



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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(Hon. Speaker (Ms. Beatrice Elachi) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

STATEMENTS

DELAYED PAYMENT OF CONTRACTORS WORKING WITH THE COUNTY

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Redson.

Hon. Redson Onyango: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations regarding the delayed payment of contractors working with the County.

Hon. Speaker, there is no doubt that the county is mandated by the Constitution to provide services to the people of Nairobi through development projects in health, infrastructure, education and other sectors at the County Executive.

On many occasions these projects have been undertaken through contracting and tendering. However, over a time the county has taken longer than expected to pay the contractors hence many cases of pending bills. Hon. Speaker, on Madaraka Day 1st June 2019, H.E. the President directed the ministries to fast track and pay pending bills within 30 days and urged the County Government to follow suit. This was acknowledged by H.E the Governor and made an undertaking to embark on the process of paying the pending bills.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report to:

1. List of contractors in the pending bills and how much of the pending bills have been settled since Madaraka Day;
2. List of contractors who are yet to be paid by the County Government and the reasons for the perpetual delay in paying the contractors; and

3. Measures that the County Executive has put in place to ensure that the process of paying contractors is going forward to avert the increasing amount of pending bills.

THE ONGOING RECRUITMENT OF HEALTH SECTOR STAFF IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No.45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the ongoing recruitment of Health Sector staff in the county.

Hon. Speaker, there is no doubt that the Health Sector is an important organ of the County Government and indeed the nation at large. By anchoring the health item in the H. E. the President's Big Four Agenda as well as the H.E the Governor's Big Eight Agenda, the country is on the path to realize elevated standards of access to affordable healthcare by the citizens.

This however will not be possible without adequate human resource to provide the much needed services. It is on this basis that the county advertised for the posts in the Health Sector and interviews conducted.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. The current status of the recruitment process of officers who were intended to work in the Health Sector;
2. Reasons why the recruitment process has unnecessarily delayed and taken longer than expected given the important gap that the workers are to fill in the public health sector; and
3. When the recruitment process is to be concluded given the already existing shortage of healthcare workers in the County health facilities.

Hon. Speaker: Chair Budget? Any member? Hon. Wanyoike, do you want to speak on that? Hon. Jasho, are you a member of the committee?

Hon. Anthony Mburu: Yes, but I have just arrived. May be the Member repeats what he said.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Wanyoike as the Chair do you want to---

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: Two weeks.

Hon. Speaker: Two weeks?

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: Yah

Hon. Speaker: You will inform the Budget Committee and this is a very serious issue because I realize that the ministry is about to close the County resources if we are not able to pay the pending bills. We must take it very seriously.

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: I will. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chair Labour, Hon Wanyoike you know also this statement is for health workers but I know it also goes to your docket, the one for the current recruitment status.

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: Madam Speaker, let me give two weeks for a comprehensive response.

Hon. Speaker: You remind our Budget Chair Mbatia, to look at this issue of pending bills. Hon. Njihia, let Hon. Margaret go ahead and then you will come in after.

REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT ON THE STATUS OF ROADS IN THE COUNTY ESPECIALLY
KILELESHWA WARD

Hon. Margaret Mbote: Madam Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the status of roads in the County especially Kileleshwa Ward.

Hon. Speaker, the role of infrastructure especially roads, play in the social-economic sphere of life cannot be underestimated. Mobility of people, goods and services is at the core of everyday life of residents of Nairobi City County. Hence, the need to have good and motorable roads.

Hon. Speaker, for instance, Kileleshwa is largely a residential estate and mobility for the residents in and out of the estate is important and proper infrastructure is an entitlement the County should not overlook. Hon. Speaker, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. List of county roads in Kileleshwa Ward and their current status; and
2. Steps being taken by the County Executive to rehabilitate county roads in Kileleshwa Ward in a bid to enhance mobility for the residents.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Mbote. Hon. Ronaldo, do you want to take that?

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Thank you Madam Speaker. As the vice-chair of the Committee of Transport and Public Works, as I give the timeline, it is worth noting that the Governor of this great city has really tried in improving the roads in Nairobi. Hon. Mbote, so far the Governor has done several kilometres and I understand we have a constraint budget as the Transport Sector due to the ceilings that the Budget Committee has given the sector, which is due to underutilization of the former budgets being caused by delayed payments and delayed procurements of the same.

The Governor might try doing roads in Nairobi, but as a House and as committee responsible in different parts---

Hon. Speaker: What is it Hon. Jeremiah Themendu?

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: I think the Hon. Member has asked for a statement from the Executive but not from the Chairperson of the Committee.

Hon. Speaker: True. You are in order, I just wanted to hear him and I was about to tell him what to do. Finalize your statement Hon. Mark.

Hon. Mark Macharia: Thank you Hon Speaker. It is just that I was making a clarity and Hon. Jeremiah Themendu should have listened to me before trying to inform me because this is the situation in all the 85 Wards. Thus is not a different case from what he is facing in his Ward. Next week he will come with the same statement. As I answer Madam Mbote, it is worth noting that as the oversight and as the people in charge of setting this budget to Nairobians, it is worth noting where we need to put our efforts more. We wouldn't have had such a statement from Hon. Redson about delayed payments, Mheshimiwa Mbote you can give us two weeks to respond to this statement and let us pull our socks as Hon. Members in various committees. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Are you saying that as you take this statements to the Executive, you fear there are no resources since you are saying that the resources were not utilized and therefore they were reduced to a sort of--- what were you saying Hon. Mark?

Hon. Mark Macharia: Yes. Madam Speaker without fear of contradiction because as a very active Chair of this committee and the other committee chairs can also support my sentiments. Because day in day out, month in month out the Hon. Members rise on the floor of this House asking for statements regarding projects in their Wards and they are all taken back. If I call the Executive, they will point a finger at the Finance Sector for the delayed payments of these projects.

Madam Speaker, we have a lot of pending projects. Hence, as a sector if we fail to utilize whatever we had been allocated during the financial year, it means that the ceiling is going to be reduced. Because we cannot ask for more monies if we didn't spend the money that we were given. It is a high time as Hon. Members we pulled our socks and put to task the different sectors we have been delegated as committees. If it is the Finance and Budget Committee, they should push the Executive to pay these projects. It is the transport Sector, let us push our engineers to do the same.

Madam Speaker, as I sit, we recently passed the budget and up to date our Ward development projects have not been advertised. Since June and we are in the month of November, this means that even if they will be advertised now, the earliest possible a contractor can get an award is January or February 2020. How many months are there between February and June? Is that enough time for the contractor to do the work to completion? No. What does that mean? We will have a rollover of the same projects we intend to serve Nairobians with. What does that mean for the allocation we had in WDF? It is going to reduce, hence Nairobians won't feel the impact of the amount we will channel back in the next financial year because we didn't utilize what we were given. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, it is a matter of helping each other. Therefore, I will ask the leadership to have a very crucial meeting with H.E the Governor, we need to look into these pending bills. This is very critical with the National Government; the President has given an order. Any county which is not paying its pending bills, they are going to keep your money until you clear the pending bills. Meaning, all the county assemblies will be affected because our treasury is one.

I am tasking the leadership to sit down with the Governor and look at the pending bills, and let us finalize them. We support the Governor in terms of looking at all these things so that we finalize and we send the list to the Treasury so that they can know that we are serious in paying the pending bills. Hon. David Mberia, the Minority Leader?

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL THE ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE ASSEMBLY IN THE 2ND AND 3RD SESSIONS

Hon. David Mberia: Thank you Madam Speaker for this opportunity.

(Applause)

Madam Speaker pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Select Committee on Implementation regarding the implementation of all the assembly resolutions passed by the assembly in the 2nd and 3rd Sessions.

Hon. Speaker, as anchored in the Standing orders, there is need for scrutiny of the resolutions including adopted committee reports, petitions and undertakings given by the County Executive Committee and examinations of such decisions and undertakings.

Hon. Speaker, in terms of legislations, the Assembly has passed Bills and Motions some of which have not been put into operationalization thus, their implementation status leaves the County at large with numerous endless questions on the functionality of the County Government.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. Status of all Bills and Motions passed by the 2nd Assembly;
2. Whether or not such decisions of the assembly have been implemented and the extent to which they have been implemented and whether such implementation has taken the minimum time necessary; and
3. Whether or not legislation passed by the County Assembly has been operationalized by the sectors involved for the implementation of the said items and the current status of the same.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Minority Leader, you know that you are asking that question to one of your members who is the Chair. Anyway, who is the Chair of Implementation? Hon. Pius, you are Chair? You are the vice-chair; I would have been shocked!

Hon. Pius Mbono: Hon. Speaker thank you. I don't know whether I will give the Hon. Member two weeks or more because as the vice-chair, and we have the Clerks here and they can confirm to what I am going to say; that the County Government Act requires that the County Executive should give this assembly quarterly reports on all implementation status.

We have been asking the Executive the same question and they have been taking us for retreats. It is very much disappointing that we have gone for several retreats and when we go we wait for them to turn up but we normally get one person in the four or five days.

If Members can remember that about three months ago, we wanted to bring a censor motion of the County Secretary because we asked the Secretary to whip the Executive Members to come to the committee to bring us all the status reports that the Hon. Members had asked. He told us that he was going to attend a retreat in Kisumu hence he did not turn up. I was forced to withdraw the censor motion before the House. I do not know whether I am going to give him three weeks or a month.

Hon. Speaker: Yes, Minority Whip

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, allow me to inform the House that the committee on Implementation will be refurbished to contain members who will execute its mandate fully and also inform the Hon. Member who read the statement that this statement was drafted before powers were conferred unto him as the Chair of the committee. Therefore, let it go on record that Hon. Mberia is the official chairperson of this committee.

My President had not yet appointed him officially and I take this upon myself and I will respond to it. On the issue of the impeachment motion that was brought before this house is wrong. That is casting aspersions, which is not prudent to say that. You did not table a motion before this House because if you had then it would have passed through the House Business committee for deliberations.

Madam Speaker, there are ways and means of discussing a member or a person before this House therefore I ask the Vice Chair that this statement is officially the statement of the Minority Whip which I will table before the Implementation committee. Thank you Madam Speaker

Hon. Speaker: Okay. Thank you Vice Chair. I agree that as we reconstitute committee, you have a right to look at all the issues that have been raised and ensure that we get a report on the same. Hon. Njehia Mwangi

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING PLOT ALONG NGONG ROAD ENCROACHED BY MECHANICS

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I am seeking your guidance on this. On February 14th 2018, I rose on the floor of this House and requested for a statement from the chairperson of Planning and Housing regarding plot number LR:209/1127/3 along Ngong road which has been encroached by mechanics and was due on 28th February 2019.

To date, one year and nine months I have not received communication to the same. I took the matter to the Liaison committee and the Chairman of Planning undertook to respond to the same but he has not. In May you personally ordered that the statement be brought to the House within a week and I have not received a response. I am therefore seeking your guidance on the same.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Njihia, is this the statement on land along Ngong road? Does it have a lot of interest? Since it has been one year, I request the Planning committee to invite the planning sector team to answer to the questions you put before them. Is the garage still there or not?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, the garage is there and in my statement, I wanted to know the following;

1. The status of the said plot
2. What are the necessary measures taken to revert the plot to the right owner?
3. Who pays the rates for the above plot; and
4. Whether the County has any approved plans for the said plot

Hon. Speaker: Okay. So I will advise that---

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker what I know is that---

Hon. Speaker: Yes

Hon. Abraham Njihia: the owner of this plot pays rates and has the approved plans but cannot access the plot because of the mechanics

Hon. Speaker: We will call them to explain to us and if we do not get answers then we will write to the Ombudsman to follow up with that case. So let us first give them the last opportunity and have the chair of planning bring the team here. It is very unfair that the statement has been in the House for a year

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Hon. Speaker, yes my boss--- precedence takes priority

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I am also worried on the amount of heat this particular plot is generating in this Assembly. Seems to me as if people are avoiding facing the reality of this land and so is Hon. Njihia who I respect so much.

When you want to know who pays the rates in this County you will have to walk across and give the LR number of the plot and the same is produced to you. Then you can come to the House and present the same to us so that we find out where the anomaly occurred. But if you expect the committee on planning to give us answers on who pays rates then we are becoming idle. Madam Speaker what is the interest here?

Hon. Speaker: That is what I asked?

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Let them tell us what interests they have and who is the genuine owner of the garage so that when we take this up with the Ombudsman then we understand its essence. I am also made aware that the same garage is not in his ward. We want to understand if this is a petition from the owner who lost this plot? Is it a public petition? Or is it your interest as the area MCA? Is it that the Planning committee has failed you or the rates office has failed to give you the relevant details?

Hon. Speaker: Let Hon. Njihia answer those questions but before that let me listen to Hon. Ogeto

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Hon. Speaker, the Whip has put it out clear that the honorable member should declare his interests as per Standing Order 95. In addition, I request that we do not let another body deal with this matter because under Article 195 of the Constitution of Kenya.

We as an Assembly have powers to sanction those who do not appear before any committee in this House. Therefore, if certain officers fail to attend then they can be taken to jail. It is allowed. I know of some Governors paying fines in the senate for failing to appear before serious committees.

Therefore, let us set a good precedence by inviting the members of executive and if they fail to attend then the planning committee can bring sanctions and invoke the standing orders. Hon. Speaker, ensure that staff who fail to come to appear before the committees and answer to serious concerns by Hon. Mberia are taken to the DPP, prosecuted and taken to jail. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. It is unfair as a House that someone made a request and it is one year since he received a response. I agree with you. Let us give them the last chance and if they do not then---

Who do you want to inform?

Hon. Mark Mugambi: The House

Hon. Speaker: Okay

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Thank you Madam Speaker. This case is not unique. This Assembly has so many questions that have not been answered to, one year down the line. I also raised a statement before joining the Health committee about a public dispensary in my ward and I have never received an answer on the same.

I raised another statement to the Planning and Lands committee and to date they have not responded to it. Therefore, let us look at the collective number of statement that have not been responded to and then the respective committee clerks can take them seriously. Three months ago, a directive was issued that all statements should be answered to on this floor and I request you Madam Speaker to check into that because it its long overdue.

Let the respective people take note of the same and respond to the statements we asked for. We do not do this for fun. We are being pushed on the ground by residents seeking answers. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, when did you become a member of the inspectorate? Hon. June

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Madam Speaker---

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majiwa, I have not given you the change to speak

Hon. Geophrey Majiwa: But my mic is on Madam Speaker

Hon. Speaker: I know. Hon. Mark, let me listen to the Majority Whip and find out what they are going to do about this then I come back to you

Hon. June Ndegwa: Madam Speaker, I believe that Hon. Njihia was in his right capacity as the representative of the people in this House to ask this question. I agree with Hon. Mark Mugambi that statements in this House that have not been responded to either because of personal interests or because the executive have become too lazy and have too much work to do to respond to Honorable Members statements.

Madam speaker I also want to say that one of our roles in this House is representation of the public. I am keen to hear from the Planning committee if they discussed this statement in the committee. Secondly, I am willing to do an audit of how many statements have been brought to the House and how many we have done.

We have complained of statements not being answered on time and I believe that is about to change because there is a breath of fresh air in this Assembly. We are not here to look at things and take them as have been. We are here to work for the people of Nairobi without any fear or favour because they elected us to do so. Therefore, we need to have an audit showing how many statements have been responded to and whether the members who asked those questions are satisfied and whether the Executive side has taken steps in regards to the particular statements that have been asked

Hon. Speaker: I believe that answers all those questions on statements. Hon. Wahinya. Let me finish with Hon. Wahinya and Majiwa and give a ruling on the same

Hon. Peter Wahinya: Thank you Madam Speaker. In respect to the notorious case that is affecting my friend Hon. Njihia this is something that we have seen repeatedly from the Executive but I do not wish to complain today. I would however wish to give a suggestion now that we are closely working with our Governor in order to support his mandate.

Under him are so many officers like the chief officers and the ministers and the only way we can stamp our authority and be respected as a House is to zero in on the notorious chief executive members and censor them in this Assembly. I am not proposing an impeachment--- Do you want to interrupt me Hon. Kilimani

Hon. Speaker: What is the point of order?

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Hon. Speaker, I do not think that the Hon. Member has put into account the proceedings of this House and the dress code

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker: I believe he has realized. Thank you for allowing him to dress

Hon. Peter Wahinya: Thank you *Kilimani*. Madam Speaker in conclusion, the only way that we can get respect from officials working under the Governor is for us to zero in on one or two of the notorious ones who fail to appear before committees. I am not suggesting an impeachment, for example, the threshold is a bit high.

We want to censor, discuss the conduct of such officers in this assembly. If there is a resolution or conclusion that we shall not entertain any business originating from them from those officers whom we have identified.

Once we stop treating any business from an executive member naturally that person ceases to be acting and the Governor may have no option but to make replacements. If we go direction of censorship I am

certain this house will get back its power that it has been given by statutes of this country to be able to oversight the government, thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Geophrey Majiwa: Thank you Madam Speaker, I just want to remind the member for Woodley that this committee on Planning at some point invited him and he saw the predicament of that committee.

Madam Speaker like last one month we had a meeting with the members of executive –the CECs- and the entire team. We called them and the agenda was one. There are several statements that are pending and unanswered and members were making a lot of noise and we wanted to clear with those replies so that we give back to the members.

There were about 50 statements that were still pending. They promised us to give us several of them the following day they claimed were ready but somehow were disappearing between the office of the Clerk and committee clerk. We could not trace them. We told them to give us copies of the one they delivered.

The following day, before the meeting time, the news flash was that the entire department – almost half of it- had been sent home because of the Riruta building or something.

Madam Speaker we were set aback. We again had to wait until the department is reconstituted properly and to date I think the department is not fully reconstituted. One of the challenges we would want to give to the new leadership is, as you said earlier on, they need to sit down with His Excellency the Governor to look at the issues that are pressing on members and this should be one of the agendas: the constitution of the departments because the service cannot be given properly when the departments are hollow.

They also make sure that thee departments are fully occupied so that we can be able to get the answers. Before I sit down I want the member for Woodley to tell this house, if this house is the same plot that there was an eviction sometimes back and the Governor went there so early in the morning, in fact at 3 a.m., to stop that eviction and at that time the mechanics were being evicted by somebody who was claiming ownership and I think the member was also notified. I don't know if this was the same plot. If it is the same plot there is more than meets the eye. Thank you.

Hon. Mary Mwami: I am picking up from where Hon Majiwa has stopped. When you hear a plot in Nairobi has got mechanics and you hear there is another fellow who is supposed to be paying rates there is a lot here that we need to be informed that what we are seeing. It is possible that this has been a public plot and most of the time it is like that and this mechanics are earning a living from it and that somebody has decided to start paying rates so that our mechanics can be removed. I think we need to have a bit more of the investigation as soon as this group of planning officers and lands are reconstituted. We need to hear more and probably Hon Njihia can inform us because it is common mwananchi who earns a living from there trying to evicted by somebody who wants to possess the plot. Most probably it was a public land. We need to know if it was already a public land when the mechanics started living on it.

Hon. Speaker: Hon Members let me close it there. One, as I said the planning department should sit down with the team and we get to understand the whole saga without making it a big issue at the moment. Secondly we want to see the person who pays the rates. Let him be in that meeting. We shall know the genesis and the assembly can sit and help to ensure that it ends well. Hon. Njihia?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Thank you Madam Speaker, I can answer hat Hon Majiwa has just said. Hon Majiwa this happened this year and it is very far from that plot from the one the Governor was involved. The

owner of this plot – his plans were approved before we came to this assembly but he has been unable to access the plot because on the day I asked the statement I walked to the rates department and got the status of that plot.

When that statement saw the light of this house two months it was changed from Kaga to somebody Mohammud Mohammed by some officials of the county. Hon. Majiwa, it was not that one. That was in Woodley, the other one in Ngong Road - the one we are talking about. This statement came here one year, nine months ago.

Hon. Pius Mbono: Thank you Madam Speaker, I have two similar statements so probably one may think I am repeating myself and I was worried even before I read it that Hon Mark was preempting whatever I was going to ask.

Hon. Speaker: You have two? Which is the other one?

Hon. Pius Mbono: One for WDF.

Hon. Speaker: Proceed with the first one.

Hon. Pius Mbono: Hon Speaker pursuant to Standing Order 42 (c) (i) I wish to request for a statement from the chairperson of sectoral committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the status of implementation of capital projects in the county executive specifically for the financial year 2019/ 2020.

Hon Speaker public access to information is at the core of constitution on accountability whose import is to enable the citizen be aware of the activities that the government has or is undertaking and their respective status.

To emphasize the foregoing parliament enacted the access to information Act 2016 that protects the rights.

Hon Speaker being the representative of the people and the custodian of their interest it is our prerogative to seek and understand what the initiative that the county government is implementing that affects the day to day lives of citizens. For example, capita projects that are underway in various wards across the county.

In the statement the chairperson should inquire and report on:

1. The status of all the projects that were scheduled for implementation of road projects during the financial year 2019/2020
2. Reason for delayed tendering process to have the project in time and when is the procurement process of the project expected to be completed
3. Measures that the county executive has put in place to ensure the implementation of all the projects is expedited in order to benefit people.

Hon. Speaker: Hon Chair, Transport? Who is in Transport to take that statement of Hon Mbono? Deputy Majority Leader? Take that statement.

Hon. Millicent Mugadi: We shall give a response in two weeks before we go for recess.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND RULES

Hon. Millicent Mugadi: Thank you Madam Speaker, pursuant to provision of Standing Order 200 this assembly approves the appointment of the following members to the Select Committee on Procedure and Rules:

- i) Hon. Beatrice Elachi, MCA – Speaker
- ii) Hon. John Kamangu, MCA – Chairperson of Committees
- iii) Hon. June Ndegwa, MCA – Majority Whip
- iv) Hon. Peter Imwatok, MCA – Minority Whip
- v) Hon. Mark Ndung'u, MCA
- vi) Hon. Muchene Kabiru, MCA
- vii) Hon. Millicent Jagero, MCA
- viii) Hon. Julius Maina Njoka, MCA
- ix) Hon. Clarence Munga, MCA
- x) Hon. Rose Kula Ogonda, MCA
- xi) Hon. Francis Ngesa, MCA

I call on Minority Leader to second.

Hon. David Mberia: Thank you Madam Speaker, I second the appointment of the said members, thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Millicent Mugadi: It is important to have rules and procedure committee so that we can be going through issues that affect our assembly and I believe with the embers that we have selected the house will support them so that we can move the affairs in terms of rules and procedures and Standing Orders together for the benefit of Nairobi City County Assembly and members as well. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF NAIROBI CITY COUNTY SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Hon. Immapet Kemunto: THAT, aware that the Sister Cities International was founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, is a nonpartisan and nonprofit organization which serves as the national membership organization for individual sister cities, counties, and states across the United States;

Further aware that the organization was established on a mission of promoting peace and prosperity by creating bonds between people from different cities around the world, by forming these relationships, that people of different cultures would celebrate and appreciate their differences and build partnerships that would lessen the chance of new conflicts;

Acknowledging that Sister Cities Members continue to expand and strengthen existing relationships where members boast exchanges in arts and culture, business and trade, youth and education, and community development that not only bring them friendship, but help them to tackle the world's most pressing issues at the local level;

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Noting that the Nairobi City County signed Government a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Nairobi Sister Cities International organization which is part of the of the Sister Cities International based in the United States of America, the Nairobi Sister Cities initiative was to create bonds between people from different cities within Kenya and around the world for local and global friendships, peace, unity and prosperity;

Further that the purpose of the MoU was to set out and outline framework for the parties on areas of needs, provide forum on matters of socio-economic,

This Assembly resolves to establish a special Committee to be known as the Nairobi City County Assembly Sister Cities Committee comprising of the Speaker as the Chairperson, nine Members of the County Assembly, a representative from the office of the County Secretary, three Members of the public who are familiar with the operations of Sister Cities International and the first Speaker of the County Assembly who was one of the architects of this noble idea to interlink the County and its residents with other cities of the world in matters of socio-economic. I beg Hon. Mbono to second.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Pius Mbono.

Hon. Pius Mbono: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I rise to second this wonderful motion that has been brought by the Hon. Member. This motion is long overdue considering that Members of this House and the Executive visited the sister cities. They have travelled far and wide and had an exchange program in regards to education, health, waste management and affordable housing. They come back with very nice reports which are not implemented.

We know that Nairobi city has an MOU with sister cities international. But what we are lacking is just a framework guideline that would engage Nairobi City with those friendly cities. So, as the motion suggests, we should come up with a committee that would sit down and probably come up with this framework that will help us to have an entry point. I was privileged to travel last year to Raleigh City.

These people are doing very well in matters education, affordable housing, waste management, health and we came back more knowledgeable than before. But we don't have an entry point on where these friends of ours can come in and help our city considering that we have youth, we need equipment in our hospitals. Some of them told us that they have so many resources that they can channel to this city.

They told us they can even build health centers in every sub-county because they have the resources. But how are we going to engage them? I don't want to talk more on this because we have more members that want to interrogate it more and some of them have actually visited those cities and have more information than this. As I second this motion, we need to come up with this committee as soon as tomorrow or even today. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Wahinya.

Hon. Peter Wahinya: Thank you Madam Speaker. The reason why I decided to stand and support this motion is like my colleague has said. It is time to bring the mechanisms in which we can support the sister cities. Just briefly, at the end of the world war in 1947, an organization known as the League of Cities was created. The idea behind it was to bring harmony among the cities that have been in war for many years. This national League of Cities gave birth to the Sister Cities International which is located in Washington. It is good to share our experiences. We have visited some of the cities in the previous Assembly.

What I remember is that when we visited the sister city of Denver, the Speaker in Denver actually complained to us saying that we have been sending delegations from Nairobi. He was happy about it, but he has a problem in the sense that there was no reciprocation. In other words, Denver delegates were not coming to Nairobi because at the time we lacked a mechanism with which we can accommodate them here in Nairobi.

I am communicating a message given to me when I was a leader of a delegation to Denver. You will realize that the organization is here in the country and is registered under the society's Act. It is supposed to be a non-governmental interaction between cities. But the governments of those cities must come to assist because of the resources that are required.

I am sure they have been visiting you in your office because as a city, we need to institute a mechanism within this assembly so that we have got a body that interacts with the sister city association of Kenya which is registered as a society. That way, we have a mechanism of supporting them to be able to engage with cities around the world.

And through the same mechanism, people like Hon. Ogeto who have not travelled much will begin to visit other cities as we move along. So, it is a very important body that we must create so that even when our members...our members need to travel around the world. We have got very many cities around the world who are part of this organization called the sister cities. So, I agree with Mr. Pius and Madam Kemunto that we really need this unit so that we are able to engage the sister city association of Kenya which is registered as a society.

Finally, as we move along, and this is very quickly, we intend to introduce another mechanism so that we can have formal interaction with assembly to assembly. The sister city is a group of NGOs working with each other with the assistance of the government of the cities. But as we move on, we need to introduce a mechanism of interactions between assemblies around the world. A city like where Pius went to called Raleigh. They also have that mechanism of direct interaction between assemblies. Our members can get an opportunity to travel directly to visit assemblies around the world. This a good motion and it is very important that we move with speed to institute this committee as a matter of agency. Thank you.

Hon. Kennedy Obuya: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise to support this motion Hon. Speaker being properly informed by the purpose and vision President Dwight Eisenhower had for the global community. It is not only about twinning cities and communities. It is also about historical injustices.

It is well known that Africa is a developing nation with developing cities. We were colonized by the West. It is within history that Nairobi as a city and Kenya as a nation, there are so many artifacts that were collected by colonies and they happened to be gazetted and within archives of cities of the world like London, New York and Washington DC.

This is a program that has been running way back in 2013/14. It is also important to help our governor and his government to set up a committee. It is also important that this committee comes up with a framework that will give us an opportunity to have exposures with global cities of the world. It is going to make it easier for Members. I grew up in Mukuru kwa Njenga and without this kind of opportunity, I would not really be a better world leader within Nairobi if I do not have that proper exposure. I therefore urge Hon. Members that

we pass this. I want to thank Hon. Immapet for coming up with such kind of...this is something that should have happened much earlier. I beg to support.

Hon. Antony Kimemia: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I rise to second this motion brought by Hon. Immapet Kemunto. I suggest that she be put in the list of Nobel Peace Prize winners. I want to zero in on the issue of peace. I start by saying, *Assalamu Aleykum*. That is a word that is used by the Muslims and is an Arabic word meaning peace be upon you. Allow me to also read something in Christianity about peace. The Christian vision in this respect is far reaching and challenging harmony between people and God and harmony between humans and the whole created order.

I now go to the motion. It talks about promoting peace and prosperity by creating bonds between people. So, I will zero in on the issues of peace. I want to say that when people are brought together from different countries, it starts with our nation. When we start such a committee, it will enhance peace even in this Assembly given the issues that we have been having in this Assembly. Immapet, I think you should also be boosting peace in the Assembly through this committee.

When people from different countries meet, like visiting America and other sister cities...I know Rwanda might not be one of the sister cities, but when you visit Rwanda and see the genocide that happened there, we are going to have peace in this country. I want to congratulate you for having brought this motion. I think it has come at the right time and I support the motion only with one reservation.

On the issues of committee members, I can see we have three members of public who are familiar with the operation of the sister cities. We also have the first Speaker of the County Assembly. I think he should be among the three members of the public because we don't live forever. Somebody else might come with the same understanding of the sister cities. I stand corrected. I just suggest that we have three members of the public, which is going to include the former Speaker. Thank you very much. I support.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Deputy Minority Whip. Hon. Ogeto.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I want to support this motion. I also want to inform my colleague that the Sister Cities have come to Kenya and they have done a very good project. I have been informed by my Whip here that it has been done in Hon. Kimemia's Ward. Hon. Speaker, Sister Cities membership and board which has been initiated, I suggest that Hon. Immapet be among the members who will be included in the same committee.

Even if you bring private bills, they will now have your name and not the name of the Executive. By the virtue that she is the one who has brought this motion, let her be a permanent member. I request that Hon. Alex Magelo, who was the former Speaker and initiated this, be given a chance also to be a permanent member of these Sister Cities.

Hon. Speaker, sister cities are comprised of serious countries. Kenya is just a developed country. The motive of the sister cities is to ensure that they improve health facilities and schools in Kenya. If you compare Kenya and USA--- I remember I was in USA with my sister Hon. Mugadi, who is now the Deputy Minority Leader, we wondered what is happening to our country. Where do these monies which we allocate in our budgets go to? Such cities have minimal budget but what is being done there is encouraging.

Hon. Speaker, please ensure that membership to sister cities be brought to the County Assembly. Also ensure that the membership of the board is brought to the Assembly so that we approve. I beg to support.

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you, Hon Speaker for this opportunity. First, I would like to congratulate my colleague, Hon. Immapet for this well thought-out motion. It is good that it is showing the House is moving on with more and more members bringing motions to enrich the business of this House.

I would like to say that I am happy with the peace and tranquility of the House. As an institution, we must continue regardless of the ensuing issues of the past. I urge members that we continue with the same spirit.

As I rise to support this motion, I would like to state clearly that every member of this House should now know that history is going to judge us harshly if we don't get to protect and defend the interests of the vulnerable members of our society. As a man, I fully support this nation with the interest of women of this Assembly, women of Kenya and women who elected us.

Secondly, as we are planning to do a supplementary budget because this motion has come after we have passed the budget, I wish to urge the members of the Budget Committee that when we do the supplementary budget, a provision should be made so that by the end of the day if any support is to be given to the respective committee--- you know finance is an important aspect for any engagement Sister Cities Committee is going to hold.

Thirdly, Hon. Immapet should ensure that this motion should not just go like the other motions that we have brought to this House. We bring many motions but they never see the light of the day. The journey should not end here but do a follow up in each and every office. I am will to support you in making sure that everything comes to light. With that, I beg to support. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Mary Ariviza.

Hon. Mary Mwami: Thank you, Madam Speaker. This is a very lively debate and it is in good faith for our people. The hon member who was talking about the definition of peace forgot one group of people where I come from. When I greet and stretch a hand and I say *Mulembe*, I mean peace. If I don't have peace with you, I will not stretch my hand towards you. (*Laughter*). Don't worry, it has happened.

I stand here to support this great motion. I would like to bring a correction that we must not decide to own these sister cities and be the only ones who can be in the committee. It should be successive for the next house that will come in 2022. They still need to be in that committee. I feel it will be wrong for us to feel like owning it. For the people who have been mentioned, apart from Madam Speaker and the former Speaker who could stay on it for a long while for having introduced it, I think the rest of the members should be able to go for it during the time when they are in session. After that, they leave it for the next group. Otherwise, we might possess the whole thing and not serving the people of Nairobi at any time except our group. I know we Kenyans like to walk, we can come from one conference with a briefcase and go for another. By that, we are no longer serving the interest of particular people. I like the idea of Madam Speaker and Hon. Magelo staying in to make sure they functionalize and make it honorable within the country.

I think we have three cities in Kenya. I hear Nakuru has already been upgraded into a city. I know in many countries this thing of a city is not the way we define it. Ours, you have to have at least 500,000 people. There are many cities that have got more than that but they have not been upgraded into cities.

Promoting peace in our cities is very important, it will bring social and economic justice to our people. I watched a clip of young people from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT). One

girl was very angry because we as the society is not taking care of our young people. She was calling upon the youth who are 70% of the population of the country to rise up and cause a revolution. She was not joking. We have to take care of our youth to make sure they have things that they will do.

We have to make sure we are creating jobs by interacting internationally. There are many teachers in the country who are jobless and waiting for Teachers Service Commission (TSC) to employ them. It is not going to be fair. Kenya is one of the most literate country in Africa. We are not going to have all the people that go through education and then wait for TSC to employ them. We need to make sure they are interacting with other cities. For example, Rwanda needs teachers of English. They have been French speaking country. Kiswahili has already been accepted in South Africa. As we interact as people, we will be able to help our people to know what can they gain by the fact that South Africa has already accepted Kiswahili to be one of their national languages. I know you don't know this. We have many teachers of Kiswahili who are wasting here hoping that they will be employed by TSC.

I stand to support this motion, but we also need to make sure that we are taking care of our young people. Otherwise, there will be a revolution in this country because we have many young people who are not at peace with us. We are continually employing the older people in positions. It is good for the Government to return the retirement age to 50 so that our younger people can get into civil service and public service to serve.

I beg to support with a few suggestions that I have said that we must not look forward to people who take over this committee and become permanent members, except for Madam Speaker and Hon. Magelo who have the vision of this. And also Hon Immapet, as long as she is in this House and also when she hopes to come back, she can remain in that committee. But as soon as she ceases to be a member of the County Assembly of Nairobi--- I think it will be unfair for us to make her perment. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Mary, I absolutely agree. Hon. Mbugua.

Hon. Mbugua Kabiro: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I would like to support this motion brought by Hon. Immapet. Sister Cities are global partnership that allows cities that have common growth exchange ideas, learn from communities and advance together as brothers and sisters.

Madam Speaker, I checked out the sister cities and I saw among them, Kenya has ten partnerships. Mexico has 168 partnerships. China has 157 partnerships, and USA has more than 100 partnerships. This is to say that these countries have endeavored to develop partnerships with other countries to enable them develop internally. Countries like USA probably don't need us right now but we need them to go and learn. China is in need of us but we also need them to advance. We need their monies to develop few infrastructures here and there. The partnerships that we are seeking is one that is of mutual benefit; one that is symbiotic in nature that allow us to grow together. A partnership that will not disadvantage us and also not disadvantage our sister. One that will help us grow and realize our agenda, like for Kenya, it is our Vision 2030 as edged in the blueprints of the country in 2007.

Madam Speaker, the committee of nine, together with you and former Speaker, Hon. Alex Ole Magelo that is being formed is good. Now that we have Rules and Procedures Committee, we should also consider having that as a committee in the House so that you can put it in the Standing Orders. Then specific

members will be balanced in a way that allows them to benefit mutually, and once in a while the parties may feel they can exchange you for other members to benefit from these partnerships. I think that will be a good idea to let this motion to see the light of the day.

We accuse the Executive of not implementing our motions. This is a motion that needs implementation from within.

(Applause)

We don't need the Executive to come and form that committee. We want that at the rise of this House, meeting should be called and Whips asked to submit names and the committee be formed and being in operation before we go on recess.

(Applause)

Madam Speaker, it is very important that whatsoever measure we put the Executive with, we also should be willing and able to abide by those measures and checks. With this one, we are watching that the committee has to be formed with instantaneous immediacy. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Jared Akama.

Hon. Jared Ondieki: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I equally rise to support this motion but also correct my brother, Hon. Obuya that the issue of sister cities discussion started in 1986 in the country, but it prominently featured in a world social forum in 2005 when we had an International World Social Forum in the country. The people who wanted to bring in this issue of sister cities, it was realized that it was an American agenda. The socialists in the forum watered it down and it never saw the light.

I remember again in 2010, the issue came in place through a non-profit organization called Sister City International. It is good to underline that is an international nonprofit organization and it has its own way of operating.

Even as we support, mine is to give few guidelines so that we don't get ourselves in an awkward situation in regards to duplication. I know very well the people of Mombasa County equally tried to push this agenda but it was realized that a nonprofit organization might not have a direct working relationship with a government agency. They were advised to do an association called Seattle-Mombasa Sister City Association. Seattle is a City in the USA. So, Mombasa has a direct working relationship with Seattle City. This was because of the advice they were given that for them to be able to engage, they have to go through an association.

So even as we are thinking of coming up with this committee, we must be able to understand the framework in which we are going to operate. It is not a new thing. It is just to bring to the attention of my sister that even here in Nairobi, somebody mentioned of the sister cities having worked, but it is not in Makadara but Madaraka. That is where we come from, Hon. Gari's place. They have a trilateral kind of relationship where they have formed an association between Denver and a city in China called Kunming.

What I am trying to say is first to bring to the attention of the Assembly that even as we try to form the Committee we need to be very clear on which parameters. Are we forming an association so that it will work directly with this none profit or are we going to create a relationship, like take an example of Nairobi City County with another City like New York that way we will be able to have this cooperation.

It is also important to go with the aspiration of the founder the Former President Dwight. The essence was to work with Municipalities and Mayors as this developed Countries have very special regard to Mayors as opposed to Governors. Therefore, the essence was to work with Mayors and the Municipalities.

In 2010 I had a privilege to interact with them before and the challenge was that they cannot be able to have that working relationship because in Nairobi we do not have municipalities and mayors, what we have are Governors.

We have also had a challenge in term of which parameters to engage on based on the vision of the founder. So as we interrogate and support the motion, which I fully support it because the essence was to promote intercultural relationship and peacebuilding as well as to trigger the economic cooperation.

Then again, we must be informed so that we do not first replicate what is already there for us not to spoil the politics around it. Once again, there is this aspect of them not wanting to work directly with politicians or the political framework.

It is important for us to work and interrogate because this is a very brilliant idea in regards to the cultural change. To me, I call this experiential learning and through the learning many things can happen especially when partnerships are created. I support but I urge my sister to do more research as I have never been into Sister Cities but I have some ideas that I can share. I support. Thank you.

Hon. Mbugua Kabiro: Madam Speaker, I respect Hon. Akama very much but according to the document which I am in a position of that was written very recently. It defines a Sister City as a permanent relationship formalized when the Mayors or highest elected or appointed officials from two communities sign a partnership agreement to establish a Sister City relationship.

I would like to inform the Member whether elected or appointed whatever rank you hold in your highest level within that city you are eligible to come in and sign this partnership. Therefore, it is not only for Mayors but also our able Governor can sign that memorandum and I am actually advised that it has been already signed. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Want to argue on that, Hon. Akama.

Hon. Jared Akama: I accept to be informed but of late in the Country, we have been having a common slogan that things are different on the ground. It is true what he is informing me but also it is true that there have been many politics revolving around Sister Cities. I was not in dispute but I was trying to give the information because things are different on the ground. Thank you.

(Laughter)

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Indeed, things are different on the ground. Personally, I rise to support the motion and particularly to say that the two Hon. Members have never disappointed the young generation in the House that is Hon. Kabiro and Hon. Immapet.

Looking at the motion before us, it is a well-thought-out motion that as in our age in this Assembly we could not think deeper. That shows the liberty and freedom that is in this Assembly is really working magic as well said by Akama that things are different on the ground.

It means that our members are thinking beyond the box. Looking at the precincts of the parliament and parliamentary practices it requires that any Members who bring a motion or Bill that requires guidance

and also the formation of Committees and other ad-hoc Committee, that person is given a chance and opportunity to lead that particular ad-hoc Committee.

However, based on her wisdom she decided the Chairperson to be the Speaker. I, as the leader of the opposition on this side, I implore the Committee that one Hon. Immapet automatically becomes the Vice-Chair of this Committee. This is because she is the one who carries the aspiration of this Committee and she believes on what she wants to drive the Sister Cities into, guided by the Hon. Speaker.

I want to congratulate Hon. Immapet, my daughter from Makadara, a lady who made me become an MCA for the first time in 2013 when I was almost leagued she called me and told me “*Hon. Imwatok can you take a motorcycle*”. Despite been an opposing camp but she said that this man can be a leader one day and she helped me to get nomination in my ward when the nomination was not supposed to take place.

Therefore, it tells us indeed there is a reason for everything as the way the bible says, “God created us in his own image and planted to us his own will and everyone has a chance and opportunity. Therefore, I want to say congratulation Hon. Immapet.

Some of us were on the opposing side had no time to learn or understand how this Sister City operate. Those who were on the good books of leadership like Hon. Wahinya had the opportunity to travel but some of us used to go to Rwanda, Arusha and Ruiru Rainbow Hotel that was a common hotel for those who were not in good books of leadership.

(Laughter)

Madam Speaker, this is very encouraging to this House that Hon. Members who were there can think something so pragmatic that can change the face of this County. As Kabiro says, the onus for signing is the current Governor who is the highest holder of the office and the current holder of the Assembly is the Speaker and the Vice-Chair who is Hon. Immapet. They have to make sure this becomes a reality in our time. Thank you, Madam Speaker and I beg to support.

Hon. Anne Catherine Akinyi: Thank you Madam Speaker, first let me congratulate you belatedly for coming back to your position. I rise to support this very well thought out motion and congratulation to Hon. Kemunto for putting this well together.

In the last financial year, I was very privileged to be part of the delegation from Nairobi County that visited the City of Raleigh in state of North Carolina. I want to debate on what my colleagues have all said that I do agree there is a wealth of technical and social economics capacity to begin by Cities exchanging cultural and other ideas as long there is a proper well constituted framework that are agreeable between the Sister Cities concept. I think it will go a long way to put Nairobi City on the map because incidentally we happen to be in the capital City of this Country.

Therefore, if we can work as Hon. Mbugua has said and work rather fast to put things together and ensure that it is already running, whether we want it to be an ad-hoc committee or one of the Sectorial committees that we will have. It should be put as soon as possible and Members picked from both side of divide. We have worked with Sister Cities even as individuals so I think it is a good idea and I rise to support thank you.

Hon. Immapet Kemunto: Thank you so much, for all those who stood up and supported the motion from both divides. I want to bring out in the daylight that it is nonprofit organization whereby, each and

everyone in this House is going to benefit in one way or the other by ensuring that in every ward, for instance we have health issues, culture issues, sports issues.

I want to ensure that the motion and purpose of this global idea are to create and strengthen the partnership and communities and other countries and promote the peace for mutual respect, understanding and cooperation of one individual and the other. For me the only culture that I have gone to learn is in Rwanda. I understand if we all have this initiative may be to their country the genocide thing should not have happened because they could have had that global interrelation of how they work and how other Countries work.

Therefore, I should be guided when forming this Committee, maybe through the guidance of the house leadership on how we will constitute members to be part of this committee so that it might not be felt like it is for Immapet motion but a motion whereby the entire members of this County of Assembly are able to associate with the foreign countries. I therefore support and I beg to reply. Thank you.

(Applause)

(Question put and agreed to)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ADHOC COMMITTEES

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members allow me to invoke Standing Order 41 (2) and go back to sequence of communication.

Hon. Members, you are aware that three weeks ago we agreed that the board had created ad-hoc Committees based on the County Assembly Service Act 2017. These are committees to support the board in terms of its duties. I will therefore table the names as agreed with both whips, and ad-hoc committees will be to do the duties, roles, and responsibilities that will guide in terms of their agreement with the board.

They will work for three months and make sure you table all the reports in this House. The ad-hoc Committees are:

1. The ad-hoc Committees on Members and Staff wellness
 - Hon. Patricia Mutheu – Chairperson
 - Hon. Joyce Kamau
 - Hon. Laura Mwendu
 - Hon. Doris Kanario
 - Hon. Mary Njambi
 - Hon. Elijah Mbutia
 - Hon. Mary Ariviza
 - Hon. Jared Akama – Vice Chairperson
 - Hon. David Okello
 - Hon. Cecilia Ayot
 - Hon. Clarence Munga

2. The ad-hoc Committees on Finance and Accounts
 - Hon. Mark Ndungu – Chairperson
 - Hon. Nancy Muthamia
 - Hon. Paul Ndungu
 - Hon. Susan Mukungu
 - Hon. Charles Thuo
 - Hon. Julius Njoka
 - Hon. Michael Oganda – Vice Chairperson
 - Hon. Alvin Palapala
 - Hon. Kennedy Oyugi
 - Hon. Nicholas Okumu
 - Hon. Fredrick Otieno

3. The ad-hoc Committee on Administration
 - Hon. Maurice Gari - Chairperson
 - Hon. June Ndegwa – Vice Chairperson
 - Hon. Joseph Kiragu Wambugu
 - Hon. Peter Gitau Wanyoike
 - Hon. Anita Thumbi
 - Hon. Mbugua Kabiro
 - Hon. Joseph Ndonji
 - Hon. David Ayo
 - Hon. Jared Okonde
 - Hon. Francis Ngesa
 - Hon. Immapet Kemunto

4. The ad-hoc Committee on Management Manpower and Labour
 - Hon. Millicent Mugadi
 - Hon. Mohamed Abdikadir
 - Hon. Millicent Jagero – Chairperson
 - Hon. Samuel Muchene
 - Hon. Margret Mbote
 - Hon. Samuel Mbithia Nganga
 - Hon. Mellab Atemah
 - Hon. Kennedy Obuya - Vice Chairperson
 - Hon. Rose Ogonda
 - Hon. Herman Azunga
 - Hon. Osman Khalif

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, there being no any other business, the House stands adjourned to Thursday 21st November 2019 at 2:30 p.m. The committees will be meeting at the plenary and for whatever support they will need; staff will ensure they get full support.

Today is my Minority's birthday and yesterday I missed the wife's birthday.

Therefore, I want to salute you for being one of the servant of this House and we wish you a happy birthday. May you livelong.

(Applause and loud consultations)

Order! You cannot sing 'happy birthday' in the House. you will sing after we move out, but I want to wish you, Minority Whip, well and may God give you many days to become a member of Parliament and the President.

(Applause)

The House rose at 4.50 p.m.