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# THE SENATE

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023 AT 2.30 PM

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

#### 3. QUORUM OF THE SENATE

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable 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 after the expiry of ten minutes;

The Speaker invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

# 4. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Speaker conveyed the following communications from the Chair:-

# i. Visiting Delegation from the United States of America (USA)

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Speaker's Gallery this afternoon, visiting delegation from the United States of America with interests in the Economic and Political sector. The delegation is in the Senate on a courtesy call to the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP).

Honourable 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."

# ii. Substantiation of a Statement made by Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, during the sitting of the Senate held on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

"Honourable Senators,

As you may recall, at the sitting of the Senate held on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP), directed the Senator for Vihiga County, Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, to substantiate utterances made in the course of debate. The direction of the Speaker was made following a point of order by the Senator for Nandi County, Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, pursuant to Standing Order 105 (1).

In the point of order, Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, stated that -

"..... under Standing Order Nos. 105 and 110, is it in order for my brother, Sen. Osotsi to incite the people of Aldai and Vihiga by alleging and stating as a matter of fact on the Floor of the House that there are border clashes in Serem and Vihiga? This has not been recorded in any police station."

A reading of the Hansard indicates that the statement that Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, was called upon to substantiate states that -

".... We have had issues even recently in my county, in the boundary between Vihiga and Aldai at a place near Serem. This was very recent, in the last month. The attackers came, provoked and attacked a village, killed animals, burnt them, injured people, and burnt houses. That was not given the coverage that Sondu is being given now. ...."

Honourable Senators,

Standing Order 105 (1) states that – "A Senator shall be responsible for the accuracy of any facts that the Senator alleges to be true and may be required to substantiate any such facts instantly."

Further, Standing Order 105 (2) states that – "If a Senator has sufficient reason to convince the Speaker that the Senator is unable to substantiate the allegations instantly, the Speaker shall require that such Senator substantiates the allegations not later than the next sitting day, failure to which the Senator shall be deemed to be disorderly within the meaning of Standing Order 121 (Disorderly conduct) unless the Senator withdraws the allegations and gives a suitable apology....."

At the sitting of the Senate held on  $5^{\text{th}}$  October, 2023, Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, was not able to substantiate his statements as required under Standing Order 105(1). Sen. Osotsi subsequently requested to be allowed by the Speaker, to provide the evidence at the next sitting day in accordance with standing order 105 (2).

On Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, I consequently invited Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, to table the evidence in support of his statement made on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2023. Thereupon, Sen. Osotsi tabled a USB flash drive containing electronic material in support of his claim. I thereafter undertook to review the evidence and give a ruling on the matter. Further, vide a letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, the Senator requested for the admission of a certified copy of a charge sheet dated 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2023, Police case No. 722/237/2023, OB No. 3/15/8/2023, as part of the evidence on the allegations made.

Following the tabling of the evidence by Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, I undertook to review the documents and give a ruling on the matter as it was not practical to make a determination then.

Honourable Senators,

As you may recall, in my communication to the Senate made on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, I indicated to the House that any document/evidence tabled by a Senator in this House as evidence for substantiation of any allegations made under Standing Order No. 105, must pass a certain threshold. I thereafter highlighted the parameters for undertaking an assessment of the evidence tabled including –

- i.) Is the evidence tabled from a source which by parliamentary practice is official and admissible? and
- ii.) If the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, does the evidence relate to and verify the claim that was made and for which substantiation was required?

Honourable Senators,

That being the case, the first parameter to which is subjected the documents or material tabled was *whether the evidence tabled was from a source which by parliamentary practice is official and admissible.* A review of the USB flash drive indicates that it contained a folder titled *"Border Clashes in Kaptikany, Koitabut".* The folder had the following –

- *i.* An undated 38 seconds TV 47 *Kenya* video clip showing images of dilapidated buildings and cut banana trees named "in a disturbing incident on August 15<sup>th</sup> (*year not indicated*) a group of over 100 youths attacked Koitabut village, Nandi County, leaving destruction in their wake."
- ii. An undated 2 minute 25 seconds Citizen TV news video clip named *"Maafisa na wakazi wa Kapkitany wafanya kikao na viongozi kufuatia visa vya uvamizi kaunti ya Nandi"*. The video clip indicates that residents of Kaptikany village in Aldai Constituency and security personnel in the area held a meeting following an attack on an individual in the area and that three houses were burnt and property destroyed. The news clip also indicates that the attack was an alleged retaliatory one, following the death of a gentleman in the area and

destruction of his motorbike. The clip further indicates that three suspects have been arrested in connection with the retaliatory attack.

- iii. An undated video clip named *"VID-20231018-WA0000"* showing a burnt structure and livestock; and
- iv. An image named "WhatsApp Image 2023-10-18 at 13.08.15" showing burnt livestock.

As you are all aware, established practice in the Parliament of Kenya and in comparative jurisdictions, is that extracts from newspapers and other media may not be tabled as evidence for substantiation of claims. This is buttressed at Standing Order 55 (1) which provides that *"the facts on which a request for Statement is based may be set briefly but extracts from newspapers and other media or quotations from speeches shall not be admissible."* 

Consequently and in accordance with this established parliamentary practice, the news clips from *TV 47 Kenya* and *Citizen TV news* tabled by Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, are inadmissible for purposes of substantiating any claim.

Honourable Senators,

The second parameter, which is whether the evidence tabled *relates to and verifies the claim that was made and for which substantiation was required.* With respect to the video clip named *"VID-20231018-WA0000"* and *"WhatsApp Image 2023-10-18* at 13.08.15, they show images of burnt livestock and structures, and in my assessment, nothing in the video clips categorically states and makes reference to the allegation made by Sen. Osotsi. I therefore find it difficult to admit these two videos as evidence for substantiation.

The final document submitted by Sen. Osotsi was a copy of a Charge Sheet dated 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2023. As required under Standing Order 105(2) the evidence to be tabled by a Senator for purposes of substantiation is to be tabled at the next sitting day. A Senator required to substantiate an allegation is expected to table ALL documents for such substantiation as required under the Standing Orders on the day appointed for substantiation.

This being the case and noting that Sen. Osotsi submitted a letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, and received in the Office of the Speaker on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2023, making a request to allow the Charge Sheet to be admitted for substantiation, I find that the Charge Sheet is inadmissible. The Charge Sheet ought to have been tabled in the Senate on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, and thereby recorded as part of the documents or material submitted for substantiation.

In any case, the Charge Sheet indicates that an offense was committed on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2023, by two individuals who are said to have willfully and unlawfully set fire to a dwelling house valued at Kshs. 1,750,000/- at Kemeloi location in Nandi South Sub-County, in Nandi County. The Charge Sheet

adduced as evidence does not make a connection to the allegation made by Sen. Godfrey Osotsi.

Honourable Senators,

I therefore find and rule that in respect of the challenge by Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, to substantiate the claim relating to clashes at the border between Nandi and Vihiga Counties at a place called Serem, Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, did not table any evidence or provide any explanation to substantiate this claim as was required. The claim was accordingly not substantiated.

In accordance with my findings, in relation to the admissibility of the documents tabled by Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP, and the failure to meet the threshold of substantiation in respect of the claims made, I now require Sen. Osotsi, pursuant to Standing Order No. 105 (2), to withdraw and apologise, in respect of the claims that there have been clashes "....in the boundary between Vihiga and Aldai at a place near Serem."

I caution, as provided for in Standing Order 105(2), that failure to withdraw and apologise will result in Sen. Osotsi being deemed to be disorderly within the meaning of Standing Order 121.

I thank you."

Thereupon, the Senator declined to withdraw and apologise for the claims made.

And pursuant to Standing Order 105(2) and 121 (2), the Speaker ordered Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP to withdraw from the precincts of Parliament for the reminder of the sitting day.

#### iii. Gross Disorderly Conduct by Senator Samson Cherarkey, MP

"Honourable Senators,

As you may recall, during the morning sitting of the Senate held on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023, the Temporary Speaker, Sen. Abdul Haji, MP, directed Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, to withdraw from the precincts of the Senate for disorderly conduct, pursuant to Standing Order 98 (4).

Standing Order 98 (4) states that, the Speaker shall order any senator who unnecessarily and persistently interrupts proceedings or consults loudly and disruptively to withdraw from the Chamber and Standing Order 121 shall apply to any such senator.

Standing Order 121 (2) (b) provides for the consequences of creating disorder in the Senate. The standing order states that "the Speaker may call a Senator whose conduct is disorderly to order, and order the Senator to withdraw from the precincts of the Senate for the remainder of that <u>day's sitting</u>." It is on this basis that the then Temporary Speaker, Sen. Abdul Haji, MP, ordered Sen. Cherarkey to withdraw from the precincts of the Senate as Sen. Cherarkey was creating disorder by unnecessarily interrupting the proceedings and consulting in a disruptive manner.

Honourable Senators,

You will also recall that at the sitting of the Senate held on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, the Senator for Kakamega County, Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, MP, rose on a point of order, calling to question the conduct of Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, following the withdrawal from the Chamber, as directed by the Temporary Speaker on the morning sitting of Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023. In the point of Order, Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, MP, alleged that Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, after being directed to withdraw from the Senate, proceeded to the Parliamentary Media Center, whereupon Sen. Cherarkey addressed the media on various matters. Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, stated-

.....My attention was drawn to the fact that no sooner had the Senator been ordered out than he went to the media centre and addressed the press. I therefore would like you to guide us under Standing Order No. 122 on Gross Disorderly Conduct whether the Senator of Nandi County, by staying in the precincts of this Parliament, did or did not defy a ruling of the Chairperson.

It is at this point that I undertook to establish the facts and give a ruling at the next sitting.

Honourable Senators,

On inquiry into the matter, I have established that Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, after withdrawing from the Chamber as directed by the Temporary Speaker on Wednesday, 22nd November, 2023 –

- 1. Proceeded to the Senate Lounge where he had tea and interacted with other Senators;
- 2. Proceeded to the Parliament Media Centre and addressed the media;
- 3. Took lunch at the Parliament restaurant;
- 4. Disregarded the direction of the Chief Serjeant-at-Arms to withdraw from the precincts of Parliament; and
- 5. Attempted to access the Senate Chamber for the afternoon sitting of Wednesday, 22nd November, 2023.

From the foregoing, it can be noted that Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, was indeed within Parliament buildings after being directed by the Speaker to withdraw from the precincts of Parliament pursuant to Standing Order 121.

Honourable Senators,

For the avoidance of doubt and for the benefit of all Honourable Senators, Section 3(1) of the Parliamentary Powers and Privileges Act as read together with Standing Order 2 of the Senate Standing Orders defines the Precincts of Parliament to include –

"....the Chamber of the Senate and of the National Assembly, every part of the buildings in which the Chambers are situated, the offices of Parliament, the galleries and places provided for the use and accommodation of Members of Parliament, members of the public and representatives of the Press and any forecourt, yard, garden, enclosure or open space, appurtenant thereto and used or provided for the purposes of Parliament; the offices of Parliament including the places within such offices that are provided for the use of Members, members of staff, members of the public and the press; committee rooms and other meeting places provided or used for Parliament's purposes..."

This being the case, a Senator who has been called to order for disorderly conduct and subsequently directed to withdraw from the precincts of Parliament, in accordance with the Standing Orders, **must** withdraw from the Chamber and **all** other areas referred to under the Parliamentary Powers and Privileges Act and Standing Order 2 to be precincts of Parliament. This includes all areas that are shared between the Senate and the National Assembly such as, "...places provided for the use and accommodation of Members of Parliament, members of the public and representatives of the press, the dining areas and any other place provided or used for Parliament's purposes"

Honourable Senators,

This is not the first time that the matter of disorderly conduct in the Senate has arisen. Indeed, Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP has been called to order for disorderly conduct severally, and directed to withdraw from the Senate, on three (3) occasions, the most recent incident being on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023.

I have made several directives from the Chair and issued a substantive ruling on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 with regard to disorder in the Senate. In the ruling, I cautioned Honourable Senators, to observe decorum, respect to the Chair and maintain order in the Senate and that instances of disorderly conduct will be dealt with without fear or favour and that there will be no leniency whether the disorder emanates from the Majority or the Minority side of the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

Standing Order 122 (1) highlights the instances in which a Senator displays gross disorderly conduct which includes *"defies a ruling or direction of the*"

*Speaker or Chairperson of Committees*". The sanctions for the conduct of such Senator are provided under Standing Order 122 (2) which states that -

"The Speaker may call a Senator whose conduct is grossly disorderly to order, and shall order the Senator to withdraw immediately from the precincts of Parliament —

- a) on the first occasion, for a maximum of three sitting days, including the sitting day of suspension; and
- b) on the second or subsequent occasion during the same session, for a minimum of seven sitting days and a maximum of twenty-one sitting days, including the day of suspension."

Honourable Senators,

By a letter Ref. No. NCS/113/2023, dated, 29th November, 2023, and received in my office on Wednesday, 29th November, 2023, Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, expressed regret and requested for a pardon for his failure to adhere to the directions of the Speaker to withdraw from the precincts of Parliament on Wednesday, 22nd November, 2023.

However, I find the actions of Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, after being directed to withdraw from the Chamber on Wednesday, 22nd November, 2023, pursuant to Standing Order 121(2) (b), amounting to defying a ruling and direction of the Speaker. The Senator's actions exhibited disdain for his colleagues, the Speaker and the Senate as a whole. I therefore find that the conduct of Sen. Cherarkey, MP, on the stated day to be grossly disorderly.

In addition, while at the Parliament Media Centre, Sen. Cherarkey made comments which amounted to casting aspersions on the integrity of the Chair, Honourable Senators and the Senate in general. I find the statements made by the Senator, most disrespectful and contemptuous of the Senate.

The statements having been made outside the formal proceedings of the Senate, may not attract the withdrawal as contemplated under Standing Order 102. I however reprimand Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, for the said comments, and I will not hesitate in future to refer such actions to the Committee of Powers and Privileges for consideration.

Honourable Senators,

This being the first occasion for Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, to be grossly disorderly under Standing Order 122 in this session, and on account that the Senator expressed remorse for his actions on Wednesday, 22nd November, 2023, I accept the apology and take this opportunity to caution Sen. Cherarkey that such behavior will not be tolerated henceforth. I will not hesitate to invoke the provisions of Standing Order 122 on Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP, in the event of gross disorder on his part.

I thank you."

#### 5. <u>MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON THE DECISION OF THE</u> <u>SENATE AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS ADDITIONAL</u> <u>ALLOCATIONS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 23 OF 2023)</u>

The Speaker conveyed the following Message from the National Assembly:-

"Honourable Senators,

I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to Standing Order 46(3) & (4), I received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly regarding the Decision by the National Assembly on the Senate amendments to the County Governments Additional Allocations Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2023).

The Message, dated Tuesday, 28th November 2023, was received on the same date, in the Office of the Clerk of the Senate.

Pursuant to the said Standing Order, I now report the Message-

*"WHEREAS the National Assembly passed the Bill <u>with amendments</u> on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 and referred it to the Senate for consideration;* 

AND WHEREAS on Tuesday, October 12, 2023, the Senate considered the County Governments Additional Allocations Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2023) and passed it with amendments;

FURTHER WHEREAS, on Thursday, November 23, 2023, the National Assembly <u>rejected</u> the Senate amendments to the County Governments Additional Allocations Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 23 of 2023), thereby committing the Bill to a Mediation Committee pursuant to Article 112(2)(b) of the Constitution;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Article 112 of the Constitution and Standing Order 149 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby <u>convey</u> the said decision of the National Assembly to the Senate and seek the appointment of Senators to the Mediation Committee on the Bill."

Honourable Senators,

Consequent to the said Decision, the Speaker of the National Assembly appointed the following Members of the National Assembly to the Mediation Committee to consider the contentious clause of the Bill in accordance with Article 113 of the Constitution –

- 1. The Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, MP Co-Chairperson
- 2. The Hon. GK Kariuki, MP
- 3. The Hon. Mary Emaase, MP
- 4. The Hon. Kipchumba Toroitich, MP
- 5. The Hon. Anthony Oluoch, MP

- 6. The Hon. Joshua Kimilu, MP
- 7. The Hon. Catherine Omanyo, MP

Honourable Senators,

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 166 (2) of the Senate Standing Orders, and in consultation with the Majority and Minority Leaders, I will, at an appropriate time, appoint Senators to the Mediation Committee.

I thank you."

#### 6. **PAPERS LAID**

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate: -

i.) Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.

#### (The Senate Majority Leader)

ii.) Statement relating to the activities of the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology for the period July to December, 2023.

(The Vice-Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology)

iii.)Statement relating to the activities of the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare for the period July to December, 2023.

(The Vice-Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare)

#### 7. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

#### a) Statements pursuant to Standing Order 52(1)

i.) The Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) made a Statement regarding the urgent need to discontinue the curfew in major towns and centers in Aroo Sub-County, Turkana County.

In the statement, the Senator stated that the curfew, intended to enhance security, had proven ineffective, potentially causing more harm than good. Concerns included selective enforcement, increased crime rates during curfew hours, economic disruptions, and hindrance to social activities.

The Senator advocated for a review of curfew imposition, suggesting alternative strategies such as community policing and addressing root causes of insecurity. He concluded the statement with a plea to Senators to collaboratively work with the Executive to find effective solutions that prioritize the safety and well-being of constituents.

ii.) The Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd) Stewart Madzayo, CBS, MP) made a Statement concerning the irregularities in the results of the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) 2023.

In the statement, the Senator highlighted discrepancies including erroneous marks, incorrect grading in subjects, and awards for unattended exams, leading to dissatisfaction among parents and schools. The Senator noted that while the Form One placement process had begun, there was lack of clarity on measures to address grievances arising from the result irregularities.

The Senator also emphasized the potential impact on the education system's credibility and expressed concern about the confidence of parents and schools in the examination system.

 iii.) The Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd) Stewart Madzayo, CBS, MP) made a Statement regarding the unconstitutional introduction of the Housing Levy.

In the statement, the Senator noted the High Court ruling made 28, 2023, declaring the on November Housing Levv unconstitutional. He highlighted the inconsistencies in the projected collections and expressed concern over the discriminatory nature of the levy.

The Senator urged the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget and the Standing Committees Roads, Transportation and Housing in their collaboration with their counter-parts from the National Assembly, to halt further deductions while formulating a plan for the Kenya Revenue Authority to refund deducted funds. Additionally, the Senator called for a re-evaluation of the Finance Act of 2023 with a view to align it with the Constitution.

#### b) Requests for statements pursuant to Standing Order 53(1)

- i.) Nominated Senator (Sen. George Mbugua, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Lands, Environment and Natural Resources regarding alleged illegal dealings at the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development.
- ii.) Nominated Senator (Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations on the upsurge of a popular trend known as "Aluta" in Nairobi City and its environs, involving the sale of alcohol and other substances beyond the recommended hours.

- iii.) Nominated Senator (Sen. Hezena Lemetian, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the state of waste management in Samburu County.
- iv.) The Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Roads and Transportation regarding the need for construction of feeder roads in the banditry-prone North Rift Counties of Turkana, Samburu, Baringo and West Pokot with a view to opening up the area and boosting security operations.
- v.) Nominated Senator (Sen. Miraj Abdullahi, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations regarding the unsafe measures and protocols by employees of the County Government of Mombasa responding to floods disaster in the county.
- vi.) Nominated Senator (Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations regarding the recent violent attack on tourists at the Pinewood Beach Resort & Spa in Diani, Kwale County by hooligans.
- vii.) The Senator for Vihiga County (Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget concerning the implementation of Automated Revenue Collection and Management Systems in Counties.
- viii.) Nominated Senator (Sen. Tabitha Mutinda, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Education regarding relaying of erroneous results for the 2023 Kenya Certificate of Primary Examination (KCPE) examinations by the Kenya National Examination Council (KNEC).

# c) Statements by Committee Chairpersons pursuant to Standing Order 56(1) (b)

- i.) The Vice-Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology made a Statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period July to December, 2023.
- ii.) The Vice-Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare made a Statement relating to the activities of the Committee for the period July to December, 2023.

#### d) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 57(1)

The Senate Majority Leader issued a Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.

#### 8. **<u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u>**

THE EQUALIZATION FUND APPROPRIATION BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 30 OF 2023)

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting) (Division)

Order deferred.

# 9. <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURE) BILL (SENATE BILLS</u> <u>NO. 9 OF 2022)</u> (Sen. Mariam Sheikh Omar, MP) (Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division) Order deferred.

#### 10. <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>THE AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK EXTENSION SERVICES BILL</u> <u>(SENATE BILLS NO. 12 OF 2022)</u> (Sen. Maureen Tabitha Mutinda, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

11. <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>THE MUNG BEANS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2022)</u> (Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

12. <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>THE START-UP BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2022)</u> (Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

> (Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

13. <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2023)</u> (Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

# 14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

# THE KENYAN SIGN LANGUAGE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2023)

(Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP and Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

## (Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

# 15. THE TEA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2023)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Tea (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 1 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

(The Senate Majority Leader on behalf of Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP-29.11.2023)

Debate arising;

There being no other Senator wishing to contribute;

The Senate Majority Leader replied on behalf of the Mover;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66 (3), the Senate Majority Leader requested the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) to defer the putting of the Question to a later date;

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP), acceding to the request, deferred the putting of the Question to a later date.

# 16. THE WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 33 OF 2023)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Water (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 33 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Debate arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past six O'clock, the temporary Speaker (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) interrupted the business of the House and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

17. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past six O'clock.

#### MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, December 05, 2023 at 2:30 pm.

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