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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 Planning and Housing regarding ownership of open spaces in the County, more so, in Hospital Ward, Mathare Constituency.

Hon. Speaker, in planning law, a provision is made for guide lines (master plans) on availing public spaces for settlements and communities as a means of ensuring good quality of life for the residents. For instance, Nairobi's 1948 master plan and other subsequent plans had sufficient provisions on public spaces. In these spaces, communities can propose development of social amenities for use by the residents.

Hon. Speaker, Depot ground in Hospital Ward is a source of controversy between the residents and the police post constructed on it due to lack of clarity of ownership. This has occasionally led to clashes between residents seeking to use the ground and police keeping in mind that this is one of the few spaces in Hospital Ward, Mathare C Constituency.

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

- 1. Ownership of Depot ground in Hospital Ward and copy of ownership documents; and
- 2. Measures that the County has put in place to map out and protect public spaces across the County from encroachment and grabbing.

Hon. Redson Otieno, MCA MEMBER FOR NGEI WARD

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