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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**TWELFTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)**  
**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**  
*(No. 16 of 2020)*

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**REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF PROVISIONS PROPOSING TO AMEND THE VALUE ADDED TAX ACT (NO. 35 OF 2013) IN THE BUSINESS LAWS (AMENDMENTS) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 80 OF 2019)**

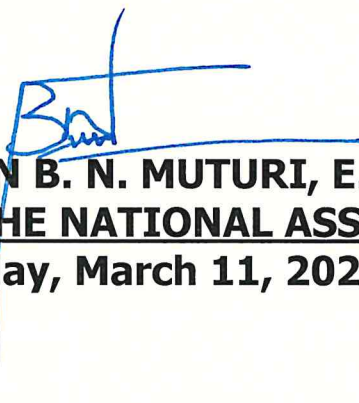
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**Honourable Members,** You will recall that the *Second Reading* of the Business Laws (Amendments) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 80 of 2019) was concluded on March 10, 2020. What now remains is for the Bill to proceed to Committee stage. However, before the Bill proceeds to that stage, I wish to bring to the attention of the House the following information.

**Honourable Members,** I have since received a letter from the Leader of the Majority Party requesting for my consent to **withdraw** proposed amendments to the **Value Added Tax Act (No. 35 of 2013)** from the Business Laws (Amendments) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 80 of 2019). In his letter, he indicates that these amendments will be appropriately dealt with during the consideration of the Finance Bill, 2020, which is scheduled to be introduced by 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.

**Honourable Members**, I have acceded to the request. This implies that the Bill will now be proceeded with without making reference to the withdrawn provisions. Thus, the Bill should be dealt with as though the provisions proposing amendments to the **Value Added Tax Act (No. 35 of 2013)** were not part of the Bill.

**I thank you!**



**THE HON. JUSTIN B. N. MUTURI, E.G.H., MP**  
**SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
**Wednesday, March 11, 2020**