



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – THIRD SESSION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015

1. The House assembled at fifty-five thirty minutes past Two O'clock.

2. **PRESIDING** – Speaker of the National Assembly

3. **ARRIVAL OF H.E. THE PRESIDENT**

The President 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 twenty-five minutes past Three O'clock.

4. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.

5. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR - CONVENING OF SPECIAL SITTING OF PARLIAMENT FOR ANNUAL STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS BY H.E. THE PRESIDENT**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair –

"Your Excellency, Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, the Hon. Speaker of the Senate, Sen. Ekwe Ethuro, 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-

(i) report, in an address to the nation, on all the measures taken and the progress achieved in the realisation of the national values, referred to in Article 10; and,

(iii) submit a report for debate to the National Assembly on the progress made in fulfilling the international obligations of the Republic."

In addition, Article 240(7) of the Constitution requires the President to report to Parliament annually on the state of the security of the Republic.

In this regard, hon. Members, following a request from His Excellency the President and pursuant to Article 132 (1)(b) and (c) (i) and (iii) of the Constitution and the provisions of Standing Order No.22 (1) and (2) of the National Assembly Standing Orders, by Gazette Notice No.1978, which was published in a Special Issue of the Kenya Gazette on 20th March, 2015, I gave notice of this Special Sitting to the Members of the National Assembly.

Similarly, pursuant to Article 132(1)(b) and (c)(i) and (iii) of the Constitution and the provisions of Standing Order No. 22(1) and (2) of the Senate Standing Orders, by Gazette Notice No.1980, which was published in a Special Issue of the Kenya Gazette on the 24th March, 2015, the Speaker of the Senate gave notice of this Special Sitting to the Senators. Accordingly, hon. Members, this Special Sitting is properly convened.

It is now my singular honour and privilege to invite His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya to address this Special Sitting of Parliament.

I thank you".

6. **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

H.E. the President, the Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, CGH thereupon delivered an address on Exposition of Public Policy from the State Chair.

7. **DEPARTURE OF H.E. THE PRESIDENT**

The Speaker drew the attention of the House to the fact that it was H.E. the President's pleasure to take his leave.

Thereupon, H.E. the President departed from the Chamber in State procession.

8. **ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE**

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

9. **HOUSE ROSE** - at forty minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair on
Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 2.30 p.m.

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