

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTIFICATION FROM THE SPEAKER

[Pursuant to Standing Order 42(2)]
(No. 001 of 2025)

ON MATURITY OF A BILL DURING THE SHORT RECESS

WHEREAS, the House, by a resolution passed on 13th February 2025, ordered that, should a published Bill become due for First Reading during the Short or Long Recesses of the Fourth Session, the Speaker shall, upon determination that the Bill is of priority, forthwith refer such Bill to the relevant Committee for consideration pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 127 (Committal of Bills to Committees and public participation), report such fact to the House upon resumption and cause the Bill to be read a First Time as soon as practicable;

FURTHER WHEREAS, the Excise Duty (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 7 of 2025) which was published on 6th March 2025, proposing to amend the Excise Duty Act to remove excise duty on imported fully assembled electric transformers, has since become due for First Reading, and has been determined to be a priority Bill;

NOTING THAT, the Leader of the Majority Party has also requested the Speaker to have the said Bill included in the list of business to be considered by the House immediately after it resumes from the Short Recess on Tuesday, 1st April 2025, and that the request has been acceded to;

NOW THEREFORE, it is further **NOTIFIED** to all Members of the National Assembly and the general public—

- (1) THAT, the Excise Duty (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 7 of 2025) now stands referred to the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning for consideration;
- (2) **THAT**, the Committee is to expeditiously consider the Bill and submit its report upon resumption of regular sittings of the House;
- (3) **THAT**, upon resumption of the House, the House Business Committee shall expedite consideration of the Excise Duty (Amendment) Bill, 2025; and
- (4) **THAT**, the Clerk is hereby required to transmit this Notification to all Members of the National Assembly, and facilitate the Committee to undertake the necessary public participation activities on the Bill.

I thank you.

THE RT. HON. (DR.) MOSES F.M. WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, 18th March 2025