



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY  
SECOND ASSEMBLY - THIRD SESSION

**REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS**

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation regarding the disposal of effluent from abattoirs operating in the City County.

Hon. Speaker, Article 423(1) (b) gives every citizen a right to adequate and reasonable standards of sanitation and proper solid waste disposal and this function has been devolved to the County Governments by the Constitution of Kenya. The National Environmental and Management and Co-ordination Act further spells out the acceptable standards of solid waste disposal through the National Environmental Management Authority(NEMA).

Hon. Speaker, the Sectoral Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries visited Kiamaiko slaughterhouse on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 to inspect handling of meat in the abattoir and found out that solid waste disposal at the abattoir was in violation of guidelines in law. The Committee recommendations led to closure of the abattoir by NEMA for 6 months in 2015 for violation of guidelines on pollution and waste disposal in an effort to support the H.E the Governor's campaign to clean up Nairobi River.

Hon. Speaker, the abattoir has since resumed works and is allegedly releasing untreated effluent into the County sewerage system and Nairobi River as required.

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

- i) Whether Kiamaiko abattoir has since complied with the requisite sanitation standards as per the law and the orders given to it by NEMA;
- ii) Whether the County has since issued a license to the abattoir to continue with operations despite the NEMA order on sanitation;
- iii) Justification for uninterrupted supply of water to the line supplying the abattoir by Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company despite the concerns raised, amount consumed and their compliance with payment of water bills to the Company; and
- iv) Measures that the County has put in place to ensure sustenance of sanitation standards around abattoirs and other where high standards of sanitation are required.

Hon. Kabiro Mbugua, MCA.

NOMINATED MEMBER

Date: 8/8/2019