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THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY

(SECOND SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Subject: Manhandling of Hawkers by City Inspectorate Officers

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs regarding the manhandling of hawkers by the City Inspectorate Officers in the County.

Hon. Speaker, the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 grants the citizens of this republic comprehensive rights and fundamental freedoms. However, there are increasing cases of arbitrary arrests, harassment and extortions of hawkers by City Inspectorate thus infringing on rights and fundamental freedoms of the residents.

Hon. Speaker, there a video circulating on social media where a hawker was arguing with an officer of the City inspectorate in uniform as some officers in civilian attire manhandle a hawker who appear to be disabled.

Hon. Speaker, in the modern civilized generation we are in, such heinous actions by Government officers should not be entertained.

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

- 1. Actions taken on the officers who did such heinous actions to the hawkers;
- 2. Whether an investigation into the conduct of the officers has been done, provide a report on the same; and
- 3. Measures the County Executive is taking to cease the infamous, ruthless handling of residents and traders by the City Inspectorate officers.

HON. WAITHERA CHEGE, MCA

DEPUTY MINORITY LEADER & MEMBER FOR NAIROBI SOUTH WARD

Date:

19/10/2023.