6th Session of Children's Parliament of Namibia "Eye on Japan's Culture" (17 July 2024)

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On July 17, 2024, Ambassador Nishimaki attended an "Eye on Japan's Culture", organized by the Japanese Embassy, UNICEF and National Assembly during the 6th Session of Namibia's Children's Parliament. During his remarks, Ambassador Nishimaki encouraged the Children Parliamentarians on the importance of education. He said, "Education became my beacon of hope and opportunity. It transformed me from a hesitant student into a fervent believer in the power of knowledge to change lives.

The Children's Parliament is a platform dedicated to amplifying the voices of children, guiding the state's policymakers towards a future where the rights and welfare of children are not just recognized, but actively championed.

The night ended by showing a Japanese Video named *"Ueno Park through the seasons"*. The video shows that even deep in the giant Tokyo metropolis, you can still enjoy the changing seasons in the rich natural environment of Ueno Park.

This event was covered by NBC Digital News. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=ZO7brxhSrWA&feature=youtu.be</u>



Ambassador Nishimaki delivering his motivational speech



Mr. Samuel Ocran, UNICEF Representative highlighting relationship between Japan and Namibian as well as UNICEF



Ambassador Nishimaki giving gifts to the children parliamentarian, represented here by the speaker and the deputy speaker.



Ambassador Nishimaki together with Mr. Ocran with the children parliamentarian