



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (THIRD SESSION)**  
**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

\_\_\_\_\_ (No. 027 of 2024) \_\_\_\_\_

**CONVOCATION OF A SPECIAL SITTING OF THE NATIONAL  
ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024**

*(Convened vide Kenya Gazette Notice No. 5612 of 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024)*

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**Honourable Members,**

1. I take this opportunity to welcome you to this Special Sitting, which has been convened pursuant to the provision of Standing Orders 29(3) and 64(3) relating to the procedure for convening of Special Sittings of the House during recess.
2. You will recall that on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024, the House resolved to establish a Select Committee to investigate the grounds for the proposed dismissal of Hon. Franklin Mithika Linturi, EGH, as the Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Development. Notably, Article 152(7) of the Constitution and Standing Order 66(5)(b) require the Select Committee to report its findings to the House as to whether it finds the allegations against the Cabinet Secretary have been substantiated. This ought to be done within a constitutional timeline of ten (10) days. This period lapsed on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024.
3. **Honourable Members,** instructively, Article 259(7) of the Constitution states that '**if, in any particular circumstance, the period of time prescribed by the Constitution ends on a Sunday or a public holiday, the period extends to the first subsequent day that is not a Sunday or public holiday.**'

4. Additionally, Standing Order 64(3) concerning consideration of a Special Motions for removal from State office provides that **'if the National Assembly is not sitting, the Speaker shall summon the Assembly for a special sitting to dispose of the motion.'**
5. In this regard, and pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 64(3), I appointed today, Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at **2.30pm**, as the day and time for the Special Sitting of the House to receive the report of the Select Committee and to consider any other priority business.
6. Additionally, **Honourable Members**, in keeping with the requirements of Standing Order 29(3), by ***Kenya Gazette Notice No. 5612*** of **6<sup>th</sup> May 2024**, I gave notice of today's Special Sitting.
7. **Accordingly, Honourable Members, today's Special Sitting of the House is properly convened.**
8. **Honourable Members**, as specified in the said *Gazette* Notice, and Indeed as also notified to all Members and the general public by way of newspaper notification published on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024, the purpose of today's Special Sitting is as follows—
  - a) Conveyance of any urgent Messages from the President, the National Executive and the Senate. **In this regard, I will shortly be conveying a Message from the Senate relating to the passage of four Bills;**
  - b) Tabling of any other Papers with statutory timelines, including subsidiary legislation;
  - c) Tabling of the Report of the Select Committee investigating the Proposed Dismissal of Hon. Franklin Mithika Linturi as Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Development, pursuant to Articles 152(7)(b) and 152(9) of the Constitution.



**I am notified that the Committee has just adopted its report. At an appropriate stage, after I have acclimatized with the contents of the report, I will allow the Chairperson to table it and thereafter, I will give further guidance as to the next steps; and**


- d) Tabling of the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Senate amendments to the Division of Revenue Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 14 of 2024). **You will note that this business is contained in the Order Paper as Order No. 10, given its' urgency.**

**9. Honourable Members,** the House is also to transact the following urgent business—

- (i) First Reading of the Finance Bill, 2024, as today presents the only opportunity for formal introduction of the Bill in the House so that public participation on it can commence;
- (ii) Consideration of a Motion on the Report of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning on the Ratification of the Multilateral Convention to Implement Tax Treaty-Related Measures to Prevent Base Erosion and Profit Shifting;
- (iii) Consideration of the Senate amendments to the Division of Revenue Bill, 2024 in Committee of the Whole House, **should the business under Order No. 10 be passed;** and
- (iv) Committee of the Whole House and Third Reading of the National Disaster Risk Management Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 24 of 2023).

**10.** The House is accordingly guided.

**I thank you!**

  
**THE RT. HON. (DR.) MOSES M. WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP**  
**SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024

