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tautona ga a bue le rona.” Mofuta wa *opposition* e re nang le yone gompiono, e e manyeanye ka teng, go buiwa eng le bone ke mang, leng, ba ntse jaaka ba ntse jaana?



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

MR MORWAENG: Ke raya gore gatweng tota batho ba Modimo? Batho ba ba ntseng jaaka ba ntse re ba itse, Batswana ba ba bona, ba ba itse. Batho ba ba ntseng jaana, ba itibile ba ipona le bone.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ga o batle *to consult*?

MR MORWAENG: *No*, se re leng mo go sone re le Palamente, *we are consulting all* Members of Parliament (MPs). Motlotlegi Rre Balopi o tlile ka *Motion* o mo Palamenteng gore re o sekaseke re le Mapalamente re na le batho. Kgang ya me ke gore ...(interruption)...

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

MR MORWAENG: Re mo Palamenteng re le Mapalamente, re rerisiwa ke Motlotlegi Rre Balopi yo o tllileng ka *Motion* mo go rona gore a *party* e e busang le tsa kganetso re akantshanye. Gone mo ke *consultation*. Ga go a tlolwa tsamaiso. Go tllilwe kwa go rona gore re buisane re le Mapalamente. Jaanong mongwe a re a go buelwe fa thoko pele, nnyaa, re emetse batho re le Mapalamente re le fano. Tumelo ya me ke gore, Motlotlegi Rre Balopi o tlile ka *Motion* o o maleba, o o siameng, o ke o emeng nokeng. Ke kopa Batswana gore ba se ka ba tsietsega. Ba itse gore *Motion* o *is in order*. O tlile ka nako e e maleba. Fa re lebile kgang ya gore ditlhopho di a go nna 2024, go maleba ka gore go baakanyediwa nako e le teng. Ga go diriwe dilo sogwasogwane. Mongwe o ne a re, nako e santse e le teng. O bua jaaka motho a le kwa ntle a le kgakala. A sa itse gore dipaakanyo di bokete go le kae tsa go baakanyetsa ditlhopho le go ya kwa pele.

Ka a le kalo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, a re emeng nokeng Tshutiso e ya ga Motlotlegi Rre Balopi. *Motion* o wa ga Motlotlegi Rre Balopi, ke o eme nokeng ka gotlhe rra. Ke kopa gore le bakaulengwe botlhe a re emeng *Motion* o wa ga Motlotlegi Rre Balopi nokeng. Ke a lebogla Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MINISTER OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT (MR RAKGARE): *On a point of procedure*. *Mr Speaker*, ke

ema jaana ke batla go dira kopo ya gore fa re lebile ka fa re leng bantsi re nang le kgatlhego mo kgannyeng e, ke bona gore re ne re file sebui sa ntlha metsotso e le masome a mabedi, mme *Motion* o o beetswe *two hours* fela *Mr Speaker*. Ke batla go dira kopo mo go wena ke khubame ka mangole mongwame gore a re ne re ka se ke re dumalane gore Batlotlegi Mapalamente re ba akaretse

ba le bantsi re bue metsotso e le lesome, *or even seven minutes Mr Speaker? I think indeed this is an important Motion* o o buang ka dikgaolo le batlhophi ba rona. Le fa e le *five minutes Mr Speaker*, mme gore motho a bo a ya go bua *20 minutes, I think* Motlotlegi Rre Morwaeng gompieno o ne a setse ka *three minutes*.

MR SPEAKER: You have made your point Honourable Minister. *Se o tshwanetseng...* (interruption)...

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

MR SPEAKER: *Let us have order please! Let us have order!* O tshwanetse o tlhaloganye Motlotlegi Rraetsho Tona ya Banana, Motlotlegi Rre Morwaeng ke *Minister responsible for the chapter that is on the table*. Ke tshwanelo...

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

MR SPEAKER: Can we have order please! Can we have order! *Mongwe le mongwe wa lona o a go fiwa 10 minutes*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mo kobe! Mo kobe *Mr Speaker*, koba Motlotlegi Rakgare!

MR SPEAKER: *I am just about to, I am about to*. Mongwe le mongwe wa lona o a go bua *10 minutes*.

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

MR SPEAKER: *Can we have order please!* Yo o batlang go sadisa nako go siame o ka e sadisa but ...

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

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Tswelela *Mr Speaker*, o ne o mpiditse kana.

MR MORWAENG: Ke kopa ke wetse mafoko a me...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Keorapetse.

MR MORWAENG: Nnyaa *Mr Speaker*, mma ke wetse, ke ne ke sa wela. *I was disturbed*.

MR SPEAKER: O weditse gakere. O weditse.

MR MORWAENG: Nnyaa rra, *I was disturbed*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa, o gakologetsweng eng jaanong?

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

MR SPEAKER: *O weditse* Minister. Honourable Keorapetse.



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

MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST): Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tsaya gore mabaka a builwe, bogolo jang ke Moeteledipele wa Kganetso gore *how this Motion is not urgent. I do not wish to belabour on that point.* Ke supe fela gore tota fela fa go tla mo kgannyeng ya *consultation* ka fa tlase ga Puso ya ga Motlotlegi Tautona Masisi, go a pala. Ga ke itse gore a *weighty matter* e e ntseng jaana, a ke e go ka bong go sa bitswa baeteledipele ba diphathi ka gore *political parties are interested parties* fa go tsena mo dikgannyeng tse di ntseng jaana? Ke dumela gore o ka bo a rerile.

Ke ne ke utlwa *Honourable* Morwaeng fa a ntse a tsweletse a bua gore ke gone jaaka re rerisiwa jaaka fa gontse jaana, a bua gore re a akantshana. Kana kgang e e ganetsana le e Mothusa Tautona e rileng fela a *support urgency* ya *Motion* a bo a e bua gore se se yang *to matter* fa ke dipalo. *That is what he said. Go and get the Hansard o check.* Fa a ganetsa kgang e ke neng ke e kopa fa gore re tseye *four hours* re *debate Motion* o go leka gore Mapalamente ba bantsi ba tle ba tswe ka megopolo o rile se se yang *to matter at the end of the day* ke dipalo.

Mr Speaker, Motion o o dumalanwe kwa *caucus* ya *the ruling party. What we are doing here* ke Maokaneng. Tota fela *this shows* gore *this Parliament is a rubber stamp Parliament. Decisions are made somewhere* di bo di feta di tsaya *stamp* mo Palamenteng e a bo di ya go diragatswa *where they are implemented. That is the characteristic* ya a *rubber-stamp Parliament.*

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ga go ise go nne le *All Party Conference, General Assembly* go buisanya kgang e le phuthogo epe e e akaretsang Batswana ba sba seyong mo Palamenteng jaaka re bua mo nakong ya gompiano.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, fa ke tsena mo kgannyeng yone ya Tshutiso e, ke ne ka lemoga gore tota fa o lebelela Palamente ya Botswana, ke dumela gore tota fa o tshwantshanya *population* ya rona, itsholelo le bophara jwa lefatshe, re na le Mapalamente ba palo e e kwa tlase. Fa o tsaya sekai, Namibia e na le *population* ya 2.5 million, e na le itsholelo e e leng gore *it is comparable to* ya Botswana, e na le Mapalamente a ka nna 105. Mo Mapalamenteng a a 105, ba ba 96 ke ba ithlophelwang *directly through a Proportional Representation Closed List System.* Ba ba 8 ke ba ba

tlhophiwang ke Tautona wa lefatshe la Namibia.

Fa o tsaya lefatshe la Lesotho, le na le *population* ya 2.1 million. Le na le Mapalamente ba ka nna 120. Ba le 80, ke ba ba *directly elected* ka *First-Past-the Post.* Ba le 40 ke ba ba tlhophiwang ka *Proportional Representation List System.* Tota bone ba dirisa *system* e e tshwanang le ya kwa New Zealand e e leng gore tota yone e leka gore *smaller parties* di nne le *representation* mo teng ga Palamente.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, fa o lebelela lefatshe gongwe le tshwana la Mauritius, le na le *population* ya 1.2 million mme fa o lebelela mo go 1.2 million o, ba na le Mapalamente ba le 70. Ba le 62 ke ba e leng gore *they are directly elected.* Ba le 8 ke ba go leng thata gore ba ka emelwa mo Palamenteng, *ethnic and religious minorities.* Ke bone ba ba yang go tsena mo 8 yo o a bong a setse Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

Ke dumela gore go na le mathata a gore o kare Palamente ya Botswana, bogolo jang fa o e tshwantshanya le Dipalamente tse dingwe *that are comparable,* e na le Mapalamente fela a a kwa tlase thata. Fa o tshwantshanya le *Cabinet, we have a very huge Cabinet* e e leng gore *I have indicated in the past* gore go tshwanetse gore go bonwe gore go dirwa jang. Re na le *Cabinet* e e leng gore *Members of the Executive makes 62 per cent* ya *the ruling party caucus.* Ke gore fa *party* e e busang e nna le *caucus, 62 per cent* e setse e le *Members of the Executive.* Se se go raya se reng? Se go raya se re ke gore tshwetso nngwe le nngwe e e tsewang kwa *Executive* e bo e ya *to be proposed* kwa *caucus* ya BDP, tota e a bo e setse e na le *support* ya 62 per cent mo e leng gore *if it is put to a vote,* ba setse ba fentse gale.

Fa o lebelela *in the House, the Executive represent 44 per cent of the House or thereabout.* Re na le mathata a e leng gore tota *Cabinet* e e kwa godimo fa o e tshwantshanya le Palamente mme molemo e ka nna gone gore Palamente ya lefatshe la Botswana e oketsege ka Mapalamente ka mabaka a mangwe a re tlaa buang.

Le fa o lebeletse *population, Germany has a population* ya 83 million, Gross Domestic Product (GDP) ya 4.1 trillion mme e na le *only 14 Ministers.* United States of America (USA) e na le *population* ya 327 million le GDP ya 20.1 trillion. E na le *Secretaries* kana *Members of the Executive* ba le 15 ba ba bidiwang gowe ke *Secretaries.* Japan has a *population of 123 million, GDP of 5.2 trillion and 18 Ministers.* Switzerland which is



one of the few countries tse e leng gore di gaufi thata le kgang ya direct democracy, e na le seven Ministers managing 8.5 million people and GDP of over 700 billion. So, for a population ya two million le GDP ya US\$18 billion, we can do with gongwe Matona a e leng gore palo ya bone e kwa tlase.

Fa o lebelela dikgaolo fela ka fa di ntseng ka teng, di bophara. Ke gore go na le *ward* e e leng gore kwa kgaolong ya ga *Honourable* Motsamai o ka tsamaya sebaka sa 80 kilometres (km). Ke seemo se e leng gore *it is very undesirable* fa re batla gore go nne le *representation* ya batho ba ba nang le kemedi, ba kgona gore ba atumele Mopalamente wa bone.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, kgang e ya go oketsa ditilo tsa Palamente, *it has become the preserve and prerogative* ya *the ruling party* ka gore nako le nako ke bone ba ba le kang gore kgang e e nne e e leng ya bone fela. O ka ipotsa gore mosola wa *population census*... kana tota *the demographics* ke tsone tse di tshwanetseng *to inform* gore dikgaolo di ya go nna kae le gore di ya go segiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Jaanong *Honourable* Balopi o tla ka kgang e ya gore pele ga *population census* e ka fela, maduo a teng a ka nna teng, a bo a tla ka Tshutiso ya gore *come on, come on*, a re oketseng dikgaolo go ya kwa go *four, up to now we are still not convinced* gore tota *what informed the number four?* *The number four* e *Honourable* Balopi a e buang, o kile a bua ka itsholelo *but I do not think he has substantiated this point* mo e leng gore re ka utlwisisa gore fa a re o bua ka itsholelo o bua ka eng.

Honourable Vice President o ne a bua gore o ka *estimate* gore *population* e ka gola ka bokae. Tota fela palo e e leng gore re ka re e ka dumalana fa, gongwe ke palo e e ka nnang *up to 20* fa o lebeletse dikgaolo tse di tshwanang le tsa bo Okavango, Ngami, Chobe, Kgalagadi, Bobirwa, Tswapong le mafelo a mangwe. O ka bona fela gore go na le mathata ka gore dikgaolo tse di bophara. *This becomes a huge burden* mo Mapalamenteng. *Not only a burden but also* le gone moo. Mopalamente yo mongwe yo o neng a nna Tona mo Palamenteng ya 11, o ne a bua re le kwa *General Assembly* gore o ne a kgona go tsena mo dikgaolong tse dingwe tsa kgaolo ya gagwe ya botlhophi morago fela a sena go nna a nna Tona ka gore o ne a na le koloi e e dirisiwang ke Matona. A re pele ga a nna Tona, go na le dikgaolo tse e leng gore e ntse e le Mopalamente wa kgaolo eo, o ne a ise a goroge kwa go tsone.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke dumela gore kgang e ka fa e ntseng ka teng e tlhoka gore ka gore e setse e le fa, fa pele ga rona, e re fa re dumalana le yone...

MR LEUWE: *Clarification Mr Speaker.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.* Ke re gongwe o mphitise fa Sticks. Wena ka boammaaruri o dumela gore go tshwanetse ga okediwa. A ngongorego ya gago e tona thata ke gore koketsego e ga e *enough?* Ke a leboga.

MR KEORAPETSE: *Yes, ga e enough.* Tota koketsego e ga e *enough.* Tota ke ne ke eleditse gore *it should be informed by census.* Gape go a itshupa gore tota fela *the Constitutional Review is a rigged process* e go rayang gore *changes* tse di yang go tla di ya go nna *cosmetic* fa e le gore *we can safely predict* gore go ka okediwa dikgaolo.

Ke kopa *to move* Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente *for an amendment* ya *Motion* o ka gore ke dumela gore dikgaolo tse 57 to 61, *four* fela o monyenyanane thata. Ke dumela gore fa ke lebeletse *census* e e fetileng, gongwe re ka oketsa ka dikgaolo di le lesome. Tota tumelo ya me ka boteng teng, ke dumela gore Palamente ya rona e nnyennyane mo e leng gore *we could still increase by 20.*

Jaanong ke kopa to move Mr Speaker gore *Motion o balege* gore, “that this Honourable House resolves as a matter of urgency to allow for the amendment of Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana to increase the number of elected members of the National Assembly from 57 to 71. I move accordingly Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima, phetogo ya gago o okeditse ka 10 fela akere?

MR KEORAPETSE: Ee rra.

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO): *Mr Speaker,* ke ne ke re ke utlwe gore koketsego e a e dirang, kana o kare re ne re oketsa *the elected seats from 57 to 61* fa ke dumalana. Jaanong ke bona gore o kare o tsere 57 o mo isitse kwa go 71, mme a bo a re o oketsa ka 10 *seats.* Kana *there is something I am not getting right.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: You are correct. *E nna 67.*



MR SPEAKER: A ko o itlhalose *Honourable* Keorapetse.

MR KEORAPETSE: “That this Honourable House resolves as a matter of urgency to allow for the amendment of Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana to increase the number of elected members of the National Assembly from 57 to 67. I move accordingly Mr Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Which is 10?

MR KEORAPETSE: Which is 10, yes.

MR SPEAKER: Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima o tlaa gakologelwa gore ke ne ke re o itlhalose, jaanong o itlhalositse. *I am now going to put the question.*

MR TSOGWANE: On a point of procedure. At what point are you going to allow for the alternative or opposing views. Is it after the vote of before the vote?

MR SPEAKER: *Immediately* fela fa ke sena to move, ke tlaabo ke le letlelela batlotlegi. *After putting a question.*

MR TSOGWANE: Yes sir, thank you Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, the question is that this Honourable House resolves as a matter of urgency to allow for the amendment of Section 58 (2) (a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana to increase the number of elected members of the National Assembly from 57 to 67.

HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE): Yes sir, thank you Mr Speaker. *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ga ke dumalane le koketsego e e kalokalo, fa ke lebile *the trend*, ka fa re tlang re tsamaisa itsholelo ya rona ka teng, re e babalela. Re sa batle gore e re kamoso e bo re tsenya itsholelo ya rona mo mathateng fela ka gore mafatshe a mangwe a Palamente tse dintsi tse di seng kana ke sepe... Ga ke dumalane *Mr Speaker* ka gore, *four is really a modest figure*, ke a dumela. E re siametse gore re se ka ra nna re tsholetsa dipalo tse di seng kana ka sepe tse e tlaa reng kamoso kgabagare re bo re nna le mathata e le gore jaanong madi otlhe a felela fela kwa Palamenteng, kwa go dueleng Mapalamente. Ga se koketsego e e siameng. Kwa re tswang teng re ntse re oketsa ka *two, four, at one point* ke gone re neng ra oketsa ka *six*. *Now* ka go gola ga *population* ya rona go oketsega, ka go fokotsega ga *percentage each time*, go re ruta fela sentle gore an

average ya 2.3, 2.5 or 2 per cent ya go gola e tshwanetse go tsamaelana le gore re oketsa jang.

We are Botswana because of what we are doing. Ga re ka ke ra ba ra ya go itshwantshanya le mafelo a mangwe a e leng gore ga re itse gore bone ba a bo ba beile mo go reng madi otlhe a ye kwa sepolotiking kana jang. Ke sone se ke reng *Mr Speaker* ga ke dumalane le koketsego e e kalokalo eo. Ke tsaya gore *four* yo o re siametse. Re ne re ka nna ra dira *five, but* ga re ka ke ra dira *five because* go tshwanetse gore dipalo tse di nne *even*, e se ka ya nna 58. E tshwanetse gore e nne *an odd number* e e tlaa letlelelang gore fa gona le *vote* mo Palamenteng e bo e le gore *vote* eo ga gotwe dipalo di a lekana kafa le kafa. A re re gongwe go tlhophiwa *Speaker* kwa ba *Specially Elected* ba sa tlhopheng, o bo o fitlhela e le gore jaanong dipalo tsa teng di a lekana kafa le kafa. Ke tsaya gore *four* yo re welang mo go ene yo *Mr Speaker* o re siametse. Gongwe re tlaa tla re oketsa ka *one* kana *two* wa *Specially* ka gore le gone go a tlhokafala gore re nne re lebelela *Specially Elected, catering for* banana, bomme, dilo tse di ntseng jalo. Fa ba sa kgona jaaka borre fa ba *opposition* ba sa ke batla le batlotlegi ba bomme, gongwe re tle re lebelele *gender*; re bone gore a *Specially Elected* ga re ka ke ra se oketsa le sone kana jang. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *I am opposed to this amendment.*

MR NKAWANA (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST): *Thank you Mr Speaker, after a long drought* ke sa supuwe. Ke dumalana le koketso e e sa tswang go sutisiwa ke Motlotlegi Keorapetse wa Selebi Phikwe West. Ke dumalana le ene jaana ka gore fa o lebelela go tswa kwa morago jaaka re ne re reeditse batlotlegi ba Domkrag ba ne ba bua, kwa ba neng ba dumalana teng go a supega gore e ne e le kgang ya gore a re tsholetse diatla gore a re a batla kana ga re batle. Go a supega gore go ne go sena sepe se se *scientific that was influencing* tshwetso ya bone. Gompiano fa e le gore re tlaabo re leba ka gore ka moo ke mo re go itseng, ga go batle *any scientific feedback*, re a itse gore dikgaolo di dintsi tse di bophara, thata le gone, jaaka a sa tswa go supa gore fa o leba bo Ghanzi South, Okavango, fa gongwe *Honourable* Kapinga a tshwanelwa ke go tsamaya makgolokgolo a *kilometres* a raletse *wards*, fa o re o lebelela bo Ngami, Bobirwa, go a tlhokafala gore dikgaolo tse di tsennngwe mo palong.

Kana tota fela selo se se tona ke gore go oketsa ditlamelo tsa boemedi ke gone go isa ditlamelo kwa bathong. Ke go dira gore batho ba bone moemedi wa bone ka bogautshwane, a kgone go tlisa dikeletso tsa bone mo



Palamenteng. Jaanong ke sone se ke reng ke dumalana le se motlotlegi a sa tswang go bua ka sone, *not based* mo dipalong tsa *census*, ka gore eo le a e gana, le a e boifa. Ga ke itse gore a ke gore le palelwa ke go tlhakanya, mme fela tota *census* ke yone re itseng gore *it informs us* gore re bo re ka tsaya ditshwetso tsa ditlhabololo. *Development* ya Botswana e ntse e le *based* mo go reng dipalo tsa batho di kae. Jaanong ka gore gompiano re tsere tshwetso ya gore re dirisa *arbitrary figures*, e go tsholediwang mabogo, *four* o monyenyanane. Ke tlaa tsaya gore *four* o monnyennyane ke sa beye mo go reng batho ba kafe, kae, ke lebile *the vastness of the areas that Members of Parliament have to cover to reach their people* kwa dikgaolong tsa bone. Ke tlaa ema gone foo *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: I am going to take the last two; Honourable Motaosane.

MR MOTAOSANE (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE): *Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, I have a different version, Honourable Keorapetse mabaka a gagwe a gore di okediwe ka palo e e kana e a utlwala, except that I feel gore it is too much. Fa nne gongwe a rile ka six gore di nne 63 e le elected, gongwe motho o ka bo a tlhaloganya. Ka fa ke mo utlwang a bua ka teng, o di gobeletse. He did not consider the factor ya economy, o buile fela ka the vastness of the areas which I agree with him very much because I traverse this country ke tsamaya ka dikomiti. Ke tswa go itemogela dikgaolo tse dingwe tse di tshwanang le tsa bo Kgalagadi South gore di tshwanetse di bonwe gore how do they get modified. Palo e a e buang ke fitlhela e le gore e ntsi thata, but at the same time, I feel gore four is too small.*

Jaanong *I do not know if I am allowed to move a Motion of correcting it to six instead of 10 e a e batlileng because ga go re thuse thata. Re a sokola kwa dikgaolong mme at the end of the day gape... You will remember gore ditlhopho tse di fetileng, bogolo jang kwa dikhanseleng, o fitlhetse e le gore ga go ise go okediwe dikgaolo mme Makhanselara gompiano ga ba kgone bagaetsho ka tsela e ke bonang dikgaolo di godile ka yone. Jaanong fa re sa oketse constituencies so that di re fe an opportunity of increasing le kwa dikhanseleng sentle gore ba netle jang, ke bona e sa re berekele sentle. Ke tlhaloganya se bagolo ba se buang le bone considering the growth rate ya rona ya palo ya batho but I am conflicted on this one. I am really conflicted gore should I go with four, or make another further amendment mo Motion wa ga Keorapetse because considering all these factors tsa*

terrains tsa mafelo a a tshwanang le a dikgaolo tsa bo Honourable Kablay, Honourable Kapinga, Honourable Brooks, Honourable Monnakgotla le Ghanzi. Ke a itse gore tse dingwe di bolawa ke population, hence their vastness.

MR LEUWE: Ya me o e tlogelelang Taosi?

MR MOTAOSANE: *Ke a utlwa motlotlegi. Ga ke itse Mr Speaker, gore if it is appropriate for me ... (Interruptions)... we should ... (Interruptions)... the Motion.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Dumalana le nna monna.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Leuwe o ngongorega le eng, ga o mo go *four* yo go riana?

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

MR SPEAKER: *Order! nako ya gago e tlaa lala e tshaile o diilwe ke go nna conflicted.*

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

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Member for Okavango.

MR KAPINGA (OKAVANGO): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke ema nokeng kopo ya ga *Honourable Keorapetse* gore palo e e okediwe go nna...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ga go utlwale *Mr Speaker*.

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

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Kapinga.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke ne ke re *before* a bua, *procedure*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Laughter!)...

MR SPEAKER: What is your procedure Vice President (VP)?

MR TSOGWANE: *Point of procedure.* Kana Rre Motaosane o buile sengwe mme re mo tlogetse fela mo phefong, ga ke itse gore a re a mo shima kgotsa jang.

MR SPEAKER: No!

MR TSOGWANE: Re ne re batla go tla go mo araba *because we are conservative*, re batla go ganelela fela mo palong yone e. Jaanong fa a boetse mo go *six*, o tlaa tsamaya a le bete se molangwana a ithaya gore gongwe e ne e ka bona dipalo tse di rileng.



MR SPEAKER: Your Honour, I regret, Honourable Motaosane never moved anything, he was conflicted.

MR TSOGWANE: Okay.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Kapinga.

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

MR SPEAKER: May we have order please! We are on a serious matter here. Honourable Kapinga.

...Silence...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Mathata ke *network* ya Skondomboro *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Dr Gobotswang, take his slot.

DR GOBOTSWANG (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *Mr Speaker*, ke ema nokeng *Motion* wa ga *Honourable Dithapelo Keorapetse*, wa gore re oketse Mapalamente ka ba le lesome, go tswa kwa go 57 go ya go kwa go 67. Lebaka ke gore bothata jo re nang le jone gompiano ke gore re bua kgang e mme re sa bue dipalo. *It is so irrational and we are being irresponsible* tota re le Mapalamente gore re bo re ka tla fa go bua ka dikgang tse di batlang dipalo mme re sena tsone. Kana re tshwanetse go dirisa dipalo. Fa ke boela fa moragonyana ka 2011, e rile go sena go nna le *census*, ga dirwa *Delimitation Commission*. Go ne ga tliwa mo Palamente e le gore go ipaakanyediwa gore go tle go tsenngwa molao wa gore dikgaolo di okediwe go tswa mo go 57 go ya kwa go 67/69 re dirisa *quota*. Ga o ka ke wa bua ka dikgaolo o sa bue ka *quota* gore o batla gore motho a emele ba ba kae. O tshwanetse gore o bo o na le palo e o e dirisang mme go ne go na le *quotas* ya bo 29 000, 30 000, ke yone e re neng re e dirisa. Fa re e dirisa ka nako eo re lebile palo ya batho, ke yone e e re tsentseng mo goreng jaanong go tlhokega dikgaolo di le 67/69 gone foo, go na le *code*.

Gape *one thing that we must factor in* ke *the vastness of the area*. O a utlwa gore Mapalamente a dikgaolo a lela gone fa; Kgalagadi, North West, Ngamiland, Ghanzi, bo Takotokwane, ke selemo se se seng kana ka sepe. Jaanong le gobelega Mapalamente a mangwe lona le le *Cabinet*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Nnyaa rra nna ga ke ise ke lele.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Kgang ga se madi, fa kgang e ne e le madi, le ka bo le fokotsa *this bloated Cabinet*. O kile wa bona *Cabinet* ya *population* ya batho ba ba

kanakana? Ke kile ka le botsa gone fa gore kante la re le dira eng le dipalo tse di kanakana. *So* kgang ga se madi, fa e ne e le gore le batla go fokotsa madi...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ba *Local Government* ba le kae.

DR GOBOTSWANG: ...re ka bo re na le *Minister* a le mongwefela kwa *Local Government*, gongwe *Specially Elected* di le kwa tlase, ke gone kwa le ka bong le fokotsa teng.

Batho ba batla *representativeness*, ba tla go emelwa ke batho ba bone gore ba bo ba le gaufi le bone, ba ba thusa. Ga o ka ke wa tlhabolola batho o sa kgone go kopana le bone kgapetsakgapetsa gore le akantse ka ditlhabololo. Ga o ka ke wa tlhabolola lefatshe fa o palelwa ke go tsamaya le batho, *democracy* go tewa *participation* ya batho. Fa batho e le gore...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

DR GOBOTSWANG: ...mo go thusanyeng le wena, ga gona nako gatwe ke *two minutes*. Jaanong ke sone se se tlaa go supetsang gore re tshwanetse go lebelela gore ga re ka ke ra tlhabologa fa e le gore ga re gaufi le batho.

MR SPEAKER: Your time is up.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ga re ka ke ra nna gaufi le batho fa e le gore *we cover* dikgaolo tse di kanakana re le palo e nnyennyane *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable Minister Morwaeng, you are the last one, *kana ke wena mong wa chapter*.

MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG): Mma ke go leboge ka boikokobetso Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Morwaeng le mo supa thata. Palamente e ga se ya gagwe.

MR MORWAENG: Fa re lebile kwa re tswang teng *with 23 constituencies* ka *independence*, mme mo gompionong re bo re re eletsa go nna le *constituencies* di le 61, *effectively* go raya gore *from 1966 up to now*, re okeditse *constituencies* tsa rona ka 37; 37 *constituencies over the 23* wa *independence*. E ne e ntse e le Botswana o re leng mo go ene. E ntse e le Botswana o Mapalamente ao a neng a le mo go ene. Kopo ya me ke ne ke re



bagaetsho, thulaganyo ya go oketsa dikgaolo e ya *four, is restricted* Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke dikgang tsa gore re tshwanetse re ikele tlhoko re lebile dikgang tse di farologanyeng.

E bile ke dumalana le kakanyo ya gore kana go ya go nna le thulaganyo ya Makhanselara ka fa *Minister wa Local Government* a tlaa dirang ka teng le ba Independent Electoral Commission (IEC).

Bone bao kwa dikgaolong, Makhanselara, tsholofelo ya rona ke gore ke bone ba ba tlaabong ba le kwa tlase, le bone gore ba tle ba kgone go ka...*(interruption)*... Ka tsela eo, kopo ya me ke ne ke re, kgang ya gore re bo re re kwa mafatsheng a mangwe Mapalamente a mantsi mme batho ba bo ba ikganetsa ba re *Cabinet* ya rona e ntsi, ba itebatsa gore re Mapalamente *in the first place*. Mokaulengwe Keorapetse o a itse gore o ntse a re *accuse* gore 4 wa rona *is not based on anything*, ene 10 wa gagwe o *based* mo go eng?

Ke ne ke kopa gore a re gananeng le mogopolo wa ga Motlotlegi Keorapetse, o kare timetsa. A re tseyeng 4 re bo re nna le gore madi a ka se felele kwa Mapalamenteng fela, ga se rona fela baemedi, ba bangwe ke Makhanselara. Ka tsela eo, re ka se ke re *concentrate* fela kwa Mapalamenteng re bo re tlogela re sa lemoge gore Makhanselara a teng kwa tlase ba e leng bone ba ba gaufi thata le batho go gaisa Mapalamente. Ka moo ke re, a re tsheleng mogopolo wa ga Rre Keorapetse metsi, o se ka wa atlega.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Minister. Order! It is already 6:01 p.m. *re tlaa tsoga re tswelala kamoso phakela*. As it is now 6:01 p.m. we shall now call the Honourable Leader of the House to move a Motion of adjournment.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE): *Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, jaanong ka gore nako e setse e tšhaile, ke kope batlotlegi gore gongwe re eme gone fa. Re tlaa tsoga re tla ka dikakanyo tse di šha.*

MR SPEAKER: Order! There shall be a Business Advisory Committee meeting tomorrow at 8 o'clock, *le a itse kwa le kopanelang teng*. We are meeting virtually, there is a very important item to be discussed.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:04 p.m. until Friday 8th April, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.



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