



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – FIRST SESSION

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 AT 2.30 P.M.

1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with prayer said by the Speaker.
3. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR – WELCOME ADDRESS BY THE SPEAKER**

The Speaker conveyed the following communication:-

“Honourable Senators,

Let me first take this opportunity to welcome you to this Sitting of the Senate today and remind us that the legislative agenda ahead of us is vast and heavy.

I am, however, confident that as we have just prayed a short while ago, the Almighty God will help us to treat and consider all matters that shall come under our deliberation in a manner that will advance the prosperity and welfare of those whose interests He has committed to our charge. I have no doubt that each of you, Honourable Senators, is equal to the noble task to which you have been called.

I would also like to bring to your attention that the election of the Deputy Speaker of the Senate shall be held tomorrow, Thursday, 14th September, 2017. This is following Gazette Notice No. 8882, which was issued by the Clerk of the Senate on 11th September, 2017 pursuant to Article 106 of the Constitution of Kenya and Standing Order 13 of the Senate Standing Orders.

Honourable Senators,

Kindly note that interested candidates have up to 4.00 p.m. today, Wednesday, 13th September, 2017, to collect nomination papers from the

Office of the Clerk of the Senate. Additionally, as indicated in the *Gazette Notice*, completed nomination papers together with the curriculum vitae of each candidate should be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate not later than 5.00 p.m. today.

As I conclude Honourable Senators, regarding the business of the Senate today, we shall proceed as per the Order Paper.

I thank you.”

4. **PAPER LAID**

The following paper was laid on the Table of the Senate:-

The President’s Address on the Opening of the 12th Parliament delivered on Tuesday, 12th September, 2017 during the Joint Sitting of Parliament.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

5. **NOTICE OF MOTION** – (The Senate Majority Leader)

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 24 (6), the Thanks of the Senate be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the Address of the President during the Opening of the 12th Parliament delivered on Tuesday, September 12, 2017.

6. **PROCEDURAL MOTION - LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON A MOTION**

Motion made and Question proposed:-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 100 (1), the Senate resolves that debate on a Motion not sponsored by the Majority or Minority Party or a Committee shall be limited in the following manner:-

A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty minutes for the Mover, twenty minutes for the Majority Party Official Responder, twenty minutes for the Minority Party Official Responder and fifteen minutes for each other Senator speaking and that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 100 (1), the Senate resolves that debate on a Motion not sponsored by the Majority or Minority Party or a Committee shall be limited in the following manner:-

A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty minutes for the Mover, twenty minutes for the Majority Party Official Responder, twenty minutes for the Minority Party Official Responder and fifteen minutes for each other Senator speaking and that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.

7. **PROCEDURAL MOTION - LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON AN ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

Motion made and Question proposed:-

THAT, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 100 (4), the debate on any Motion for the adjournment of the Senate to a day other than the next normal sitting day in accordance with the calendar of the Senate shall be limited to a maximum of two hours with not more than fifteen minutes for each Senator speaking after which the Senate shall adjourn without question put;

Provided that when the period of recess proposed by any such Motion does not exceed nine calendar days, the debate shall be limited to a maximum of thirty (30) minutes, and shall be confined to the question of adjournment.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 100 (4), the debate on any Motion for the adjournment of the Senate to a day other than the next normal sitting day in accordance with the calendar of the Senate shall be limited to a maximum of two hours with not more than fifteen minutes for each Senator speaking after which the Senate shall adjourn without question put;

Provided that when the period of recess proposed by any such Motion does not exceed nine calendar days, the debate shall be limited to a maximum of thirty (30) minutes, and shall be confined to the question of adjournment.

8. **PROCEDURAL MOTION - LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT**

Motion made and Question proposed;-

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 100 (1), the Senate resolves that the debate on the Motion on the Presidential Address shall be limited to a maximum of three sitting days with not more than fifteen minutes for each Senator speaking, excluding the Mover in moving and replying who shall be limited to thirty minutes in either case and that the Senate Majority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader shall be limited to thirty minutes each.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 100 (1), the Senate resolves that the debate on the Motion on the Presidential Address shall be limited to a maximum of three sitting days with not more than fifteen minutes for each Senator speaking, excluding the Mover in moving and replying who shall be limited to thirty minutes in either case and that the Senate Majority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader shall be limited to thirty minutes each.

9. **MOTION - DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT - (1st DAY)**

Motion made and Question proposed;-

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 24 (6), the Thanks of the Senate be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the Address of the President during the Opening of the 12th Parliament delivered on Tuesday, 12th September, 2017.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past six O'clock, the Speaker interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

10. SENATE ROSE – at thirty minutes past six O'clock.

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*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 2.30 p.m.*

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