

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



TWELFTH PARLIAMENT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY – (FIRST SESSION)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

(NO. 001/2017)

REGARDING USE OF ELECTRONIC SYSTEM IN THE CHAMBER

Honourable Members,

This Communication relates to the manner of seeking the Speaker's attention when you want to contribute to debate or raise a point of Order in the House during the initial part of this Session.

As some Members may be aware, since 2014 it has been our practice that a Member who wishes to contribute to debate or raise a point of Order in the House would press the relevant button of the electronic gadgets installed on each seating place. However, since this House only commences its regular sittings today, the Clerk of the National Assembly is currently making arrangements to have **all** Members details registered into the Electronic System and issued with **Chamber-log-in Cards**. At the end, Members will use these cards to make interventions to speak, Vote in Divisions and raise Points of Orders. Similarly, the Clerk of the National Assembly has also commenced the process of registration of all Members in the Biometric System for purposes of recording your Chamber attendance. This is in keeping with the requirements of Article 103(b) of the Constitution. It is only after the completion of this exercise that may take a few days, that the System will be fully operational for use.

Honourable Members,

In the meantime, a **Member wishing to Move a motion, Second, or contribute in debate or raise a point of Order** is advised to “catch the Speaker’s eye” by rising in his or her place to speak. You are also advised to commence the Debate by mentioning your name and constituency for purposes of accurate *Hansard* recording. Members with Disability are exempted from this interim procedure and they are advised to raise their Hand from their places.

Similarly, in the meantime, you will also be required to use the Manual Register for purposes of recording your Chamber attendance.

I thank you!

THE HON. JUSTIN B. N. MUTURI, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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