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Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2021

THE ASSEMBLY met at 2:00 p.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

## P R A Y E R S

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## SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** I hope you have received the corrigendum indicating that we start with the Motion of no Confidence in the Government of Botswana. As I had indicated last Friday, this Motion has been on and off for too long, we should really finish it.

Honourable Members, I think the person who held the floor last Friday was Honourable Healy, but before I call him, I should indicate how we had proceeded. Before we adjourned last Friday, Honourable Kekgonegile had raised very important questions; points of order, and so had Honourable Minister Mokgethi, also on a point of order. We had time to peruse the Hansard, and on my perusal, I will not read the Hansard to you, it is available to you. At page 10 of the Hansard recording the proceedings of last Friday, at the top of that page, Honourable Kekgonegile says, "Mr Speaker, I cannot withdraw that word, I will withdraw 's,' *go bo go sala* criminal. I stand on my word and if you want proof of that, I will bring..." *go bo gotwe ga go utlwale sentle*, "... (Inaudible) ... to you." Then followed the Speaker, "Honourable Kekgonegile, I am now taking away your slot, you are not going to contribute." That was the judgement of the Speaker that ... (Inaudible) ... he calls Honourable Healy. When you read the Hansard following that, you see that when I came in, coming a little later, I indicated that I had heard Honourable Mokgethi standing on a point of order and ... (Inaudible) ... her argument to the floor. If you look at the record again, I think at page 28, Honourable Kekgonegile helps us by indicating to me that the issue that I thought was on the floor, had already been decided, that is the issue of him withdrawing whether you listen to more than one person but also you listen to ... (Inaudible) ... That is the fact of what is on page 10 because he has just withdrawn the 's,' the plural to singular and the Speaker ruled as he ruled. Later on, when I tried to resolve, Honourable Kekgonegile quite rightly, asked whether I was trying to resurrect the issue and I indicated that no, I have no such power. It will be unprocedural for me to make a ruling on a ruling which the Speaker has just made.

Then Honourable Members, there was the issue of Honourable Mokgethi, who also raised issue of order and withdrawal of certain words. When you look at it at page 10, the withdrawal... (Inaudible)... by the Speaker of the right to continue holding the floor by Honourable Kekgonegile was issued after Honourable Kekgonegile was obviously referring to one person not many. That to me covered the issue of Honourable Mokgethi. In other words, Honourable Members, the points which were raised were dealt with. The only issue that remains to be clarified, the issue by Honourable Kekgonegile saying that he was raising a point of order as to whether it was right that the floor should have been withdrawn from him. That Honourable Members, cannot be a point of order, but obviously it will be saying to me, please listen and rule whether that issue by the Speaker was proper, it will be improper for me to rule over that. I cannot sit on judgement over a decision of the Speaker. The best that will happen on our way forward of course is for the committee to look at the rulings made by the Speaker and decide whether any such ruling really should be left to stand.

My conclusion therefore Honourable Members, is that actually when I came in, much as some of us were dissatisfied, the issue had been resolved even if some of us were not happy. There are other paragraphs which indicate what happened which I think I do not want to quote because they will just confuse people as to what exactly is of importance. That is the position Honourable Members and therefore we should go back to Honourable Healy.

When the debate was stopped, Honourable Healy had been on the floor and was left with five minutes.

MOTION OF NO CONFIDENCE IN THE  
GOVERNMENT OF BOTSWANA

## Motion

## (Resumed Debate)

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY (GABORONE CENTRAL):** Thank you Mr Speaker...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure before Honourable Healy Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Mr Speaker, can you hear me?

**MR SPEAKER:** I can hear you.





**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Am I audible sir?

**MR SPEAKER:** You are audible.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure before Mr Healy, Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, I must proceed to...

**MR SPEAKER:** Procedure, Honourable Motaosane.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Procedure. Thank you Mr Speaker. Before we proceed Mr Speaker, a ga o ka ke wa re baya mo tseleng ya gore re setse ka nako e e kae for this Motion to be debated?*

**MR SPEAKER:** That is not a question of procedure Honourable Motaosane. *O kopa go bua ka nako*, it is not the procedure. Clerks *ba ka go thusa ka yone, gore mongwe le mongwe a itse gore re fa kae*, it is important though, but it is not a question of procedure sir. According to the calculations of the Clerks, we are left with 1 hour nine minutes. Are we together?

**MR MOTAOSANE:** Yes sir.

**MR SPEAKER:** For the Motion to conclude.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Mr Speaker, before I proceed...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ...I just want to raise this point of order Mr Speaker, with events that occurred on Friday. Where I had been given the floor by the Speaker, but it got to a point where I was physically stopped from debating. So I ask for your protection Mr Speaker, as I continue with the debate, both here on the floor and in whichever means sir, because on Friday, Members of Parliament stormed my office to physically prevent me from proceeding with my debate. So sir, I want you in the strongest terms...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy!

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Yes sir.

**MR SPEAKER:** Every Member of this Parliament is entitled to protection, whether or not they think they were attacked, they are entitled to protection, so that they can deliver on behalf of their constituents, and if...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** It was not there, sir. Honourable Reatile and the others tried to kill me in my office. There was no protection. Honourable Saleshando...(Inaudible)... to my office.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy, we are not in a court of law and you are not a witness.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** I am scared for my life sir, it is not about a court of law. It is like I nearly got murdered in my office.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy, can you listen.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Ee rra.

**MR SPEAKER:** Every Member of this House must be afforded protection, including you. If to your knowledge, there are special circumstances...(Interruptions)... Listen, if you do not listen, we will not get anywhere. If you have reason to believe that there are special circumstances applied to you, you can call the Clerk's office, Sergeant-at-Arms and if a meeting is necessary, it will be provided Honourable Healy. That is what we are here for, for your protection and indeed the protection of every other Member. Are we together Honourable Healy? You are entitled...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Kana o leletse Makgophe, Healy.*

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker, as I...

**MR SPEAKER:** No, it does not have to be Makgophe, ...(Interruptions)...that he is afraid, I do not want to sit on hearsay because I cannot pass judgement. But certainly, the administration here must react appropriately when he raises these issues, that is what I can do.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Mme gone go tlhoka tshireletso Mr Speaker, golo fa re na le boxers mo Palamenteng.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A a leletse Makgophe, go a buiwa gotwe, "Makgophe! Makgophe!"

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Can I go ahead sir?

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes, Honourable Healy.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker, it has got nothing to do with the...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker. As I was saying on Friday Mr Speaker, opposition...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Keorapetse, what is the procedure?



**MR KEORAPETSE:** Mr Speaker, kana *ke bone* e-mail *e e baakanyang* Order Paper *ya* today. Even on the correction, it shows that Motion *o, o tsena* between 14:45 hours to 6 o'clock, and then between 14:00 hours and 14:45 hours *ke dipotso. Ga re tsamaye jaaka* Order Paper *e kwadilwe* Mr Speaker?

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Keorapetse, we should have the Order Paper to guide us. But let me tell you what, if you missed the Hansard of Friday, I deliberately said and it is on record, that this Motion should come before questions.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Okay, thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** I deliberately said so, because I am tired of this Motion being thrown hither and hither.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Thank you.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, if you let me quote on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017, if you let me quote Honourable Dithapelo Lefoko Keorapetse as he posted on his Facebook page sir, this is what Honourable Keorapetse said, "he has called Members of Parliament (MPs) vultures in the late 90s, what is he? He will be bought three cars and be permitted to use state aircrafts for whatever purpose. We will spend P34 million on his retirement. He will be paid 80 per cent of his salary until he dies. He will work or even earn an extra salary on top of the state salary, that was not allowed for Masire and Mogae. He is building a retirement home in Mosu with taxpayers' monies. He has allocated himself an island in Shakawe, and he is reportedly annexed a second island. We hear he wants a state plot somewhere in Gaborone. Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) has an invoice for electricity connecting Disetla Island, and no one is paying for that bill. Remember, he has a P5 million caravan, a P300 million jet, a P297 million chopper, and there are at least three helicopters at Botswana Defence Force (BDF) that he uses as he wishes. The state house was refurbished for him before occupation at no less than P20 million. His family business has been enriched by the BDF when he was Commander, later Vice President (VP) and now President. He was made a Brigadier General at the age of 24 years, ahead of more qualified people. Who is the real vulture here?"

Now Honourable Saleshando, I refer you back to, "show me your friends, and I will show you your character." This here Dithapelo Lefoko Keorapetse was...(Inaudible)... Secretary of the Botswana Congress

Party (BCP) of which you lead. So I believe his words can at all times especially on matters of politics, be attributed to his party. It is with great wonder, that I now see you to be the greatest defender of the very person of whom you were saying "he," you were not talking about the Botswana Democratic Party (BDP), you were saying "he." Now you have shifted the goalpost. Every time these issues are brought up, you will say, "no, we were talking about the BDP, not individuals." But the BDP is not a "he," it is an organisation.

The BDP though it can delegate somebody to be a President, it cannot be a President. So, you are talking about a man, a man who is now a patriot on the coalition opposition of which you are a member. So, the question that you have asked us...

...Silence...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Whatever this Motion is about, hit through the eye of the needle. I asked you Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO), do you and the team of coalition of the wounded that you lead, do they qualify to go through the eye of the needle? Dr Gobotswang had previously, on more than 20 years been a great opposer of Ian Khama's rule. He was one of the leaders and condemning his use of state resources. But now when you ask Dr Gobotswang his answer is "*nna ke ile kwa go Kgosikgolo go ja.*" *Maloba re ne re le fa re nganga gore a o tlile go tla go emela batho ba kgaolo ya gagwe kana o tlile go ja, go ikemela?*

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *On a point of procedure. Mr Speaker, o tlaa intshwarela ke timile camera gore ke tle ke bue sentle. Mr Speaker, Honourable Healy a re o mpoditse potso, ke bo ke mo araba ke re, "ke ile kwa go Kgosikgolo go ya go ja." Mr Speaker, Honourable Healy o a itse gore ga a bue boammaaruri. Ke batla go itse gore mafoko ao o a tsaya kae? Fa e le gore ga a ka ke a kgona go a supa gore o a tsaya kae, a a boele morago Mr Speaker.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** He said it in Parliament.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Mr Speaker, *ke a tsere mo Palamenteng.* Honourable Gobotswang said so in the November sitting of Parliament that was sitting *kwa* Grand Palm, *kwa* Gaborone International Convention Centre (GICC). I do not have the exact date but if you allow me Mr Speaker, it looks like my time is moving. Are we on the issue of procedure because the time was not stopped? They only froze it now.



**MR SPEAKER:** *Honourable Healy, ke batla go tlhloganya, a wa re mafoko a o reng a tswa kwa go Motlotlegi Dr Gobotswang a ne a buiwa mo Palamenteng kana a ne a buiwa fela kwa Ditshupo Hall or somewhere, wa reng?*

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Nnyaa, mo Palamenteng in the sitting of Parliament.*

**MR SPEAKER:** A o na le *record* ya teng?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Ee rra.

**MR SPEAKER:** Mme ga o itse gore o ka supegetsa batho gore ba ka a bona fa kae?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Ga ke ka ke ka kgona go a bona gone jaana* sir, but if you give me time, I can find it. I am very sure it is in the Hansard. I have no idea of the time, so, I will just need to peruse through the material.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Mr Speaker, tota Honourable Healy o a itse gore o re diela nako. Fa o ya go bua kgang e e tshwanang le e, ke solofela gore o a bo o itse, e bile o rulagantse gore o e tsaya fa kae. Ga o ka ke wa tla fa go e bua, ya re o sena go nna o e bua, o bo o re o ya go e tsaya golo gongwe. Mafoko a a buang Mr Speaker, ga se boammaaaruri. Jaanong ga ke itse Mr Speaker, go mo go wena gore a re ya go batla Hansard gore go tlhomamisiwe gore mafoko a ke boammaaaruri, o bo o e tseela tshwetso.*

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** The reason why I did not bring that material is because it is not the first time I have mentioned it. It is the first time that Dr Gobotswang has protested. I have said this several times in Parliament and he has never protested because he said it in Parliament. That is why I did not bring the aforementioned evidence because I am surprised that today *o batla go tswa motlhanka wa mafoko a gagwe.*

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ga ke itse gore o ne o bua le motlhanka kae le kae.* Honourable Healy, the problem I have is that, we have just been told by the Clerk at the Table that we are left with one hour nine minutes. We have now squandered nine minutes, so, we are very close to the time to allow for the LOO to reply. If we allow you to go and look all over, by the time we come back, we will have finished with this Motion. Sometimes I wonder whether you really say these things with the conviction that they add anything to the debate.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** It will sir because they will find the nature of the people we are dealing with.

**MR SPEAKER:** I know, that is what you are trying to do and then you say, you did not come prepared because you thought he was not going to object. My question was the other times when you say he did not object, when was that? *Le re tsenya mo mathateng fela* unnecessarily because these points you are putting forward can be done without putting Honourable Gobotswang to the debate.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Batho ba tshwanetse go itse gore re bua ka batho ba ba ntseng jang, bomang.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ee, le nna ka rialo,* you do not need to add one more. Now we are stuck.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A ko o boele mafoko morago re tswelile.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Okay Mr Speaker, in the interest of time, I will go back on this matter but I will repeat it further next time with the proof because it is the fact of the matter.

**MR SPEAKER:** That will be good.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O a itse gore ga a bue boammaaaruri.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Thank you Mr Speaker. Ke wela fela ka kgang e Honourable Saleshando a neng a e bua gore show me your friend and I will show you your character. So, go setse go supagetse gore golo fa we are dealing with people of convenience, people who shift positions based on what is on the ground.*

Maloba ba kile ba gagautlhana e le gore ba Botswana Congress Party (BCP) ba ile go ikenta ka sephiri kwa ga Rre Dada. Banana ba maBotswana National Front (BNF) ba ba tlhasela. Ba tlhasela Rre Kapinga ba re le batho ba le ratang go ipaya *clean in public* mme ka fa morago le dira dilo. *So, that is the nature of Members of the opposition. Honourable Saleshando ke motho yo o sa bolong go nna lebaka a kgala what has now become the de facto patriot of opposition coalition. So, o ipotsa gore a go ne go kgalelwa gore nako ya teng go ne go sena le ene kana go ne go kgalwa the ideas and the principles for which he is doing.*

**MR KAPINGA:** *On a point of order. Mr Speaker, ga ke ise ke ikente gope ka sephiri. O ne o le teng le wena fa ke ya go ikenta. O mosupi wa gore ga ke a ikenta ka sephiri. So, this Member is being dishonourable when he*





*says to the nation that, ke tswa go ikenta ka sephiri. Ga ke a ikenta ka sephiri. He must withdraw those words. It is malicious and defamatory. A a boele kwa morago Mr Speaker.*

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy, dikgang tse dingwe tse di tshesane tse, ga di re thuse ka sepe. Honourable Ambassador Kapinga a re, le nna ke mosupi. E tlaare fa ke sena go nna ke supa, go bo gotwe “ehe! *you are biased.*” Ke ne ke le teng *as a matter of fact.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** You are the one who facilitated the vaccination.

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Mr Speaker, mafoko a me ka re, the youth ba BNF were casting aspersions on the Member ba re ba tswa go ikenta ka sephiri. Ga ke a re ba ne ba ile ka sephiri, ka re, banana ba BNF ke bone ba mafoko ao gore Honourable Lucas, Honourable Kapinga and Honourable Gobotswang ba ne ba ile kwa ga Rre Dada go ikenta. Ba raya batho in public ba re, nnyaa, golo fa re a belaela, gatwe mekento eo ga e yo. Gatwe go a reng but bone...(interruptions) ... batho ba sa itse.*

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy, your time is up and I think also your message has come to a close.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALEY:** Thank you Mr Speaker.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga gona le fa e le se a se buile.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O nne o didimala Wynter fa go buiwa dilo tse di tlhoafetseng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mr Speaker, are you sure you are safe? You need soldiers and the police because in Parliament, *go na le banna ba ntwana*. You must protect yourself...

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Rakgare o a re tlhodia.

**DR GOBOTSWANG (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke emela go ema mogopolo o nokeng wa go tlhobosa Goromente wa Domkrag le Rre Masisi. Ke tsaya gore Batswana ba tshwanetse go tlhaloganya gore kgang e e tona, ke tsheko. Ba bangwe kwa mafatsheng a mangwe ba e bitsa *impeachment*. Go sekisiwa Goromente wa Domkrag le Tautona Rraetsho Masisi. Mogopolo o fa

o feta jaaka ke itse gore o tlaa feta gompiano, go raya gore mo malatsing a le mararo Rraetsho Masisi a bo a ithotse Puso, a ithotse marapo. Fa e le gore ga a ithole marapo, gongwe mo malatsing a le mane, e bo e le gore Palamente e ka phatlalala ga iwa ditlhopong rraetsho.

Ka gore ke tsheko, Honourable Saleshando, *Leader of the Opposition*, o ntshitse melato e le mentsi e a e lebagantseng le Domkrag le Rraetsho Masisi. Ga a dira jalo fela, o ntshitse le bosupi jwa gore ke eng a re Rre Masisi o tshwanetse go bonwa molato. Se se diragetseng ka maDomkrag ke gore ba ipoleletse gore ba ya go bua ditsiabadimo fela ba ithokomolosa bosupi jo bo beilweng pele le melato e e beilweng Tautona fa pele. Mo go rayang gore o le moreetsi kana *Judge* o reeditse ka fa re ba sekisang ka teng, o ka felela o dumalana le rona gore ba tlaa felela ba bonwe molato ka gore ga ba a ka ba itebaganya le mabaka otlhe a a beilweng fa pele ga bone. Ke tlaa tswelela le nna ke tlatsa mo mabakeng le bosupi jwa gore Rraetsho Tautona o tshwanetse gore tota a ithole marapo.

Ke ise ke tsene foo, go na le dikgang dingwe tse ba di buile tsa gore ba tlhophilwe, jaanong ke eng o kare re tabogela gore ba ntshiwe? Batswana ba tshwanetse go tlhaloganya gore ba ba dirile molao wa Botswana kwa ba neng ba o simolola teng, ba ne ba lemogile e bile ba hema diemo tse e leng gore e tlaare Puso e tlhophilwe e tshwana le ya Domkrag, e re e ntse e tswelletse e bo e le gore ke moka e ithotse marapo, *abdicating its responsibility*, e dira go rata le go bona. Ba ne ba dira jalo gore ba tsenye mo Molaomotheong gore le fa Puso e tlhophiwe mme fa e kare e ntse e tswelletse ya tlhapelwa ke go busa ya tloga ya kgokgontsha batho, Palamente e tshwanetse gore sekaseke gore Puso e e tseelwe dikgato tse di tshwanetseng. Mma ke tswelile ke bue ka kgang e e leng gore...

**MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG):** *Point of order. Mr Speaker, ke ne ke botsa gore is it parliamentary gore o re batho ba tlhapetswe ke go busa?*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go tewa gore *excited*, ga go tewe gore *drunk*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Mokwena, fa e isiwa kwa Sekgoeng, e a ntshita.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** They are actually drunk.



**MR SPEAKER:** They are power drunk.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** They are very drunk.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Fa o atlhotse jalo, ke tlaa reng?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Gongwe lefoko le le siameng le le ka tlhalosang fa e le gore ba a ngongorega, ke go tshwakgoga. Ke gore ba tshwakgotswe ke go busa mo go ba ileng kwa tlhogong jaanong ba dira go rata le go bona.

E nngwe kgang ba ne ba re mogopolo o ke go diya nako fela, go na le dikgang tse di ntsi tse di ka buiwang tse di tshwenyang Batswana. Bagaetsho, Batswana le rona rotlhe re setse re lemogile gore go tswela ka Puso ya Domkrag go ya go tsena kwa 2024, go raya gore Puso ya Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) fa e tsena e ya go fitlhela letlole le sena sepe ka fa *corruption* e tsamayang ka teng, le ka fa go dirisiwang madi ka teng go rekwa *hotels*, go agiwa *resorts*. Jaanong Batswana botlhe ba a lemoga gore go tshwanetse ga iwa ditlhophong gomopieno. Le fa o tsamaya gongwe le gongwe, batho ba a botsa gore kante ditlhopho di tla leng ka gore ba setse ba lemoga gore golo fa tsela e tsene mo sekgweng.

Go na le kgang e nngwe e ba tsamayang ba bua gore rona re le Palamente, re bontlha bongwe jwa Goramente. E ne e buiwa ke *Honourable Mthimkhulu*. Fa e le gore ra re Puso e phatlaladiwe, go raya gore re tlaabo re re Palamente ... Ke ne ke re ke tlhalose gore Puso e agilwe ka makalana a le mararo, e leng lekalana la ga Goramente le le eteletsweng pele ke Rraetsho Masisi. Go bo go nna le la Palamente le le eteletsweng pele ke Rraetsho Skelemani le la Boatlhodi le le eteletsweng pele ke Rre Rannowane. Jaanong otlhe a a dira Puso. Go na le Goramente. Fa re bua ka Goramente. Ga o ka ke wa re jaanong fa e le gore Goramente a phatlalale, go raya gore re phatlalatsa *Judiciary*. Foo ga se boammaaruri.

Go na le e nngwe e ba e tlang ba e bua ba re fa ba sena go nna ba rialo jaanong *bo Honourable Dr Kwape*, *Honourable Moatlhodi* le ba bangwe ba re Puso ga se ya motlhakanelwa. Ke gore ke batho ba ba ikganetsang, ga ba itse le gore ba bua ka ga eng. A re tseneng mo mabakeng. Gongwe ke tlaa felela mo lebakeng le lengwefela ka gore ga go na nako. Ke ntshe molato o mongwe o re reng Rraetsho Masisi o o dirile o tshwanetse gore a o atlholelwe. Ke gore o ikanne a re o tlaa sireletsa Molaomotho a bo a tlhomamisa gore

sengwe le sengwe se dirwa ka fa molaong. A bo a tswela a ikana gore o tlaa dirisa nako ya gagwe yotlhe le dithata tsotlhe tsa gagwe go direla Batswana. Ke yone kgang e a ikanetseng. Jaanong ra re molato wa ga Tautona ke gore...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang, there is elucidation.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *No sir*, ga go na nako. Se re batlang go se supa ke gore Tautona ga se motho wa molao. Ga a dumele mo molaong le go dira dilo ka fa molaong, o rotloetsa tlolo molao. A re tseyeng kgang ya ga *Honourable Pono Moatlhodi*, Mopalamente wa Tonota yo rotlhe re itseng gore o lebaganwe ke molato o o masisi. O goseditse ngwana ntša a sena sepe gore a e tlaa mo gagolaka diaparo, a e tlaa felela e mmolaile, a sena sepe. O lebaganwe ke kgang kwa *court*. Rona kwa UDC, kgang ya gagwe e simologile a santse a na le rona re mo file maemo a *Opposition Whip*, mme re ne ra mo a amoga fa re bona gore o lebaganwe ke molato o o masisi. E rile a tloga a lemoga gore golo fa o tlaa nna le mathata, a siya a ya Domkrag a batla tshireletso mme Rre Masisi le Puso ya gagwe ba feta ba mo amogela ba mo sireletsa, le kgang ya teng ga re sa tlhole re itse gore e tsamaya fa kae. A ko o bone motho yo o sa lemogeng gore motho wa seemo sa ga *Honourable Pono Moatlhodi*, ga se yo o ka nnang *Deputy Speaker*. Ka fa e leng gore ba a mo tlhopho, le bomme ba duduetsa ba sa tlhole ba tshwere thipa ka kwa bogaleng, ba e tshwere ka kwa maragong, ke tsone diemo tse re di bonang gompieno. Jaanong ra re Tautona o rotloetsa tlolo molao. Fa motho a tlodile molao, *he is rewarded* kwa BDP, o fiwa maemo a bo *Deputy Speaker*. Bona fela ka fa a tlhakatlhakanyang Palamente ka teng ka gore o batla go ba itumedisa.

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

*On a point of procedure Mr Speaker.* Ke re gongwe o re gokolole ka tsamaiso ka gore o kare motlotlegi yo o tshwereng *floor* o tlhakatlhakanya ditsamaiso. Ga a itse tsamaiso e *Deputy Speaker* a tlhophiwa ka yone, gammogo le *Speaker*. O ithaya a re o tlhophiwa ka gore *party* nngwe e a mo rata kana jang. Ke batla gore o re thuse ka tsamaiso rraetsho, gore a itse fela gore *Deputy Speaker* o tlhophiwa ke Palamente e, a le mo teng le ene. Ga a ise a ko a bue *point of order* ka letsatsi leo, o tlhophile, o jelwe ke ditlhopho fa e le gore o jelwe ke ditlhopho. Jaanong Pono Moatlhodi o tlhophiwe ka fa tsamaisong ya Palamente. Ga se mo a kareng Tautona o tlola molao ka go bo a letleletse gore Pono Moatlhodi a tlhophiwe. *That is my procedure* gore o re thuse ka yone.



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

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, I think what the Honour VP is saying is quite clear. He is saying, Honourable Moatlhodi is from the UDC, then joined the BDP, he proceeded to be elected as the Deputy Speaker. He says, to my understanding, under this Government, *bone* under the UDC had decided that he should not remain in the position they had given him. You are right VP that every Member of the House had an opportunity to vote... (inaudible)... in politics that is what you do; you get defeated and say, “*nna dilo tse ke neng ke sa dumalane le tsone, ke lona.*” That is how I understand the argument.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke tsene mo go ya bobedi kgang ke ntse ke le mo go reng Tautona o rotloetsa tlolo molao, ke ya ga *Honourable Anna Mokgethi*. *Honourable Anna Mokgethi* o tshwere maemo a a masisi mo Pusong, mme o lebaganwe ke dikgang tse di sa siamang. Tse e leng gore fa o di lebile, o di sekaseka go a lebega gore o ka tswa a tlodile molao, ka gore go utlwala gore o palelwa ke go tlhalosa gore boswa jwa bana ba mongwe jo bo neng bo le ka fa tlase ga tlhokomelo ya gagwe tota seemo sa boswa jo ke eng? O kile a fiwa malatsi a ka nna bo 30 gotwe a tlise dibuka go tlhalosa gore boswa bo tsamaya jang a palelwa. Mo bogompioneng jaana ga re itse le *case* gore e tsamaya fa kae, mme o tswetse o tshwere maemo a bo Tona ka fa tlase ga Rraetsho Tautona Masisi, ka fa tlase ga Puso ya Domkrag.

**MINISTER OF NATIONALITY, IMMIGRATION AND GENDER AFFAIRS (MS MOKGETHI):** *Point of order Mr Speaker. Thank you Mr Speaker. Point of order* ya me ke gore, *Honourable Gobotswang* o ntshenya leina, ka gore ga go na molato ope o lekgotla le kileng la bua gore ke o tlodile. Ga ke a lebiswiwa molato ope. Ga go na lekgotla lepe mo lefatsheng la Botswana le le kileng la bua gore ke dirile molato fela ope, ope. Jaanong ke kopa gore Rre Gobotswang a boele mafoko a gagwe kwa morago, ka gore o palelwa ke go itlhalosa gore gatwe molato wa me ke eng. Ke kopa gore se a se buang *number one*; a kope maitshwarelo mo go nna. *Number two*; a boele mafoko a gagwe kwa morago. *Number three*; ke kopa gore mafoko a gagwe a nne *expunged from the Hansard*. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order, Honourable Members. Motswana a re di pedi ga di uthwele golo gongwe. It is quite possible that I did not quite comprehend what Honourable Gobotswang said. My understanding was

that he is saying, you Honourable Member were ordered to show what has happened to the estate of one person in this country by the High Court. That matter went up to the Court of Appeal and the same order that you should show what has happened to the estate has not been complied with, order, not criminality... (inaudible)...

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, there is no court that has ruled that I failed to comply with that order. Therefore, he is out of order *ka se a se buang. Se a se buang ke go abelela. Ga a na boammaaruri ka se a se buang. Puo ya gagwe ga e a tlhamalela. O bua dikgang tsa magatwe. Ga a bue boammaaruri. Ga go na lekgotla lepe le le buileng gore ke paletswe ke to account.*

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang, no court has ever ruled that she has not been able to show the accounts. There is no such order.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Mr Speaker*, ke buile gore *Honourable Anna Motlhagodi* o paletswe ke go tlhalosa...

**MS MOKGETHI:** Ga ke Motlhagodi ke Mokgethi.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Sorry, sorry*, kana le wena o fetola maina thata, o a re lapisa. *Honourable Mokgethi*...

**MS MOKGETHI:** ... (Inaudible)... ke wena o lapisang.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mr Speaker, you cannot allow Dr Gobotswang to demean Mma Mokgethi like this.

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

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ka re o paletswe ke go tlhalosa mo go kgotsofatsang gore boswa jwa batho bo kae. Ka re o paletswe.

**MS MOKGETHI:** *Ga go na any ruling by any court.*

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ga ke ise ke re *court*. A o kgonne?

**MS MOKGETHI:** Ntsha *judgement* Gobotswang. Ntsha *judgement*!

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Mr Speaker*, ke tlaa tla ka bosupi jwa go supa gore o ne a filwe malatsi a le masome mararo a palelwa ke go tlhalosa gore boswa jwa batho bo kae. *It is all over*, go a itsewe. Mongwe le mongwe o a itse, go kwadilwe gongwe le gongwe.

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):** *Point of order Mr Speaker. My point of order Mr Speaker* e mo kgannyeng e, mme e le mabapi ka gore Gobotswang o bua dikgang tse pedi tse, ya ga Mma Mokgethi e mo





paletse, o paletswe ke go e tlhalosa. Ga a na mafoko. Ya me ke ya gore, kana golo fa Gobotswang fa a tlhoma kgang ya gagwe o rile o bua melato e a sekisang Tautona wa lefatshe le ka yone. O bua gore mongwe wa melato eo ke yone e, e a e buang a re Mma Mokgethi, a bua *allegations*. Jaanong *point of order* ya me ke gore, a o ya go sekisa Tautona ka magatwe a a senang boammaaruri jaaka a palelwa le ke go tlhalosa dikgang tsa ga Mma Mokgethi, Mma Mokgethi a mo *challenger*? Gongwe a tswele kwa ntle a ye go bua dikgang tse a sena tshireletso, ka gore *he is abusing* tshireletso ya Palamente, Mma Mokgethi le ene a tle a kgone go ikarabela. Ya me ya re a ke one molato o a reng Tautona o o dirile, one o a o buang o, o o senang le fa e le bosupi jo a palelwang ke gore o ka bo fa? *My point of order* ke gore *he should withdraw* mo goreng o ya go sekisa Tautona ka molato o. Re tlaa reetsa e mengwe melato mme o *he should withdraw*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** On a further point of order Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, you just made a ruling based from the probing of Dr Gobotswang, that we cannot say things which you have not the evidence right now to present.

Now he is making allegations which he says that he will bring the evidence at a later stage. So he has to immediately withdraw those words without any further argue. I thank you.

**MR SPEAKER:** I heard your view Honourable Member. *Gakere* you know of the rules we make apply to everyone, so Honourable Dr Gobotswang...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Yes sir.

**MR SPEAKER:** ...wa re dikgang tseo tsa gore Motlotlegi *Minister* o paletswe ke go tlhalosa dikgang tse dingwe tsa ...(*Interruptions*)... gore di kwa kae, e seng gore o bo o re tshwarisa letlapa...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Mr Speaker*, di gongwe le gongwe, di ile kwa Dikgotleng tse pedi le mo dipampiring tsa dikgang. Ga se kgang e e ka tsayang lebaka, e ka re tsenya dingalo gore mo nakong e e tlang, e bo re tla le bosupi jwa teng fa e le gore o a bo batla. Mmaetsho Anna Mokgethi o paletswe ke go tlhalosa gore boswa jwa batho bo kae. Ke sone se a setseng a bidiwa gotwe mojaboswajwabeng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Motho yo o a re dia, mo reye a boele mafoko morago.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Bosupi bo kae, bo ntshe...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Nnyaa bosupi ke tlaa bo ntsha fa e le gore *Mr Speaker* o a bo batla.

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

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

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Rra.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ga se nna ke bo batlang, ke lona Mapalamente le bo batlang.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ee ka rialo ka re *if you rule* gore ke tle ke bo ntshe, ke tlaa tla le jone *Mr Speaker*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ka kgang ya bosupi, ga ke na go bua sepe. Ga ke na go bua sepe ka tse ke di itseng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ee a di tswe, ga ke itse gore gatwe go ngangiwa eng.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Bo kae bosupi joo jwa gore *Minister* o ne a kopiwa gore a supe gore boswa jwa bana bo kae, a se ka a kgona? Jaanong wa re o ka bo bona *within five minutes*?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa ke ka *email judgments* tse pedi gone jaana.

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga ke gopole go buiwa le wena *toddler*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Court of Appeal (CoA) *judgment* ya ga *Justice Kirby* re a e ntsha gone jaana.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga go ise gotwe Kapinga.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Kante lona le ipagololela mogodu fa kae le ise le bidiwe?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Wena o filwe ke mang thata ya go ipagololela mogodu? Ke wena o ipagololelang mogodu.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ipagololela mogodu mabapi le eng ka Dr Gobotswang o tshwanetse go ikarabela?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Gobotswang o ntse a re fa motho a tle go bua kgang, a tle a phuthile masupi otlhe, ene ke eng a sa tle a phuthile?





**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A re o ile kwa go Ian go ja, a bua le le teng. Gompiano a re re tle ka bosupi. Caterpillar *you were there when Gobotswang said* o ile kwa go Ian go ja. Gompiano a re ke tle ka bosupi.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Caterpillar ke nkgata ke tlhane.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ja fela o iketle monna Chillyboy, o etse go ja kwa.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Jaaka Gobotswang a ile go ja kwa go Ian *and he said so in Parliament*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Le wena o ile kwa go ene go ja.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Iketleleng Khama, o mmabisa ditsebe. A letsatsi le ka feta o sa bua ka Khama, a ko o iketle.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke bua ka Gobotswang, wena o baba fa kae ke bua ka Gobotswang? O a babega? Hee! O nna le motshweetshwee fela fa o utlwa leina la teng le buiwa, ga re o ingwae?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A ko o iketle.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Kana o ya go betswa fa o tsena kwa go bo gotwe o ne o didimetse fela?

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang, we are waiting against time...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Kooteng ga o robale sentle fa o sa bue ka Khama.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O tswa motshweetshwee wa eng fa go buiwa ka ene?

**MR SPEAKER:** Motho wa kwa mantsweng, gatwe bo kae bosupi?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nako e a jega kana.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** I have the judgment in my hands, *ke tshwere* copy

**MR SPEAKER:** You have a judgment in your hands?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Yes.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ke eng o sa mo neele?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** We can bring two judgments; High Court and CoA.

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes, bring them.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke e bone *comrade*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Just quote them*, ke jone bosupi.

**MS MOKGETHI:** O supe gore molato wa me ke fa kae, *bring them. Bring the judgment* gore boammaaruri bo senoge.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Can I quote from the judgment Mr Speaker?

**MR SPEAKER:** Yah, the better clarification you can.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Yes.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ba nopola e le bomang *Mr Speaker, what if* ba bua dilo tse di seyoung?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Wa re e le bomang, wena o le mang ne monna?

**MR SPEAKER:** You will know very soon Honourable Minister.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Wena o le mang, *we are Members of this House*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** But you are not holding the floor, *go tilwe motho yo o tshwereng* floor a tle ka bosupi e seng wena. Gatwe the person holding the floor should produce the evidence.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A re reetsaneng bagaetsho.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke tshotse *case number* fa.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** We asked for evidence from the person holding the floor.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Point of order.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Order Mr Speaker.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Point of order.

**MR SPEAKER:** Mme Mma Mokgethi.

**MS MOKGETHI:** *Point of order. Mr Speaker, my point of order is that Honourable Gobotswang a re ke paletswe ke to account ka fa court e neng e laetse ka teng. Ga a bue boammaaruri, ga gona lekgotla lepe le le buileng gore ke paletswe ke to account. So that was my point of order* gore ga a bue boammaaruri.



**MR SPEAKER:** Indeed Honourable Member. What is disturbing now is that they have a judgment or two judgments.

**MS MOKGETHI:** *Judgment eo ga e mpege molato ope Mr Speaker.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go raya gore ga o itse go bala.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Ga e mpege molato.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister...

**MS MOKGETHI:** Judgment *ele ga e supe* gore I have done any wrong. The judgment never said I have committed any offense.

**MR SPEAKER:** What did it say?

**MS MOKGETHI:** If you can hear me out, I said the judgment never said I committed any wrong. So I do not know *gore gatwe* judgment *e amana jang le Tautona Masisi le* appointment *ya me* as a Minister because it is a civil matter. It is a purely civil matter, *ga ise e mpege molao ope* under any law under the Republic of Botswana. *O rile ke paletswe ke* to account *jaaka* judgment *e ne e buile. Ke mo reile ka re katlholo eo e kae ya gore ke paletswe ke* to account. *A a tswa ka yone.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Kapinga o e tshotse.

**MR SPEAKER:** Kgang e a pala.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** Procedure Honourable Leuwe.

**MR LEUWE:** *Point of procedure. Mr Speaker,* ke a leboga. Ke a dumela jaanong, le dule mo tsamaisong *Mr Speaker.* Kgang e e tshwana fela le e e sa tswang go tswa ka Rre Healy, e a neng a bua a sa phutha masupi fa mme mo gongwe a le kwa Mapalamenteng ba bangwe. *That is exactly what Gobotswang is doing.* Rre Gobotswang o tsile foo a itse gore o ya go bua ka kgang e e ntseng jang *but* ga a phutha masupi fela jaaka *Honourable Healy.* Ke dumela gore re dule mo tsamaisong jaanong fa e le gore re emela gore semangmang a bue gore ke na le bosupi jo, ke na le bosupi jo. A Rre Gobotswang fa e le gore ga a phutha masupi ao fela jaaka go dirilwe ka Healy, a le ene a boele mafoko ao kwa morago. Fa e le gore o tlaa tla ka masupi, ke gone re tlaa tlang re mo reetsa *Mr Speaker.* Ke dumela gore re dule mo tsamaisong gone foo.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Leuwe, you may remember how long we took before coming to that end that Honourable Healy had failed to substantiate what he said. It was not just at the drop of a pen, I tried by all means to see the Member had the evidence. What he said was that or it was in another sitting, he could go and look at the Hansard but that would not be possible today. Therefore, what you gave Honourable Dr Gobotswang is the same latitude if it is to hang himself, let him do so. *Go pale re mo reye re re nnyaa re mo file nako gore a a bo supe fa pele ga lona bagolo gore bosupi jwa me ke jo, e seng jalo o tlaabo a paletswe fela jaaka* Honourable Healy, *re bo re feta kgang e e boela morago.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A re o tlaa bo tlisa nako mang?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Further procedure Mr Speaker. You have given Dr Gobotswang five minutes, you said can you produce it in five minutes. It has been way past five minutes, the evidence has not been...

**MR SPEAKER:** Lona le nnetse go leba *minutes* ga le reetse.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke wena o neng o baya *minutes* sir.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mr Speaker, we have the case...

**MR SPEAKER:** The five minutes was there for you to speak.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Let us go to paragraph 7 Mr Speaker, of the judgement.

**MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION (MR MOLAO):** *Further procedure.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.* Ke kopa gore gongwe fela e le yone *issue* ya tsamaiso gore kana fa re le mo Palamenteng, *we debate as individual* Members of Parliament (MPs) *and the individual member holding the floor* ke Rre Gobotswang. *You probed him and said* tlisa bosupi. A bua se a se buang gore nnyaa, o ka bo tlisa nako e sele fa a ka nna le nako. Jaanong *we seem to be allowing as it were other individual members* ba ba reng nnyaa, ke bo tshotse ke jo, ke batla *to quote for you Mr Speaker* gore o lebe. A mme fa tsamaiso e ka nna yone ya go reng go tswa fa go ya pele, *I may raise whatever I raise, you ask me* gore tlisa bosupi, *another member from somewhere* a bo a re nnyaa, *Mr Speaker,* nna bosupi jwa teng ke bo tshwere ke jo ke le semangmang, nte ke go balele. Go bo go lebega e kete jaanong go nna *permissible* gore re ka dira jalo. A ga re tloge...



**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Molao, you will realise that I did not pay attention to those good readers or Samaritans because *ke ga bone moo*. I needed the judgement or whatever it is to show what Dr Gobotswang claims is the position. So far, we have run out of time. Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO) has just a couple of minutes before he answers. Honourable Gobotswang, withdraw and proceed because you cannot produce that.

**MR MOLAO:** I am now satisfied Mr Speaker with that. Thank you.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Dr Gobotswang!

...Silence...

**MR SPEAKER:** O siile motho wa Letswapo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ile kwa Kgotleng.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Motho wa Letswapo o ile kae?* Doctor! Honourable Dr Gobotswang!

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ile kwa go Kgosikgolo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ile go batla sejo.

**MR SPEAKER:** We consider that you have failed to produce the evidence.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke na nayo *Mr Speaker*. Ke e. Ke ne ke sa utlwale. *Mr Speaker*, ke a utlwala?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ne a santse a emetse mongwe gore a tle mo ofising ya gagwe.

**MR SPEAKER:** O a utlwala. Le nna *I have talked* ka re *you have failed to produce the judgement*.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Nnyaa, ke na nayo. Ke maranyane *sir*. Ke ne ke na le mathata fela le maranyane.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ya reng?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ya re, *ke* Court of Appeal Civil Appeal No. CACGB/140/20. *Fa o ya kwa* paragraph 7 Mr Speaker, *ya re*, "On 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, the Master wrote to the appellant requesting a status update on the administration of the estate. The executrix responded that this would not be supplied in due course. It was not provided." I thank you. *Go na le e nngwe gape fa e le gore o a e batla, e teng...*

**MR SPEAKER:** Golo mo o go balang ga se Sekgoa.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke sekae *sir*?

**MR SPEAKER:** Totally contradictory.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *Contradictory jang Mr Speaker?* Kana go batla re e bala yotlhe *Mr Speaker*.

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

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** The judgements are there...

**MR SPEAKER:** I wanted you to read the paragraph which you think supports your case.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Paragraph 7 Mr Speaker, *ya re*, "On the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2017, following unsuccessful request for information from the executrix made by the lawyers of Don Masenya and also those of Dion Joseph, one of the heirs, the Master addressed an instruction to the executrix described as the final demand requiring her to submit a detailed report on the status of all the assets in the deceased's estate including rentals received, funds held in bank accounts and details of any payments made during the administration. This was not submitted. This was to be submitted by 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 with no further extensions of time to be entertained. It was met by a four-page disclaimer from the appellant alleging difficulties in accounting certain of the cattle which constituted less than 4 per cent of the value of estate and stating that Master's demand was impractical. No accounting was provided and nor has one been given to this day. Over four years later, instead a lawyer briefed by certain of the beneficiaries addressed a letter to the Master disavowing the Master's right to insist on such an accounting while the action challenging the will was still pending." *O paletswe* Mr Speaker *ke* to account.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, as I said earlier when we began these proceedings, this is not a court of law. Honourable Dr Gobotswang, you were reading the Court of Appeal Judgement, is that so?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Yes.

**MR SPEAKER:** I do not think we ...(Inaudible)... this issue anymore.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Yes.

**MR SPEAKER:** Being not a court of law, can you make that reading available to *bo* Honourable Healy. That reading in a political arena supports your claim. Honourable Members, the time is up, we have reached a stage where I must call upon the Leader of the Opposition to reply to the debate.





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

**MR SALESHANDO (MAUN WEST):** Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. *Motion of no confidence*, ga se lantlha o tla mo Palamenteng ya lefatshe la Botswana. Le Dipalamente tsa mafatshe a mangwe, di a tle di nne le dikgang tsa go nna jalo. Bosheng ba re bapileng le bone ba Aferika Borwa, ke bone ba nnileng le tsone di le mmalwanyana kgatlhanong le Tautona yo a neng a le teng pele, Rre Jacob Zuma. Yo gompiano fa a lebiswa melato e e tsamaelanang le tse a di dirileng, a santse a le mo Pusong, go nna le megwanto le tshenyoy dithoto. *The hooligans take to the streets* fa gotwe o a kgalemiwa ka tse a di dirileng.

Ke ne ke raya mongwe bosheng ke re, bone ba ba neng ba thuba dikago ba, ga se bone *the only hooligans, there are other hooligans, the real hooligans* ke ba e rileng go tlhagisiwa mo Palamenteng gore go lebege Tautona a sa dire dilo sentle, ba bo ba mo sireletsa. *Those were the real hooligans*. Fa setšhaba se setse se itse gore ga a tshwarwe le fa a senya, se dira se ba se itseng, le ka akanya gore ba a iphetlha. Ga ba iphetlhe, ba tsere mo baeteledipeleng. Gompiano Palamente ya Botswana re e beile pele dilo dingwe tse Tautona Mokgweetsi Eric Masisi a di dirang, tse di sa amogelesegeng. Fela jaaka ba bangwe ba ba neng ba dira kwa mafatsheng a mangwe ba diphathi tse di busang, ba a sireletsa, ga ba kgone go araba. E tlaa re kamoso go sekwa, ke solofela gore re tlaa itse gore *who were the real hooligans, if indeed* go tlaa felela go ntile le ditsheko.

Ke batla go simolola fa Rre Dr Gobotswang a emeng teng, gore re lebisitse Tautona Mokgweetsi Masisi melato mengwe, ga go a nna le dikarabo mo letsatsing la gompiano, go tshwarwa kwa le kwa. Melato e re e mo lebisitseng e ke buileng ka yone fa ke bega *Motion*, e ne e le metlhano. Gona le gore ke ye olo-olo le tse di builweng ke ba bangwe ba ba neng ba iketshla mo setlhogong, ke batla go tswala ka go go gakolola *Mr Speaker*, se ke se buileng fa ke bega *Motion* o. Sa ntlha ke gore ga a a diragatsa maitlamo a Ofisi ya ga Tautona. Re a itse gore fa o nna mo maemong a, o seegela fa batho dikeletso tsa gago, o eteletsa kwa pele dikeletso tsa setšhaba. O itshupile gore fa a tsena mo botautoneng, fa a bontshiwa dithoto tsa Puso di tshwana le dipolase tsa kwa Banyana Farms, o ne a di meletsa mathe, a ba a tsaya tshwetso gore a Puso e di ithole, di neelwe Batswana ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi, a raya jaana ka gore lenyora la gagwe la go tsaya polase nngwe ya tse, le ne le mo hekeeditse.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Mr Speaker!

**MR SALESHANDO:** E ntse e le ene, re a itse mo dipotsong tse di neng tsa botswa fa ka metsi a a isiwang kwa dipolaseng tsa gagwe. Tona Mzwini o ne a araba karabo e a reng, di isiwa fela fa a le teng, mme bosupi bo teng jwa gore le fa a seyo, go isetswa dikgomo tsa gagwe metsi ke Puso, Batswana ba bangwe ba sena metsi a ba ka a a nwang. O eteletsa kwa pele dikgatlhego tsa gagwe gona le tsa setšhaba.

Re a itse gore jaaka ke supile fa ke bega *Motion*, fa re tsena le kwa...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification!

**MR SALESHANDO:** *I am not yielding to clarification sir, I do not want the controversy that we had with this response to the Motion by the Botswana Democratic Party (BDP).* Bosupi bo teng kwa Registration of Companies, jo bo supang gore e sale a tsena mo botautoneng, o inakantse le dikgwebo go feta dinako tsotlhe tse a kileng a nna le sebaka sa go tsena mo dikgwebong. Kwa Registration of Companies fa o lebelela *from 2020, just last year, the number of companies* tse Tautona a tseneletseng mo go tsone a dirisa maemo a botautona, di mmalwa; bo Tsabong Developers Proprietary Limited (Pty) Ltd, Bokgola (Pty) Ltd, M&G Investments (Pty) Ltd. Tautona yo o tabogelang go tsena mo kgwebong ka lebelo le le kwa godimo, rona re tsaya gore o tlaa itebaganya le tsa rona, ga a a re siamela re le Batswana.

Ba lelwa la gagwe le bone ba akola *tenders* tsa Puso ba sa gaisane le ope. Ke supile mo nakong e e fetileng gore kgaisadie le ene, ga se kang e e tswang mo go nna mo Palamenteng, *it is in the public domain*. Dipampiri di tshwana le Gazette Newspaper, di kwadile ka fa kgaisadia Tautona a neng a latlhegelwa ke *tender* ka teng ya go tlisa *anti-retroviral drugs*, a gaisana le ba bangwe. Fa go sena go latlhegelwa kgaisadia Tautona, ka ke molato ka fa tlase ga Puso ya ga Tautona Masisi, *tender* eo ya busetswa morago. Pele ga e busetswa morago, o ne a ikuetse jaaka a letlelelwa, ikuelo ya gagwe ya pala, fa go sena go pala ikuelo ya gagwe, e bo e boelwa kwa morago, jaanong a bo a e neelwa a sa gaisane le ope. Fa e le gore mo ga se tshenyetso-setšhaba, go raya gore ga gona tshenyetso-setšhaba mo lefatsheng gope fela.

Fa godimo ga moo, o ne a tlisa tsala ya gagwe Stephen Harvey, a re bolelela gore ke tsala ya gagwe ba ntshana se inong e bile ba fane maina, o mmita "Mothusi." A mo





isa kwa dikagong tsa Botswana Television (BTV), a feta a bona tse a di bonang. Fa a retologa a boela gae, Puso ya ga Rraetsho Mokgweetsi Masisi ya ntsha mokwalo gore jaanong re ntsha *tender* e re e neelang tsala ya ga Tautona a sa gaisane le ope, eo kompone e bidiwa Steve Harvey Global, mokwalo o teng o o tswang kwa Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Board (PPADB), o o supang seo. Dilo tse ke tshenyetso-setšhaba, mo go rayang gore re ka dumalana gore, ka gore ba BDP ga ba a ganetsa dipe tse ke di buileng mo *breach of oath*, re ka dumalana. Le bone ba a dumalana gore o molato, mme fela se se teng ke gore kwa go tlhopheng, ba tlaa itlhophela *to be the hooligans, that freed a delinquent President in South Africa*.

Molato wa bobedi o ke neng ke mo o lebisitse e ne e le wa gore, ga a tlotle tsamaiso ya molao *and institutions of Government*. Ke file dikai gore, go dirisa Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) kgatllhanong le ba a neng a emetse ditlhopho le bone ka 2019, go *time-bound*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Point of order. Mr Speaker, my point of order, you will excuse me, in the absence of any Standing Order that is direct to dismiss any untruth said by whoever is holding the floor, one has to resort to a point of order. My point of order is that, *kana* Leader of the Opposition is not telling the truth, *fa a re ga re a ganetsa sepe* which he raised. Many Members from the BDP opposed, and I can quote *gore e ya ga kgaitadie Tautona, ke ne ka mo latofatsa ka mmolelela gore ga a bue nnete ka kgang eo*. I challenged him *gore o ka ya go bua a le kwa ntle ga Palamente, a se ka a iphitlha ka tshireletso ya Palamente. E tle e re ba ba senngwang maina, ba itsheke*. That is my point of order, there is no truth in what he is saying.

**MR SALESHANDO:** Thank you Mr Speaker. Ga gona ka *point of order*, mme kgang e jaaka ke bua, ga se nna fela ke e buileng, e teng mo dipampiring. Fa Mothusa Tautona a batla go ithaopa go ya go seka mo boemong jwa ga kgaitadia Tautona, o ka dira jalo, le mo dipampiring tsa lekgotla, tse ke neng ke di isitse fa pele ga lekgotla, ke ntshitse mekwalo e e supang jalo ka dikgang tse. Di buile kwa ntle ga Palamente Vice President (VP), fa o na le phesego ya go seka, *haka matorokisi*.

*Charge number two; state institutions* jaaka ke ne ke bua. Go dirisa BURS kgatllhanong le yo a neng a emetse ditlhopho tsa botautona le ene ka 2019, e bo e re ditlhopho di feta go bo go ema, ke sekai sa gore re

tletswe ke Tautona yo o tsamaisang jaaka Museveni, fa o ema kgatllhanong le ene, melato e a tla. Ke ne ka fa sekai se sengwe ka re, le mo phathing ya gagwe e re gotwe o a gwetlhiwa, gone foo go bo go tswa dikgang tsa gore kana motho yo mme yo o gwetlhang Tautona, o ka tswa e se Motswana e le Monyasa, ke go supa gore o dirisa makalana a Puso go itshireletsa.

*The P100 billion Pula case that was made up*, e e itiretswe. Ga gona ope wa Domkrag yo a reng nnyaa, Tautona le ene o a itse gore go ne go sa siama ka se se neng se diragala, ba a itse, ga ba ganetse dilo tse. *The Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS)* ka fa e itshwarang ka teng, gompiano *our DIS* ke *hit squad* sa ga Tautona ka fa e ntseng ka teng. Ga gona ope yo o ganetsang tse gore di a fatlha. Le ya *rule of law* le go sa tlotla melao ...*(Interruptions)*... Tautona Mokgweetsi Masisi *is guilty as charged*, ba Domkrag ga ba a ganetsa kgang e gotlbelele.

*Charge number three;... (Inaudible)... corruption*, go oketsa tshenyetso-setšhaba ga ga Tautona Masisi mo Pusong e sale a tsena mo setilong. *Number one*; ke re rile o koafaditse Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC), gore *in three years* e bo e setse e na le *three Directors*. Ga gona ope wa BDP yo o ntshitseng bosupi jwa gore ga e a koafala ka mabaka a. Ke buile gore *corruption* e e diragetseng ka fa tlase ga COVID-19, bo Tautona ba mafatshe a mangwe ba setse ba tsere dikgato kgatllhanong le ba ba neng ba senyetsa mafatshe a bone ka COVID-19, wa rona ga a bue sepe ka kgang e. Go supa gore ga a a nonofela go busa. *Abuse of powers under State of Public Emergency (SoE)*, *report* e e duleng e supa gore le ene o ne a tsaya ditshwetso tse di seng ka fa molaong, fa a gakololwa, itshireletso ya gagwe e tona ke gore re ka fa tlase ga SoE, bo teng bosupi joo mo pegong e e sa tswang go tswa.

E ntse e le ene, ke rile le batho ba a ba tlhophang go a belaela. *The DIS boss* fa o lebelela *records* tsa gore o dule jang kwa Botswana Defence Force (BDF), o dule a kobelwa go dira dilo dingwe tse di sa tlhamalalang, *it is in the public domain*. Fa o lebelela gore *architect*, yo o neng a loga bosupi jwa go leka go dira *case* ya 100 *billion*, o kae gompiano? Tautona Masisi o mo isitse kwa DCEC. Golo mo go supa Tautona yo o rotloetsang tshenyetso-setšhaba ka fa tlase ga gagwe.

Permanent Secretary to the President (PSP) *has been reported in the public domain* gore o ne a lebagane ke ditlhotlhomiso tsa DCEC, tsa tshenyetso-setšhaba. Fa a ntse a lebagane ke ditlhotlhomiso, Tautona Masisi o



a mo tsaya, o mo dira PSP. *This President is promoting corruption.* Ga go na ope wa Domkrag yo o ganeditse dilo tse. Ke batla go di boelela gompiano gore re itse gore mo go tsone tse, tsa go rotloetsa tshenyetso-setšhaba, ga go na le fa e le yo mongwefela mo Palamenteng wa Domkrag yo o di ganeditse.

*So, President Masisi on corruption and questionable appointments; maBDP ba dumalana le rona gore he is guilty as charged.* Ga a na botswelo mo dikgannyeng tse re di mo lebagantseng. Ke sone se o bonang go siiwa, go ragaragetswa ka dikgang tse dingwe. Ga a na botswelo. *He cannot be discharged in this charge.* O tlaa baya fela mo goreng *the hooligans who freed the South African President from a Motion of No Confidence*, gongwe ba ka tla kwano le bone ba tla go mo falotsa. Ke yone fela tshupo ya gagwe mo nakong ya gompiano.

*Charge number four* e re mo e lebisitseng ke dikgang tsa kwa *Judiciary*; ke batla go boelela ka gore fa o bua ka yone, batho ba o sa solofeleng jaaka Dr Kwape gore ba ka bua jaaka *Honourable Healy*, ba tlaabo ba re nnyaa, o tlhapatsa *Judge*. *Our point is this one; there is a culture*, go na le tsamaiso e e leng teng, e e amogelesegileng ya gore *Judges and Chief Justice are appointed* jang.

Ke supile gore Tautona Quett Masire golo a go letseng, *appointed Rre Mokama* e le *the most senior and qualified attorney in Botswana*. Rre Mogae *appointed Rre Julian Nganunu*. *Again*, e le ene gape a gaisang mongwe le mongwe ka *experience* ya kwa *Judiciary*. Rre Khama *appointed Rre Dibotelo*, yo le ene gape e ne e le *the most experienced Judge in the country*. Ke mang wa Domkrag yo gompiano a ka emang fa pele ga rona a mo raya a re, Tautona Masisi, mabaka a gore ngwao e, e sa salwa morago ke eng? Ke eng *Judge Tafa, the most experienced Judge* kwa *High Court*, a ka se ka a nna *Chief Justice*? Ke ofe gone fa yo o ka emelelang mo Palamenteng ya Botswana a re raya a re, o na le mabaka a gore kwa *Court of Appeal, the most experienced Judge* e leng *Justice Lesetedi*, a ka se ka a nna *the head of the Court of Appeal*? Ga re bolelelwe mabaka.

Dilo tse di diragalang, di supa gore Tautona yo, o tsentsa lesukuro mo tsamaisong ya Boatlhodi mo lefatsheng la Botswana. *Judges* ga ba sa tlhole ba itse gore, gore o tswelele pele ke o dire jang. O a itse gore nako le nako fa go tswa Ramasole, go tsena mongwe wa bagolwane, yo ba mo salang morago ka *experience* le maemo. Ga e ka ke ya re go tswa Ramasole, re bo re utlwa gotwe Tautona jaanong o tsere a *private* o mo dirile Ramasole, re tshwanetse re gakgamale. Jaanong o re gakgamaditse.

Ke a itse gore fa gotwe le roga *Judge*, boHonourable Kwape ga se gore ga ba utlwe. Ke gore Domkrag e tsere tshwetso ya gore fa re ka nna re re ba roga bosemangmang, Motswana o tlaa tshwenngwa ke tsone tseo. Ga go na sepe sa gore re roga ope ka se re se buang. Re bua fela gore yo, o re bontsha gore o tsamaisa jang.

*Mismanagement* e ne e le *charge number five*; e le yone maDomkrag ba sa e arabelang mo letsatsing la gompiano. *Number 5* e ne e re, mo mathateng a re leng mo go one, a dikgato tse Tautona a di tsereng, a di supa fa a le mo taolong? A re ka mo tshepha ka tsamaiso ya gagwe ka fa tlase ga mathata a re leng mo go one? Le yone e, ga go na ope wa Domkrag yo o ganeditse se re se buileng. Mongwe le mongwe o a itse gore *in the time of crisis*, fa o batla go ntsha Tona yo o eteleletseng pele, fa e le gore le mo ntweng, ga o ka ke wa re, *Commander*, tswaya ke tsenye yo mongwe go sena mabaka a a patikang. Ga go na ope yo o itseng gore Dr Kwape o ne a ntshetswa eng? Ga go na ope yo o itseng gore boPermanent Secretary (PS) ba ne ba ntshetswa eng kwa *Health*? BoDeputy PS ba ne ba ntshetswa eng kwa *Health* ba itebagantse le mogare? Ba bangwe ba ntshiwa, go tswa foo ba boa ba hiriwa. Ke gore ke ka go koba, ke ka go busetsa. Matona a Domkrag ba re, “ee, o na le dithata.” Ga o ka ke wa tsaya fela gore ka o filwe dithata tse di kana ka tlou, o tsamaya o thula sengwe le sengwe, go bo gotwe “ke eng o dirile jalo,” o bo o re, “ke na le dithata.” *As a leader*, o tshwanetse wa arabela gore, bagaetsho, ke a itse gore golo mo ga go a tlwaelesega, mme ke patelesega go go dira ka mabaka a a latelang.

Gompiano jaana re mo go *Director of Health Services* wa boraro e sale COVID e tsena. O kgona go bona gore ke thibang diphotlha ditshwetso tsa ga Tautona. Ke ga go gotsa *programme* ya bogologolo ya ‘Thibang Diphotlha.’ Le gone kwa *Finance*, re ne re dumalana gore Dr Matsheka ke ene wa ntlha wa seemo se re nang le seriti sa go tlhaloganya itsholelo ka fa e tsamayang ka teng. Fa e re re le fa tlase ga mathata a a ntseng jaana, a bo o re ke a panolola ke pana yo mongwe, ba bangwe ba bo ba re, a re letseng mogolokwane fela ka go tsentswe mme. Re feng mabaka a gore go ne go patika eng gore *in the middle of a financial crisis*, go bo go ka tse ke a ntsha, ke tsenya yo mongwe?

Dikgato tse o a di bona le wena *Mr Speaker*. Ke tsone dikgato tse di neng di gatiwa ke Tautona yo ke neng ka bua ka ene wa kwa Nkandla. Rre Masisi o gata mo dikgatong tsa gagwe letsatsi le penne. Batho ba re, re letse megolokwane, re re nnyaa, o na le dithata. Mma re mo akgolele gore Batswana ga ba a swa, ba sule ka





dipalo tse di bokete. Ke ne ke supa fa ke tlisa *Motion* gore tshwantshanya Botswana fa o tsaya *the load* ya *population, out of each 1 million* ya batho ba ba busiwang ke Tautona Masisi go sule bokae. Mo Botswana re supa gore *out of every million*, go sule a 1000 *at the time I presented a Motion, 2400 deaths versus a population of 2.4 million*. So, *for every million*, Puso ya ga Rre Masisi e epile mabitla a le 1000. Mo tshwantshanye le boTautona ba bangwe; kwa Zimbabwe, *for every million*, mabitla a 324. Batho ba bo ba re, a re galaletseng wa dintsho tse di 1000. Fa o ya kwa Nigeria, *for every one million*, go ne go swa batho ba le 15. A bo o utlwa gotwe kwa Botswana kwa go swang a 1000, batho ba re a opelwe diatla, o re bolokile. O re bolaile. Fa gare ga mathata a re leng mo go one, a bo Tautona a bona gore ke ka tsaya P58 *million, oxygen* e tlhela, malao a seyo a *intensive care*, go reka polase ya tsala ya me kwa Gantsi. Tautona a tsaya tshwetso ya go reka *armoured vehicles*. A batla dikoloi tse di ralalang fa go hulang ditlhobolo teng di le tharo, a bo a baya monwana. Batho ba a swa ba sena dipilisi, ba sena melemo.

Tautona yo, ka fa go ntseng ka teng gompiano, a bo a tsaya tshwetso ya gore o batla go agelwa lefelo le a ka iphokisang phefo kwa go lone kwa Okavango Delta le ditsala tsa gagwe tsa bahumi, bana ba sena dibuka kwa dikoleng. Metse e mengwe e sena metsi a ba a nwang. Dikgato tsa ga Tautona yo, bosupi botlhe re bo beile pele. Ga go na ope wa *party* ya Domkrag yo o bo ganeditse. Fa e le sengwe, ba batla di sele, tsa Tautona yo o fetileng. Le tswe mo babalaseng ya tse di fetileng. *Our future depends on what happens today*. Tsenang mo goreng Tautona wa gompiano o dira eng tse di fatlhang, tse di senyang tsamaiso ya lefatshe la Botswana.

Go na le e e ntseng e tsositse tlhatlharuane, ya gore boTona ba ba tsennwang mo maemong ba na le dikgang tse di sa ba siamelang. Mothusi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, re a itse gore o tsamaile ka gore *party* e a neng a le kwa go yone ya Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC), re ne re tsere tshwetso ya gore, ka o madi diatleng, ka o lebile ditsheko tsa go gataka dinao ditshwanelo tsa bana, nama o emetse fa thoko. O tle o bone, ba ba batlang ba ba madi diatleng, ba bo ba mo tabogela gore tla kwano, e bile ka mathata a o nang le one a, fa re go leba jaana, re bona o ka tsamaisa dipuisano tsa Palamente.

Ke tlaa go tlogela fa ga ke fetsa *Mr Speaker*, ka *judgement* e go ntseng go ikgagolakwa go ntse gotwe ga go na *court* e e kileng ya dira jalo. Mme Anna Mokgethi o ne a teilwe gotwe a tlhokomele dithoto tsa bana. Boswa

jwa bana bo a pala go abiwa ka gore lekgotla la re Mme Anna Mokgethi, ga a kgone go tla go arabela gore o ntse a dira eng ka bone.

**MINISTER OF NATIONALITY, IMMIGRATION AND GENDER AFFAIRS (MS MOKGETHI):** Point of procedure.

**MR SALESHANDO:** Ke e, ke tlaa e tlogela fa, ga se mo gotweng bosupi bo kae. Ke tlaa e baya pele, *but if it is procedure, I will yield*.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, *ke na le lekwalo le le kwadilweng* ke Master of the High Court. *Le le kwadilweng bofelo jwa 2016, a nthaya a re*, “now that the case has come from the Court of Appeal, that the matter should proceed to trial, you should not distribute the estate. You should not distribute the assets of the estate.”

*Ke na le lekwalo le le tswang* from the Master of the High Court, *le ne le re*, “you must not distribute the assets. The assets of the estate cannot be distributed because there is still a pending case before the High Court, in which the will was being defended or challenged.” So, there was no estate which I was supposed to distribute. I just want to make that point clear *gore ke tshotse lekwalo la teng* and Honourable Saleshando *ga a bue boammaaruri*. He is misrepresenting the facts as they were. The estate is still intact. The Court of Appeal in August this year ordered me to ...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Mr Speaker*, a ko o tswelele.

**MS MOKGETHI:** No! No! No! We are going to correct this record because we are talking about a purely civil case in which I have been ordered to account and been given time to account and I have accounted. So, let us not misrepresent the facts and make it look like I have done something wrong according to the law. The Court of Appeal *ga e a bua gore ke dirile sepe se se molato*. Judgement *e e neng e nopolwa* ke Gobotswang, conclusion *e ne e le gore* as per Nthomiwa’s judgement, you must account within 30 days and I have done that. There was no estate which I failed to distribute. Thank you Mr Speaker.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Leader of the Opposition (LOO), ke eng o sa re fe *chance* ya go botsa dipotso?

**MR SALESHANDO:** *Mr Speaker*, *ka fa a buang ka teng, a re* that was 2016. Listen to what the Court of Appeal said it now, five years later. Paragraph 4 in the



judgment *ya re*, “it is clear from the record before us that the appellant...” appellant *ke Mme Annah Mokgethi*, “it is clear from the record before us as the Court of Appeal that Annah Mokgethi has fought tooth and nail to resist both the possible nullification of the will and the provision of a full accounting of her stewardship of the estate.” *Lekgotla la re go mo mpepeneng gore fa gotwe tla o arabele boswa o sia a bo a sia. Le Issac Makwala ga a tseye sepe mo go iseng ga gagwe fa gotwe tla o account.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Further point of procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** I normally ignore interruptions which are unnecessary.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Further point of procedure.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Mokgethi, I ignore interruptions which are unnecessary. If the Honourable Member holding the floor is dealing with the point which you raised, you cannot go and procedure him again.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, he is misrepresenting the fact that I failed to distribute ...

**MR SPEAKER:** No! you had your time. We cannot run Parliament that way!

**MS MOKGETHI:** I was not supposed to distribute the assets.

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

**MR SALESHANDO:** Re bua dikgang tsa go mojaboswa jwa beng jwa bana. Le fa o kare e tlaa tsosa tlhatlharuane, ke a itse gore ke na le tshwanelo ya gore ke le LOO, fa ke batla, ke ka tla go dira *statements* ka dikgang tsa mofuta one o tse di fa pele ga setšhaba. Ke tlaa e tliša Mme Mokgethi, ipakanyane o neele bana boswa jwa bone, ba eme ka wena.

Pheletsong ya me ke go bua fela kgang e, mo dikgannyeng tse ke di beileng pele...

**MS MOKGETHI:** There is no distribution of assets...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Mokgethi, I heard some of your points...

**MS MOKGETHI:** *Ke kopa protection ya gago Mr Speaker, because Honourable LOO ga a bue boammaaruri.* There is still appending case before court.

I am not allowed to distribute the assets because there is still a pending case where the will is being challenged. I am not supposed to distribute any assets. I want to make it very clear and I want your protection Mr Speaker, there is no court which said I must distribute the assets of the deceased.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Motho yo o a siasia.

**MS MOKGETHI:** The case which is pending before court is that ...(Interruptions)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Gatwe o a sia fa gotwe...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** You fought tooth and nail.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** LOO, ke eng o gana re go botsa dipotso?

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Mokgethi, all that LOO has done was to read the judgement...

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, *a re ke neele bana ba moswi dithoto tsa bone* and I am saying there is no Court Order which said I must distribute the assets of the deceased. I am correcting that Mr Speaker, and I want protection or the truth that this House must be used to tell the truth and not misrepresent and mislead this House and public. I was not ...(Interruptions)... to distribute any assets and the assets are not distributable yet.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A ko o e bale gape LOO. O kare ga utlwa fale fa o re o a siasia.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Dumelang, ke eng o gana go re fa *chance* ya go go botsa dipotso?

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister, all that the LOO has done here was to read the judgment.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga gona *chance* Healy.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Gakere o a ganetsa gore re ne re mo ganetsa. Jaanong re batla go mo gakolola gore re ne re mo ganetsa fa kae.

**MR SPEAKER:** You should wait for him to express his own views.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O pala fela motho wa Modimo kana.

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





**MR SPEAKER:** ... to the extent that he is reading a judgment, there is no correction.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, you must listen to the words which Honourable LOO is attributing to me. You must listen to them carefully. He is saying that *ke tsamaye ke ye go neela bana ba moswi dithoto tsa bone* and I am saying there is no Court Order which ordered me to distribute the assets of the deceased. I was not supposed to distribute any assets and he must refer to that judgement which said I must ... (Interruption)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** The court said you are fighting tooth and nail.

**MR SPEAKER:** You are very angry when he reads the judgment ... (Interruptions)... This is a recent judgement as opposed to the letter of 2016.

**MS MOKGETHI:** Mr Speaker, horn in on the words which LOO spoke. Horn in on those words that he said *gore ke tsamaye ke ye go neela bana ba moswi dithoto tsa bone*. Horn in on those words.

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Mr Speaker*, a re tswelele, ba a go dia batho ba.

**MR SPEAKER:** A re tswelele LOO.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** LOO, re kopa go go botsa dipotso.

**MR SALESHANDO:** Ke batla go digela ka go bua jaana, re ntshitse mabaka a gore Tautona Mokgweetsi Masisi o dirisa botautona go ikhumisa, bosupi bo teng. O dirisa maemo a gagwe go iphuthela dithoto le tse e leng tsa Puso, go fa masika le ditsala tsa gagwe *tenders*, go dirisa makgotla a Puso kgatlhanong le ba ba sa dumelanang le ene ba sepolotiki. O rotloetsa tshenyetso-setšhaba ka fa a tsamaisang ka teng. O koafatsa maiteko otlhe a go lwantlha tshenyetso-setšhaba. Le gone kwa boatlhoding, o tsentse letsogo ka tsela e e gaggamaditseng ba le bantsi go se na dikarbo. Mo COVID, diphithlo di nnile dintsi ka lebaka la tsamaiso ya gagwe. Ke ka moo mo letsatsing la gompiano ke ntshang *Motion that I move gore the National Assembly of Botswana in accordance with Section 92 of the Constitution of Botswana declares that it has no confidence in the Government of Botswana*. Bosupi bo teng, ga bo a ganediwa. *Let us now wait to see if the hooligans who freed the South African President against the Motion of no confidence* ba teng gape mo Botswana. *I move accordingly*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Where are those hooligans you were leading on Friday? *Gakere* you were leading hooligans on Friday.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** ... that National Assembly of Botswana in accordance with Section 92 of the Constitution of Botswana declares that they do not have in the Government of Botswana.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Dumelang, you were leading a group of hooligans on Friday, those are the hooligans you should be concerned about.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** *On a point of procedure before voting. Mr Speaker*, ke ne ke re a o ka se ke o dire gore *this voting e nne secret ballot ka gore ba bangwe* ...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** People must know how we voted.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Ke waste of time Mr Speaker*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Re tlhophilwe ke batho *in public*, re tshwanetse gore re bontshe batho gore re tlhopha jang.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke batla go tlhopha ke bonwa, ga ke tlhophela mo sephiring.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga re iphitlhe gore re maDomkrag.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, Honourable Keorapetse was expressing his view.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Yes, I am expressing my view...

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ao batho!

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Le a tlhodia...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** ... (Inaudible)...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, I have absolutely ... (inaudible)... of allowing elected members of this House to go and vote in secret. It is really against my Constitution unless I am forced to follow some procedure laid down by the Constitution or the Orders, I



will not take that position. Those who agree with this will say, “aye,” those who do not agree will say “no” or “nay.” Now to avoid delays we are going to call names and Honourable Members will answer in that fashion.

**CLERK:**

MEMBER	AYE	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
His Excellency Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi		√		
Hon. Autlwetse		√		
Hon. Balopi		√		
Hon. Boko	√			
Hon. Brooks		√		
Hon. Billy		√		
Hon. Dr Dikoloti		√		
Hon. Dr Dow		√		
Hon. Gare		√		
Hon. Dr Gobotswang	√			
Hon. Greeff		√		
Hon. Hikuama	√			
Hon Kablay		√		
Hon. Kapinga	√			
Hon. Kekgonegile	√			
Hon. Keorapetse	√			
Hon. Kereng		√		
Hon. Kgafela		√		
Hon. Khama	√			
Hon. Dr Kwape		√		
Hon. Lesedi	√			
Hon. Lelatisitswe		√		
Hon. Lesaso		√		
Hon. Dr Letsholathebe		√		
Hon. Letsholo		√		
Hon. Leuwe		√		
Hon. Lucas	√			
Hon. Majaga		√		
Hon. Makwinja		√		
Hon. Manake		√		
Hon. Mangwegape-Healy		√		
Hon. Mathoothe	√			
Hon. Dr Matsheka		√		
Hon. Mmolotsi	√			
Hon. Mmusi		√		
Hon. Moabi				
Hon. Moagi		√		
Hon. Moatlhodi		√		
Hon. Modukanele		√		

**MR SPEAKER:** Apparently there is an Honourable Member who has a problem of connecting. If any member should have such a problem, please go to your neighbour and ask if you can show your face and vote. I understand Honourable Moabi has such a problem. Clerks claim they saw him earlier on, but they cannot see him now. Honourable Moabi wherever you are go to your neighbour.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Mr Speaker, ne a re o kwa Palapye he is connecting ka phone. Jaanong o sale a kopile gore ba mo admit kwa.*



**MR SPEAKER:** Kwa Palapye?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A a ye to connect at the office ya Palapye, re tla mo thusa.

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Re tla mmoela *Mr Speaker* a re tswelele. Re tlaa ba boela kwa morago ba ba nang le mathatanyana.

MEMBER	AYE	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Hon. Mokgethi		√		
Hon. Molale		√		
Hon. Molao		√		
Hon. Molebatsi		√		
Hon. Monnakgotla		√		
Hon. Morwaeng		√		
Hon. Moswaane	√			
Hon. Motaosane		√		
Hon. Motsamai	√			
Hon. Mthimkhulu		√		
Hon. Mzwini		√		
Hon. Nkawana	√			
Hon. Pule		√		
Hon. Rakgare		√		
Hon. Ramogapi	√			
Hon. Reatile	√			
Hon. Regoeng		√		
Hon. Saleshando	√			
Hon. Segokgo		√		
Hon. Serame		√		
Hon. Shamukuni		√		
Hon. Thiite		√		
Hon. Dr Tshabang	√			
Hon. Tshere	√			
His Honour Tsogwane		√		
Hon. Moabi		√		

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the results of your voting; No abstention, the “Ayes 19”, the “Noes 45”. The “Noes” have it.

Question put and **negated**.

## RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

### Motion

#### (Resumed Debate)

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, it is time to call upon the Leader of the House to respond to the Motion. Leader of the House, it is time for you to react to the debate.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mr Speaker, on a point of procedure before he responds.

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes Mr Saleshando.

**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR SALESHANDO):** *On a point of procedure. Thank you Mr Speaker. When debating this State of the Nation (SONA), Honourable Healy made a statement e Speaker a neng a re a tle*





a tlise bosupi jwa teng *at a later date*. I think this is the time gore a tlise bosupi jo a neng a bua a re *some in the opposition* ba ne ba re ga gona COVID-19. They denied the existence of COVID-19. Go bo gotwe o tlaa tla a tlisa kgang ya teng. Ke tsaya gore fa *Leader of the House* a fetsa re a tlhophla, *this may be the right time* gore either a tlise bosupi joo jwa gore bangwe kwa *opposition* ba ne ba re ga gona COVID-19, *or he must withdraw before* go tswalwa debate. Thank you.

**MR SPEAKER:** Logically, you are absolutely right because once the Leader of the House responds, that will be the end of this matter. Honourable Healy.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Correction Mr Speaker.

**HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE):** Correction. Ke utlwa *Leader of the Opposition* (LOO) a re o buiswa jalo ke gore fa go fetswa re a tlhophla. Ga ke itse gore a jaanong *vote* e santse e dirisiwa mo go sengwe le sengwe fela, le mo go sa tlhophiweng gatwe go a tlhophiwa.

**MR SPEAKER:** I do not understand.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ka re ke ne ke utlwa LOO a re fa ke fetsa *to respond* ba a tlhophla, ga ke itse gore ba tlhophelang. Ke batla gore ke nne *clear*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Vice President (VP), *ba tlhophela* the Motion you are responding to; the debate...

**MR TSOGWANE:** O a tlhophelwa?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ee.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O lebetse.

**MR SPEAKER:** ...*(Inaudible)*... a Motion here VP o ke neng ke o bala gone jaanong...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** ...National Assembly of Botswana here assembled...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go ka nna le *Motion* o bo o sa tlhophelwe?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa, Kekgonegile a kere le Never ga a itse gore *writ of election* mosola wa teng ke eng, *so*...

**MR SPEAKER:** ...we the National Assembly of Botswana here assembled respond to the President's Speech. That is what we respond to.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, I have long even on the day said that I could forward the evidence but the Speaker who was on the floor on the date had called for the Hansard, so I am yet to be given that Hansard to point out because I have said, I would forward a video to that effect. So I am still prepared to do that sir.

**MR SALESHANDO:** Further procedure Mr Speaker. It was for him to get a copy of the Hansard *ka gore a re go builwe mo Palamenteng, e seng gore a re bangwe ba ye go e mmatlela*, he...

**MR MAGWEGAPE-HEALY:** No, I am telling you what the Speaker said, not what I said.

**MR SALESHANDO:** ...or he withdraws, simple as that.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Healy, ke go romelele Hansard ya teng?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Ee, romela *honourable*.

**MR SPEAKER:** You mean the Speaker took it upon himself to produce the Hansard, and you waited until Parliament sat without knowing whether or not the Speaker had acquired the Hansard?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** No, it was not for me sir because I had told him there is evidence that I had, so I am still prepared to produce that evidence even now.

**MR SPEAKER:** Wa re ke eng yone *evidence* ya gago?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** It is the video clip from the sitting *ya Palamente*.

**MR SPEAKER:** A video clip from the sitting *ya Palamente*?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Ee rra.

**MR SPEAKER:** E e supang gore mongwe o ne a re...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ...*video* a bua mafoko ao.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ee rra.

**MR SALESHANDO:** *O rile* 'some' not one, so he has to produce evidence with regard to some...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** No, I am not going to go into semantics of 's' and minus, he is a member of the opposition, so I was giving an example of that particular



individual and I called him by name. I am not going to speak to whether there is an 's' at the end of what I said.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, I am not sure that we have ever done this before, so let us think hard, what could be wrong in the Honourable Member producing a clip ...(Inaudible)...created by himself, so that we cannot even recognise the member who is allegedly making the pronouncement *e tlaabo e se e e siameng ka mabaka afe*, just thinking aloud. Honourable Ambassador Kapinga and Honourable Leuwe... (Interruptions)...I was saying Honourable Ambassador Kapinga and Honourable Leuwe...

**MR KAPINGA:** Yes sir.

**MR SPEAKER:** ...just tap your heads and see whether we could be duped with somebody producing something which is not authentic.

**MR KAPINGA:** There is somebody who is screaming at the back Mr Speaker, but my position is that we know, each other's voice very well, and if he plays a clip we will be able to determine or detect whose voice it is. So I have no fear of him producing that sound clip Mr Speaker, personally, I do not...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Go na le* photo shops, they can ...(Interruptions)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga go a bidiwa wena ntate iketle pele, re batla go utlwa *video clip* eo.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Leuwe.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Mr Speaker, if I had been advised that there was an issue with the video clip, I would definitely have highlighted the particular statement on the Hansard, but on the day when I said this, nobody challenged the issue of bringing a video, otherwise I would have been adequately prepared sir.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Healy, ke go e romeletse.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** The video is perfectly okay, it is evidence ...(Interruptions)... if somebody speaks on the video, it is evidence, we have evidence...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Correction Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** A kere le a bona gore ke ne ke bitsa bomang? *Produce the clip* Honourable Healy.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ...(Plays video clip)... "I think there is no Corona *mo* Botswana..."

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Ke eo* evidence Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Mma re bone le tlaa tshega morago ga moo.*

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ..."*simolole* to ease, there is no Corona *mo* ...(Interruptions)..."

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Yes Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** Continue the clip Honourable Healy.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Yes. "...*le yone ka* lockdown, *le simolole* to ease. I think there is no corona *mo* Botswana..."

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Ke eo* clip Mr Speaker. *Ke* Honourable Tshabang denying the existence of COVID as I said that members of the opposition had denied the existence of COVID for political expediency. Dr Tshabang, *ke yoo o a ganela*. Honourable Saleshando, are you still disputing...(Inaudible)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** We need a full clip, *golo mo o*...(Inaudible)... one point, "there is no Corona in my area."

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** E ne e ise e goroge kwa go ene akere.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** *Point of procedure.* Ee, ke ne ke re *procedure Mr Speaker*, kana o kare re tlaa tshameka ka nako ya...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ...(Plays the video clip)... "*simolole* to ease. I think there is no corona *mo* Botswana..."

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Kana jaanong Healy o a tlhodia.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ga a tlhodie, o batla gore le wena o utlwe, o tlhomamise gore yole ke *Honourable*...

**MR RAMOGAPI:** That is why *ke ne ke re* procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes ...(Inaudible)... upon you to tell us what is against the procedure.

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



**MR RAMOGAPI:** A a time golo mo ga gagwe ke tlhalose *procedure*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Tlhalosa morena.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** *Procedure* e ke e buang *Mr Speaker*, ke gore...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** ...(Plays the video clip)... "*simolole* to ease. I think there is no corona mo Botswana..."

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Healy, a ko o time o a re tlhodia.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Healy...

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Yes sir

**MR SPEAKER:** ...(Inaudible)... out of order! Enough of the clip.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Okay sir, I wanted to satisfy you.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** *Mr Speaker*, *ruling* e e duleng ka *Speaker* yo o neng a le teng, e ne e tlhamaletse fela e re a Healy a ye go tsaya Hansard, *not a clip*. A bo a tlhalosa a re nnyaa, kana fa go ka twe *clip* kamoso go tlaa tloga gotwe ke e reetse ke le nosi, go bo go latofadiwa dikgang tseo. Jaanong a a ye go tsaya Hansard e go neng go buiwa jalo mafoko ao, a a reng a builwe mo Palamenteng. Jaanong fa e le gore a builwe mo Palamenteng, *evidence* ya rona mo Palamenteng ke Hansard, *not clips*, ka gore *clip can be doctored*, jaaka gompiano ba batla go dira jaana *doctoring it*, ba nopola fela fa motho a neng a bua teng, ba sa bue *sentence* yotlhe. *Ruling Mr Speaker*, e ne e le...(Interruptions)...jaanong ka jalo, ga go ise go bo gotwe a tle ka *clip*, go tilwe a tseye Hansard.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Bosupi.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Bosupi jwa rona mo Palamenteng e *Mr Speaker*, ke Hansard.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Ramogapi, I am satisfied and Honourable Healy has produced evidence backing up what Honourable my cousin Dr Tshabang said on that clip. Whether it was out of the House, Dr Tshabang said so.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Thank you Mr Speaker, the case has rested.

**MR KAPINGA:** Point of procedure. Yes sir, we have listened to the clip and we have heard the words in the clip, but does that clip address the issue that was raised

by the Leader of the Opposition (LOO)? I believe that does not address the issue that was raised by LOO. He was raising an issue that Honourable Healy was accusing some members of the opposition of saying in Parliament that there is no COVID, he has produced a clip in which only one member is audible saying so, is that evidence of members of the opposition saying that there is no COVID in Botswana...(Interruptions)...

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

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** The operative word is "some" Honourable Kapinga, and that some is Dr Tshabang amongst others.

**MR KAPINGA:** I am waiting for the Speaker to rule, not you Healy.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Gakere *you are referring to me*, jaanong ke ne ke arabela kwa pele.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** I have just ruled that, that clip covers some.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure Mr Speaker.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Dums o tlaa direla Tshabang mathata, o ne a lebetse gore o ne a re ga gona COVID-19.

**MR SPEAKER:** Procedure.

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Procedure. Mr Speaker*, kana Dr Tshabang fa a bua *in that tape* a re, go tshwanetse gore go repisiwe (*ease*), ka gore go lebega go santse go sena... "*I think there is no Corona in Botswana*". A mme nako ya teng, e ne e ntse e le teng yone Corona?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** That is a different matter altogether.

**MR HIKUAMA:** Nako e a neng a bua ka yone, kana se a se buang ke gore...

**MR SPEAKER:** You know what we have Honourable Hikuama...(Interruptions)...

**MR HIKUAMA:** A mme yone e ne e le teng?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** E ne e le teng...

**MR SPEAKER:** ...(Inaudible)... o ne a sa bue ka lefatshe le, ga ke itse gore o ne a bua ka lefatshe le feng...(Inaudible)... *between Gaborone, Maitengwe and Mapoka, that is it.*





**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O tlaa re tlabisa ditlhong rona barutabana Hikuama, *comprehension*.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** Ambassador Kapinga, here is another one...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke wena o tlabisang ditlhong fa o bua gore ga re a tshwanela go gagamatsa ka gore Corona e santse e ise e tle mo Botswana.

**MR SPEAKER:** Barena, le rile Moeteledipele wa Ntlo a le arabe, ga ke itse gore jaanong le batla eng?

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Kgang e fedile* Mr Speaker, Dr Tshabang said there is no COVID-19... (Inaudible)... some Member of the Opposition.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ga e bolo go fela.* Honourable Leader of the House.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Nnyaa*, the clip is doctored Mr Speaker, *re a itse gore...*

**MR SPEAKER:** Yes, go and prove that...

**MR RAMOGAPI:** Re na le *clip* e e *full* e e buang ka Never Tshabang...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** ... (Inaudible)... Honourable Ramogapi, *tswa mo go* Dr and let us proceed.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Le *clip* ya teng e tshameka thata kwa Nkange jaana.

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):** Tlaa ke tseye sebaka se ke dumeditse Batswana, Batlotlegi Mapalamente le wena *Mr Speaker* ka namana. Ke kope jaana *Mr Speaker right from the beginning* gore, ke rwele dithoro tse pedi, ke bua ke le *Leader of Government* mo Palamenteng, mme gape ke bua ke le Mopalamente yo o tlhophilweng. Ke sone se ke neng ke ipotsa gore, fa go tla go tlhophiwa go tlhophelwa le dikgang tsa me tsa bo Palamente jwa gore ke Mopalamente, *while I respond to State of the Nation Address (SONA)*. Ke kopa gore kwa bofelong *Mr Speaker*, ke tle ke fe pego e khutshwanyane tse di amang kgaolo ka teme e ba tlaa e utlwanng ka se ke se tlaa se buang gompiano ke tlaabo ke se buisa ka teme ya Sejatlhapi, o tle o ntetle kwa bofelong *Mr Speaker*.

Ke tsaya sebaka se *Mr Speaker* ke supe pele ga ke simolola puo gore, ke kopa maitshwarelo kwa Batswaneng, ka se ba se bonang mo *television* ya bone ya setšhaba, e le matlhabisaditlhong ka boitsholo jwa rona re le Mapalamente mo Palamenteng ya setšhaba,

ka fa re buisanyang ka teng go sa supe tlotlo, setho sa rona sa Setswana le fa e le Palamente tota ya Botswana. Bangwe ba simolotse go tima di *television* tsa bone fa Palamente e tsena, mme ke kopa maitshwarelo kwa setšhabeng. Ke a itse gore mo nakong e e fetileng fa go tlaa emisiwa dikgang tsa Palamente, go ne go diragala tsone dikgang tse di batlileng go tshwana le tse. Dikgang tsa Palamente tsa emisiwa, batho ba utlwa botlhoko thata, Mapalamente ba ikuela mme ga di ise di bo di busediwe. Jaanong go tsile *television*, go diragala dikgang tse di botlhoko, tse di tlabisang ditlhong.

Ka mafoko a a kalo *Mr Speaker*, ntetle mo nakong e ke boele kwa mogopolong wa go araba dikgang tse batlotlegi ba di buileng. Tota dikgang tsa bone ga di dintsi, ke kgang e le nngwefela fela ya go kgala le go nyatsa. Fela ga gona sepe se se ntsi se motho a tlaabong a ka itebaganya le sone mo go ba ba ganetsang. Go itshupile fela gore baganetsi ba bua se ka dinako tsotlhe, ba nnang ba se bua.

Mr Speaker, it is indeed an honour for me to also add my voice in response to His Excellency Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, the President of the Republic of Botswana's 2021 SONA. Let me with confidence state that we are led by His Excellency Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi. Under his leadership we made pledges and promises to address challenges faced by the nation, and we are committed to implement them with the same determination and vigour of the time we made them. It is however important to emphasise and acknowledge to the nation and most importantly to our colleagues on the other side of the aisle that some of the pledges made will not be achieved overnight, as by their nature require time to be fully implemented. Through His Excellency Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi's leadership, there is hope in the midst of the many challenges and this was demonstrated in his SONA.

I must also Mr Speaker, of course hasten to indicate before I go into my submission, that I come here on the vote of the people of Boteti West Constituency, therefore stand on their behalf as well as on behalf of the rest of the people of Botswana who saw value in us being the Government of choice.

Mr Speaker, like I always say, coming at the end of the deliberation is a disadvantage in that one runs the risk of forever prefixing his or her debates by "like it has been said"; or "I concur" or even borrowing from my colleagues on the other side of aisle the adage "comrade is always right." It however also gives one an advantage in that you reflect and interrogate submissions to meaningfully respond.



As an immediate take-off though, I need to underscore the fact that as was to be expected, our colleagues in the opposition often choose to oppose, not because there is anything to oppose, but because they are in the opposition. And they did just that, with totally very little value addition.

Mr Speaker, even with their general behaviour, the bulk of their time is often on character assassination, than on issues of national significance and development issues, it is usually a tall order to request focus on the latter. You may even recall; I once expressed my hope that, the 12<sup>th</sup> Parliament would be more sober and mature, so that focus could be on national priorities. *Owail!* Mr Speaker, I might have been whistling in a graveyard.

This year's SONA Mr Speaker, was again wonderfully and meticulously presented both in spectra and details on issues. However, when you listen to the submissions from the opposition, all you hear is what sounds like flippant, bitterness and rage.

The SONA basically talked to all; citizens and residents, young and old, men and women, investors and potential investors, formal and informal sector participants, farmers, and potential farmers as well as addressing the marginalised and topical issues like Gender Based Violence (GBV). The SONA accounted for the promises made, successes and challenges with the necessary details particularly on key projects.

This year's SONA showed the resilience that we maintained as the ruling party and Government of the day.

Faced with the scourge of COVID-19, suppressed markets, constraints in the international logistics and low sales of diamonds, we never at any point, as Government of the day stopped and cried over the mammoth beast that was before us. We did our best to lead with focus and precision, the end game of it all being improved service delivery and provision of amenities to the people of this country. Change Mr Speaker is a constant, in life everyone wants to change, change for the better.

Mr Speaker, I will buttress that during the peak of COVID-19, we came up with the Reset Agenda. Priority number one being to save the lives of Batswana from this monster pandemic that COVID-19 is. It is without doubt that despite challenges that we encountered, some of which had to do with the more developed countries hogging all the available medical supplies,

more Batswana would have been saved and continue to access necessary treatment. We persevered and will persevere because we are still in the middle of the pandemic. So, it is not like as alluded by my friend, the Leader of the Opposition (LOO), that there are many graves, comparing that with other countries. COVID is not about competition Mr Speaker, it is about what you do to a save life. It is not a competition game. I must remind him.

At home we faced the opposition parties with true devotion, and today as I stand before you, we have led the battle and to date, the statistics are telling the story before our very own eyes. We are the first country in Africa to surpass the 10 per cent target set for end of September 2021. We are at par with the European and other developed countries with more doses trickling into the country. Since the beginning of December, we have received 876 500 doses of Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson (J&J).

It is through the support of the people of Botswana, private sector, Business Botswana, religious bodies, bilateral and multilateral entities like the Government of India, Germany, United States of America (USA), China and United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), that we have been fully able to attain the milestones we set in the fight against COVID-19. We wish to extend further thanks to Mr Strive Masiyiwa, who continues to stand with us by facilitating vaccine deliveries through the African Vaccine Acquisition Trust (AVAT) platform.

### Gender Based Violence (GBV)

We have seen and felt the devastating effects of COVID-19 and typical of our Government. We fought the monster that arose from it all, Gender Based Violence (GBV). We set up the structures aimed at fighting GBV. The Opposition parties called it a pandemic, *mongwe wa bone ke* Honourable Wynter Mmolotsi. We acknowledged it as a challenge rather, and we still aver that it is not a pandemic.

To address the recent upsurge of GBV cases, the Honourable Chief Justice on the 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 issued Practice Directive Number 9 of 2020, pursuant to Regulation 30B of The Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Amendment No.2 Regulations 2020, establishing special courts dedicated to GBV cases in all Chief Magistrate stations across the country. We thank him.



**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification!

**MR TSOGWANE:** I will not take any clarifications, I have got a long way to go.

A Gender-Based Violence Toll-free number (0800 600 144) was introduced in April 2020 by the Botswana Police Service (BPS). The Administration of Justice (AoJ) has therefore since December 2020 established 10 GBV Courts. A dedicated unit has been set up in most police stations to address the issues related to GBV. I must thank our First Lady, *Mma* Atsile, for leading the fight against GBV.

**Leadership and Governance**

Before I demystify some of the common misconceptions that were made by the LOO and a few other detractors, let me share that it was during the last Parliament that we passed 19 Bills, 60 per cent approval on Government Motions or Resolutions. Of all the Questions asked in Parliament, we have 87 per cent response rate.

During Minister's Question, we have had a 100 per cent response rate. Leader of the House Question time has a 100 per cent response rate, that is me Mr Speaker. Private Members Motions, 100 per cent success rate. This is a clear indicator of an unparalleled commitment to lead. We can clap for ourselves Honourable Members.

**Crime**

Mr Speaker, under crime, my Government has zero tolerance to any form of crime or public disorder. We have increased surveillance and to date no criminals including those wielding weapons have escaped intelligence and law enforcement agencies. We are now arresting thieves before they even implement their evil missions. The BPS continues to arrest offenders and enforce the law. Let the word go forth that no act of criminality will be tolerated in this country, not in Botswana Mr Speaker. I commend the BPS and Botswana Defence Force (BDF) for doing their job meticulously.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** We will deal with the hooligans!

**MR TSOGWANE:** ...(Laughter!)

**Tautona Lodge**

Mr Speaker, much has been said that during COVID-19, Government went and bought Tautona Lodge, which according to sceptics, should not have been prioritised. This is a non-starter Mr Speaker. We have contended several times and the opposition led by LOO have themselves never stopped to over-emphasise the value

of the infrastructure as part of the country's development agenda. They have now spun back to say acquisition of critical infrastructure is a bad thing which should be treated with contempt. Some have suggested that the price was inflated and the Minister in answering the question in Parliament put it into perspective that the factors around land and its value, no need to say more on this matter, but further explanation will be given to the nation, the Minister will soon visit Gantsi to explain this to the nation and communicate this clearly before a lot of distractions are made by those who are opposed to us.

The argument that there are several pieces of land available is akin to total ignorance of service delivery and mere politicking. To develop those pieces of land will cost more in terms of access roads, utility connections, construction of buildings and infrastructure among others. The acquisition has added significantly to the national assets and inventory for Government property.

As stipulated, for purposes of reemphasis, the land will be used for many activities, including agriculture and strengthening of security in the eastern margin of the country which has always been the least developed. We talk of food security and that asset acquisition will prove to be useful in the immediate term.

**Green Energy**

The National Energy Policy of 2021 and the integrated resource plan for electricity clearly spells out the development plan for green energy in the country to meet the country's needs for energy. A 100 megawatts (MW) solar electricity licence has been issued to Shumba Energy. Phase one of the project is expected to start in the first quarter of 2022.

Mr Speaker, BCL once operational will operate a 40 MW solar plant to meet its energy needs as opposed to the 200 MW from main grid as was in the past.

Two by 50MW solar projects in Selebi Phikwe and Jwaneng are expected to be commercially operated in 2023. Since 2017 all streetlights installed operate on solar and therefore for Leader of the Opposition to say we are not engaged in green energy is misleading Mr Speaker.





**Civil Aviation**

Mr Speaker, we must admit that Air Botswana has had its challenges. We should, however, not be in denial of the devastating effects of COVID-19. It left all the major airlines grounded, from Virgin, South African Airways, Etihad, and Qatar airlines. It is not an exaggeration to say that the COVID-19 pandemic has thrown the world into a tailspin.

Today the aviation industry requires bailouts of USD 60 billion and direct assistance from Governments. Most of the airlines were left with no option but to be sent to the junkyard. Despite the challenges that Air Botswana is faced with, they remained in business and continue to connect us to designated destinations within the country and the region. We commend them for that Mr Speaker.

Botswana has partnered with major airlines like Qatar airlines, and we are confident that had it not been for the worldwide COVID-19 travel restrictions, which were at the necessary, we could be far and we intend to pursue that path once the world resumes activity and is cleared of the scourge.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, and the people of Botswana at large, as you may be aware, the fourth wave is threatening to reverse gains that were made so far, and it is not by desire that the aviation industry finds itself burdened and not capable to perform to full scale but because of the pandemic we are still facing. Countries like Namibia tell a different story of a liquidated aviation industry. We are grateful and thankful to be still in business with the hope that the situation will improve in the near future.

The expansion of the Maun airport has been completed and LOO must understand that. It has been completed and LOO as the area Member of Parliament (MP) can attest to that as well, more so following his recent visit with His Excellency last week on the Kgotla visits. Congestion is no longer an issue and we are expecting this infrastructural improvement to stimulate growth not only in the travel and tourism sectors, but also in other areas of the economy in the region and the rest of the country.

**Job Losses**

Mr Speaker, allow me to demystify unfounded statements by the LOO that since last year several families have visited the grave side, the story he likes too much. Two weeks back, in my response to the

question by Honourable Keorapatse, I made it clear that it does not give us any joy that families have lost loved ones to the scourge of COVID-19. This Mr Speaker, is a novel disease, no known cure has been identified and it has regrettably ravaged families across the world regardless of race, status, gender, ethnicity or geographical location.

Even the most well to do nations with the best health facilities and resources were hardest hit and eluded by this novel disease. We remain in deep grief and sorrow over the loss of our loved ones whose lives we tried all we could in the circumstances is to persevere. Our frontline workers, particularly in the health sector spent sleepless nights and gave the fight their all. For that, we remain eternally grateful. It is our priority to make sure no more lives are lost to COVID-19, and we are resolute about this commitment, and you will realise Mr Speaker that recently when reports are made, it is only one or two we have lost to COVID-19 but the numbers have drastically reduced.

Mr Speaker, as I have already stated, no country has been spared. A total of 97 479 lives were lost in Southern Africa and numbers continue to surge though now in a steadier manner than during the peak of the third wave. Of that number, 2.47 per cent were Botswana. Our heartfelt condolences to all the families that have lost their loved ones and to all of us as a nation. May the souls of the departed ones rest in peace.

Mr Speaker, it is okay to be criticised, but for legislators to vehemently blame Government on the jobs lost is something that should be condemned with the disdain it deserves. 114 million people lost their jobs because of COVID-19 worldwide and Botswana was not an exception. Therefore, Mr Speaker, measures were put in place to sustain jobs, and these were in the form of COVID Relief Programmes, wage subsidies, subsidies from local development financial institutions, loans tax incentives to businesses and individuals. We remain committed to create more jobs in all key sectors such as mining, financial services, and tourism. We have prioritised development of value chains in these and other sectors of the economy to create as many jobs as possible Mr Speaker.

**Job Creation.**

It is not an exaggeration to say that the COVID-19 pandemic has thrown the whole world into a state of much disarray and disorientation. However, as a



Government... if Mr Speaker some Members can switch-off their mics because there is a lot of interference. *Ga ke itse gore ke mang, ke a kopa foo* Mr Speaker.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Le wena o lese go peleta.

**MR TSOGWANE:** I am reading my notes Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, the response to the COVID-19 pandemic be it health related, fiscal measures put in place, relief extended to companies, and social protection responses such as the food relief response can only point to the quality leadership of His Excellency the President.

As a Government, we will not be oblivious of the truth. For example, high and persistent unemployment, particularly among the youths, is one of the greatest economic challenges we face as a country. The situation has no doubt been exacerbated by COVID-19, which has crippled some key sectors of the economy. It is therefore not some new discovery by the opposition that unemployment is an issue and that because of COVID-19 some are losing jobs as the Leader of Opposition seemed to portray.

Mr Speaker, the reason Government has several programmes in place and continues to explore other avenues to address the issue of unemployment, is because we are all concerned. To this Government, it has become imperative to even assess the effectiveness of existing programmes in dealing with this challenge.

This notwithstanding Mr Speaker, we have confidence that the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP), which Parliament approved during its sitting in September 2020 as part of the Mid-Term Review of National Development Plan (NDP) 11, as implemented in the Reset Agenda will fast track initiatives that can quickly restore economic activity, propel growth, and create jobs, in the short and medium term.

### Agro Tourism

Under the ERTP, we set out to develop agricultural clusters around major dams, horticulture and poultry production areas and major food and grain and beef production. The Ministry of Environment, Natural Resources Conservation and Tourism has since put-up tenders for lodges, hotels, agro tourism and progress is sterling.

For Gaborone Dam, the process of signing leases has commenced. Shashe Dam projects and proposals are currently undergoing evaluation and opportunities

that were not tendered for will be re-advertised. The Letsibogo Master Plan has been completed and will be followed by invitations to tender. Thune Dam discussions on compensation have been concluded and will be followed by the master plan. So you could see Mr Speaker, those initiatives of trying to create jobs are underway.

We encourage Batswana, especially women and youth to form syndicates and take advantage of these opportunities to create jobs and employment. The Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) Cooperatives product, recently launched is the best product that is suitable for these initiatives within the tourism space and other special sectors, which are currently manufacturing, mining, construction, energy, technology innovations, agriculture, and creative industry.

Ongoing implementation of the recovery plan assists in addressing our three major economic challenges of unemployment, poverty, and inequality that I have alluded to earlier on. We all bear testimony to the industry support funds and others already mentioned.

Infrastructure development is a major part of the Economic Recovery and Transformation (ERTP), and this entails the construction, upgrading and repairing of major roads, particularly in the north to support trade, local tourism as well as develop Botswana as a regional transport hub.

Mr Speaker, the opening of the Kazungula Bridge is testimony to our commitment to deliver. The bridge is an enabler for trade, movement of goods, services, and people within Africa.

The Mohembo Bridge has been completed and work on the connecting roads is underway and will follow in the next financial year. The Africa Free Trade Agreement (AFTA) will be heavily facilitated through the two key pieces of infrastructure. This is a further proof of our commitment to develop the necessary infrastructure to realise our dreams and aspirations as a nation for a regional transport hub. These should be looked and seen for what they are.

Mr Speaker, a number of other initiatives to be implemented such as digitization; development of economic clusters in agriculture and manufacturing; and developments in the energy sector will entail a



number of construction projects which as the Leader of Opposition proposes, will be some of the solutions to the economic recovery thereby unemployment problem in the country.

The successful implementation of these strategies will depend on various factors, the most significant of which is funding. Admittedly, the role of the private sector is more critical than ever before, either as independent financiers, or in partnering with Government through Public Private Partnerships (PPP) to deliver on the promises of the ERTF. That is why we are inviting the private sector to join hands with government to do some of these project under PPP.

Associated with unemployment Mr Speaker are labour issues. There is no doubt that COVID-19 is much more than a health crisis of global proportions, but has also caused most severe economic shocks, disruptions and suffering throughout the world. The world of work has not been spared in this regard, and like all other sectors, it was shifted off balance.

Mr Speaker, despite the challenges, just to mention a few, the opening of the Khomaecau mine which was officially opened this year has a staff complement of 2 800 and will create more jobs as more phases are developed. This has drastically changed the landscape of the settlement to an urban settlement. Some of the ancillary developments that come with a project of that magnitude are roads, electricity, security services, accommodation, health facilities, water, and tourism opportunities.

Mr Speaker, Special Economic Zone Authority (SEZA) is facilitating 15 potential investors with an estimated investment value exceeding P10 Billion and four of these have been licensed to set up export-oriented operations in different SEZs as follows; Two companies with a total estimated investment of P840 Million, have been licensed to operate in the diamond beneficiation sector and the ICT industry at the Sir Seretse Khama International Airport (SSKIA) SEZ. Those who have been visiting that area will realise the development of those in the airport area. One investor with a total estimated investment of P220 Million has been licensed to operate in the automotive industry as a Single Factory SEZ in Gaborone.

Another investor, with a total estimated investment of P12Billion, has been licensed to operate in the mineral beneficiation industry in the Selebi Phikwe SEZ. That we do not have ambitions for beneficiation *ke dikgang fela tse di tlabisang ditlhong*.

## Agriculture

Moreover, another company in the agricultural sector is about to commence a feasibility study in the Pandamatenga Special Economic Zone to guide the rollout of their P12 Billion investment. SEZA through licensing of these companies will enable the economy to grow its export value, create the much-needed employment, while creating business linkages for local companies.

Under the RESET Agenda, Priority 4: Value Chain Development. Government has seen an impressive growth and to ensure that Batswana benefit from their produce, a long-term restriction on importation of some selected vegetable commodities will come into effect January the first. I think it will revamp the horticulture industry. This is a clear commitment to grow and boost local food production. To ensure full implementation and drive beneficiation, the 2021 Citizen Economic Inclusion which some people just queried a nomenclature those in the opposition, and procurement will be fully implemented.

It should be appreciated that the new normal brought about by the effects of the pandemic, calls for a shift in the way we do things as a nation.

The Government remains committed to ensuring harmonious and peaceful industrial relations to promote socio-economic growth and development. In this regard, measures have been put in place to deal with emerging labour issues emanating from COVID-19 as expeditiously as possible. More part-time mediators and arbitrators have been appointed to deal with trade disputes. To ease congestion more capacity is being built in courts across the country.

It is also important to note Mr Speaker that, these are deliverables under the Botswana Decent Work Country Programme, as well as the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan to ensure that implementation is tracked.

## Infrastructure

Mr Speaker, allow me to now to facilitate other economic sectors. As we move to the knowledge-based economy and with the aspiration to move from the middle to upper income status, there is need to ensure that proper infrastructure is in place.





A total of 16 projects are registered for implementation through PPP out of which two, being Glen Valley Wastewater Reclamation and Ikageng are at the tender stage for engaging private developers. For the remaining 14 projects, two, being the Tshele Hills and Serowe Magistrate Court projects, are at feasibility study phase while the rest are at different stages of procuring Transaction Advisors.

### Constitutional Review

Mr Speaker, let me now address the issue of Constitutional Review. The BDP is a democratically elected party and prides itself of transparency where issues related to rule of law are concerned.

Our decision to review the Constitution alone is a testament to our commitment to a more solidified democracy based on a Constitution owned and supported by the people.

Mr Speaker, the recently retired Judge President of the Court of Appeal, Justice Ian Kirby, was quoted to have cautioned that reviewing the Constitution should not be seen as an opportunity to be adventurous. Instead, we should approach Constitutional review exercise with sober minds by keeping those that is good and has served us well, discarding what has not served the nation well. This, I hope the LOO and his colleagues will understand and know that a review of the Constitution is a sacred and delicate process.

If we are going to review and end up amending entrenched sections of the Constitution, we need to consult people, especially Dikgosi under Section 82 and the general population under Section 89(3) of the Constitution of Botswana.

Mr Speaker, the process of reviewing the Constitution is complex and while there are certain processes that must be followed, the process is not static. The ever changing social, economic, political and cultural values of the people will always dictate the need for a review process from time to time, while at the same time the emergence of technological advances means that new approaches must be explored to make the process as inclusive as possible.

As promised in the 2019 manifesto, the review of our Constitution must be done with an aim to align it to international standards so that it guarantees all citizens equality before the law. The process requires us to consult widely, engage and open dialogue and debates on the shape and form of a new and improved Botswana Constitution.

The process should be inclusive, accessible, empowering, open and transparent. However, in doing so, we cannot afford to be reckless Mr Speaker.

As the BDP, we have taken a proactive approach to put together the structures that will drive the party inputs, *jaanong gatwe fa re dira jalo* Mr Speaker, *re a ikgagapelela*. No, that is not the case, *a ba bangwe le bone ba monele marulana pele* Mr Speaker.

### The Directorate of Intelligence and Security Services

Mr Speaker, various remarks have been made by Honourable Members regarding the Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS). In their remarks, Honourable Members have raised issues ranging from its regulation, alleged abuses of power and accountability to other issues mostly based on the usual speculation and conjecture usually created in this Honourable House to unnecessarily place the DIS at the centre of controversy, at all costs.

Mr Speaker, the DIS is regulated by the Intelligence and Security Services Act (2008) which embodies the regulatory and legal framework governing its duties and functions. The Act at Part VII, Section 38 even empowers this Honourable House with oversight responsibilities which are expected to be carried out by the Parliamentary Committee on Intelligence and Security once established. You know the reason why that committee is not functioning Mr Speaker. That is where the mischief is.

It is common knowledge that this committee is not currently constituted because the opposition, with the usual motive to create politically profitable noise, *ke bone ba ka bidiwang lefoko le le neng le bidiwa kgantele fale gatwe* hooligans. Mr Speaker, DIS have refused to submit representatives. Instead of submitting Members of Parliament (MPs) to be part of the nine required to constitute the committee, the opposition ironically choose to say the DIS is unregulated, despite the Act being clear at Section 38 what oversight role should be played, for they must go and play their part before they criticise Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker, I wish to state for the record that contrary to the now well entrenched misinformation, the Parliamentary Committee on Intelligence and Security as a normal entity of this Honourable House, enjoys the same powers outlined in the National Assembly (Power and Privileges) Act. To this end, there is no



question that this Parliamentary Committee like other committees, is fully empowered to exercise its oversight responsibilities set out from Sections 38 to 40 of the Intelligence and Security Services Act.

Mr Speaker, because matters of national security and intelligence are by their nature unavoidably complex and controversial, the opposition's decision to boycott the Parliamentary Committee on Intelligence and Security is not based on any genuine desire to promote accountability as usually purported.

The boycott is strategic because it profits opposition politics which are calculated to thrive on creating scandal, gossip-mongering and plain misinformation which is designed to cause unnecessary public anxiety, distrust and to paint intelligence work as only evil and not integral to the general prosperity of our country.

Mr Speaker, the Intelligence and Security Services Act (2008) is littered with several avenues of accountability beyond just the Parliamentary Committee. The Act in Part III Sections 25-26 also establishes the Central Intelligence Committee whose role is to guide the Directorate in its work, approve intelligence and security assessments, as well as to advise the President to take informed policy decisions in the best interest of the country's national security.

Mr Speaker, the Act also enables for purposes of oversight, the National Intelligence Community at Section 27; the Intelligence and Security Council at Sections 29 and 30; and the intelligence tribunal at Sections 31 to 37.

It is particularly important Mr Speaker, to talk about the intelligence tribunal because contrary to prevailing misinformation about it, grievances against the DIS from any member of the public can be reported to the tribunal Mr Speaker.

Except for matters that are already before the courts of law, any member of society who believes they have legitimate complaints against the DIS, may lodge such complaints with the Registrar of the High Court who is then required to forward the complaints to the tribunal within seven days and copy such complaints to the responsible Minister.

Mr Speaker, the idea that the DIS is beyond reproach and is this omnipresent monster which usurps the authority of other independent branches of Government, is part of a narrative that is being amplified for their political profit and nothing else.

Mr Speaker, the opposition and the media for example spread baseless rumours that the DIS controls the Judiciary. That the courts continue to pass judgements in favour and against the DIS, demonstrates that the Judiciary can reach its conclusions independently, despite conjecture suggesting that someone else is whispering in its ears all the time.

On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, it was reported by the media that the Lobatse High Court made a finding against the DIS. Weeks before this, it was reported that a court in Gaborone made a finding against the DIS in favour of its former Director General. If the DIS is so powerful, why do courts make unfavourable findings against them in some matters? That is a million dollar question.

Mr Speaker, it is common knowledge that the current Director General of the DIS appeared at the Public Accounts Committee in June this year (2021), where he was available to be asked all kinds of questions concerning the work of the Directorate. Despite claims that he or the Directorate are unaccountable, all questions for which accountability was sought, were put to him and he answered them in detail.

It has never been the attitude of the current Director General not to account to this Honourable House or the public as it is often suggested. The Director General remains one of the most accessible people in his line of work and is contrary to the prevailing narrative seeking to entrench accountability in the Directorate on Intelligence and Security (DIS).

The Director General answered before the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) that a full audit of the Directorate is currently being conducted regarding expenditure and other such information integral to accountability. Mr Speaker, it will be recalled that this is the first time that an audit of any kind is being done at the Directorate since its establishment in 2008. This is telling Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker, a challenge with intelligence work, is that it is by its nature, controversial, whether there are issues about oversight or not. Everywhere in the world, intelligence organisations are the subject of suspicion, some of it reasonable while most of it is baseless conjecture that is designed for pure political adventure.

Mr Speaker, regardless of the controversy surrounding them, intelligence organisations are encumbered by some of the most difficult moral and ethical dilemmas



which occur when the sovereignty and prosperity of the State are challenged by forces which do not operate under the light; forces that do not have to be fair, objective or legally correct. However, regardless of how unpopular they may be, intelligence organisations offer very valuable services that no country can do without.

Mr Speaker, our friends on the other side are welcome to live in their fantasy and mischaracterisation of the DIS. That is because they have never been in Government and beyond inciting the public with calculated misinformation, they do not have the responsibility to confront some of the national security issues that Government contends with from time to time.

Mr Speaker, having said so...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** On a point of order Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, *ke gore* repeatedly the Vice President (VP)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** On a point of procedure Mr Speaker. Procedure on that point of order.

**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR SALESHANDO):** *Point of order. Thank you Mr Speaker. Mothusa Tautona o buile makgetho a le mantsi sengwe se se seng boammaaruri. Ke ne ke tsere gore gongwe o feta ka sone. O gatelala kgang ya gore ba kganetso le babegadikgang, ke bone ba reng ba bona dilo di sa tsamaye sentle kwa DIS. As a matter of fact, le ba ruling party ba buile jalo. A re rona re buisiwa ke gore ga re ise re nne mo ga Goramente. Le yo o kileng a nna Tona, o buile jalo mo Palamenteng yone e. Se a se buang ga se boammaaruri. Ke kopa gore a re batlele melato e mengwe, e seng e a e itiretseng ya gompiano ya gore ba opposition ke bone ba ngongoregang fela ka DIS.*

**MR TSOGWANE:** There is no procedure there Mr Speaker. Nothing is out of procedure. *Ke one mathata a...*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mr Speaker, procedure.

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

**MR TSOGWANE:** O ka bo a kopile *clarification* fela, nkabo ke mo neetse. Ga ke tshwane le ene.

**MINISTER OF INVESTMENT, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MR KGAFELA):** On a point of procedure Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, the Leader of the House cannot be interrupted if he is responding to the

State of the Nation Address (SONA). That is in terms of Order 53.4. Nobody can interrupt him. There cannot be any procedure or a point of order against him as he is speaking. He must be left alone Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** That Honourable Kgafela might be correct, except if the House is out of order, I do not see how that Standing Order would apply. Continue Honourable Leader of the House.

**MR TSOGWANE:** May I have my time Mr Speaker. I am scared I am running out of time.

**MR SPEAKER:** 40 minutes.

**MR TSOGWANE:** 40 minutes? That is not sufficient Mr Speaker. You will have to do something about it.

**MR SPEAKER:** It is too much.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Mr Speaker, our friends on the other side are welcome to live in their fantasy and mischaracterisation of the DIS. That is because they have never been in Government. Beyond inciting the public with calculated misinformation they do not have the responsibility to confront some of the national security issues that Government contends with from time to time. That was the statement that is being queried, but I am right and I am in my rightful mind.

Mr Speaker, I need to point out that it is the wish of this Government to continue improving accountability, scrutiny and advocating for professionalism at the DIS. The Parliamentary Oversight Committee on the operations of the DIS is provided for in the law and was appointed but unfortunately our opposition colleagues declined to be a part of, something that I think they can deny now and going forward Mr Speaker.

The public needs to know that most of the criticism raised against DIS is done out of context, from a serious misunderstanding of its role and dedication to create unnecessary fear because that works for politics.

Beyond politics, the work of the DIS cannot be discounted based on media soundbites or politics. No country can exist safely without intelligence and its innovative work which should and is always done in the national interest.

Mr Speaker, no one can ever argue that DIS does not make mistakes. The DIS like any other organisation, does have its challenges and those challenges should be viewed in the context of all organisations going through





their required and necessary evolution. However, it should also be understood that the challenges at the DIS involve some of the most aggressive efforts to sabotage its functionality and ability to deliver its mandate.

It is unfortunate that there are some people in some quarters who see nothing wrong with subversive activities which when looked beyond the DIS, have the potential to collapse Government and the ability of the State to function. Government is dedicated to confronting any efforts by actors who are intent on sabotaging our country for one reason or the other. Government is dedicated to supporting all entities tasked by the laws of Botswana to maintain national security and our country's sovereignty.

### The Directorate on Public Prosecutions

On the issues raised around the Directorate on Public Prosecutions (DPP), it is always important to remember that Botswana is a constitutional democracy founded on the rule of law. The system of governance of Botswana is anchored on the rule of law with all three arms of Government (Executive, Legislature and Judiciary) operating independently of each other in their functions. The Legislature enjoys independence of law making; the Judiciary focuses on the interpretation of those laws; the Executive focuses on the service delivery and implements laws passed by Parliament.

Worth nothing Mr Speaker, is that efforts to promote democracy and the rule of law continue to project a positive image of the country locally, regionally and internationally. The courts are independent of other arms of Government. They derive this independence from the constitution. It is important to support the independence of the Judiciary because this strengthens our democracy.

Mr Speaker, in the last State of the Nation Address (SONA), I mention that and would like to reiterate that DPP is an independent office established by the Constitution of the Republic of Botswana. It is important to understand that in terms of Section 51 (a) (6) of the Constitution, the Director of the Public Prosecutions shall not be subject to the direction or control of any other person or authority. It is true therefore, Mr Speaker that the DPP is constitutionally independent and should therefore be allowed to operate independently.

### Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime

Mr Speaker, I need to make this very clear because of the misconceptions made by some Honourable

Members in this House. The Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) is an operationally autonomous institution that derives its mandate from an Act of Parliament.

The DCEC does not get instructions from the Office of the President or anybody for that matter; what to investigate; when to investigate; and how to investigate. That responsibility Mr Speaker, is the sole prerogative of the Director General of DCEC. History has shown that the DCEC is capable and able to do its work diligently without interference from the Executive as some in this House allege. *Batho ba bua fela gore fa go ntshitswe mongwe, go tsentswe mongwe ke molato. Mme kana these are public officers, fa a ba sutisise ka mabaka a ba a sutisitseng kana motho a batla to retire kana a batla goreng, ga se mo go ka tlang ga tsoiwa modumo kwa Palamenteng, gotwe batho ba fetotswe mo maphateng, go diragala jalo ka maphata a le mantsi.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Mr Speaker.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Who is seeking for clarification?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Rakgare.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Thank you Honourable, I thought...

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ga le a reetsa gore gatwe normal procedure ke eng.* You cannot go on interrupting immediately after it is explained to you, what the normal procedure should be. Continue Vice President (VP).

**MR TSOGWANE:** Thank you very much Mr Speaker. I thought that would rest within my powers to allow it or not...

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

**MR TSOGWANE:** ...because the Standing Order also does ... (Inaudible)... to that.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** The Standing Orders... (Inaudible)...

**MR TSOGWANE:** In the past, there have been Ministers, Members of Parliament, Councillors, and other politically influential persons investigated and arraigned before the courts of law because of the independent investigations conducted by the DCEC. On that note, the DCEC with its partner entities will continue to execute their mandate without fear or favour. It is worth understanding that, there are several



institutions which play a role in the prosecution of corruption offences. The primary role of the DCEC is to investigate and to forward the docket to the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) for consideration of evidence and possible prosecution. If the DPP believes there is sufficient evidence to prefer a charge, then a case is registered with the courts of law. The courts will in turn adjudicate the case.

Mr Speaker, these three roles are exercised independently from each other, and by different institutions. Such operational independence is critical as it provides checks and balances in the dispensation of justice to promote and foster accountability. It is therefore imperative that Honourable Members inform the nation constructively and share accurate information. It is further important to reiterate that all the matters which the Honourable Members have referred to are currently before the courts.

On the issue of women representation, it is not the electoral system which yields low representation of women. I have always said the challenge starts at political party level where women are marginalised, with only a few managing to make headway. Political parties must take deliberate steps to empower women within their structures Mr Speaker. *Ke jaaka le wena o ntse o bona fela.*

### Decentralisation

Allow me Mr Speaker, to touch on the issue of decentralisation. The Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development has made progress in the development of a Decentralisation Policy. Decentralisation will amongst others, improve governance and service delivery by:

- Promoting equitable and sustainable development.
- Enhancing citizen's participation by transferring decision-making powers and resources to Local Governments; and
- Empowering citizens to actively participate in the planning, financing, implementation and evaluation of all local development and service delivery activities while holding their leaders more accountable.
- As stated by His Excellency, the Decentralization Policy is complete and awaiting submission to Parliament Mr Speaker.

### Education

Mr Speaker, coming to the education sector. First and foremost, it is in order that we commend teachers, school leadership, learners, parents and the ministry for their commitment and boldness in tackling challenges imposed by COVID-19. On other issues Mr Speaker, the ministry introduced a one-year Reception Class Programme, which is now operating in 629 schools. This programme was evaluated by United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in 2018 who concluded that the programme is a success. Specifically, the evaluation read, "Implementation of the Reception Class Programme has made tremendous strides and enjoys support from all stakeholders due to its effectiveness in terms of outputs, outcomes and impact."

Mr Speaker, I must hasten to indicate that the hue and cry by the opposition that private sector should be involved in the provision of pre-primary education, is misplaced. Private sector is already participating in the provision of pre-primary education. The ministry is working with some Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) to provide pre-primary education in remote areas. Moreover, in collaboration with UNICEF, the ministry is exploring possibilities of a Public Private Partnership (PPP) model to support the delivery of early childhood education.

Regarding shortage of teachers, let me indicate that temporary teachers are engaged on a need basis from time to time to relieve those on sick leave, study leave and maternity leave, among others. Temporary teachers have also been engaged arising from expansion of schools without creation of posts, and because of social distancing requirements arising from COVID-19 protocols. In order to among others, improve quality, access and overall delivery of education in the country, an Education and Training Bill is being drafted to address some of the challenges faced by this sector.

### Creative Industry and Arts

Mr Speaker, it must be noted that a holistic approach to the support of the creative industry has been implemented. The National Arts Council is fully functional. Local content is being prioritised for all local media outlets owned by Government. Botswana Fibre Network (BoFiNet), has had a 800 per cent improvement onboarding local content. Botswana Television (BTV) and local radio stations have also increased local content in their programming.



### Food Security

Mr Speaker, regarding food security, the Government remains very committed and even more resolute to reducing the import bill. Efforts therefore to support farmers for attainment of this goal remain paramount, hence the continuous assessment and adjustment for appropriateness. Mr Speaker, Integrated Support Programme for Arable Agriculture Development (ISPAAD) has improved productivity since inception in 2008 and for continuous improvement, it is being reviewed. As a stop-gap measure, while the review process is ongoing, the Government has come up with a transitional ISPAAD for this ploughing season.

Mr Speaker, the new program is output based; focuses on relevant technology transfer; segmentation of farmers; synchronisation of support to weather forecasting; alignment of support to agro-ecological zones; graduation of farmers from the programme; and a robust monitoring and evaluation framework.

### Information Communication and Technology

Mr Speaker, coming to the Information and Communications Technology (ICT) sector, the Fourth Industrial Revolution is real, and it is either we are in or we are left behind. So we have said this and we said it in our manifesto, ICT is the base. We therefore have not relented from our commitment to leverage ICT to create lasting socio-economic impact on the lives of our people. A clear roadmap to leverage technology to achieve socio-economic progress has been developed, that is the Smart Botswana Strategy, which was well articulated by His Excellency the President in his State of the Nation Address (SONA). Through Smart Botswana Strategy, internet connectivity will reach over 500 villages in the country, and roll out has commenced, it has started in Maun, in LOO's constituency.

This initiative will not only enhance service delivery but will provide a conducive environment for youth innovators and businesses across the country to leverage technology and grow.

Mr Speaker, to capitalise on these developments, Government has issued a policy statement for local sourcing of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) innovations required to mitigate COVID-19 pandemic. Our strategy to achieve digital transformation entails use of local talent to produce systems and applications we need to go on online. It is against this backdrop that Government has engaged

Botswana Innovation Hub (BIH) to mentor and coach young developers to commercialise their solutions for uptake by local and international market.

I must emphasise Mr Speaker, that Government is ready to procure systems and applications produced locally by our own people to meet the demands of Botswana for convenience and efficiency. In fact, a policy statement has been issued for the e-Government Unit to engage youths in developing systems and application needed to take public services online.

Mr Speaker, through the school connectivity project, we have been able to create employment for Information Technology (IT) graduates, who are engaged to teach and maintain equipment supplied to schools.

### Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services

Mr Speaker, regarding the water sector, Botswana being a semi-arid country immediately implies water availability will always be a challenge. However, this has been a great year with water reticulation having significantly improved.

His Excellency the President, Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi has seen to it that all Botswana have access to water. The Masama pipeline was fully completed on time and on schedule, signaling improvement in project management, the 100 kilometres (km) Masama-Mmamashia Pipeline Project was prioritised under the emergency projects following water shortages in the Greater Gaborone.

The water shortage extended to the constituencies of Mochudi East, Mochudi West, Tlokweng, Moshupa-Manyana, Thamaga Kumakwane, Ramotswa, Lobatse, Kanye, Mmathethe-Molapowabojang, Goodhope-Mabule, Mogoditshane-Mmopane as well as Lentsweletau-Mmopane.

The Lobatse Water Masterplan (LWMP) Package 1 was commissioned on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2021. The project will address water shortage in areas such as Ramotswa cluster, Mmankodi, Manyana, Mogobane and all the way to Goodhope, Lekgolobotlo, Mmathethe, Molapowabojang and other close villages. Pioneer Border gate and Milk Afric are some of the projects which will heavily benefit from the successful completion of the project as they require large quantities of water.





Mr Speaker, I will after the Christmas pick the baton from His Excellency and do ground-breaking and commission of the following projects: Struizendam and Rappelspan desalination Plant, Shakawe water treatment project, Seronga-Mokgacha, Tsabong, Mahalapye-connection of Tswapong South Villages to Mahalapye. Kanye: Mmamashia-Kanye North South Carrier.

Our Government remains committed to its national Vision 2036, to ensure water efficiency and security in Botswana. In so doing, we also bring Botswana towards the realisation of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6, which calls for all nations to “ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all”.

### Land Allocation

Land remains a challenge, our Government will continue to fast track allocations in the current development plan. A total of 7323 residential plots were allocated in Tribal Land since April 2021 as follows: Tawana 665, Ngwato 2,124, Chobe three, Ghanzi 916, Rolong 113, Kgatleng 1,052, Kgalagadi 455, Tlokweng six, Maletse 23, Ngwaketse 1,461, Kweneng 148, Tati 357. It is anticipated that a further 17,994 plots will be allocated in the current financial year.

Existing detailed layout plans at various stages of development across the country had a total of 130,000 plots of different uses. These will be allocated between now and the end of National Development Plan (NDP) 11, that is March 2023.

To that extent, the Ministry of Land Management continues to identify and planning of unutilised pieces of land within developed areas. Funds permitting, the ministry will continue to acquire land to augment state land funds permitting.

### International Relations

Mr Speaker, it is not a secret that our participation and international relations have been strengthened over the past two years. As a landlocked nation, solidarity with neighbouring countries and the international community is very important. According to the 2021 economic index, our rankings have improved in Judicial effectiveness, Government integrity, monetary freedom, and a significant 87 per cent score Tax Burden. We have since been removed from the grey listing, a feat that we continue to celebrate.

Mr Speaker, Botswana made the right choice in choosing us as the Government to ensure, protection of their right, safety and well-being; respectable sovereignty within and internationally; and sound participation in the economic sphere for the development of our Botswana.

### Constituency Issues

Give me an opportunity to deliberate in a language that a lot of my people especially those in Remote Area Dwellers' Settlements (RADS) understand. Mr Speaker, *ke supe gore ke Mopalamente* on the other hand. *Ke leboge pele tse di ntle, tse di molemo. Ke se ka ka tshwana le bangwe ba ba sa nkeng ba leboga le dilo di dirilwe mo dikgaolong tsa bone. Ke sone se o fitlhelang fa gongwe re ntse re di nankola re batla gore Botswana ba itse gore di dirilwe mo dikgaolong tsa bone. Ke leboge ba Boteti gore re tswelletse re tshwaraganetse di thabololo tsa kgaolo. Boteti ke lefelo le dikhumo tsotlhe di bonwang teng. E bile fa ditsamaiso le melao di ntse di fetoga, go raya gore di ya go re thusa go tlhabolola kgaolo ya rona ya Boteti. Ke leboge morero selo sa ntlha Mr Speaker, o o dirwang ke Tautona ka dinako tsotlhe. Morero o e leng gore gompieno jaana re solofetse go le go ntsi. Lefelo le ke buang ka lone le fa gare ga parks tse pedi; Makgadikgadi le Central Kalahari Game Reserve (CKGR). Re fa gare ga those parks, lefatshe ga le yo. Go kile ga diragala mo nakong e e fetileng gore molelwane wa Makgadikgadi Park o sutisiwe e le gore batho ba ne ba kopile gore lefatshe leo la state land, ba okeletswe. Tautona yo o molemo, yo o pelotlhomogi, o setse a romile batho go sekaseka report go bona gore go tlile jang gore molelwane o bo o ne wa sutisiwa wa tsaya bonitla bongwe jwa lefatshe la state land le batho ba neng ba le kopile. Morero o setse o tswelletse. Re solofela go le go ntsi mo go one Mr Speaker. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse di molemo tse di monate.*

*Re solofela metsi a dikadimo tse di tswang World Bank. Re bolelela gore dipampiri tsa ikopelo tiro di tswelletse, go ya go baakanngwa. Tsholofetso ya rona ke gore mo ngwageng o o tlang, re ya go bona metsi. Re solofela tsela ya Motopi-Makalamabedi mo ngwageng o o tlang, e le dingwe tsa ditsholofetso tse Puso e fa e di dira, go bo go le maleba gore e tlaare fa madi a bonetse dilo tsa go nna jalo di dirwe.*

Mr Speaker, *re leboge tse dingwe tse re di fitlheletseng jaaka lebala la metshameko le le dirwang kwa Rakops. Re leboge gape le dikago tse re di bonang di dirwa ke ba ba ikemetseng, re kopa dithuso mo go bone.* The



library e gompiano e setseng e fedile kwa Rakops. Re bo re lebogele gape ba ba emeng ka dinao e le bagwebi ba ba ikemetseng.

Fa re kopa dithuso mo go bone, ba a re thusa. Re na le *clinic* ya kwa Makalamabedi e e felang fa re bua jaana. Re na le *clinic* e e tshwanetseng go ya go dirwa ke ba World Group ya marata go lejwa e e tshwanang le e e neng e le kwa Bobonong e e tlaabong e dirwa kwa lefelong la Mopipi. Re na le *clinic* gape e e leng gore ba ba ikemetseng ba ne ba re tswa matshidiso kwa lefelong la tennyarateng la Kedia e e tshwanetseng gore le yone e dirwe.

Ke bo ke lemoge gape gore ba *Ministry of Tourism*, ba diphologolo, ba ne ba tlhoma makalana ba tsosolosa *trusts* tsa rona. Nngwe ya tsone ke ya Mokopi Trust e e dirileng lefelo le e reng rotlhe fa re feta ka Orapa re a le bona le go nang le ditau teng.

Ke bo ke re go madimabe gore ditiro tse fa re di dira e bo e le gore go nna le sepolotiki se se ntshang ditsamaiso mo tseleng. Dilo tsa go nna jalo ga di re thuse *Mr Speaker*, di batla gore re nne re di ele tlhoko.

Ke ntse ke le foo, ke bue gore re na le tlhaelo jaaka mafelo otlhe a a mo Botswana. Re na le tlhoko. Re na le sekole sa Rakops Junior Secondary se e leng gore jaanong tsholofelo ya rona ke gore go lekwa gore se tsholediweng se nne *senior secondary school* kana mo go kopantseng *junior* le *senior secondary school*. Sepatela sa rona sa kwa Rakops, motse o godile, se tlhokana le thuso go bona gore se a okediwa ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Re lebogele gape ba *Ministry of Defence* wa ga Motlotlegi Rre Mmusi gore ba a leka ka *police posts* tse di thusang kwa mafelong a go senang *police stations*. Re na le *police post* e e kwa Mopipi e e setseng e fedile. Mafelo a ke a a tshabelelwang thata ke borukutlhi. Kgaolo ya rona e tshabelelwa thata ke bogodu jwa leruo jo bo humanegisitseng batho.

Re kopa thata gape mo go Tona Motlotlegi Mmusi gore a re thuse ka a *Magistrate Court* kwa Rakops. Ke lefelo le le tona mo bogodung jwa dikgomo jo bontsi, jaanong re tlhokana le gore gongwe a re thuse ka mafelo a a tshwanang le ao. Bogodu jwa dikgomo ke nngwe ya dilo tse di tshwenyang batho.

Ke feta gape ke kopa mo go ba ba re thusang ka ditlamelo tse dingwe tsa botlhokwa mo kgaolong. Re na le mafelo a a kgakala le ditlamelo tsa dipatela mme ba ntse ba re thusa ka dithulaganyo tse tsa *mobile stops*. Ba botsogo

ba tshwanetse go bona gore ba tsosolosa *mobile stops* ka gore di ne di thusa batho ba rona fela thata. Jaanong ke dingwe dilo tse le tsone re di solofetseng, re a di kopa gore ba nne ba re thuse ba re lebe le rona.

Jaaka mafelo a mangwe, ke supe jalo gore le rona re na le bothata jwa Gender Based Violence (GBV). Re tlhokana le dithuso tse dintsi le go rotloediswa thata mabapi le kgokgontsho ya bomme ka gore ga e bonale fela mo mafelong a mangwe, e bonala Botswana jotlhe. So, le rona ga re ka ke ra ipaya moriti o tsididi o kare dilo tseo ga di re thuse.

Ke bo ke supe jalo gore Mmaarona, Mme Mma Atsile, o ne a ya kwa kgaolong ya rona a leka go ruta batho thata ka dikgang tse di ntseng jaana. Ke dilo tse di molemo tse re di lebogelang *Mr Speaker*.

Re tlhokana le go atameletswa ditlamelo jaaka o ntse o bua Tona Molale ka *decentralisation*. A *infrastructure* e etelele pele *decentralisation* ka gore gompiano re na le bothata jwa gore re bo re ne re le *sub-district* e e ka bong e tlhomilwe mme ga e a tlhomiwa. Fa go ne go na le *service halls* jaaka tse di tshwanang le tsa kwa Molepolole, go ne go ka re thusa ntswa re itse bothata jo re nang najo jwa gore makalana a mangwe a Puso le fa go tlhomilwe dilo tsa go nna jalo, ga ba tshwaragane le wena gore ba ise bodiredi ka ntateng gongwe ya letlhoko la boroko.

Ke supe gape jaana gore le rona re na le letlhoko le le ntsi la boroko jwa barutabana. Ke dingwe dilo tse le rona di re tshwenyang mo kgaolong ya rona ya Boteti. Ke tsaya gore Puso fa seemo se ntse se tokafala, e tlaa nna e leka go bona gore boroko jwa barutabana bo dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang go thusa gore babereki ba rona ba nne fa go siameng gore ba kgone go dira tiro ya bone ka bomolemo.

A e re ke santse ke le gone foo *Mr Speaker*, ke se ka ka lebala dikgang tse dingwe tse di ntseng di buega fa tse le tsone di ntseng di otlelela mafoko a a ntseng a buiwa ke ba kganetso. Ke supe fela jalo ke re kana re ntse re bidiwa batho ba gotweng re *hooligans*. *Hooligans* fa o e *define* ka Sekgoa, ke batho ba ba tsosang tlhatlharuane, ba e leng gore *they are disorderly*. Fa o ka lebelela se se neng sa diragala maloba mo Palamenteng e, tota ga o tlhokane le go itse gore *hooligans* ke dife, o tlhokana fela le go bona fela jaaka ba kganetso ba ne ba dira. Gongwe LOO o ne a lebetse a ithaya a re o raya bone gore ke bone batho ba ba tsosang tlhatlharuane. Mme ka gore ke setse ke ba kopetse maitshwarelo mo setšhabeng, ke



tsaya gore se tlaa ba itshwarela, mme se se ka sa ba sa ba lebala. Go itshwarela motho ga se go lebala. *So, they must always remember when they go for polling* gore kana go na le batho ba e leng gore fa ba romelwa kwa ba romelwa fela gore ba ye go dira se e leng gore ga se...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke tsone dikgang tsa Boteti tseo?

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ba se ka ba lebala ka 2024 gore *hooligans* tse di teng fa, ba bone gore ba inaakanya le tsone ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ga ke batle go supa ope ka monwana, mme fela ba a iponela ka *television* ya setšhaba, e a supa.

Ke bo ke supa jalo gore *accusations* tse di dirwang, le yone e e kileng ya buiwa fa, e e buiwang malatsi otlhe, nnyaa ga ke...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Your Honour the Vice President?

**MR TSOGWANE:** Nnyaa, go tilwe ke se ka ka... wena e bile ke ka bo ke go neela tota tsala ya me, jaanong gatwe ke se ka ka bo ka dira jalo. Gatwe molao o a itsa Rre Moswaane.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ee.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Mma ke tswelele. Ke supe jalo gore kgaolo e ya Boteti e tlaa tswelela. Re tlaa emela kgaolo ya Boteti ka dinao, re tlaa e bulela ke tshwaragane le Mopalamente wa Boteti East.

Gape ke supe jalo gore dilo di dintsi tse di yang go diragala. *Information and Communications Technology* (ICT) e setse e simologile kwa Letlhakane. Boranyane jo le jone bo tlile go anama le kgaolo ya rona gore bana ba ithute ka jone. Ke dingwe dilo tse le rona re yang go gatela pele mo go tsone.

Ke bo ke supe jalo gore Motswana a re tsholofelo ga e tlhabe ditlhong. *So*, batho ba kgaolo e mo ditlhabololong tse ba ntseng ba di emetse tse ke ntseng ke di bua tsa ditsela jaana, go tlaa goroga. Re na le *settlements* tse di tshwanang le Xere le Kedia. Tota le tsone re tlaa leka gore Puso e di seegele tsebe e bone gore di ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang ka gore mokgwa wa go aba ditlhabololo ka dipalo tsa batho o ba baya ka kwa mosing. Ba dire fela jaaka maphata a mangwe ka gore ba ne ba tla ka *rural electrification* ba lemogile gore dikgaolo tsa kwa magaeng di ka tlhalelwa ke ditlamelo fa re ka di bapisa le mafelo a mangwe a a nang le dipalo tsa batho. *So*, re batla gore *rural roads*, e e kileng ya

bo e le teng, *the principle* ya yone *must be maintained* ya gore kana e ne e leba dikgaolo tseo tse e leng gore ga go na ditlamelo mo go tsone. Gongwe ditsela di akanyetswe, ga se mafelo a a kgakala thata le ditsela. Lefelo le tshwana le la Xere *is about 20 or so kilometres*. Lefelo le tshwana la Kedia le jaanong e nnang lefelo la tennyanteng le fa tota le se kgakalagkakala le magae a mangwe a a tlhabologileng, ba tlhoka fela yone tsela. Jaanong ke tsaya gore Tona Segokgo o reeditse, o a utlwa. Le gone go tlhokomelwa ga ditsela tsa teng fa re le mo nakong e re leng mo go yone gompiano e e thata e, ditsela tse tsa *gravel* di batla go tlhokomelwa. Sebe sa phiri se ke tshwanetseng ka se supa mo pele ga setšhaba ke gore dikonteraka tsa rona tse dingwe fa di neelwa ditiro, ga di tlhoafale. Ke tswa kwa Nkange maabane, ke bone matlhotlhapelo a tsela e gotweng e dirilwe. Kana ga se bothata jwa Puso, ke jwa yo o neng a tshwere tiro eo. Tsela e dirilwe e fedile, gompiano pula fa e na o tlaa re gongwe ke tsela e e neng e bopelwa ka mmu. Ke tsela ya sekondere, se a gosomana, borogo bo setse bo eme fela. Ke tsaya gore Puso e tlaa lebelela. Ke bone batho ba e leng gore gompiano jaana fa ba neelwa ditiro, fa ba sa tlhoafalelwe kana fa Puso e bona gore ditsela tseo ga di a siama, gatwe Puso e molato.

Kana go na le batho ba re itseng gore ke *advocates* tsa tshenyo, ba bone ba emetseng fela yo o tshwaiwang phoso. E bo e le gore jaanong fa a *...(inaudible)...*re tlaa bua fela gore dikonteraka tsa rona a di nonofe, di tlogele gore e re di neetswe tiro e bo di e latlhelela. Tsela eo e ka bo gompiano jaana batho ba Nkange ba na le tsela fela e e siameng. Jaanong mathata ke *workmanship*...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Elucidation*. A ko o mphe.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ramogapi, nkabo ke go neela, tsamaiso ga e letle...*(inaudible)*... Ke raya gore ke mangwe mafelo a ke a boneng. Ke ne ke ile maloba kwa Lorolwane, le bone tsela ya bone *Mr Speaker*, ke ka pakela Mopalamente wa bone Rre Dikoloti, gore nnyaa, tsela ga e a siama, a re bone gore re dira jang Rre Segokgo. Ke ka pakela gape Mopalamente wa Motokwe, Rre Leuwe, ke ne ke ile kwa ga bone kwa Motokwe, ke ile go dira tse ke neng ke ile go di dira tse di molemo, tse ke solofelang gore di tlaa nna le maduo a a molemo mo bekeng e ga e fela. Le bone ke bone ka fa tsela ya bone e sa nna sentle...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** E le gore o ntse o sa itse?





**MR TSOGWANE:** E kopanya metse e e leng gore ditsela ...(*inaudible*)...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O leka *bye-elections*.

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

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga o a bona tsela ya Shakawe?

**MR TSOGWANE:** Tsela ya Shakawe ke e bone Rre Hikuama, ke nngwe ya ditsela tse re ntseng re bua gore di ya go dirwa. Jaanong kana ke bua ka tse di ntseng di se mo lenaneong, tseo re a itse gore mo nakong e e rileng di tlaabo di dirilwe. Ke raya gore re dira ditiro tse re sa leba gore kgaolo ke ya ba ba ganetsang kana jang. E bile ga re dire ditlhabololo tse ka go leba gore batho ke ba morafe ofe, jaaka bangwe ba a tle ba bue mo Palamenteng ba re ditlhabololo gongwe di abiwa ka semorafe, nnyaa, ga di abiwe jalo batho betsho. Puso ya Domkrag e direla dikgaolo tsotlhe ka go lekalekana. Fela mathata a a leng teng e a bo e le ditsompelo fa di setse di tlaela, mme re tshwanetse ra supa gore fa ditsompelo di le teng Puso e a dira.

Ke leboge thata Tautona yo o re beileng mo mmepeng mo mafatsheng. Lefatshe la Botswana le a itsiwe gongwe le gongwe. Lefatshe la Botswana le na le baemedi mo makgotleng a a mafatshefatshe. Ke dilo tse dintle batho betsho tse re tshwanetseng fa o le motho o leboge, o tlogele go tla fela ka *Motion* o o thobosang Puso, mme o sa bue tse Puso e di dirang. Kana di *points* tse gotweng Tautona o sekiswa ka tsone tse *five*, *hei!* re dirile go le gontsi, go menagane go feta *five* yoo. Jaanong ga ke itse gore fa e le gore o ya go sekisa motho ka melato e le meraro, a na le bokgoni ja gagwe jo bo kanakana bo heta bo 100, tota e a bo e le boammaaruri.

*Mr Speaker*, kana jaaka ke ne ke bua ke re ke kopa go bona nako, ga ke batle gore o tloge o nkemise, ke batla gore ke ikemise fa nako e setse e tshaile *Mr Speaker*. Jaanong go lebega go le thata ka koo. Mma ke leboge gape Batswana gore ba bo ba ne ba tshwaragana le Puso mo go lwantsheng segajaja se, mme ke leboge Motswana ...

**MR SPEAKER:** *Nako e beilwe*, you have two minutes.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Two minutes?

**MR SPEAKER:** Ee.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ee, mme go raya gore *two minutes* ke go leboge *Mr Speaker*. Ka gore le wena o dira tiro fela e tona, ya gore o lekana le *hooligans*, mme o a di

leka *the hooligans*, o leka go di tsenya mo tseleng. Le fa gongwe o sekisiwa kwa makgotlatshekelo, mme ga o ipone tsapa motho wa Modimo. Letsatsi lengwe re tlaa ya go go kopela ba go tsentse kwa toronkong ka fa ke bonang ba dira ka teng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go na le di *thug* VP. Ba leka go mo itaya, *some thugs here*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** O ele tlhoko kgang e e buiwang ke *Honourable* Healy e, ya gore Mapalamente ga ba a sireletsega, jaaka a ne a bua kgantele, ke ntlha e re tshwanetseng ra e ela tlhoko. Go latela Mopalamente kwa ofising ba batla go ya go mmetsa, ga se se se tshwanetseng gore se dirwe ke Mapalamente. Ke tsaya gore kgang e o tlaa e tseela kgato *Mr Speaker*. Golo moo ke go kgotela kagiso le ditsamaiso tsa Palamente.

Mme ke buile, ke a le leboga le tle le kgone go ya dikeresemoseng, le ye go itshwara sentle. Bolwetse ja COVID bo santse bo le teng, gompiano ga se jo gotweng ga bo yo, ke jo bo bonwang ke mongwe le mongwe le ka matlho. Jaanong ke re, le ye go sireletsa batho ba lona, le nne le ye go ba gakolola, le ba rute ka ditsamaiso tsotlhe tsa go lwantsha mogare. Re bo re rotloetse batho gore ba ikente, mme gape re se ka ra lebala gore lefatshe la rona la Botswana le beilwe kwa mankalenkaleng mo go lwantsheng Human Immunodeficiency Virus/ Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS), *especially* mogare go fetela kwa ngwaneng. Le a itse gore World Health Organisation (WHO) e setse e supile gore lefatshe la rona le kwa godimo thata ga mafatsheng otlhe fa go tla mo go kgoreletseng mogare go tswa mo go mmangwana go ya kwa ngwaneng. Ke sengwe se se molemo se re se lebogang thata.

Gape *Mr Speaker*, ke fetse ka gore, ee, kana le a itse gore batho betsho go kgokgontsha bomme ga go a siama. Kgokgontsho e e dirwang ke *Leader of the Opposition* mo go Mopalamente Mokgethi, ga e kgatlhe. Golo moo ke kgokgontsho ya bomme, e e mo pontsheng, ka gore fa motho a le molato, o bonwa molato pele ga go katwe o molato. O tshwanetse gore a bonwe molato ke lekgotlatshekelo, ke bone ba ba buang jalo. Jaanong ga o ka ke wa nna molato pele ga o atholwa. Jaanong re a gagamala gompiano, mme yo o a kgokgontshiwa, kana ke gone gore ga ba na bomme *on their side*, ga ba itse gore bomme ba tshwanetse gore ba tshwarwe ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *Honourable* Kapinga a ko o leke, leka o rute bomonao gore ga go dirwe jalo, motho ga a ka ke a atholelwa molato o a iseng a o sekele. Ke go lebogile fela thata. Ke lebogile batlotlegi. Nelwang ke pula.



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

Question put and **agreed to.**

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** VP ga a itse gore go tshwanetse go tlhophiwe.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Nnyaa, gakere ba ke neng ke na le bone pele ba ne ba sa nke ba ganetsa. *So that is why* ke ne ke lebetse *because* ke lantlha go ganetswa *State of the Nation* ka lona.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** 25 years mo Palamenteng. *Basic* tsamaiso e ntse jaana, e ntse motho ga a e tshware.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, can we take two questions at least.

## QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

### PHYSICAL PLANNERS POSTS AT TATI LAND BOARD

**MR S. N. MOABI (TATI WEST):** asked the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services:

- (i) if there are any vacancies for the posts of Physical Planners at Tati Land board; if so,
- (ii) when will they be employed and timelines; and if not why not and
- (iii) to further explain how the allocation backlog which is more than fifteen (15) years old will be expedited.

**MINISTER OF LAND MANAGEMENT, WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES (MR MZWINILA):** Mr Speaker,

there are no posts for physical planning at Tati land board because the function of physical planning is done at the district or town councils under the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development and therefore, there are no vacancies for the Physical Planners at Tati Land Board. The Honourable Member can ask the *ba* Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development about their Physical Planners, they do not work under my ministry.

Mr Speaker, Tati Land Board has a backlog of around 57 000 applications which is being addressed by fast tracking land delivery processes. The main delay in

allocation of the plots is a lengthy process to acquire land from land owners, particularly *masimo* owners. New allocations are mostly from infills or land acquired from other uses such as farming and freehold land.

Tati Land Board will allocate a total of 503 plots before the end of this financial year. (10 plots at Jakalas No.1, 457 plots at Makaleng and 36 plots at Mambo respectively).

Mr Speaker, as for the rest of the villages, Tati Land Board is at different stages of making plots ready for allocation. A total of 732 plots were recently surveyed and are being submitted for examination (613 plots in Kalakamati and 119 plots in Masunga). In addition, a total of 358.6 hectares is under assessment for acquisition, of which 67.4 hectares are in Moroka, 111.5 in Mulambakwena, 52.5 in Ramokgwebana and 194.6 hectares are in Matenge. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR MOABI:** *Supplementary.* Ke a go utlwa Tona ka fa o tlhalosang ka teng. Kana fa o ka lebelela tiego e e dirwang gore batho ba fiwe lefatshe, e dirwa ke gore *physical planners* di kwa *Local Government and Rural Development*. A ga o bone gongwe e le nako ya gore *physical planners* di tle di nne mo *ministry* wa gago Tona? Ke a leboga.

**MR MZWINILA:** Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke a leboga Motlotlegi Rre Moabi. Ke tseela gore motlotlegi o tlhaloganya gore ditiego di dirwa ke mabaka a a farologanyeng, nngwe ya one ke gore *physical planners* tota gone ga di mo lephateng la rona. Ga di ise di nne mo lephateng la rona mme ba botlhokwa mo thulaganyong ya teng ka gore ke bone ba ba dirang mo gotweng *layout* kana moalo o o tseneletseng wa gore ditsha di ya go nna jang, di ya go bewa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Tota gone mme ke dumalana le motlotlegi fa a bua gore gongwe go ka thusa fa *physical planners* di ka fudugela kwa Lephateng la *Lands* kana fa *Ministry* wa Lefatshe o ka nna le *physical planners* tsa one. Ke a leboga motlotlegi.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Further Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker. Honourable Mzwinila, ga o lemoge gore tota the root problem that we have around our urban areas;* Francistown, Gaborone, Lobatse, ke dipolase tse di dikaganyeditseng ditoropo tse. E le dipolase tse e e leng gore kana beng ba tsone ba di filwe fela ke Puso e e fetileng ya bokoloni, ba sa di reka, ba fiwa sekgethe fela. Jaanong ke botsa gore ka go reka go lebega go turela Puso, a ga se gore



*we have got to a point where we should now be thinking about expropriation without compensation* ka gore batho ba kana dilo tse ba di tsere mahala, ga se gore ba di dueletse? Ke a leboga.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Honourable Mzwini*, ga ke itse gore a ga a batle go golega.

**MR MZWINI:** Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tseela gore ke potso e e maleba, e e ka botswang mme karabo ya teng ga e motlhofo. Ee, gongwe re tlaa bo re rarabolola kgang ka go tla re tsaya lefatshe re sena madi a phimolo dikeledi kana a ditshenyegelo mme gongwe fa re dira jalo re tlaa bo re simolola mathata a mangwe. Go raya gore tota gone ga go motlhofo gore ke go arabe. Go batla morero le ditshekatsheko tse di tseneletseng gore ditlamorago tsa go dira jalo e ka nna eng. Mo sebakeng sa gompiano ga ke ka ke ka go raya ke re ee kana nnyaa re ka dira jalo. Ke a leboga.

#### NEW FRANCISTOWN DISTRICT HOSPITAL

**MR W. B. MMOLOTSI (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH):** asked the Minister of Health and Wellness when construction of the new Francistown District Hospital will commence; and explain what stage the project is at.

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

*Mr Speaker*, Francistown District Hospital ke nngwe ya *projects* tse di neng di akanyeditswe gore di ka dirwa mo National Development Plan (NDP) 11. Ka ntata ya tlhalelo ya madi, *project* e ga e a kgonafala e bile gape ga e a kgonafala le go tsena mo *Mid-Term Review* ya NDP 11. Ke *projects* tse di tlaa lebelelwang jaaka re e tla re ntse re ipaakanyetsa NDP 12, re ya kwa pele ka ntata yone fela ya tlhalelo ya madi. Ke a leboga.

**MR MMOLOTSI:** *Supplementary. Thank you very much Mr Speaker.* Tona, a mme o a lemoga gore sepatela se ke lobaka le le lee go ntse gotwe se tlaa dirwa, se ntse se busediwa kwa morago?

Gape a o a tlhaleloganya Tona gore mo nakong ya gompiano e COVID-19 e neng e dirile mathata a a seng kana ka sepe, re ne re amegile go gaisa ka lobaka la gore Nyangabgwe Hospital *is a referral hospital*, Francistown ga e na sepatela sa yone? A ga o bone e le gore ke *emergency* gore Francistown a nne le sepatela se e leng sa gagwe ka gore sa Nyangabgwe ga se sa gagwe, ke sa *the whole of the northern part of Botswana*?

O tlhalose le gone gore batho ba Francistown ba ka tswa ba bo ba le dirile eng fa e le gore dingwaga tse di kanakana re ntse re kopa sepatela, le ntse le busetsa thulaganyo ya go se aga kwa morago, le ka nako e le neng le setse le supile gore tota se ya go agiwa mo nakong ya gompiano?

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. *Mr Speaker*, ke a lemoga gore sepatela se sa Francistown se na le lebaka se le mo mananeong a ditlhabololo. Ga se sone fela, dipatela di le mmalwa di ntse di le mo mananeong a ditlhabololo mme kana Palamente ke yone e fetisang madi a setšhaba. Kwa bofelong jaanong fa re lebelela dikgwetlho tse, ke sone se e leng gore gone mo Kgaolong ya North East, *just not far* go tswa mo Francistown, tota e ne e le tsholofelo ya rona gore gompiano re ka bo re setse re simolotse go aga sepatela sa Tutume. Re dumela gore fa re lebeletse Francistown *to* nnetlu, ke bone batho ba ba neng ba tlaa kwa sepateleng sa Francistown.

Re supe *Mr Speaker*, gore gone mo Francistown, *clinics* tsa rona ke tse di berekang jaaka dipatela. Re di neetse thata dingaka go lebelela gore kwa Francistown go na le batho ba le kae, re di neela tsotlhe tse e leng gore ke ditsompelo tse di ka tlhokafalang go bona gore batho fa ba leng teng, ba ka bona thuso e e rileng. Fela gone ke a dumela gore *district hospital* e a tlhokafala, e e ka re thusang.

Le gone mo Kgaolong e ya Gaborone, ga re na a *district hospital* e e leng gore le rona fa re lebile, ke a bona gore tota metse e tshwana le bo Mogoditshane le Tlokwen, ke e e leng gore fa re setse re lebile dipalo tsa batho ba ba nnang mo go tsone, ga se e e ka tsamaisiwang jaaka *clinics*. Seemo se se phatlaletse le lefatshe, Palamente e ka tsaya *resolution* fela ya gore gongwe mo ngwageng mongwe wa madi, re lebagane fela le dipatela. Se e ne e kare kwa bofelong, re bo re itse gore re bereketse lefatshe le la rona lotlhe fela ka bophara *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Further supplementary.

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the time is up. May I call upon the Leader of the House to move a Motion of Adjournment.

#### MOTION





**ADJOURNMENT**

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke kopa jalo jaaka o laotse gore Ntlo e batlotlegi ba ye go ikhutsa.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.



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