

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA** 

## THE SENATE

## **ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION**

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AT 2.30 P.M.

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.

## 3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SPEAKER

The Speaker conveyed the following communications from the Chair-

# (a) Visiting delegations from various County Assemblies on attachment at the Senate

"Honorable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Speaker's Gallery this afternoon, of visiting staff from Nakuru County Assembly, Kilifi County Assembly and Kericho County Assembly.

The County Assembly staffers are here on a four-day attachment visit to similar departments at the Senate.

I request each member of the delegation to stand when called out so that they may be acknowledged in the Senate tradition.

They are:

From Nakuru County Assembly Human Resource Administration and Finance and Accounting Departments

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| NO.  | NAME                         | DESIGNATION                   |       |  |
| 1  | . John Kwambai               | Senior Accountant             |       |  |
| 2  | . Jane Wakanyi               | Senior Human Resource Officer |       |  |
| 3  | . Emmanuel Njuguna           | Senior Fiscal Analyst         |       |  |
| From Kericho County Assembly Sergeant-at-Arms Department |                              |                               |       |  |
| NO.  | NAME                         | DESIGNATION                   |       |  |
| 1.   | Reuben Kirui                 | Security Officer II           |       |  |
| 2.   | Augustine Ngeno              | Security Officer III          |       |  |
| 3.   | Sharon Cherop                | Security Warden               |       |  |

- Scolastica Chepkemoi Security officer III
  Julius Langat Security Warden
- 6. Joseah Langat Security Warden

From Kilifi County Assembly ICT and Research Departments

| NO. | NAME          | DESIGNATION   |
|-----|---------------|---------------|
| 1.  | Mercy Kuria   | Researcher    |
| 2.  | Josephat Saro | ICT Assistant |
| 3.  | Iha Thoya     | ICT Assistant |
| 4.  | Keith Kitsao  | ICT Assistant |

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I welcome them to the Senate and I wish them well for the remainder of their stay as they train at the Senate.

I thank you."

## (b) Speaker's welcome address to Senators to the Fourth Session

"Honourable Senators,

It is my pleasure to welcome you back from the long recess on this first day of the Fourth Session of the 11<sup>th</sup> Parliament. It is my sincere hope that you all had a happy holiday and began this year on a good footing.

Honourable Senators,

During the last session, the Senate conducted a substantial amount of business in line with its mandate as provided in the Constitution of Kenya;

Just to refresh your memories, some of the business transacted by the Senate during the Third Session was the following-

- a) A total of thirty three (33) Bills originating from the Senate and 12 originating from the National Assembly were introduced;
- b) The Senate also considered two Memoranda on Bills which had been passed by both Houses and submitted to H.E the President for Assent;

This was in respect of the Public Audit Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 38 of 2014) and the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 40 of 2014);

- c) Further, ninety six (96) Motions were Tabled, fifty seven (57) of which were deliberated upon and concluded;
- d) Thirty three (33) petitions were presented out of which nine (9) were reported on; and
- e) One hundred and fifty nine (159) Statements were requested from the Chairpersons of Committees, out of which ninety five (95) were responded to.

This is just part of what the Senate achieved in the last Session which indicates a marked improvement in volume and quality of business transacted over the previous Sessions. Much more, as you are undoubtedly aware, was achieved through respective committees as the House firmly and unequivocally took up its rightful place as the guardian angel of devolution.

Honourable Senators,

In continuing to exercise our mandate as the House of equity, it is my heartfelt expectation that we will see more business transacted by the House during the Fourth Session. This session should see more consolidation, reflection as it is a turning point. It is actually a mark of transition to Devolution.

We have planned a series of activities to further deliberate with you on many other scheduled issues and many of you will be called upon to participate. We will therefore be asking for your maximum cooperation and understanding as we go forward.

Lastly, and as you are all aware, Statements and Motions lapse at the end of each Session. I therefore urge Senators who would wish to resuscitate such Motions and Statements to proceed and re-file them.

Honourable Senators,

I wish you all the best as you continue to fulfill your mandate during the Fourth Session that commences today.

I thank you."

4. **NOTICE OF MOTION** - (The Senate Majority Leader)

**THAT**, pursuant to Standing Order 176(1), the Senate approves the following Senators to be Members of the Rules and Business Committee:-

- 1. Sen. David Ekwee Ethuro Speaker of the Senate Chairperson
- 2. Sen.(Prof.) Kithure Kindiki Senate Majority Leader
- 3. Sen. Moses Masika Wetang'ula Senate Minority Leader
- 4. Sen. Beatrice Elachi Senate Majority Whip
- 5. Sen. Johnson Nduya Muthama Senate Minority Whip
- 6. Sen. Onesmus Kipchumba Murkomen
- 7. Sen. Beth Mugo
- 8. Sen. Kiraitu Murungi
- 9. Sen. (Prof.) John Lonyangapuo
- 10. Sen. James Orengo
- 11. Sen. Janet Ong'era
- 12. Sen. (Dr.) Agnes Zani

### 5. <u>MOTION TO APPROVE MEMBERS TO THE RULES AND BUSINESS</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u>

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Motion made and question proposed;

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(Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

Rising in his place on a Point of Order, the Senator for Kajiado (Sen. Mositet) claimed to move that "the Mover be now called upon to reply";

And the Speaker acceding to the claim;

Question put and agreed to.

Mover thereupon replied;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 72, the Speaker informed the House that the Motion did not affect counties.

Question put and agreed to.

#### RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

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And the time being forty minutes past Four O'clock, the Speaker adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

6. **SENATE ROSE** - at forty minutes past Four O'clock.

### MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 2.30 p.m.

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