



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT- (FIFTH SESSION)
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

(No 25 of 2021)

**ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE KENYA NATIONAL LIBRARY SERVICE
BILL, (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5 OF 2020)**

Honourable Members,

As you may be aware that today, Wednesday, 19th May 2021 during the Morning Sitting, I did communicate that part of the business to be considered in the Afternoon Sitting is the Committee of the Whole House on The Narcotics, Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Control) (Amendment) Bill, (National Assembly Bill No. 27 of 2020) and The Kenya National Library Service Bill, (National Assembly Bill No. 5 of 2020).

Honourable Members, as you will notice, the two Bills are listed in the Order Paper for the afternoon Sitting as Order No. 10. However Hon. Members, with respect to the Kenya National Library Service Bill, (National Assembly Bill No. 5 of 2020) which is appearing as item 10(ii), the Clerk's Office has received various proposed amendments from several Members, part of which ought to be considered by the relevant Committee pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 131.

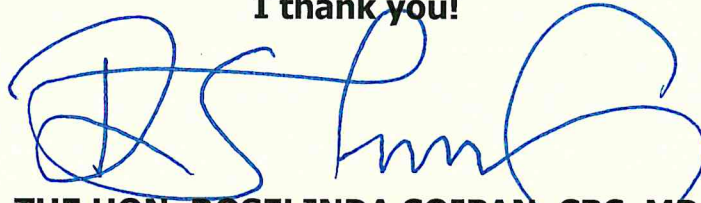
In this regard, **Honourable Members,** I hereby invoke the provisions of Standing Order 131 regarding harmonization of proposed amendments to a Bill and refer the amendments proposed by the Hon. Millie Odhiambo-Mabona, MP and those proposed by the Hon. (Dr.) Patrick Musimba, MP to the Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism for consideration and harmonization. My decision to invoke the provisions of Standing Order 131 should not in any way discourage the two Hon. Members since they ultimately reserve the right to have their proposed amendments published and considered by the House. Indeed this procedure is meant to ensure harmony and coordinated approach in the execution of the legislative authority of the House.

In this regard, I encourage the Committee to also consider amendments proposed by any other Member to the Bill ahead of its consideration in Committee of the whole House.

Accordingly **Honourable Members**, the Kenya National Library Service Bill, (National Assembly Bill No. 5 of 2020) will not be considered in the Committee of the whole House today afternoon.

The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!



**THE HON. ROSELINDA SOIPAN, CBS, MP
FIRST CHAIRPERSON OF COMMITTEES
FOR: SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

Wednesday, 19th May, 2021