

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (SECOND SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

MORNING SITTING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER, 15, 2023 AT 9.30 AM

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock.
- 2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.

3. QUORUM IN THE SENATE

The Temporary Speaker (Sen.Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) having counted the Hon. Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, caused the Bell to be rung for ten minutes, pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being a Quorum before the expiry of the ten minutes;

The Temporary Speaker (Sen.Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

4. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

The Temporary Speaker (Sen.Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) conveyed the following communication from the Chair: -

Visiting Teachers and Students from Riara International School, Nairobi City County.

"Honourable Senators,

In the public gallery, we have forty-five (45) students, accompanied by four (4) teachers from Riara International School in Nairobi City County, who are undertaking an education visit in the Senate.

Honorable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

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5. <u>NOTICE OF MOTION- EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE AD</u> <u>HOC COMMITTEE ON THE COMPENSATION TO THE KENYA</u> <u>VICTIMS OF THE 1998 BOMBING OF THE UNITED STATES OF</u> <u>AMERICA EMBASSY IN NAIROBI</u>

(Sen. Mohammed Chute, MP on behalf of Chairperson, Ad-Hoc Committee)

THAT, AWARE that at the Sitting of the Senate held on Thursday, 27th June, 2023, the Senate, resolved to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate the compensation to the Kenyan victims of the 1998 bombing of the United States of America Embassy in Nairobi and report back to the House within three months of its establishment;

REALIZING that the extension period of 45 days of the tenure of the Ad Hoc Committee lapsed on 10th November 2023, yet the Committee has a lot of work to execute to conclude in conducting the enquiry;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Senate resolves to renew the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee for a further period one hundred (100) days from 10th November, 2023, to enable the Committee to finalize and table its report in the Senate on or before 18th February, 2024.

6. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

QUESTIONS

- a) **Question 057** by the Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife on cases of human-wildlife conflict in Kirinyaga County was <u>answered</u> by the Cabinet Secretary.
- b) **Question 018** by the Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) to the Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs on Inaction of the Kenyan Government to hasten the release of the Turkana pastoralists arrested in Uganda was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- c) **Question 030** by the Senator for Tharaka Nithi County (Sen. Mwenda Gataya Mo Fire, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on the Status of completion of stalled Project No. RWC 150/D474 for the construction of a road in Tharaka Nithi County was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- d) **Question 047** by Nominated Senator (Sen. Peris Tobiko,CBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on the Absence of speed bumps along Imaroro-Isara route in Kajiado County was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- e) **Question 048** by Nominated Senator (Sen. Peris Tobiko,CBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on the Upgrading of

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Isinya-Konza road to bitumen standard was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.

- f) Question 056 by the Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on CSR activities done by contractors undertaking road construction in Kirinyaga County was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- g) **Question 060** by the Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on the upgrading to bitumen standard of a road in Mwea Constituency, Kirinyaga County <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- h) **Question 065** by the Senator for Kakamega County (Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, CBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on the Upgrade of Kakamega Airstrip to an international airport was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- i) **Question 067** by the Senator for Meru County (Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MGH,MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury and Economic Planning on the delay in the disbursement of funds to the National Health Insurance Fund was <u>deferred</u> in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.

7. <u>MOTION -EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF THE AD HOC</u> <u>COMMITTEE ON THE COMPENSATION TO THE KENYA VICTIMS OF</u> <u>THE 1998 BOMBING OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> <u>EMBASSY IN NAIROBI</u>

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

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(Sen. Mohammed Chute, MP on behalf of Chairperson, Ad-Hoc Committee)

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Debate arising;

And there being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

And in the absence of the Mover, the Temporary Speaker (Sen.Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) proceeded to put the Question;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (2), the Temporary Speaker (Sen.Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) ruled that the Motion does not affect counties.

Question put and <u>agreed to.</u>

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

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8. <u>MOTION - DEBATE ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO</u> <u>PARLIAMENT - (2ND DAY)</u>

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 25 (1), the Thanks of the Senate be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the Address of His Excellency the President, delivered on Thursday, 9th November, 2023 and further that the Senate notes the following Reports submitted by H.E. the President in fulfillment of Articles 132 (1) (c) and 240 (7) of the Constitution, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 14th November, 2023 –

- i.) The Tenth (10th) State of the Nation Address by His Excellency the President delivered at a Joint Sitting of Parliament on Thursday, 9th November, 2023;
- ii.) The Tenth (10th) Annual Report (2022/2023), on the Measures Taken and Progress Achieved in the Realization

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of National Values and Principles of Governance; and

iii.)The Annual Report to Parliament on the State of National Security, November 2023.

(The Senate Majority Leader - 14.11.2023)

Debate interrupted on Tuesday, 14th November, 2023 resumed;

And the time being One O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji Mohammed, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

9. **SENATE ROSE** - One O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

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