



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – FIRST SESSION

JOINT SITTING OF PARLIAMENT

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 AT 2:30 P.M

1. Parliament assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.

2. **ARRIVAL OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT**

The President and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, His Excellency Honourable Uhuru Kenyatta, CGH, escorted by the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the National Assembly and accompanied by Maces of both Houses, entered the Chamber at fifteen minutes past Three O'clock.

3. The Proceedings were opened with Prayers said by the following Spiritual Leaders –

- The Most Rev. Joseph Ole Sapit;
- Bishop Alfred Kipkoech Arap Rotich;
- Sheikh Rashid Ali Omar; and
- Mr. Simon Peter Latabanyi Lekarei

4. **CONVOCATION BY THE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE**

The Speaker of the Senate conveyed the following:

“Your Excellency, Honourable Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces; the Right Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly, Honourable Justin Muturi; Honourable Members of Parliament;

Article 132(1)(a) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the *President to*

By a letter dated 8th September, 2017, the President notified the Speakers of Parliament of his intention to address the newly elected Parliament on Tuesday, 12th September, 2017 in the National Assembly Chamber, Parliament Buildings at 2:30 p.m.

Accordingly, pursuant to Article 132(1)(a) of the Constitution and further pursuant to Standing Order 21(1) of the Standing Orders of the Senate, by *Gazette Notice* No. 8878 which was published in a Special Issue of the *Kenya Gazette* on 8th September, 2017, I gave Notice of this Joint Sitting to all Senators.

Honourable Members, this Joint Sitting is therefore properly convened.

I thank you.”

5. **CONVOCATION BY THE SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

The Speaker of the National Assembly conveyed the following:

“Your Excellency, Honourable Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces; the Right Honourable Speaker of the Senate, Senator Kenneth Lusaka; Honourable Members of Parliament;

I wish to confirm that Article 132(1)(a) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the *President to address the opening of each newly elected Parliament*.

Accordingly, pursuant to Article 132(1)(a) of the Constitution and further pursuant to Standing Order 14(1) of the Standing Orders of the National Assembly, by *Gazette Notice* No. 8877 which was published in a Special Issue of the *Kenya Gazette* on 8th September, 2017, I gave Notice of this Joint Sitting to all Members of the National Assembly.

Honourable Members, this Joint Sitting is therefore properly convened.

Consequently, it is now my singular honour and privilege to invite His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya to address the opening of the newly elected 12th Parliament.

I thank you.”

6. **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132 OF THE CONSTITUTION**

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7. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE**

The Speaker of the Senate conveyed the following:

“Honourable Members, please be up standing.

Your Excellency the President, the Right Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly, Honourable Members, we have come to the conclusion of the business of the day and it is now time to adjourn.

The Senate stands adjourned until **tomorrow, Wednesday, 13th September, 2017, at 2:30 p.m. at the Senate Chamber.**”

8. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

The Speaker of the National Assembly conveyed the following:

“**Honourable Members**, I wish to thank His Excellency the President for his address to Parliament, and the nation at large.

It is now my singular pleasure to invite His Excellency the President, the Deputy President, all honourable Members, Cabinet Secretaries and all invited guests to a reception at the Parliament Forecourt hereafter.

Honourable Members, you are requested to remain upstanding until the President’s procession, including the religious leaders, has left the Chamber.

Honourable Members of the National Assembly, the National Assembly now stands adjourned until **Wednesday, 13th September, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.**”

9. **DEPARTURE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT**

Thereupon, His Excellency the President departed from the Chamber in State procession.

10. **PARLIAMENT ROSE** - at fifty-five minutes past Three O’clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speakers will take respective Chairs on
Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. for the National Assembly and
2:30 p.m. for the Senate.*