



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – THIRD SESSION

JOINT SITTING OF PARLIAMENT

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 04, 2019 AT 2.30 P.M.

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

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

The President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, His Excellency Hon. 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 fifty-five minutes past Two O'clock.

3. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer by the Speaker of the Senate.

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

The Speaker of the Senate conveyed the following:

“Your Excellency, Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces;

The Rt. Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon. Justin Muturi;

Hon. Members of Parliament;

Article 132(1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the President to address a Special Sitting of the Parliament of Kenya once every year and at any other time.

Further, Article 132(1)(c) requires the President to, among others, once every year, report, in an address to the nation, all the measures taken and the progress achieved in the realization of the national values set out in Article 10 of the Constitution.

In addition, Article 240(7) of the Constitution requires the President, in his capacity as the Chairperson of the National Security Council (NSC), to report to Parliament annually on the state of the security of the Republic.

In this regard, pursuant to Article 132(1) (b) and (c) (i) and (ii) of the Constitution and Senate Standing Order No.22 (1) and (2), upon a request by the Presidency vide letter reference No. SH/5/22/VOL. 2/08 dated 7th March 2019; I gave notice

of today's Special Sitting to the Hon. Senators by Gazette Notice No. 2921 which was published in the Kenya Gazette on 26th March, 2019.

Accordingly, Hon. Members, this Special Sitting is 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, The Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, C.G.H, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces;

The Honourable Speaker of the Senate, Senator Kenneth Lusaka;
Honourable Members of Parliament;

Article 132(1) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the President to address the nation once every year and at any other time.

In this regard, pursuant to Article 132(1)(b) and (c)(i) &(iii) of the Constitution and the provisions of Standing Order No. 22 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, by *Gazette Notice* No.2920, which was published in the *Kenya Gazette* on 26th March, 2019, I gave Notice of this Special Sitting to the Members of the National Assembly.

Accordingly, Honourable Members, this Special Sitting is properly convened.

Your Excellency, it is the custom of Parliament to recognize invited guests seated at the Speaker's Row. I therefore wish to recognize the following guests: the Hon. Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya, H.E. (Dr.) William Ruto, EGH, the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Kenya, the Hon. Justice David Maraga, EGH, the former Prime Minister of the Republic of Kenya and the African Union High Representative for Infrastructure Development in Africa, the Rt. Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga, EGH, former Vice-Presidents of the Republic, the Hon. (Dr.) Stephen Kalonzo Musyoka, EGH, and the Hon. Musalia Mudavadi, EGH, the Governor of the Nairobi City County Government, the Hon. Mike Mbuvi Sonko, and former Speakers of the Houses of Parliament, the Hon. Francis Xavier Ole Kaparo, EGH and the Hon. Ekwe Ethuro, EGH. They are all welcome to Parliament during this momentous occasion of the address by the H.E. the President.

Honourable Members of Parliament, Invited Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen;

It is now my singular honour and privilege to invite His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces to address this Special Sitting of Parliament.

Your Excellency"

6. PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132(1) OF THE CONSTITUTION

Pursuant to Article 132(1) of the Constitution, His Excellency the President delivered a State of the Nation address and submitted to Parliament Reports on:

- a) The Measures Taken and Progress Achieved in the Realization of National Values;
- b) Progress made in fulfilling the International Obligations of the Republic; and
- c) The State of Security.

7. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE

There being no other business, the Speaker of the Senate adjourned the Senate at fifteen minutes past Four O'clock until Tuesday, 9th April, 2019, at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber.

8. ADJOURNMENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

There being no other business, the Speaker of the National Assembly adjourned the National Assembly at fifteen minutes past Four O'clock until Tuesday, 23rd April, 2019, at 2:30 p.m. at the National Assembly Chamber, and invited His Excellency the President and other guests to a reception at the Parliament Forecourt.

9. DEPARTURE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT

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

10. PARLIAMENT ROSE - at fifteen minutes past Four O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

(i) The Senate

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, 9th April, 2019 at 2.30 pm

(ii) The National Assembly

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, 23rd April, 2019 at 2.30 pm

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