

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Wednesday, 31st August, 2016

The House met at 9.30 a.m.

*[The Deputy Speaker
(Hon. (Dr.) Laboso) in the Chair]*

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Can the Quorum Bell be rung?

(The Quorum Bell was rung)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order, Members. Unfortunately, we are unable to raise the requisite Quorum. I therefore adjourn the House until this afternoon at 2.30 p.m.
Is there any Member coming?

(Loud consultation)

Hon. Members: Allow 30 more minutes.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: No. It is not allowed. Fortunately, we have a House of rules. This one is expressly stated in the Standing Orders. Standing Order No. 34 clearly says that if we do not raise the requisite Quorum within the time we have given, we adjourn. We have given enough time and rung the Quorum Bell for over 15 minutes.

So, Members, the House stands adjourned until this afternoon, at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 9.54 a.m.