



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2016

1. The House assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer
3. **Presiding** - the Speaker
4. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR ON VISITING DELEGATION FROM THE PEOPLES' CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLES' REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication –

"Honourable Members,

As you may be aware, one of the unsung functions of August Houses in nearly all jurisdictions is promotion of diplomatic ties. In this regard, I wish to convey to the House that the Parliament of Kenya is honoured to host a high-powered delegation from the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China. The delegation, which is arriving today, Wednesday, 23rd March 2016, is led by H.E. Mr. Zhang Dejiang, Chairman of the National People's Congress (NPC) of the People's Republic of China. About sixty (60) delegates shall accompany H.E. Mr. Dejiang, who is also the Speaker of the National People's Congress. They include the Secretary-General of the Standing Committee of the NPC; Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the NPC; Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs; the Ambassador for Extraordinary Affairs and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to Kenya; and two Deputy Secretaries-General of the Standing Committee of the NPC.

Honourable Members, you may recall that China was among the first nations to formalize diplomatic relations with Kenya by establishing a Mission in Kenya on December 14, 1963, shortly after Kenya's independence. Since then, the two Republics have enjoyed rapidly expanding cordial and mutual ties. The visit comes in furtherance of the Declaration of the Johannesburg Summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) and the 2016-2018 FOCAC Johannesburg Action Plan adopted by the 6th Ministerial Conference and the 2nd Summit of the FOCAC held in Johannesburg, South Africa from 3rd to 5th December 2015. During the meeting, the two sides agreed to develop a comprehensive strategic and co-operative partnership, featuring political and socio-economic co-operation among other areas of mutual cooperation.

Therefore, the objective of the visit is to fast track implementation of the results of the 2015 Forum on China-Africa Cooperation Johannesburg Summit; buttress the blossoming Sino-Kenya relations; and promote parliamentary exchange and cooperation between the legislative bodies of two countries.

Honourable Members, during the visit, H.E. Mr. Dejiang is scheduled visit Parliament to meet the Speakers of the two Houses of Parliament and sign a memorandum with Parliament of Kenya. He will also visit H.E. the President of the Republic of Kenya, conduct an inspection tour of some of the development projects funded by the government of the People's Republic of China in the country and also visit some of the magical tourist attractions in Kenya.

The delegation shall hold bilateral meetings with representatives of the Parliament of Kenya in the **Members' Lounge**, situated next to the entrance to the Main National Assembly Chambers. To facilitate these meetings, honourable Members are hereby requested to vacate the said facility from the evening of Wednesday, 23rd March 2016 until the evening of Thursday, 24th March 2016. Allow me to take this early opportunity to welcome the delegation to Parliament, particularly the National Assembly, and wish both sides fruitful bilateral engagements.

I thank you".

5. **PETITION**

The Member for Jomvu (Hon. Badi Twalif Badi) presented a Petition on behalf of dismissed employees of Hantex EPZ Limited on unfair termination of employment;

Petition referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 227(2).

6. **PAPERS LAID**

The following Papers were laid on the Table –

(a) The Reports of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements in respect of the following institutions for the year ended 30th June, 2015 and the certificates therein:-

- (i) Kenya Urban Roads Authority;
- (ii) Kenya Roads Board (Operations);
- (iii) Kenya Roads Board Fund;
- (iv) Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology Enterprises Limited;
- (v) Kenya Accreditation Service;
- (vi) Industrial and Commercial Development Corporation (ICDC);
- (vii) Civil Servants Housing Scheme Fund (Ministry of Land, Housing and Urban Development);
- (viii) National Hospital Insurance Fund;
- (ix) National Transport and Safety Authority;
- (x) Engineers Board of Kenya;
- (xi) Kenya Nuclear Electricity Board; and
- (xii) Kenya Medical Supplies Authority.

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

7. STATEMENT ON STATUS OF BUSINESS BEFORE COMMITTEES

In accordance with the Speaker's communication of October 14, 2015 the Chairpersons of the following Committees apprised the House on the Status of the Business pending before their respective Committees –

- (i) Liaison Committee
- (ii) Departmental Committee on Education, Research and Technology (By the Vice-Chairperson)
- (iii) Departmental Committee on Energy, Communication and Information

8. PERSONAL STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 84

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 84, the Member for Kibwezi East (Hon. Jessica Mbalu) issued a personal statement regarding attack on a peaceful demonstration along Kibwezi-Kitui Road on Monday, March 21, 2016.

The Member informed the House that during the peaceful demonstration, the police used excessive force and attacked her and other leaders despite being unarmed, peaceful and disciplined during the protest. The Member requested the Speaker to use his powers to have her personal security intensified and urged concerned state organs to commence immediate and thorough investigations on the matter.

9. PROCEDURAL MOTION – ALTERATION OF THE CALENDAR OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (2016)

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 28(4), this House resolves to-

- (a) alter its Calendar in respect of the First Part of the Fourth Session as follows:

- (i) Short Recess: Friday, 1st April to Monday, 11th April, 2016; and
- (ii) Sitting Days: Tuesday, 12th April to Thursday, 5th May, 2016.

- (b) exempt the adjournment of the House in respect of the short Recess of the First Part of the Session from the provisions of Standing Order 28(3).

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

10. THE DIVISION OF REVENUE BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO.4 OF 2016)

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, the Division of Revenue Bill (National Assembly Bill No.4 of 2016) be now read a Second Time

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Debate arising;

(Change of Chair from the Speaker to the Fourth Chairperson)

And the time being thirty minutes past Six O'clock, the Fourth Chairperson interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

11. HOUSE ROSE - at thirty minutes past Six O'clock
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M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair on
Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 9.30 a.m.

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