



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025 (AFTERNOON SITTING)

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 Quorum, invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

4. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR - MEETING BETWEEN THE SENATE AND THE CABINET SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF MR. ALBERT OMONDI OJWANG AT THE CENTRAL POLICE STATION IN NAIROBI**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair:

“Honourable Senators,

As you may recall, the Senate Majority Leader moved a Motion to suspend the morning Plenary Sitting to facilitate a special session between the Senate and the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Interior and National Administration, the Inspector General of Police, the Independent Policing Oversight Authority and the National Police Service Commission. The Director of Criminal Investigations also accompanied the Cabinet Secretary.

Following a request for Statement by the Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) regarding the death of Mr. Albert Omondi Ojwang, the following made statements to the Senate on oath on the matter –

- i. Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, EGH – Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Interior and National Administration;
- ii. Mr. Douglas Kanja, MGH, EBS, OGW – Inspector General of Police;

- iii. Mr. Edwin Kiprono Cheluget – Vice Chairperson, National Police Service Commission;
- iv. Mr. Mohammed Amin, EBS – Director, Directorate of Criminal Investigations; and
- v. Ms. Anne Wanjiku Mwangi - Vice Chairperson, Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA).

Honourable Senators,

Following the statements by the office holders referred to above, I allowed Senators to make comments and seek clarifications on the matter. This continued until One O'clock, the time ordinarily appointed for adjournment of a morning Sitting on Wednesday.

At the time of adjournment, sixteen (16) Senators had sought clarification but still my dashboard was full with Senators who wanted to make interventions on the matter. I therefore directed that the proceedings would continue during the afternoon Sitting at 2.30 p.m., to facilitate the Senate to exhaustively interrogate the matter.

At an appropriate time in this sitting, I will allow the Senate Majority Leader to move a Motion for the temporary suspension of normal proceedings pursuant to Standing Order 38 for the session with the Cabinet Secretary and his team to continue. Upon approval of the Motion, I shall allow the Cabinet Secretary and his team to respond to the issues sought before allowing other interventions from Senators, giving priority to those who have not spoken.

Honourable Senators,

During the session with the Cabinet Secretary and his team, the rules will have been relaxed, however, it is important to uphold decorum and decency in the proceedings.

The Cabinet Secretary and his team are reminded that they are still under oath.

I thank you.”

5. **PROCEDURAL MOTION - TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF SITTING PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 38**

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 38 (1), the Senate do suspend its proceedings in order to allow Senators to efficiently interrogate the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, the Inspector-General of Police, and the Chairpersons of the Independent Policing Oversight Authority and that of the National Police Service Commission regarding the safety and

wellbeing of arrested persons in police custody and, in particular, the circumstances surrounding the death of Albert Ojwang.

(The Senate Majority Whip on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

And there being no Senators wishing to contribute;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (2), the Speaker ruled that the Motion does not affect counties;

And the Speaker having ascertained that there was Quorum, pursuant to Standing Order 42 (1);

Question put and agreed to.

Thereupon, the Senate sitting stood suspended at forty-five minutes past Two O'clock.

6. **SENATE RESUMED** – (The Speaker in the Chair)

And the time being thirty minutes past Six O'clock, the Speaker adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

7. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past Six O'clock.

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The Speaker will take the Chair on
Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

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