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NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT

Subject: Encroachment of lands in the County and specifically in Westlands Nairobi.

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing regarding encroachment on Public land in the County and specifically in Westlands Nairobi.

Hon. Speaker, Part II of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, apportions Lands, Planning and Development functions to County Governments. The Lands Act, 2012 Prohibits use and alienation of public land for private use unless due process provided for in the law is followed.

Hon. Speaker, the purpose for setting aside land for public use is to provide spaces for common good which include but not limited to construction of Schools, Markets, and Health facilities or provision of playing grounds. However, many of these spaces in Nairobi City County have been encroached by private developers. For instance, in Westlands, It is alleged that a private developer has encroached on a parcel of Land LR No. 209/13263, which is allegedly public land.

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

- Status report of the current ownership of the parcel of land LR No. 209/13263 and i) whether the County has entered into any agreement with a private developer to undertake private activities on the said parcel of land;
- Whether due process was followed in the alleged alienation of public land for private ii)
- Measures the County Executive has put in place to safeguard public land from irregular iii) acquisition/use.

HON, OSCAR LORE, MCA

MEMBER FOR MATHARE NORTH WARD

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