



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Ng'ondi) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member it has been brought to the attention of the Chair that there is lack of quorum in the House and so I direct Serjeant-At-Arm to ring the bell for 10 minutes under Standing Order number 31 2.

(Quorum bell is rang for 10 minutes)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member we now have quorum in the House and we may proceed!

STATEMENTS

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Chair Budget and Appropriation!

Hon. Member for Hospital Ward (Mr. George Ochola): Thank you Mr. Speaker and I have two response one was for Hon. Shadrack Juma and he is not in the House and also he had requested that we correct some few areas which he had issues with and therefore and he asked me not to table the response today.

The other response is for Hon. Muhammed Abdi and he is also not in the House. Mr. Speaker I am going to give a response to a statement requested by Hon. Rachel Kamweru, MCA and she is in the House.

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Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Rachel can you confirm if you got a copy of the report.

Hon. George Ochola: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On Wednesday 8th June, 2016, the Hon. Rachel Kamweru MCA, rose on the floor of the Assembly pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c) and request the Chairperson of the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations on the alleged plans by the County to hand Laptrust Pension Scheme another Estate in debt swap.

In the Statement, the Member requested that the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

- I. How much does the County Government owe Laptrust currently;
- II. The number of estates being targeted for the transaction and point out which estates in particular
- III. The current status of the said plan of swapping the debt between CPF financial which administers Laptrust and the County Government.
- IV. Measures taken by the County Executive to ensure that the County Government clears its debt and protect its properties from being sold to offset the loans accrued.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee wrote to the County Treasury to seek for answers on the issues raised. The Committee at its sitting held today Wednesday 3rd August 2016 interrogated the response and noted that it was satisfactory for presentation in this Honourable Assembly.

In this regard, Mr. Speaker, sir I wish to report to the Assembly as follows:

- I. That as at 30th June, 2016 the County Government owed Laptrust Kshs.9,945,870,566;
- II. On the number of Estates which have been earmarked for debt transaction to offset the debt, the Committee wishes to report that the issues are still being addressed by a joint taskforce of Laptrust and the Nairobi County Government. Since the taskforce is still yet to finalize and indeed present its report to His Excellency the Governor on the debt settlement options including property swap it would not be possible to point out which estates have been targeted for transaction.
- III. Similarly, since the third issue for inquiry is also dependent on the finalization of the report of the taskforce it would not be possible to provide the details at this point;
- IV. That on the measures taken by the County Executive to ensure that the county Government clears its debts and protect its properties from being sold to offset loans accrued, the Committee wishes to report as follows:
 - The County has rolled out ambitious revenue mobilization mechanisms to ensure that we collect enough to fund and our activities thereby reducing the instances of accruing debts. The uses of Sub-County administration, automation of revenue collection and sealing of leakages have all served to improve the revenue basket;
 - The County has adopted due diligence in remitting monthly pension contributions to avoid incurring penalties;

- To clear the accrued debt, the County has adopted a self-driven initiative whereby it remits amounts of Ksh.40 and Ksh.90 million over and above the monthly pension contributions during low and peak revenue periods respectively; and
- Finally the County has been offsetting the rates and parking payable to the County by Laptrust as a way of further reducing the amount owed to the pension body.

Hon. Speaker, I beg to lay this Statement. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Kamweru.

Hon. Rachael Kamweru (Nominated Member): Thank you Mr. Speaker. One, I have gotten the response but I am not satisfied for the following reasons. We want to make it very clear that the public land in Nairobi does not belong to the Executive but to the people of Nairobi. That means we are the Representatives of the people of Nairobi, the County Government, the Executive wing cannot purport to dispose of the houses without consultation from this particular House. Before anything is done, a report needs to be brought to this House for us to sanction what is to be offset.

Mr. Speaker, you realize I've been told from the report we owe Laptrust 9.9 million of the principal contribution. The debt owed is 5.4. I am just trying to check on my calculations. 9.9 billion to Laptrust, principle outstanding is 5.4 billion. You realize we owe them 5.4 and not 9.9. That means this County has 4.5 which has been accrued as interest. Who is liable for this interest? All I know is that we owe 5.4. They have put their interest on top which comes to 9.9. They plan to pay off this debt putting the residents of Nairobi in debt which could have been avoided over and above an interest of 4.4. As a representative of the people of Nairobi we will not agree to this. They will need to sit down and see how they remove this interest and just pay off the 5.4.

Mr. Speaker, the last valuation was done in the 1980s. Does the County Executive intend to dispose the public property based on the 30 years of the old valuation? This is a weighty issue. It needs to be relooked and this is the first time this House and Nairobians are hearing there was a taskforce that was set. Nothing like that has ever been mentioned by the Treasury in the Debt Management Strategy Paper that was laid in the Assembly. They never mentioned about the task force that was formed by the Treasury. It is important to learn that the engagement was between themselves. We were not aware of this taskforce. This was not put in the Debt Management Strategy Paper. How it was overruled when they were giving the Debt Strategy Paper telling us there is a taskforce in place is wanting.

Mr. Speaker, can this work be relooked at in depth. We are going into an election year. We will not leave this hanging like that. Let the proper information be given and they tell us what we are going to do with this interest of 4.5. I am not leaving at that. I am not satisfied with the response that I've been given. It is half baked, thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Kamweru. Hon. Kamweru please from your own findings and the information you have, you can as well put them down so that they go into record that you have

pointed out the kind of irregularities that you have noted. Let's not just share them here get them written down in order and then you forward them to the Clerk for action. Thank you. Hon. K'Otieno.

Hon. Member for Sarang'ombe Ward (Mr. Pius Otieno): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Allow me also to shed some light on the above mentioned subject and inform the House that indeed even to me as an individual I am not pleased with the answer that has been shared before this House. The Committee needs to do some thorough research and especially enlighten us if there is any Debt Management Policy within the County because the rate at which County properties are being disposed of in the name of managing debt is very sad and very alarming.

This is a House of Honour, it is exercising some sovereign right on behalf of the people living in Nairobi. Those properties are not for this same CS. They are not for the Executive. They do not belong to that Retirement Pension Scheme. What I want the Committee to do because I am sure there are still other pending debts that we have. As time goes by, Nairobi County shall find itself without any property. It will even be declared as a County that is not credit worthy and will not attract any credit.

Hon. Pius Otieno: ... What we are asking the Budget and Appropriations Committee, why they don't ask the Executive, whom are owing debts because am sure the way we are going to the elections these properties will be disposed and when there is no policy they are going to be disposed off on single sourcing basis where an individual from the Executive will work in cahoots and they dispose these properties at throw away price without even considering the market value of the said property.

If we don't reign in on these people who are working with other cahoots to rob the innocent Kenyans their sweat and toil am sure nobody will forgive us Mr. Speaker and I am sure. I would beseech and ask you kindly to ask the Committee to return the response back to the people who prepared it so that those people can bring us a response that meets the threshold and expectations of people living in Nairobi, thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. K'Otieno, Hon. Maoah

Hon. Member of Nairobi South Ward (Mr. Manoah Mboku): Thank you Mr. Speaker I just wanted to add my voice on the report, indeed the Budget Committee has brought a report that is not satisfying. It is not only Laptrust as you are aware, Lapfund also has a debt with County to settle and the manner in which the Executive is handling this matter is wanting because you realize last time immediately after the Councils were dissolved, the way Hon. K'Otieno has just indicated, is when the former Mayor and the Finance Chairman and the then Clerk who was not in the office, went ahead and transferred Mariakani Estate while they were not in the office.

I am worried when we are nearing elections here the County properties are also going to be transferred in a manner that will not be clear. Indeed I would request that this matter be looked into and probably all County properties that are titled should be caveated so that nothing happens until the matter is

brought to the Assembly for either deliberation and way forward. I beg to request that the report is not satisfying and they should go back and dig deep into the matter.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Manoah. Hon. Mwalimu the last.

Hon. Member for Kahawa West Ward (Mr. Ngaruiya Chege): Thank you Mr. Speaker, that particular statement that has been requested, I hear members blaming the Budget and Appropriation Committee but as a member of that particular Committee I want to exonerate the members because am not privy to that particular information.

So I think it would have been shared first to the members and I keep asking chairmen that first of all before you present a statement in this House, first of all, let the members go through it, let the Chairman allow the members to have a copy of that request so that...

Hon. Deputy Speaker: You mean members of a specific committee or...

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: The members of the Budget Committee.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: So in fact you want to say you were not privy to the report.

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: Exactly Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Are you listed as among the members who appended their signature.

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: I think we have not put our signatures there. It should be there.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Then how did this report find its way to the Assembly.

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: It has just come from the Executive, being brought here by the Vice Chairman and we don't have any information.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member can you sit! Hon. Vice chair for Budget can you confirm whether the report has been verified by the members of the Committee

Hon. Member for Hospital Ward (Mr. George Ochola): Thank you Mr. Speaker, indeed I think what my learned colleague has just stressed is very vital because yesterday I didn't attend the Budget Committee and its true that am not privy to it as he is saying and I also did ask some questions about this. Regarding to the Hon. Member who asked for the statement whether he was indeed satisfied with this and it is true that the Committee did not dispense on it...

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon Members please can we get two members from the Budget Committee who are in concurrence that this report did not originate from the Budget Committee. Members of the Budget Committee!

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, there is a mishap in this report, so we have to withdraw it and defer it back to the Budget Committee. The indications are, most of the Committee Members are not even aware. So, Clerk, the response has been deferred back to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

(Hon. Rachael Kamweru stood on a Point of Order)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: On what, Rachael?

Hon. Rachael Kamweru (Nominated Member): Mr. Speaker, remember I had already indicated the areas I wanted and it's like already I had given them a hint of the things that would have been done well. Do I now present these abnormalities that I have seen out of the report or do I wait to get their report again and I criticize it?

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Rachael Kamweru, the Assembly will not treat it as an official report. The report where Members dispute and have at least a different view on it, then I don't know how it found its way in to the Assembly. So, I have ruled on it that it has been differed and be taken back to the Budget Committee. I was thinking maybe you consider when they will be having a sitting on this; you can at least share with them the information you have so that when this report comes back here, you get a satisfactory response.

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: Point of Order, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Declined. Can we proceed? Order, Ochola, please sit down! Is Hon. Abdi in this House? The Hon. Chair for Budget, have you given him a copy on the request?

Hon. Member for Hospital Ward (Mr. George Ochola): Mr. Speaker, we tried to trace him but we haven't found him the whole of today.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: But you have the report with you?

Hon. George Ochola: I have the report but he has not been served with a copy.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Just table the report with the Clerk. Is Hon. Samuel Kagiri in the House? Is this response ready from the Chair, Roads and Transport? You may proceed.

Hon. Member for Lucky Summer Ward (Mr. Kennedy Oduru): Thank you, Hon. Speaker sir. On Wednesday, 5th July, 2016, Hon. Samuel Kagiri, MCA rose on the floor of the Assembly pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c) and requested the Chairperson of the Transport and Public Works Committee for a Statement regarding the contract to rehabilitate Kimondo Road in Pipeline Ward.

According to the Member, the County Executive awarded a contract to Newtral Enterprises Limited to rehabilitate Kimondo Road but to date the road is still in a deplorable state and the contractor is not on the site.

In the Statement, the Member sought to know the following:-

- i. Whether the contract was given to another company to rehabilitate the road, if yes, then the contract documents to be availed to the Assembly
- ii. Measures the County Executive is taking to improve the dilapidated state of Kimondo Road.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee wrote a letter to the Chief Officer Transport, Roads and Public Works and copied to the Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Transport, Roads and Public Works and the Ag. County Secretary on 11th July 2016 where the contents of the request were outlined. Further, the County Executive Committee Member for Transport delivered a written response to the Committee on a letter dated 27th July 2016.

In this regard, Mr. Speaker sir, I wish to report to the Assembly as follows:-

1. **County Executive awarded a contract to Newtral Enterprise Limited to rehabilitate Kimondo Road but to date the road is still in a deplorable state and the contractor is not on site.** The project was terminated on 9th March 2016 under Clause 63.1 of Conditions of Contract and vide the letter ref. CE/HS/005/250/010/TRK/mm due to contractor's failure to perform his obligations under contract and persistent non-compliance with Engineer's instructions. The same was confirmed through the letter from County Secretary ref. RPWT/212/DOR/220 of 16th May 2016 and therefore the contractor left the site.

To make the road passable and the area accessible, the Sector has embarked on filling the deep trench excavated by the contractor as a short term measure to avert further public outcry over the deplorable state of the road. In conjunction with Department of Environment, the sector has been providing wheel loader for heaping and loading of solid waste to lorries for carting away.

2. **Whether the contract was given to another company to rehabilitate the road, if yes, then the contract documents to be availed to the Assembly.** The contract has not been given to another company to rehabilitate. Discussions are underway to have a contractor engaged by the Kenya Urban Roads Authority.
3. **Measures the County Executive is taking to improve the dilapidated state of Kimondo Road.** The following measures have been taken and are still in place to improve the dilapidated state of the road.

Short term measures:-

- Filling of the excavated area with quarry fill through our in-house maintenance unit
- Carting away of solid waste along the road in conjunction with Department of Environment

Long term measures:-

KURA has been formally requested to take over the works and have agreed in principle vide their letter ref. KURA/D&C/2(144) of 9th June 2016 (see attached).

However, the County is required to avail the funds for execution of the works to KURA upfront, this has been communicated to Chief Officer, Finance and Economic Planning vide our letter ref. NCC/RPW&T/1645/DOR/RM220 OF 21ST June 2016. The sector is following up the matter with the sector of Finance and Economic Planning.

Mr. Speaker, with this response we have attached documents from the Executive on the engagement of Kenya Urban Roads Authority in the Kimondo Road project. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Kagiri?

Hon. Member for Pipeline Ward (Mr. Samuel Kagiri): Mr. Speaker, I have the report by the Committee but to me the report is not satisfactory. The Committee relied only on the response from the Executive but did not take interest to know the truth behind whatever the Executive had written in this statement.

Mr. Speaker, you are aware of that road and you know the situation that people are going through in that area. A good section of the road is not passable at all and it has been that way since November last year. A whole year going down the line since when the contract was terminated. Whatever the Chairman was talking about some work that the Executive is doing, they have done less than a hundred meters of the section for people to be able to move from one area to the other or to do their business comfortably.

This road is a health hazard for the people living there including small children. People have been injured and died. I propose that the Committee takes an initiative of visiting the ground or the site in order to come up with a clear report on what they see by themselves and not what they have been told by the Executive. The Executive is commenting that KURA has been engaged.

I don't think there is anything going on with the issue of KURA as I found out the issue. So, let the Committee should go back and prepare a site visit and come up with a clear report on what they find on the ground. This is not a statement which can be accepted in this place. I think these people have a right to be listened to and the County should do something about this road. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Thank you Hon. Speaker sir. I concur with what the Hon. Member is stating except that there are some points that he has just added. As per the statement which he raised, I think the response which is being given covers it. If you considered (i), whether the contract was given to another company to rehabilitate the road, if yes, then the contract documents should be availed to the Assembly of

which is clearly indicated here in the response. Then what he wanted to know in (ii), measures the County Executive is taking to improve the dilapidated state of the road, it is well spelt here Hon. Speaker. I don't like, unless he wants any further issue. Just clarify. But whatever he raised are well contained here.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Oduru, the Member is raising at least a concern because what is on the ground does not actually match what you are reading out. So, the request he is making is that Committee to visit and see for themselves. Is that possible? Are you able to visit the site?

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Yes. That is why I have said that I concur with his request. But as per the statement the way he pose-----

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Kindly take note of that and bring it to the attention of the Committee members so that you see the sense of visiting the site.

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Okay fine. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: The Chair for Early Childhood can you table a report? Chair, Early Childhood? Hon. Member, can you table the report? Just table.

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: I table the report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Oduru, can you get in concurrence that the report is accurate?

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: First of all, I have a reservation on the report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Okay. Can you read out the reservation?

Hon. Ngaruiya Chege: The reservation is that first of all, even before the Member who had requested the statement, I don't believe if there is any free land in this County. And the statement I was just about to withdraw and I believe even the Hon. Member who had requested. Because from what information the Executive is giving is that they acquired a free land in Lucky Summer. Mr. Speaker, the Member was asking why they are constructing this ECD center in a Catholic church which is a private land.

Hon. Member for Kahawa West Ward (Mr. Patrick Ngaruiya): Mr. Speaker our Committee had reservations with the County Executive Member in terms of them not being in consultations with the Committee in the areas under construction. It would be imperative if the Member disowns this particular report so that we can take it back and have them organize themselves and bring a better report.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. It is strange you are the owner and author of the response. Hon. Oduru.

Hon. Member for Lucky Summer Ward (Mr. Kennedy Oduru): Thank you Hon. Speaker sir. It is my pleasure to echo whatever the author of the statement has said even though in roman four, they have

stated that they will engage personnel and because it has been contracted, what they need to do is to make sure that priority is given to the County Government.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: The Assembly is asking whether you are satisfied with the response.

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: No sir.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Then register your displeasure with the report so that they list the comments down and forward them to the Office of the Clerk. Thank you. Hon. Zulfa is not in the House so we will bypass that. Hon. Nyangwara is not in the House. Hon. Shadrack Juma already forwarded a request to defer the same. Under order 7 on the statements which are due for response. One requested by Hon. Hashim too, the Chair water. When is it due? It is today but can you be a bit specific.

Hon. Alex Ouda: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Actually the report was supposed to be placed before the Assembly but as a Committee, we received the report but it was very shallow. We discussed with Hon. Hashim and we agreed that we take it back because there is no need of bringing to the Assembly half-baked reports. So we have returned it.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. We will by-pass the request made by Hon. Pius Mbono. Statement requested by Hon. Asman Adow to Public works, are you aware of this? What is the status?

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: I am aware but we asked for an extension of time but we are doing a joint sitting with the trade Committee which is still in negotiations.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. So when will it be ready?

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Next week on Thursday.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Statement requested by Hon. Chege Mwaura directed to Labour Committee? Are you a member of the Labour Committee? What is it about? That is irrelevant, kindly sit down. Statement requested by Hon. Chege Mwaura regarding the dismissal of some County Inspectorate employees by the County Government for alleged failure to reign on the general lack of order in the CBD. What is the position? Point of Order on what? There is no Motion here

Hon. Nominated Member (Ms. Elizabeth Manyala): Thank you Mr. Speaker

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order!

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: We are still working on the report and once it is ready then we will give a comprehensive report. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Statement requested by Hon. Zulfa Hashim from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Early Childhood Education and Vocational Training regarding the increasing

number of children begging and selling sweets in the CBD. Chair and Vice Chair Early Childhood? Yes
Hon. Karen

Hon. Nominated Member (Ms. Karen Wanjiku): Sorry Mr. Speaker. I am a member of the Committee

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Can I read it out again?

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Please

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Statement requested by Hon. Zulfa Hashim from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Early Childhood Education and Vocational Training regarding the increasing number of children begging and selling sweets in the CBD.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: We will give a response after the KICOSCA games. Thank you

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Clerk. Hon. Manyala, the Clerk would want your response to be put on record regarding the County Inspectorate employees for alleged failure to reign on the lack of order in the CBD. Can you be a bit specific on when the report will be ready?

Hon. Member for Kayole South (Ms. Elizabeth Manyala): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We will do that once we are back because next week we are participating in extra curriculum activities out of this County and once we are back, that is on Tuesday the following week, then we will give the report appropriately. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

MOTIONS

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. "THAT aware that Article 4(3) section 1(d) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 states that every person has a right to clean and safe water and adequate quantities. FURTHER aware that paragraph 11(d) of part II of the 4th Schedule of the Constitution stipulates that the County Government is to provide County Public Works and services including water and sanitation. CONCERNED that most parts of the County especially in the informal settlements lack clean, safe, sufficient and affordable water which has led to the introduction of untreated water supply business within the County. ACKNOWLEDGING that the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Co. has continuously rehabilitated various sources of its water to ensure clean and adequate water supply. NOTING that the increasing population in the County implies increasing demand for basic amenities such as water supply this Assembly urges the County Executive to drill public boreholes in all the 85 Wards to ensure availability of adequate clean and safe water for the residents of Nairobi County."

Mr. Speaker, as you know that water according to the millennium development goal is one of the MDGs we need to achieve and also under the 4th Schedule of the Constitution it is under our mandate within the County---

Hon. Member for Njiiru(Ms. Karen Githaiga): Point of Order.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Granted.

Hon. Karen Githaiga: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Since it is a very important Motion and all of us can see that there is no quorum, I wish under your guidance, to give us a go ahead. Thank you.

Hon. Member for Makadara(Ms. Leah Mumo): Point of Order, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mumo please. This is a House of rules and procedures, maybe if there is lack of quorum in the House you give us terms of reference. Can we proceed, Hon. Manyala.

Hon. Leah Mumo: *(Inaudible)*

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order please, Hon. Mumo. Can you sit down first? Hon. Karen.

Hon. Karen Githaiga: Mr. Speaker, the Member is not allowed to quote a Standing Order. She is misquoting a Standing Order and interrupting this House when we are discussing a very important Motion.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: That is why I have directed her to revisit her Standing Order properly. Please, you need to become conversant with your Standing Orders. Hon. Manyala, please proceed.

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for protecting me. Having said that, Mr. Speaker, water is life. As you are aware one of the millennium development goals that needs to be achieved and ought to have been achieved by the year 2015 has not been achieved, is water. In the informal settlements and especially---

Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise (Mr. Maurice Akuk): Point of Order, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Granted, Hon. Akuk.

Hon. Maurice Akuk: Mr. Speaker, I stand on Point of Order number 32 and however much my colleague could have misquoted that Order, it is important that when an issue like that is raised to your attention you do not just disregard it like that. *(Applause)* So I am here to let you know that this is a

Motion that needs a bigger number of Members than what we have in the House and it is impossible to proceed without that necessary quorum.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Akuku, but you also need to understand that it is wrong to make a decision and give directives based on wrong Standing Orders. The Hon. Member has raised quorum under Standing Order number 32, Clerk can you confirm. Okay, I direct the Serjeant-At-Arms to ring the bell under Standing Order number 32 for 8 minutes.

(Quorum bell is rang for 8 minutes)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, after the bell has been rang for 8 minutes it appears that there is still lack of quorum in the House and so I direct that the Assembly stands adjourned under Standing Order number 32 for lack of quorum and the interrupted business to appear on the Paper on Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. The House stands adjourned, thank you Members.

(The House adjourned at 4.00 p.m.)