



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[Hon. Deputy Speaker Mr. *Mr. Kennedy Ngondi* in the chair]

PRAYERS

Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Ngondi): Am suspecting we have a stranger in the House, I don't know if he is the Majority Leader (*Laughing*) I have never seen the Majority Leader for the last two weeks.

Serjeant-At-Arms can you ring the bell for lack of quorum in the House for 10 minutes please.

(The quorum bell is rung for 10 minutes)

Deputy Speaker: Serjeant-At-Arms, please! Hon. Members, the House is in Order, we can proceed.

PETITIONS

PENDING PETITIONS

Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, the following petitions should be ready for responses. Petition by residents of Githurai Ward on the grabbing of the Public social Hall, football pitch and land meant for dispensary, presented on 17th June, 2014.

Petition by residents of Eastleigh, for intervention on Eastleigh South, Section 3 Sewerage Slum eviction, presented on 22nd October, 2014.

Petition by residents of Embakasi Mradi regarding the demolition the structures on land LR. No. 9042/130 presented on 31st March, 2015. Chairman Town Planning!

Hon. Member for Eastleigh South Ward (Mr. Nelson Masiga): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We are still working on the documents to compile the report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, there are Statements which were requested way back in August, 2014 and the other October, 2014, the other is March. Your Committee did an undertaking of 2 weeks, now this is one year down the line. The other one is now three months.

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. Today we had a meeting with the petitioner from Embakasi and we discussed with them. We are yet to give a report because we are still compiling it.

For Eastleigh Slum section 3, we have sent someone to the person who did the grabbing so that when we have him in the meeting we can conclude the report, same to the Githurai, Ting'ang'a. we still need the final person to have a meeting with so that we can have a conclusive report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: So The other ones, when---

Hon. Nelson Masiga: We are still working on the 3 of them. We have not reached the conclusion because there are some people who are supposed to come to the meeting so as to conclude the report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: So how much time do you need? When is the report going to be before the House? When is it appropriate?

Hon. Nelson Masiga: I think one month will do for us. Yes, Mr. Speaker, one month will do for us.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Let me consult a bit. Okay, Hon. Members, this Assembly is a House of rules and procedures. We are guided by the principle under the Standing Orders. Hon. Member for Town Planning, kindly revisit your Standing Order number 202:

Committal of Petitions.

(2) "Whenever a petition is committed to a Sectoral Committee, the Committee shall not, and you must underline the word 'not', more than sixty calendar days from the time of reading the prayer, respond to the petitioner by way of a report addressed to the petitioner or petitioners and laid on the Table of the County Assembly and no debate on or in relation to the report shall be allowed, but the Speaker may, in exceptional circumstances, allow comments or observations in relation to the Petitions for not more than twenty Minutes."

(3) "The Clerk shall, within fifteen days of the decision of the County Assembly, in writing, notify the petitioner of the decision of the County Assembly on the petition."

So, all these petitions, the response is far much past the stipulated period. Two of the 2014 and the other one for March has already lapsed. Please, you must commit the response before the House within one week. Next week, probably between Tuesday and Wednesday!

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. You must understand that these Committees have some dynamics and challenges that we are facing. We have sent some invitations and summons to some Members of the public who have turned down. So, we cannot have a conclusion to this matter. That is the reason why we have not concluded the petitions.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: So can you try by next week?

Hon. Nelson Masiga: We shall try by next week.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Akuk.

Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward (Mr. Maurice Akuk): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. Having read the requirement of a petition and the Standing Orders and having noticed that one of these petitions have actually lapsed in time, I think it is only logical that the Chairman of this Committee puts this in writing to your office, Mr. Speaker, explaining why that delay has occurred. I don't think it is necessary for a Member of this Committee to come and lie to this House that they have been unable to achieve what they are mandated to do.

I have sat in that Committee once and I understand their operations. It is the Committee that needs to come back to this House and tell us their failures. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Observation noted and the request is granted. Are you the Chair of Planning Committee? Where is the Chairman? Vice Chair for Planning, are you a Member of the Committee?

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Mr. Speaker sir. The Chairman and the Vice Chair is not there.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: So, what I am saying; the request of the Member has been granted. So we need to read out your response to the House, tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Mr. Chairman, I think the Member was misleading the House by saying that the Committee--- I am trying to lie to the House that we are undertaking. This is a serious thing, even if you ask the Sergeant-At-Arms who were given letters to deliver to the people who were asked to come to the Committee, they have failed to come.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member, we have at least registered your concerns but we need to have records of the same. So, you do the same in writing so that we can put it before the House tomorrow. Hon. Majority Leader!

Hon. Majority Leader: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me this opportunity to contribute to this Planning thing. Let us just be fair to the Planning Department because I can see there are some amendments they want to do. So, if you give them up to tomorrow, I don't think they will manage.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: I am saying; whatever the request he has placed before the Assembly, it should come in a formal way; by way of at least notes so that we can have them in records. But now, the response of the Committee towards the Statements will come next week.

Hon. Majority Leader: Okay, Mr. Speaker. I think two weeks will be enough for them. Just tell them that is maximum. If they don't bring the report by two weeks, disband the Committee. You have that power.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

PAPERS

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Chairman, P.A.C. you have papers to lay?

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD CAR LOAN SCHEME FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED, 30TH JUNE, 2014.

Hon. Member for Embakasi West Ward (Mr. Robert Mbatia): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 180 (6), I beg to lay the following Paper on the table of the Assembly, today, Tuesday, 16th June, 2015; Report of the Select Committee of Public Accounts on the Report of the Auditor General of the Nairobi City County Assembly Service Board Car Loan Scheme Fund for the year ended, 30th June, 2014. I beg to lay.

NOTICE OF MOTION

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD CAR LOAN SCHEME FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED, 30TH JUNE, 2014.

Hon. Robert Mbatia: Mr. Speaker, I am back. I beg to give notice of the following Motion; THAT, this Assembly adopts the Report of the Select Committee on Public Accounts Committee on the Report of the Auditor General of the Nairobi City County Assembly Service Board Car Loan Scheme Fund for the year ended, 30th June, 2014; laid on the table of the Assembly, today, Tuesday, 16th June, 2015. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENTS

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ngaruiya

BLOCKAGES OF SEWERAGE SYSTEMS AND DISCONNECTIONS OF WATER SERVICES IN KAHAWA WEST WARD

Hon. Member for Kahawa West Ward: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to standing Order No. 41 (2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation regarding blockages of sewerage systems and disconnections of water services in Kahawa West, Ward Nairobi County.

Hon. Speaker, most of the sewerage systems in the Ward have blocked due to the recent heavy rains in Nairobi and the systems urgently need an upgrade. Open sewers also pose a threat to the residents. Furthermore, residents of Kiwanja and Kamae area have been denied access to water.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement the chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. When the leaking pipes will be repaired
2. Why the Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company should not be held responsible for reported deaths due to cholera outbreak in the County for the last three months
3. When will the residents of Kiwanja and Kamae areas get access to water services from the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company
4. Steps taken by the County Government to unblock the sewerage systems in Nairobi.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Chairperson for Environment and Water? Deputy! A Member from Water Committee!

Hon. Robert Mbatia: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We shall respond in the next two weeks

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Ogeto

GRABBING OF PUBLIC LAND LR NO.3734/843

Hon. Member for Kilimani Ward (Mr. Moses Ogeto): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I have two Statements to lay before this Assembly.

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 41 (2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee of Planning and Housing regarding the grabbing of a public land LR NO.3734/843 in Kilimani.

Mr. Speaker, the public land of the LR NO. 3734/843 was given to the defunct City Council by the National Government. The land was meant for the construction of the public library. However, a private developer has invaded the land.

Hon. Speaker, in the Statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. When and how the public land LR. NO 3734/843 was transferred to a private developer
2. Measures the County Executive is taking to reclaim the land

Mr. Speaker sir, I went through the copy of the title deed which has very serious special conditions. I would also wish that the Chairperson in a statement, while reporting to this Assembly, to have facts of the same said land.

GRABBING OF PUBLIC LAND LR. NO 1/150

Pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Planning and Housing regarding a piece of land LR. NO 1/150 on Kitale Lane in Kilimani.

Hon. Speaker, there is an ongoing development of a private land LR. No 1/150. However most of the roads in the area have been destroyed as a result of ongoing constructions on the said land.

Hon. Speaker in the Statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. Approval of the development of the land on LR. No 1/150
2. Measures the County Executive is taking to ensure that the roads destroyed by the private developer are repaired

Mr. Speaker sir, I also want to reiterate on the same Statement that I would wish to ask the Planning Committee under the Chairperson of Planning not to be hoodwinked by the private developer as it was done in Weston hotel. We want to ensure that transparency is observed. We use a lot of money and time to repair these roads. Mr. Speaker, you also remember when Maurice Akuk was complaining about Safaricom because the roads were being repaired and because they have money they come and destroy those roads the same day they are made.

The Chairperson should report and ensure that he is not hoodwinked by the private developer whom we know very well and owns Weston hotel.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Member from the Planning Committee!

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. With the urgency of the matter, I ask for one and a half weeks.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Majority Leader!

Hon. Majority Leader: Mr. Speaker, I think this is a serious matter because I know the place. Mr. Speaker, the size of the plot is about 2 acres. The kind of development that that developer is going to do there is more than 226 units and the plot is meant to carry about 105 units. So, it is more than 100% excess. So, the Planning Committee, I know what you people are going to do. Let us please solve the situation there because when we build 226 units there. Just multiply that by three people from each house.

That is going to be over 500 people on that small road. They should also consider how many people are using that road every day.

So, Mr. Speaker, I think we should do something about this thing because I know the Planning Committee is not going to give us a proper report. But let us just give them one week, not one and a half because as we are waiting here, those people will continue constructing the houses. Mr. Speaker, just give them one week. That is enough for them to give us feedback. If there is no proper feedback, the whole Assembly must go and visit the area.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Majority Leader. Hon. Kambi, please sit down first! The Hon. Majority Leader just raised his voice on the same and the ability, and to some extent insinuating that, maybe, "MAYBE"---so, let us give him benefit of doubt that that maybe it will not happen in any way. Can we proceed, Clerk?

MOTION

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND AMENDMENT BILL, 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5 OF 2015, AN ACT OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAIROBI CITY TO AMEND THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND ACT, 2014 FIRST READING.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ronal Milare.

Hon. Member for Harambee Ward (Mr. Ronald Milare): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the Motion THAT, aware that the functions of public entertainment and public amenities, including liquor controlling, county recreational facilities and sports activities and facilities are vested to County Governments, pursuant to Paragraph 4 (2) of the 4th Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya; further aware that the National Government has banned weekend and holiday tuitions in schools; concerned that millions of school children are on holiday without any recreational facilities available to them which makes them vulnerable to unintended exposure including drugs and alcohol abuse; noting that over 2.2 million Kenyans are susceptible to alcohol and drugs; noting that used and poorly disposed alcoholic drink containers are principle source of alcohol abuse by youth; acknowledging that the National Government has several agencies such as National Authority for Campaign against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) which is designated to coordinate implementation of various regulatory mechanisms; this Assembly urges the County Government:

- 1) In conjunction with NACADA, parents, teachers and well-wishers to immediately prepare affordable holiday camps for school children in educational facilities within the County and ensure adequate facilitation and security and
- 2) To institute collection and appropriate disposal measures of all used alcoholic drinks containers.

Mr. Speaker, we all know the adage that an idle mind is the devil's workshop. It is on this premise that holiday tuitions were organized in the past to keep our children busy. Mr. Speaker, it is during the school holidays that decadence is at its highest. This is a time when our children engage in experimenting with alcohol, drugs and risky sexual behavior. Mr. Speaker, the overriding goal of this Motion is to therefore to ask the County Government to engage our youth in meaningful activities during the school holidays by organizing for activities and programs.

In fact, in the Alcoholic Drinks Control and Licensing Act, 10% of all collected revenue should go towards organizing such programs and activities. Mr. Speaker, between November last year and June this year, the County collected 205 million and we have the capacity of collecting up to 700 million, 10% of that is not bad money. We can do a lot of activities and programs with that fund which should be managed by the Liquor Licensing Board.

Mr. Speaker, on question two, we know consumption of counterfeit liquor is on the rise and many people have died and many have been maimed. Mr. Speaker, the main reason is that as a Country we have a very poor culture of recycling. Mr. Speaker, empty bottles are collected and delivered to the illegal manufacturers who in turn clean the bottles and print fake labels then sell it as counterfeit liquor. Most of our establishments unknowingly sell this liquor. Nairobi as a County we have over 5000 bars and establishments who have applied for licenses and about 8000 are still hiding.

According to the data when you punch in the code, we have about 12,866 establishments but only 5000 have applied for licenses. So Mr. Speaker, the numbers are high and most of these establishments unknowingly sell cheap counterfeit liquor. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, it is important as a County that we need to institute appropriate disposal measures for all used alcoholic bottles where they are collected at a central place for onwards transportation to the recycling plants. Mr. Speaker, with those few remarks I beg to move and I call upon Hon. Nancy Luchiri to second the Motion. Thank you.

Hon. Nancy Luchiri (Nominated Member): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I wish to support Hon. Milare on that very important Motion. Mr. Speaker, you cannot---

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Are you supporting or seconding?

Hon. Nancy Luchiri: I am seconding. Nairobi being a County that is cosmopolitan with a very high population and it is a market area many drugs are finding their way to the City. We are so worried, especially young parents, who have school going children and it is a very long holiday, a whole month, in which your children can be exposed to many things such as drugs substance abuse. These things are circulating to even the younger generation even the primary school going kids. Mr. Speaker, by engaging these students we will have to run activities such as art and design and we can even boost the local talent. We do not have money to maintain rehabilitation centers and we can see that those people who are victims of alcohol and substance abuse need to be rehabilitated. At the moment we only have Mathare that is giving methadone and it is a very limited and expensive drug. So, Mr. Speaker, I would wish to support this Motion and engaging our students so that we can have a better population in the future. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon Members. I now propose the question that

(The Motion is proposed)

Hon. Member for Kahawa West Ward (Mr. Ngaruiya Chege): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this Motion. I have interrogated this Motion and realized that, much as we would wish to take these kids on these Holiday camps, we've to look at issues of sustainability, can we sustain taking kids every holiday to these Camps? Is it practical? I am surprised that this is coming from the Chairman of Culture and Social Services. Instead of instigating Measures to ensure that Social halls in every Ward are available by rehabilitating the dilapidated Social halls, but he goes ahead to propose another budget which cannot be sustained by this County.

He's also the Chairman responsible for playgrounds and He needs to ask Hon. Members whether we have playgrounds in our area of representations. So that in His Budget he can come up with measures of how we can secure these playgrounds and Social halls. In the process we would save the County a lot of money by ensuring that this particular play grounds are fenced and any person who does not have good intention is kept away.

I wish to advise him to withdraw this Motion, because even when we take these kids we've seen them through holiday camps, through churches and in the end they end up pairing and indulge in sexual activities and even taking alcohol because they've a lot of time. I kindly advise the Hon. Chairman, to ensure that this Motion is withdrawn and bring a Motion that can be sustainable by the Budget that we have in the County Assembly and bring issues to do with social halls and play grounds so that at least we can start from there. Thank you Mr. Speaker, I oppose.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku (Nominated Member): Mr. Speaker sir, thank you very much. I cannot believe that an Hon. Member can stand here and oppose such a good Motion. I want to support this Motion. It is a very brilliant Motion, he is talking about social halls and I am in Education Committee, we have visited several social halls and I can give an example of Bahati social hall which is no longer a social hall. Kayole 1 social hall is no longer a social hall, it is a rehabilitation center for street children, are you telling us to take our children and our youths there? How? They are not street children, we are talking---may be he did not understand what we are talking about here. We are talking about our youth who are idle during the vacation and during that time they face so many temptations, they indulge themselves in pornography, drug activities like in our area in Njiru they chew a lot of *mogoka* there and if those children or those youths---

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Member!

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Yes.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Can you use Parliamentary language?

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Mogoka is “miraa” the one that is affordable, you know, those leaves. May be you come from the west sides but there are those leaves that are affordable, you buy for like Kshs. 30.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Yes and the youth can afford that and that is a drug and that is how they start taking drugs, now what we are saying simply, we want those schools during holidays, there is something called peer counseling. We used to do peer counseling, your fellow peers, your age mates, you counsel each other and it is easier rather than your mother or your father counseling you. And it works, for some of us, like me, I would not have been here if it was not for peer counseling. There is also team building, we used to do team building during those sweet days. Yeah and now I feel so bad as a parent when I see my child moving around the street or playing play station the whole day because they do not have the space. The social halls are gone; in fact we need more money for our social halls. Yes, or we build like the rehabilitation center that we want to build in Ruai so that we can remove street children from the social halls and take them to the rehabilitation center. Mr. Speaker all am saying is---

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order. Order, just briefly, any Hon. Member who is not in the official attire for the Assembly, please you should walk out. Proceed.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I’m well dressed, I will continue. As I finish I want to talk about our values. You have seen that the values of our youth have deteriorated. Our fabric, our social fabric is torn. We no longer have values. It is not like we used to do when our parents used to pass when we were playing and we used to stand at attention. Nowadays we don’t have any values. Even a youth cannot stand for you in *Ummoiner*. So what we are saying, we want to instill that social fabric, we want to mend it, thank you Mr. Speaker. We have already lobbied for this Motion and it is surely going to pass, thank you. I want to tell Hon. Ngaruiya to represent his people well, thank you

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Can I call the mover to reply or contribution from the Majority Leader?

Hon. Majority Leader: Mr. Speaker I know Mr. Ngaruiya just wanted people to see he was a teacher, but that is the reason why sometimes I always call him because it is the children whom he was teaching---

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, are you for the Motion or against?

Hon. Majority Leader: Mr. Speaker I’m supporting the Motion, is only that I want to tell Ngaruiya, maybe he did not read it very well, because it is not rehabilitation for those street children, it is for your children but not ours, because me I belong to this side, so it is the children of this side I know when they close school they have a lot of activities like stealing, so if this social hall will keep them busy, Mr. Ngaruiya I’m talking to you my friend.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Hon. Member I don't expect that to come from Majority Leader, that is discrimination of the highest order Hon. Majority Leader. Can you please withdraw because Kenya is one nation, we are one people but the unfortunate circumstances people don't call for them.

Hon. Majority Leader: Mr. Speaker I don't discriminate Kenyans, I just said I'm coming from this side and they are coming from this side. I'm not the one who named those roads, roads called Moi Avenue, Tom Mboya, up to there was Manyanja road, is it Mr. Speaker? So those roads are there, so if you are coming from those sides, you belong to those sides and if you are coming from this side you belong to this side Mr. Speaker. That is not discrimination. So Mr. Speaker I support the Motion, let us just pass it as it is.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Andrew Mbau?

Hon. Member for Mlango Kubwa ward (Mr. Andrew Mbau): Thanks Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this Motion. Mr. Speaker I happen to come from an informal sector of this City and one thing that is very precise, the reason as to why people, the children from informal sector and they don't develop socially and personal level compared to children from rural areas who I think experience more poverty than them is because of drugs. If there is anything that annihilates the people, the children potential, is drugs and if, now that we have gotten a chance to inculcate the culture of drug abstinence, through this Motion I will support it. For what Hon. Ngaruiya said, this money, the money that will be spent on seminars is going to be drawn from the 10% of proceeds from liquor licensing. So I think this project is sustainable. With those few remarks I support the Motion.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: May the mover reply?

Hon. Ronald Milare: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I just want to thank all the Members who supported this Motion, I believe it is a good Motion so thank you Members.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members allow me to put the question that,

(Question is put and agreed to)

MOTION

A COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF THE PLANNING AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: The mover of the Motion is not in the House. The Motion stands withdrawn from the Order Paper because this is now, the second time.

A COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF THE COUNTY TREASURY AND THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Peter Isuha. This also affects the same. Hon. Isuha! The same Motion No. 11 stands withdrawn from the Order Paper.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ASSEMBLY

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I wish to withdraw the Motion.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Which one?

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Number 12.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: That is not possible.

Hon. Nelson Masiga: Simply because it has urgency from various stakeholders who have just called and said they wish to contribute to this Motion.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: But you do not have any power to withdraw a Motion. This is the property of the House my friend. Can you put your request in a better way?

Hon. Nelson Masiga: I am saying I wish to withdraw it simply because we need to have more time for more people to consult, like the National Construction Authority have said they have not given their--

Hon. Deputy Speaker: This has not been brought to the notice of the Office of the Speaker.
(Hon. Speaker consults the Clerk)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Masiga. Okay Hon. Members, on Motion No. 12, the Nairobi City County Regularization of Developments Bill 2015, Assembly Bill No. 1 of 2015, stands suspended to next week. There are several stakeholders who have a lot of interest in this Bill and they have requested to be given at least ample time so that they may submit a memorandum.

So we have given them at least a period of one week and then we will bring back the Motion before the House. Otherwise Hon. Members, there shall be a sitting of the House Business Committee at the rise of the Assembly chaired by the Hon. Majority Leader. Thank you.

(The House rose at 3.45 pm.)