



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT (FOURTH SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

_____ (No. 20 of 2020) _____

GUIDANCE ON FUTURE SITTINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Honourable Members,

As you are aware, the House will need to modify the mode of conducting its business as the country continues to grapple with the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. I wish to highlight that with regard to future sittings of the House, I have instructed the Clerk of the National Assembly to always register Members who express a desire to attend the chamber sittings. You will be allocated a seat in the order in which you register on the official phone number and email address provided.

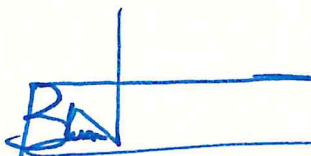
Honourable Members, additionally, the Parliamentary Service Commission did request the Public Health officials from the Ministry of Health to undertake an inspection of the parliamentary precincts so as to advise us, should the House continue to hold sittings. I am happy to report that all measures recommended to Parliament by the Ministry of Health through its advisory dated 30th March, 2020 and other subsequent advisories are and continue to be adhered to fully.

Honourable Members, part of the advisory was to the effect that it is advisable for at least four (4) days to lapse before the next sitting of the House. This is to allow for disinfection and sanitization of the chamber and other designated sitting areas to be fully effective. It is for this reason that the Leader of the Majority Party will be moving the motion under Order No. 8 to further alter the Calendar of the House.

In conclusion, **Honourable Members**, we are in unprecedented times, and have to be ready to conduct ourselves in new ways. Continue to follow the Ministry of Health guidelines on social distancing, usage of face masks and other hygiene measures.

The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!



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