



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 02, 2018 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. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker issued the following communications from the Chair: -

a) On the return from the sittings in Uasin Gishu

“Honourable Senators,

Hon. Senators, I wish to take this opportunity to welcome you back to Nairobi after the weeklong sittings in Uasin Gishu County Assembly.

Hon. Senators, as you may be aware, the Senate made a resolution to sit in the County Assembly of Uasin Gishu on 21st June, 2018. This marked a very important part of our journey as the 3rd Senate of the Republic of Kenya, and the first time the Parliament of Kenya sat outside of Nairobi. It points to a key milestone and obviously permanent stamp in the annals of History.

Hon. Senators, history is written by people who dare the journey. As we made history I am reminded about the challenges of **“Catching the eye”** of the Speaker and a claim by some Senators on how many times they should stand to be given a chance to speak. This was a clear departure from our digital systems to a manual system and a reminder that we have the responsibility to nurture our County Assemblies in developing their systems.

Hon. Senators, allow me from the onset to thank all the Senators who made time to attend both chamber and committee proceedings. This was a clear demonstration of our commitment in the Senate to pursue matters of interest to counties and protect the interest of the County governments. I admired the

zeal and energy with which all the Senators were able to move from one committee room to another and the level of engagement with the people of Uasin Gishu County- this was real time public participation.

Hon. Senators, we celebrate this historic milestone since the enactment of the constitution, I wish to remind all Senators of our key responsibility to protect the interest of the Counties and their governments. I believe that by interacting with the people in the counties we have been able to collect issues that require our legislative intervention. The sittings resulted in a number of interactions that have cemented the relationship between the Senate and the county governments. As you may have noted, the Ad-Hoc Committee on Maize and the Committee on Agriculture, held deliberations with various stakeholders and public participation on issues of Maize which was widely covered in the mainstream and social media, resulting in the release of funds from the National Government to the Maize farmers; three governors appeared before CPAIC to give accounts of all the national revenues allocated to the Counties by the Senate; the Finance Committee held meetings with counterpart committees in the County and undertook public participation on the Public Private Partnership (Amendment) Bill; the Health Committee addressed health funding with stakeholders at the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital; the Legal Affairs Committee visited the G.K. Prison and Remand in Eldoret, while the Education & Health Committee accompanied by the Senate leadership visited special schools in Uasin Gishu County.

I wish to urge all senators who may have identified any matter that may require intervention of the Senate not to hesitate to contact my office or the office of the Clerk of the senate for further advice and /or facilitation.

Hon. Senators, I also wish to express my gratitude to the leadership and the people of the County of Uasin Gishu for the warm reception we received. Hon. Senators, this welcome was not just ordinary.

Hon. Senators, I also want to thank the Secretariat led by the Clerk of the Senate. The quality and speed with which work was done by our staff was exemplary, it was not easy to differentiate that we were away from home, work was seamlessly delivered to meet the demands of the Senate.

Hon. Senators, I applaud you all for your commitment and dedication exhibited in the depth of your participation in the plenary sessions and committee meetings and engagements in Uasin Gishu.

I thank you.

b) Breakfast meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on the preparations for the sustainable Blue Economy conference, scheduled to be held in Kenya in November, 2018.

“Honourable Senators,

As you may be aware, Kenya will be hosting a High-Level Conference on the Sustainable Blue Economy from November 26-28, 2018 in Nairobi. The Blue Economy is a new frontier for development as we move to tap into the productive capacity of our water resources and empower communities in a sustainable way and build our economy.

Honourable Senators,

In preparation for the said Conference, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has requested to have a meeting to apprise Honourable Senators on the state of preparations for the said Conference and deliberate on areas of collaboration with the Senate.

The meeting is scheduled to be held tomorrow, Wednesday, 3rd October, 2018 at 7.30 am, in the Senate Chamber. The meeting will be preceded by breakfast which will be served in the Members restaurant, Parliament Buildings.

Honourable Senators,

In this regard, I take this opportunity to invite and urge all Honourable Senators to plan and attend this important meeting.

I thank you.”

4. STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 48 (1)

The Senator for Garissa County (Sen. Yusuf Haji, MP) to sought a statement from the Standing Committee on Education on the award of scholarships by the Ministry of Education to Kenyan students studying outside the country in undergraduate and post graduate levels.

5. THE PETROLEUM BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 48 OF 2017)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Resumption of Debate interrupted on Wednesday, 26th September, 2018)

(Division)

Order for Second reading read.

Order deferred.

6. THE LOCAL CONTENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2018)

(Sen. Gideon Moi, MP)

Order for Second reading read.

Order deferred.

7. **THE IMPEACHMENT PROCEDURE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 15 OF 2018)**

Order for Second reading read-

Motion made and Question proposed-

That, the Impeachment Procedure Bill (Senate Bills No. 15 of 2018) be now read a Second time

(Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

Debate Arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past Six O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. (Prof.) Kamar), interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Wednesday, October 03, 2018 at 2.30 p.m.*

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