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SECOND ASSEMBLY - THIRD SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Health Services regarding the alleged operation of illegal clinics in the County specifically the recent case of the late human rights activist Caroline Mwatha who allegedly passed on due to botched abortion in a reportedly unregistered clinic in Dandora, i.e New Njiru Clinic in Dandora Ward.

Hon. Speaker, the said case has exposed how quarks are continually exposing the lives of Kenyans in Nairobi to danger by operating illegal health facilities without requisite qualifications and providing low quality health services.

Hon. Speaker, it is therefore worrying how such clinics continue to operate without the attention of authorities while noting that, Article 26(4) of the Constitution permits procurement of safe abortion under special circumstances, especially when the life of an expectant mother is at risk in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner.

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

- 1. Why the County Government has allowed unlicensed/unregistered clinics i.e New Njiru Clinic to operate in the County;
- 2. A List of all licensed clinics in the County; and
- 3. What measures the County Executive has put in place to ensure that all health facilities operating in the County are licensed/registered.

Hon. Francis Ngesa, MCA <u>DANDORA WA</u>RD IV

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