NAIROBI CITY COUNTY





NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY SECOND ASSEMBLY - SECOND SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Subject: Racial discrimination by the Chandarana Chains of Supermarkets in Nairobi County

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2)(c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs regarding the alleged unethical conduct and racial discrimination by Ms. Chandarana chain of supermarkets in their operations in Nairobi County.

Hon. Speaker, the Chandarana chain of Supermarket has recently hit news headlines on allegations of bias and racial discrimination in its operation. This came as a result of a leaked internal email by the company's Marketing Specialist sent to the Marketing/ Event Manager which is quoted stating that; "We are delighted to inform you that our supermarket chain would like to give you free vouchers for upcoming events, as we are now focusing on white people to attract our supermarkets...,". Hon. Speaker, the said chain of Supermarkets came under sharp criticism of being biased in their operations by favoring white persons over other races.

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

- i) Whether such correspondence was ever made;
- ii) When the alleged or said discriminations against certain communities actually happened;
- iii) The current inter-racial employment ratio in the establishment;
- iv) Whether all the employees of the institution are paid equal pay for the same job and evidence of the same;
- v) Whether the Executive Orders by H.E the Governor to cancel Chandarana chain of Supermarket's license has been effected; and,
- vi) Measures the County Executive is putting in place to prevent such discrimination by businesses operating in the County.

Hon. David Mberia, MCA. MEMBER FOR KAREN WARD

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