



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION**

**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020**

1. The House assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer
3. **Presiding** – the Hon. Speaker
4. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication –

**GUIDANCE ON AN ADVANCE COMMUNICATION CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS**

**Honourable Members,**

Welcome back to the House today, albeit under these unusual circumstances. I wish to remind the House that I did issue an advance Communication dated Monday, April 06, 2020 and which was thereafter circulated to all Members containing the business that was to be transacted during the initially scheduled Special Sitting of Wednesday, April 8, 2020. This is the business now appearing on today's Order Papers.

In this regard, **Honourable Members**, I do order that the advance Communication be entered into the official Journals of the House, that is, be recorded in the Hansard and the Votes and Proceedings for today, as though it had been conveyed this afternoon, for purposes of posterity.

The House is accordingly informed. **I thank you!"**

**ADVANCE COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR ISSUED ON APRIL 06, 2020**

**ON**

**BUSINESS SCHEDULED TO BE CONSIDERED DURING THE SPECIAL SITTINGS OF  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 08, 2020**

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**“Honourable Members,** as you are aware, the House is scheduled to hold its *Special Sittings* on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup>, April, 2020 to consider urgent and important business. Please note that this *Advance Communication* is issued ahead of the *Special Sittings* for purposes of informing and guiding Hon. Members on how the scheduled business of the House is to be considered. This is in line with the Guidelines that I issued on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2020 on the manner in which the House shall conduct its business.

**Honourable Members,** the main purpose of the *Special Sittings* is to consider some of the measures proposed by the Executive to cushion the public against the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. You will also recall that, on March 17<sup>th</sup> 2020, the House made a resolution requiring that business received from the Executive when the House is on recess, be conveyed to the responsible and relevant Committees for their consideration prior to the House resuming its Sittings. To this end, the business scheduled to be considered during the *Special Sittings* is therefore already before the relevant Committees.

**Honourable Members,** further, given the extra-ordinary and unprecedented times in which we find ourselves and the call to our constitutional duty, I hereby invoke my earlier Guidelines and the provisions of **Standing Order 1** (*matters not provided for*) to make this *Advance Communication* to inform and guide Honourable Members as follows-

**1. Consideration of the Tax Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020**

**Honourable Members,** the Tax Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020 which seeks to make various amendments to tax related laws, is, as you are already aware, one of the items of business that you will be considering during the *Special Sittings*. In order to ensure that the requirements of Article 118 of the Constitution and Standing Order 127 on public participation are met, I authorized the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning, to which the Bill stands committed, to conduct public participation before First Reading. The views submitted by the public and the Report of the Committee on the Bill shall inform debate during the Second Reading stage and Committee of the Whole House.

Any Member with proposed amendments is hereby advised to forward them to the Committee ahead of its Sitting of Tuesday, April 7, 2020, for the Committee to undertake the process contemplated under Standing Order 131 (*winnowing of various amendments*), while considering the views of the public and other stakeholders. This will facilitate the consideration of the Bill at all stages the following day, as per the notification published vide *Kenya Gazette No. 2793* on the *Special Sittings* of the National Assembly. In doing so, Hon. Members are reminded of the provisions of Standing Order 133(5) and (6) relating to relevance and suitability of amendments. Further, The Tax Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020 is a *Money-Bill*. Therefore the requirements of Article 114(2) of the Constitution will also apply.

**2. Consideration of the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020**

**Honourable Members,** the *Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020* seeks to reduce the rate of value added tax applicable to the taxable value of taxable supply, the value of imported taxable goods and the value of taxable services from the current 16% to 14%. The Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury has since submitted the Order to the National Assembly for its consideration. This is to acknowledge having received the Order and the Clerk did also duly register the *Order* in the Statutory Instruments Register as required by section 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013. Upon receipt, I did refer the *Order* to the Committee on Delegated Legislation for review and scrutiny as required under section 12 of the Statutory Instruments Act. This is intended to allow scrutiny of the Order to be undertaken before tabling to be done during the Special Sittings. This is also to ensure the Committee has ample time to consider the *Order* ahead of the *Special Sittings*.

**3. Consideration of the Public Finance Management (Covid-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020**

**Honourable Members,** the Public Finance Management (Covid-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020 seek to establish the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund whose object is to mobilize resources for emergency response towards containing the spread, effect and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. This, therefore, is to inform you that, we did receive a Draft copy of the Regulations which was subsequently transmitted to the Committee on Delegated Legislation to review and advise the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury if need be, on any item that may require to be amended or reviewed further. The Committee is expected to discuss the Regulations with the regulatory-making authority in this case, the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury and National Planning, in accordance with section 16 of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, ahead of publication of the final version of the Regulations.

Thereafter upon publication, the Regulations shall, after submission to the National Assembly, stand committed to the Committee on Delegated Legislation for review and scrutiny as required under section 12 of the Statutory Instruments Act. Subsequently, the Committee shall be expected to guide the House accordingly.

**4. Submission and Consideration of Supplementary Estimates for the Financial Year 2019/20 and related documents**

**Honourable Members,** during the *Special Sittings*, the Supplementary Estimates for the Financial Year 2019/2020 and related documents are also expected to be tabled having been submitted to the House pursuant to Standing Order 243. As is procedure, should the Estimates be submitted, they shall stand committed to the Departmental Committees to consider and make recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee. In light of the Guidelines that I issued on the conduct of the business of the House and in light of the expanded Membership of the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the need to observe social distancing, the Budget and Appropriations Committee shall conduct its sittings at the County Hall (*Mini Chamber*). The Chairpersons of Departmental Committees shall be required to make submissions to the Budget and Appropriations Committee in intervals. The Departmental Committees and

the Budget and Appropriations Committee are required to adhere to the *Guidelines* in particular paragraphs 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, which provide for the manner in which Committee sittings are to be undertaken in considering the Supplementary Estimates.

**5. *Consideration of the Report of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research on the approval of appointment of persons to the Teachers Service Commission***

**Honourable Members**, as you are aware, the House is also scheduled to consider the Report of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research on the approval of **appointment** of persons to the Teachers Service Commission. However, as required by Standing Order 199(*Reports of Select Committees*), the Report is required to be tabled and thereafter published and circulated to Members. To give sufficient time to Honourable Members to apprise themselves on the contents of the Report before the *Special Sittings*, I have directed the Clerk to circulate copies of the Report to all Members using remote means, upon my approval of the Report and ahead of the *Special Sittings*. It is notable that the Departmental Committee has already concluded and adopted the Report as required by the House Standing Orders. The circulated copies of the Report ahead of the Sitting will serve as notice to all Members and accord them an opportunity to apprise themselves on the findings and recommendations of the Committee.

**6. *Facilitating Voting***

**Honourable Members**, as I conclude, I am cognizant of the fact that, during the *Special Sittings* or indeed thereafter when called upon, each one of you will certainly be required to make a determination on any of the matters that I have highlighted before you in terms of decision making and voting as required under Article 122 of the Constitution and Standing Order 69 which provides for the manner of voting in Parliament. However, as you are all aware, paragraph 2 of the Speaker's Guidelines provides that at any one time in the Chamber, there shall be only seventy (70) Members. To this end, and in recognition of the right of every Member to vote, I have designated and declared the Members' Lounge adjacent to the Speaker's walkway as a **Voting Lobby** for purposes of according every Member an opportunity to vote on matters where a *Division* is claimed, or upon request by a Member to use roll-call voting. Consequently, the Clerk is forthwith directed to make the necessary arrangements for roll-call voting as envisaged under Standing Order 73(*Roll call voting*). Please note that a roll-call vote shall only take place **whenever necessary, when need arises or upon request** by any Members who may wish to vote but are not in the Chamber due to the limited seating capacity.

**Honourable Members**, as is procedure during a roll call vote, to actualize this process, the Party Whips will be required in the usual manner to designate the tellers for the "**Ayes**" and tellers for the "**Noes**" for such business and submit their names to the Speaker, who shall direct that the tellers do take seats at designated places in the **Voting Lobby**. During voting, Members shall be required to walk in an orderly manner to the **Voting Lobby** and adhere to the relevant Guidelines including on social distancing, among others. Each Member, will then be required to declare assent or dissent to a

question in the following manner “**I vote yes**” or “**I vote No**”. Thereafter the tellers shall present the result of the roll call vote to the Speaker who shall collate the result of the roll call vote together with the results of the vote taken in the Chamber and thereafter announce the tallied result of the vote to the House.

**Honourable Members**, I will strive to ensure that, even amidst the challenges that the *COVID-19 Pandemic* has presented regarding the manner in which the business of this House is to be conducted, urgent business of the House is facilitated seamlessly, efficiently and in a manner that guarantees your health and safety and protects the right of every Member to vote.

**Honourable Members**, extra-ordinary circumstances call for extra-ordinary measures hence, the *Guidelines* and this *Advance Communication*. As your Speaker, I undertake to ensure the House is facilitated to transact business, to keep you updated, as necessary, and to periodically review the *Guidelines* to accord with the changing times.

The House is accordingly guided. Let us all Stay Safe! I thank you.”

## 5. MESSAGES

The Speaker conveyed the following Message –

### **ON THE NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD**

“**Honourable Members**, As you are aware, Standing Order 42(2) and (4) of the National Assembly Standing Orders requires the Speaker to cause the transmission of any Message received from a Cabinet Secretary at a time when the House is not in Session to every Member and later report such Message to the House at its next sitting. In this regard, on March 26, 2020, I did notify you of a Message from the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury which was received in my office during the period of recess regarding his nomination of persons for appointment to the office of the Chief Executive Officer of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) Board.

**Honourable Members**, pursuant to the provisions of section 20 of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, 2015 and regulation 4 of the NG-CDF Regulations, 2016, the Cabinet Secretary is asking the House to approve the appointment of **Mr. Yusuf Mbuno** for the position of Chief Executive Officer of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) Board.

**Honourable Members**, section 20(1) of the said Act, provides that there shall be a Chief Executive Officer of the Board who shall be recruited by the Board through a competitive process and recommendations made to the Cabinet Secretary for appointment, with the approval of the National Assembly. Regulation 4(8) of the *NG-CDF Regulations, 2016* further provides for submission of a fresh nomination if the National Assembly rejects a nominee forwarded for appointment. Members will recall that the House declined to approve the previous nominee to this position on March 17, 2020.

**Honourable Members,** section 50(5)(d) of the NG-CDF Act stipulates that one of the functions of the National Assembly Select Committee on the National Government Constituencies Development Fund is to consider and report to the House, with recommendations, names of persons requiring approval by the National Assembly pursuant to the Act.

**Honourable Members,** in this regard, I hereby refer the name of the nominee, including his curriculum vitae, to the Select Committee on the National Government Constituencies Development Fund to undertake the necessary approval hearings. Thereafter, the House shall consider the nominee in accordance with the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011.

**Honourable Members,** section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011 requires the National Assembly to either approve or reject the nominee **within fourteen days** from the date on which the notification of nomination is given.

Consequently, the Committee should notify the nominee and the general public of the time and place of the approval hearings, in good time. The notification should therefore be made immediately and the Committee may thereafter commence the necessary approval hearings, and submit its report to the House on or before **Wednesday, April 29, 2020.**

**Honourable Members,** even as Committees continue to undertake their legislative, oversight and representative duties as required by the Constitution and other statutes, it is important to do so in line with the Speaker's guidelines issued on April 2, 2020 and April 11, 2020 regarding conduct of sittings of the House and Committee meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic period. **I thank you!"**

## **6. PAPERS**

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the House by –

### **a) The Leader of the Majority Party**

- (i) Gazette Notice No. 2787 of 27th March, 2020 on Declaration of a Notifiable Disease from the Ministry of Health;
- (ii) Legal Notice No. 29 of 2020 on the Public Finance Management (Coffee Cherry Advance Revolving Fund) Regulations, 2020 from the National Treasury and Planning;
- (iii) Legal Notice No. 35 of 2020 on the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020 from the National Treasury and Planning;
- (iv) Legal Notice No. 36 of 2020 on the Public Order (State Curfew) Order, 2020 from the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of the National Government;
- (v) Legal Notice No. 37 of 2020 on the Public Health Order (Declaration of Formidable Disease) Order, 2020 from the Ministry of Health;
- (vi) Legal Notice No. 38 of 2020 on the Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020 from the National Treasury and Planning;
- (vii) Legal Notice No. 39 of 2020 on the Public Order (State Curfew) Variation Orders, 2020 from the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of the National Government;

- (viii) Legal Notice No. 42 of 2020 on the Civil Aviation (Unmanned Aircraft Systems) Regulations, 2020 from the Ministry for Transport, Infrastructure, Housing, Urban Development and Public Works;
- (ix) Legal Notice No. 46 of 2020 on the Public Health (Prevention, Control and Suppression of COVID-19) Rules, 2020 from the Ministry of Health;  
(*Items (i) to (ix) to be referred to the Committee on Delegated Legislation*)
- (x) First Half National Government Budget Implementation Review Report for the Financial Year 2019/2020 from the Controller of Budget;
- (xi) List of Nominees to Forty (40) National Government Constituencies Development Fund Committees from the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board for the following Constituencies: -

1. Bomachoge Borabu ( <i>re-submitted with correction</i> )	20. Matayos
2. Bomachoge Chache	21. Mbeere North
3. Bura	22. Mt. Elgon
4. Bureti	23. Mwingi North
5. Butula	24. Narok East
6. Embakasi East	25. Narok North
7. Fafi	26. Ndia
8. Ganze	27. Nyali
9. Gichugu	28. Nyaribari Chache
10. Kaiti	29. Nyeri Town
11. Keiyo North	30. Pokot South
12. Kilifi South	31. Roysambu
13. Kuresoi North	32. Runyenjes
14. Lafey	33. Sotik
15. Lagdera	34. Suba South
16. Limuru	35. Thika Town
17. Lunga Lunga	36. Turbo
18. Magarini ( <i>additional names</i> )	37. Voi
19. Mandera North	38. Wajir East
	39. Webuye East
	40. West Mugirango

**b) The Vice-Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Education & Research**

- The Report of the Departmental Committee on Education & Research on the vetting of nominees for appointment as Members to the Teachers Service Commission (TSC).

**c) Member, Committee on Delegated Legislation (Hon. Gitonga Murungara)**

- The Reports of the Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of:
  - (i) *The Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020; and*
  - (ii) *The Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020.*

**7. NOTICES OF MOTION**

The following Notices of Motion were given by –

**a) The Leader of the Majority Party**

- (i) **THAT, AWARE THAT**, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the **Corona** Virus Disease 2019 (*COVID-19*) a global health pandemic and that the pandemic has led to an unprecedented global health crisis;

**COGNIZANT THAT** the Government, non-governmental institutions, well-wishers and health authorities globally have joined hands and put in place a number of measures to contain the pandemic, mainly through travel and behavioural restrictions, provision of necessary protective facilities, equipping existing health facilities, availing resources; and providing necessary assistance and information;

**APPRECIATING** the policy measures and interventions being undertaken by the Government, through the multi-agency National Emergency Response Committee on Corona Virus (NERC) led by the Ministry of Health, to contain the spread of the pandemic and cushion Kenyans against its social and economic effects;

**FURTHER COGNIZANT** of the legislative measures proposed by the Executive, including the establishment of the *COVID-19 Fund*, the reduction of the Value Added Tax, amongst others;

**FURTHER APPRECIATING** the role of National Assembly in taking necessary legislative interventions and offering the necessary political and legislative support, whenever required;

**NOW THEREFORE, THIS HOUSE RESOLVES–**

- (a) to laud and appreciate the Government of the Republic of Kenya for the action and policy measures undertaken so far in combating the spread of the virus, and addressing the economic effects of the virus in the country to cushion ordinary Kenyans from its effects;
  - (b) to commend and appreciate all **healthcare workers and service providers** in the country for their selfless efforts, commitment to service, care and compassion towards persons who have been infected and/or affected by the virus; and,
  - (c) that, to supplement the *Covid-19* Fund and other measures put in place, the Budget & Appropriation Committee reviews the approved Budget for the FY 2019/2020 with a view to re-allocating funds towards cushioning the country further from the short-term and long-term effects of *Covid-19*, particularly allocating and ring-fencing funds for –
    - (i) the provision of personal protective equipment (PPE), testing and medical equipment, including adequate ventilators; and,
    - (ii) the establishment of a suitable national health facility for the treatment and management of infectious and viral diseases such the *Covid-19*, with at least a bed capacity of 1,000 persons.
- (ii) **THAT**, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 28(4), this House **resolves to further alter** its *Calendar (Regular Sessions)* for the Fourth Session (2020), as amended through the Resolution of the House of Tuesday, March 17, 2020 so as to–
- (a) adjourn the Sittings of the House from Wednesday, April 15, 2020;
  - (b) hold other Sittings during the *First Part* of the Session as follows–

- (i) Wednesday, April 22, 2020 starting at 10.00 a.m.;
- (ii) Wednesday, April 29, 2020 starting at 10.00 a.m.;
- (iii) Wednesday, May 6, 2020 starting at 10.00 a.m.; and,

- (c) resumes its sittings during the *Second Part* of the Session on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 2.30 pm as per the *Calendar*.

**b) The Vice Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research**

- **THAT**, taking into consideration the findings of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research in its report on the *Vetting of persons nominated for Appointment as Members of the Teachers' Service Commission, laid on the Table of the House on Wednesday, April 14, 2020*, and pursuant to the provisions of Article 250(2) (b) of the Constitution and Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011, this House **rejects** the appointment of **Mr. Mbage Njuguna Ng'ang'a** and **Ms. Leila Abdi Ali** for appointment as Members of the Teachers' Service Commission.

**c) The Chairperson, Select Committee on the National Government Constituencies Development Fund**

- **THAT**, pursuant to the provisions of section 43(4) of the National Government Constituency Development Fund Act, 2015 and paragraph 5 (9 & 10) of the National Government Constituency Development Fund Regulations, 2016, this House **approves** the list of nominees for appointment to the one hundred and eighty one (181) Constituency Committees of the National Government Constituency Development Fund as listed, *laid on the Table of the House on March 5, 2020, March 12, 2020, March 17, and April 14, 2020*.

**d) Member, Committee on Delegated Legislation (Hon. Gitonga Murungara)**

- (i) **THAT**, this House **adopts** the Report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020, *laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, April 14, 2020*, and pursuant to the provisions of sections 6 and 67 of the Value Added Tax Act, 2013 **approves** the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020 published as *Legal Notice No. 35 of 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2020*.
- (ii) **THAT**, this House **adopts** the Report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020, *laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, April 14, 2020*, and pursuant to the provisions of section 24(4) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 **approves** the Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020, published as *Legal Notice No. 38 of 2020*.

**8. STATEMENTS**

- Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c), the Member for Githunguri (Hon. Gabriel Kago) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Health regarding the public health measures being taken by the Government to reduce the risk of contracting Covid-19 in country.
  - o The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Health to issue a response on Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

**9. PROCEDURAL MOTION – APPROVAL OF A SECOND SITTING**

Motion made and question proposed –

**THAT**, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 30(3)(b), this House resolves to hold another sitting today, Tuesday, April 14, 2020 after the 2.30 pm sitting.

*(The Leader of the Majority Party)*

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

**10. THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 4 OF 2020)**

*(The Leader of the Majority Party)*

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127.

**11. THE KENYA NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5 OF 2020)**

*(The Leader of the Majority Party)*

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127.

**12. THE KENYA NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 6 OF 2020)**

*(The Hon. Sabina Chege)*

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127.

**13. THE LAND REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 7 OF 2020)**

*(The Leader of the Majority Party)*

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127.

**14. THE TAX LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 8 OF 2020)**

*(The Leader of the Majority Party)*

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127.

**15. MOTION – CONSIDERATION OF THE VALUE ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT OF THE RATE OF TAX) ORDER, 2020**

Motion made and question proposed –

**THAT**, this House **adopts** the Report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020, *laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, April 14, 2020*, and pursuant to the provisions of sections 6 and 67 of the Value Added Tax Act, 2013 **approves** the Value Added Tax (Amendment of the Rate of Tax) Order, 2020 published as *Legal Notice No. 35 of 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2020*.

*(Hon. Gitonga Murungara – Member, Committee on Delegated Legislation)*

Debate arising;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

**16. MOTION – CONSIDERATION OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND) REGULATIONS, 2020**

Motion made and question proposed –

**THAT**, this House **adopts** the Report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020, *laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, April 14, 2020*, and pursuant to the provisions of section 24(4) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 **approves** the Public Finance Management (COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund) Regulations, 2020, published as *Legal Notice No. 38 of 2020*.

*(Hon. Gitonga Murungara – Member, Committee on Delegated Legislation)*

Debate arising;

Rising in his place on a Point of Order, the Member for Igembe Central (Hon. Kubai Iringo) claimed to move that the Mover be now called upon to reply;

And the Speaker acceding to the claim;

Question that the “Mover be now called upon to reply” put and agreed to;

Thereupon the Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

**17. THE TAX LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 8 OF 2020)**

Order for Second Reading *with Leave of the House*;

Order deferred.

There being no other business and the time being five O'clock, the Speaker adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

**18. HOUSE ROSE - at five O'clock**

**MEMORANDUM**

The Speaker will take the Chair  
Today, Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 5.05 p.m.

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