

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE OF QUESTION

Honorable Mike Kavekatora (**Signature**):.....

I give notice that on **Thursday, 9th March 2017** I shall ask the **Minister of Environment and Tourism, Honourable Pohamba Shifeta**, the following questions relating to tourism in the country:

It is reported in the media that the tourism industry last year experienced one of the best years in over a decade or so. This is a welcome development in a year where Namibia faced its biggest financial crisis since independence.

It is also common knowledge that some hospitality businesses are generating their invoices from abroad and money for services rendered in Namibia remain in foreign countries.

- 1) How much of the income generated from the 60% occupancy rate of last year reached Namibia and how much remained abroad?

- 2) What are your plans to ensure that the Namibian economy derives maximum benefits for being an attractive tourist destination and that money is not kept in foreign countries?

- 3) The tourism sector is still regarded as an exclusive sector dominated by whites. What are the barriers to entry in this sector and how do you intent to address them?

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