

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



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 Justice and Legal Affairs regarding corruption and impropriety by officers of the County Inspectorate Department.

Hon. Speaker, officers of the inspectorate Department who operate in Eastleigh have often made arbitrary arrests, for instance the frequent arrests of milk hawkers in Eastleigh and demands for exorbitant bribes by the said officers.

Hon. Speaker, recently, a group of milk hawkers were arrested on 7th February 2019, some were presented before the City Courts and issued with punitive fines, some as high as Kshs60,000/-, but despite paying the fines, the hawkers were still forced by inspectorate officers to part with Kshs2,000 each to secure their release from custody. Others were neither presented before Court nor informed of the offence for which they had been arrested, but were forced to part with hefty bribes for their release.

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

1. Record of arrests and prosecutions relating to Hawking in Eastleigh and the procedures under law used by County officers when prosecuting individuals; and
2. Measures put in place by the County Executive to safeguard the rights of Hawkers and other such traders who find themselves at the mercy of the County officers;
3. Measures put in place by the County Government to curb such practices in the County.

Hon. Osman Adow, MCA
MEMBER FOR EASTLEIGH NORTH WARD

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