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OFFICIAL REPORT

Thursday 22nd March, 2018

The Assembly met at the Assembly Chamber at 2.30 pm

[The Speaker (Hon. Ndegwa Wahome) in the Chair]

Prayer

QUORUM CALL AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE SITTING

(The clerk-at-the-table confirms that there is quorum)

Speaker: Very well; quorum having been recognised, we can proceed to transacting the business for this afternoon sitting.

First order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

VISIT BY MUNG'ETHO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Hon. Members, I have a communication to make relating to some visitors who have paid a courtesy call to our Assembly, their Assembly. The same is in the following terms: Hon. Members, I wish to notify you that today Thursday the 22nd day of March 2018 we have the honour of welcoming teachers and pupils of Mung'etho Secondary School in Kiriita Ward, Ndaragwa Sub County in Nyandarua County. There are a total of thirty one (31) students and two (2) teachers who are leading the delegation namely;

1. Ms. Beth Kiiru
2. Mr. Dancun Maina

In the delegation, we also have the leadership of the pupils led by;

1. Felix Nzau - Head Boy
2. Pauline Muchemi -Head Girl

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As an assembly we have a long standing tradition of cordially welcoming our visitors, especially students, who come to learn as we deliberate on important matters concerning our County. I therefore ask you Hon. Members to join me in applauding the foresaid teachers and students from Mung'etho secondary school.

(Applause)

Finally, I wish to thank the Member of the County Assembly (MCA) for the area (that is, Kiriita Ward) namely, Hon. Justus Gaita Wagura for ensuring the school is accommodated appropriately at the Assembly during their visit to the County Assembly. Thank you.

STATEMENTS

1. NOTICE PAPER

We can proceed with the business as listed today; but in the future, obviously laying of the notice paper on the table should be the last business in the Order Papers for Thursdays. We can execute the business as it is slotted in the order paper; there is no contradiction with the Standing Orders. With regard to this, I invite the Member for Leshau Pondo and the Leader of the Majority to carry out the business.

Hon. Gathungu Kamau: Thank you Mr Speaker. May I take this opportunity as well to welcome the teachers and the students of Mung'etho Secondary School. The school is in Kiriita Ward, which neighbours my ward.

Mr Speaker this is a statement pursuant to Standing Order No. 45 (2) (a) on the business of the Assembly from the dates 27th to 29th March, 2018. This business is also informed by Article 39 of the Standing Orders.

NOTICE PAPER 27TH – 29TH MARCH 2018

DATE	BUSINESS	MOVER
Tuesday 27 th March 2018 2.30p.m.		
	Papers 1. Report of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee on the consideration of the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 2) (2018-2022) Notices of Motions 1. Notice of motion on adoption of the Report of the Finance and Economic	Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani (Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee) Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani (Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee)

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	<p>Planning Committee on the consideration of the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 2) (2018-2022)</p> <p>Statements</p> <p>Motions and Bills</p>	
<p>Wednesday 28th March, 2018, 9.00 a.m.</p>		
	<p>Papers</p> <p>Notices of Motion</p> <p>Statements</p> <p>1. Statement in response to the statement sought by Hon. Isaac Kung'u Wanjiru on the status of the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Nyandarua County Government and the National Housing Corporation (NHC).</p> <p>Motions and Bills</p>	<p>Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani (Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee)</p>
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Thursday 29 th March, 2018, 2.30 p.m.		
	Papers Notices of Motion Statements 1. General Statement on tree planting during the long rains Motions and Bills Motions 1. Motion on adoption of the Report of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee on the consideration of the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 2) (2018-2022) <i>(continuation of debate)</i> 2. Motion of adjournment for short recess under Standing Order 29 (3)	Hon. Samuel Mathu Wainaina (MCA Mirangine Ward) Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani (Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee) Hon. Peter Gathungu Kamau (Leader of the Majority Party)

Mr Speaker, now the Hon. Members know the businesses that will be transacted during the sittings of the coming week. I beg to table the notice paper.

Speaker: Hon. Members, you will appreciate that we have not been transacting the business of tabling the notice paper but the House Business Committee has agreed that we have to comply with the provisions of Standing Order No. 45 (2), which requires the notice paper on the businesses of the following week be tabled every Thursday.

Next order.

(GENERAL STATEMENT)

2. SECURITY

Very well; I was served with that statement an hour before this afternoon's sitting and it is therefore validly before the House. So proceed the Member for Karau and the deputy Leader of the Majority, Hon. Kenn Mukira.

Hon. Kenn Mukira: Thank you Mr Speaker. With your leave, I beg to issue the following personal statement pursuant to Standing Order No. 46, which provides that "with the indulgence

of the Assembly, a Member may explain matters of personal nature although there is no question before the Assembly, but such matter may not be debated”:

Mr Speaker, Sir, Members of the County Assembly have witnessed security concerns that require urgent attention. It is only the other day that the Leader of the Majority faced an almost successful hijacking incident. It was only by God’s favour that he escaped and managed to get home. He was full of fear the whole of last week when travelling home because of insecurity. The other day he visited my home for supper after which he requested for place to sleep because he feared the journey back home because of the incident he faced on Sunday evening.

The last parliament requested that the Kenya Police assigns each Member of the County Assembly a security officer but this could not be done due to cost implications and the number of trained police officers. Therefore, the Members of the County Assemblies were left to cater for their own security.

It is only the other week that the Members of this House received a message from a member of the society introducing her as the director of the department of Education, Culture and Social Services and requesting the former to send her ‘lunch’. All the Members of this House received that message. Five of the thirty nine Members of this House sent that ‘goon’ money. You know Hon. Members cannot send five hundred shillings to the ‘director of the department of Education, Culture and Social Services’. One Member gave out twenty five thousand shilling for the ‘lunch’.

(Laughter)

Another day a ‘director of security’ will extort money from the Hon. Members promising to give them security; the latter might be tempted to send money. Cyber bullying is also on the rise. A photo of a Member of this House wearing a bikini at a Mombasa beach was posted on social media. The accusation accompanying the photo was that the Member was squandering money at the coast. However, while the photo was doing rounds, the Hon. Member was carrying on with the business of the Assembly.

The over five hundred thousand people in Nyandarua have trust and confidence in the thirty nine Members of this House and that is why they elected us. With regard to this, Members of this House must be given security as they execute the business of this House. They should also be assured of security as they go home.

There is a need for the director of criminal investigation to act on cyber bullying and fraudulence in the county. In addition, the Office of the Governor should, I liaison with the national government representative in the county, institute measures to ensure security is enhanced in the county, especially along the Nyahururu-Nyeri highway to curb carjacking.

Just yesterday carjacking was perpetrated at the very spot the Leader of the Majority faced a hijacking incidence. Such incidents should not take place in our county while we have security and intelligence personnel. We have a regional commandant for security. We also have the county police commandant. They can hunt and prosecute those undertaking illegal activities in our county. With regard to this, I request the Office of the Speaker to communicate to the Office of the County Commissioner and other authorities concerned asking them to take action.

If the said insecurity incidents have happened only five months after we assumed office, what would happen in five years? The national government, through the relevant authorities should ensure that all Kenyans are assured of security. Members of the County Assembly are Kenyans and we deserve adequate security. We need to get home and sleep safely. Moreover, we cannot

allow people to fear using the Nyahururu-Nyeri highway especially in the evening and night hours. If for example an emergency hits a place that can only be accessed through the Nyahururu-Nyeri highway, an ambulance driver would not be comfortable driving along the said road to rescue the situation. This is because carjackers usually prowl the road waiting to attack innocent Kenyans.

Mr Speaker, we need to make our wards and areas safe. This is because in our county budget we always set aside money meant for security of our Governor and members. The money is paid to police stations so that they can assist in security issues. It is in budget and it has always been and that money is set to ensure that all members get home safely.

The other thing I wish to request through your office is that there is need for communication to be done to all police stations nearing members' residences. We need officers from the police stations to identify the premises of the Hon. Members. In case of an alarm and we request security, we are able to access security officers. Right now, we have requested security for two members from Ndaragwa. They can also ask for security at night so that the security personnel can man their premises and ensure that their safety is highly prioritized.

Mr Speaker, doing a by-election for one ward in this county can cost up to Kshs.500 million to hire personnel, logistics and also for campaigns. That is taxpayers' money and we don't need to have a by-election in Nyandarua County. We need to have the members get home safely so that they can serve their electorate well. We don't need bodyguards because we are trained and we can solve issues right on the spot. We are always aware of instant justice. When we get those people, we will hand them over to the police and if they are not able to deal with them, we can take care of them to make sure that tomorrow we don't have that problem recurring.

Mr Speaker, through your office, we require proper introduction of our members to all our county personnel in charge of departments. The reason for someone trying to introduce herself as the director of education is that the Hon. Members are not aware of all the county personnel. This makes the members vulnerable to cyber bullying and other sorts of crimes. We need to have a safe environment to work for our people who we are very passionate about. We did not come here because of money but rather because of what we pledged to our people and we went even further to take an oath and swore that we shall assist our people to make Nyandarua a better place by safeguarding their interests. If we do this, we will go down the annals of history as people who brought positive change to our people.

With that statement, I believe that your Office will take the necessary action so that the members of this House will be able to live safely. If today, the Leader of Majority Party who is among the senior most leaders cannot get home smiling, what of the 'intended' Minority Leader...

(Laughter)

What about the Majority Chief Whip and Member for Magumu whom we have much trust in but when he gets to Flyover, he says he cannot walk....

(Laughter)

Mr Speaker, I believe that we shall have a good time in the next five years and after that, I am very sure that members will not be requesting for bodyguards but just a safe society. If the right person for the job is in office, let that person wake up because our people cannot walk and drive around. If the leaders themselves cannot drive home, I believe that the people cannot walk home. Thank you Mr Speaker and I believe that your office will take action.

(Hon. Gathure Wambui rises on a point of order)

Hon. Gathure Wambui: Mr Speaker, I want to seek your sympathy so that you allow me to contribute....

Speaker: Order Member! Order Member for Kaimbaga! Hon. Members that statement was brought under Standing Order No. 46 that states:

With the indulgence of the Assembly, a Member may explain matters of personal nature although there is no question before the Assembly, but such matter may not be debated.

So, it is not mandatory not to debate the matter and therefore, I will use my discretion to the weight of the matter at hand allow members to make very short contributions. Actually, I will limit the contributions to two minutes for each member. I know the Member for Kiriita has visitors and therefore, I will grant him the first priority.

Yes, Member for Kiriita, Hon. Justus Gaita Wagura.

Hon. Justus Gaita: Thank you Mr Speaker. I first take this opportunity to recognize Mung'etho Secondary School. This is a branch of Mung'etho Primary School which I am an alumnus. I therefore take this opportunity to thank you Mr Speaker, for ensuring that they were welcomed warmly and I can attest that they are very comfortable.

Mr Speaker, let me contribute on this statement by the Hon Member for Karau because I was one of the people who were called by the same lady. She wanted to be given 'lunch' and she was very polite in her text message. It read, 'How are you *Mheshimiwa*, can you send lunch. I am the director of education of Nyandarua County'. Nobody was aware of a director in the name of Gladys. I didn't send anything because I wanted to confirm first.

Mr Speaker, this is very serious and if that is what is happening even in the National Assembly, we should take the information that has been given by the Hon. Member for Karau seriously because we don't know about tomorrow. Right now, we have vacancy advertisement in the department of health services and I know the same conmen and women will start calling people telling them that they can help them secure a job in that department. Let us check on the issue of the security of Hon. Members so that they can be safe and work for *Wanjiku*.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Kaimbaga, Hon. Gabriel Gathure Wambui.

Hon. Gathure Wambui: Thank you. You know I rose up earlier to seek leave but sympathy came first.

(Laughter)

I rise to support Hon. Member from Karau for the personal statement. I have various issues and that is the reason I agree with the deputy leader of majority. What happened to the Majority Leader was unfortunate and unexpected. If this country cannot afford offering each and every member of the County Assembly a bodyguard, let us be issued with guns for self-protection. If the leader of majority had a gun, probably he would have shot in the air and scare the assailants. When I enquired what happened to him, he informed me that he took to his heels. I wondered because I know the physique of the leader of majority...

(Laughter)

I don't mean he is fat. A Member of the County Assembly cannot be fat but he is well built. Mr Speaker, you should empathize with us. We need guns so that we can protect ourselves. Another issue I would like to mention and it did not see the light of day, Hon. Kenn Mukira can attest, there were people who were calling members of our wards impersonating me and also the Member for Karau. They call a resident of my ward and say that this is Hon. Gathure calling you. There are fifty positions in the KWS, and I want you to give me the name of your daughter and they were later asked for some money. When we followed with the inspector of police, it was said that the number that was calling was from King'ong'o. As I conclude, I would also want to say that we need to be safeguarded from the media too. Two weeks ago, I was in all the media, nation newspaper, The Star, Tuko, and Opera mini news, that I had been booed by the women contrary to what had happened. They were saying that I do not have a wife, a wife is not a requirement of being a member of County Assembly. Mr. Speaker you need to give a directive to the media people in Ol'kalou, that they should not be reporting contradicting messages. I would like to end there for I understand that other Hon members want to contribute too.

Speaker: Yes member for Wanjohi Hon. Isaac Kung'u.

Hon. Isaac Kung'u: Thank you Mr Speaker, I want to commend the member who brought this statement to this Assembly. I was so much disturbed this morning. This is a very serious issue. In my ward, a man by the name Raphael Omondi was calling people and saying that he is a member of County Public Service Board, and was ready to recruit anybody willing in the recent advertised positions in the department of Health. I have a feeling there are conmen moving around in this County and our people are at risk. The advert was published the day before yesterday and as we speak there is a doctor Raphael!

The issue of jobs in our County is very sensitive and with the rate of joblessness. The people will come complaining to the County Public Service Board when they are conned already. So this is a good statement, our people should be informed, this conmen investigated and serious action taken against this behaviours.

Speaker: Member for Nyakio and the Deputy Speaker, Hon. Zachary Mwangi Njeru.

Hon. Zachary Mwangi Njeru: Thank you Mr Speaker, Sir. I want to comment on this general statement. I do not want to differ with the Member for Kaimbaga, but the issue of safeguarding ourselves is a two-way traffic. Considering the cyber-crime prevalent in the social media, for example, indicating where you are at any particular time is very dangerous. We all have

enemies and it is therefore good to sometimes camouflage, if you have to post anything, you can do it later so that nobody will have to follow you.

Equally, this issue on Social Media is becoming very emotive. We are now beginning County Operations, and a member may have had issues in his ward. When another member with the same problem posts on the measures he is taking, they end up incriminating the other member who has not yet started working on his issues. It is good to mention it! Yesterday I had one road that was completely cut off in my area. I asked my constituents to be patient as we wait for imprest to be given and then we will be able to maintain the road. After two hours a certain member is seen with a grader doing a road of about 5km. This is not good because it makes one look bad when a pothole requiring a lorry of marram cannot be provided while there is another member making new roads. We should be really careful on how we manage our social media. On our accounts too, it is important not to give so much information. Like when we are opening our Google accounts, and some of the requirements are the dates of birth, you do not necessarily need to give the true date. Let us try to be discrete.

All the same, I want to congratulate the deputy majority Leader for this statement that has been timely and remind the Speaker that the issue on our security has to be truly addressed.

Speaker: Yes, the County Member from Kiriita, Hon. Milka Wanjiru Ndirangu.

Hon. Milka Ndirangu: Thank you Mr Speaker, I want to first welcome Mung'etho primary School, Mr Duncan and Madam Beth. I welcome you all to Nyandarua County Assembly. This is where I went for my primary school. You are lucky to have two members of County Assembly from your area, so you have role models to look up to. If *Mheshimiwa* Gaita and I made it, who are you not to make it? I know you will make it and God bless you. *Mheshimiwa* Gaita congratulations, I know it has taken your hand to bring this people.

Let me commend the mover for bringing this statement. *Mheshimiwa* Waweru and I have been victims of Cyber bullying. Sometime in February, someone called Hon. Waweru and told her that they knew me very well, and he requested Hon. Waweru for my number. Hon Waweru asked me first and I told him I was not aware of such a person. When we met next. I asked for the number that had called and wanted to make a call to it. On calling, this man kept saying that we had done business together and had even brought lorries of *kokoto*¹ in my area. Honestly speaking I was not even aware of such a person. So, what I am trying to say is that cyber bullying is there and it is real. We need to communicate and I do not know how we are going to do this to the Communication Authority of Kenya, to tell the Service providers, like Safaricom, Airttel and Equitel, that they should thoroughly follow such cases whenever they are reported to them. With these I support.

Speaker: Yes the member for Githioro Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah: Thank you Mr Speaker, I would also want to identify myself with the sentiments of the member of Ol'kalou. As he has rightfully put it, there is now a very thin line between security and insecurity. Everybody knows that there is a lot of Political intolerance going on in this County.

¹ Ballast.

The state of our roads do not help the matter either because like for some of us who are not lucky to have graders to maintain the roads in our wards, we do not even go there during the night. We are forced to stay away. As *Mheshimiwa* for Nyakio has put, we passed a budget here with one accord, but it apparently appears like there are some favoured wards. This is bringing a lot of friction with our people out there.

Security, development and exposure cannot be gainsaid. When we talk about cyber bullying, we know who the cyber bullies are, in this county. We know who hires them. Mr Speaker I think it is the high time that we lift the lid and uncover the perpetrators. It is not possible to give every one of us guns because some of us believe that we are protected by God. For those who feel extremely threatened, they can apply for a licence. It is however not in the power of this House to order that the members of the County Assembly be given guns.

It is frightening to for a person to have the cell numbers of all the members and use it to send messages to the members. Where did that person get our contacts from? It means that there could have been collaboration between these thugs and a person who has all our information. The rate at which these messages came shows that the goon was seated somewhere with all our contacts. Thank you.

Speaker: Yes member for Githabai Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Mr Speaker sir, I rise to make some sentiments on this. I commend the statement that was brought forward by the Deputy Majority Leader. Mr Speaker, sir, I want to remind the members some words that were said by H.E the president, that, “*usalama unaanza na mimi na usalama unaanza na wewe²*”. As we move let us be reminded all the time that our safety and security is squarely on our hands first before we entrust it to someone else.

I want to repeat what the Deputy Speaker said though I will say it differently, that be wise when disclosing personal information regarding your locality and identity. Hon. Members do not lie but they give information in a clever way.

I want to tell the members that there is a heavy down pour outside and we want to go home, we should think about how we are going to leave this assembly. It will not be as easy as we may think. There was a motion regarding upgrading the road to access the assembly and we all know what happened but chicken have come home to roost.

(Hon. Gathure Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Kaimbaga?

Hon. Gathure Wambui: Mr Speaker I do not think it is right for a person to say that security starts with us but we post all the things that we do. There are words that were said by the Deputy Speaker and Hon. Kaiyani and we can interpret that the Leader of Majority never took caution. When we say that security starts with us, someone might interpret it badly, that he posted things that indicated where he was and where he was going.

² Security starts with you and me.

Speaker: Member for Kaimbaga, I think you are off the mark. The Majority Leader had not posted anywhere that he was going to his farm. He only disclosed that after the incident. Generally, we are giving each other tips on how to ensure that you are secure as an Hon. Member. That is where the Deputy Speaker and *Mheshimiwa* Kaiyani are coming from. As we do our things we should ensure that, we are secure. There are that we do and they give tips towards that direction. I think they are in order and they are walking the narrow and straight in terms of debate. Member for Githabai proceed.

Hon. (Eng.) Rimui Kaiyani: Where was I before I was rudely interrupted? Let me try to figure it out...

Speaker: You were on the issue of the road to or from the assembly.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Speaker, I was reminding the members that choices have consequences. Now we know the state of the roads we have just talked about and we urge that this House consider finding ways and means to have that road fixed before we spend nights here.

I was also a victim of the said Gladys, a person purported to be the director for Education. Indeed, she called me and told me that I should send her lunch. I actually complied...

(Laughter)

Mr Speaker I sent her via Mpesa about Kshs. 2 Million. It is always good to remain vigilant. cyber-crime is everywhere. People say all manner of things in a disguised manner...

(Hon. Wambugu King'ori rises on a point of order)

Mr Speaker this is not a debate, we are just making comments. I know that you allowed us to make comments on this so it is not a debate.

Speaker: You cannot rule out a fellow member. The Speaker has allowed debate and contribution around this statement. When it comes to addressing the House the rules of debate come to force immediately. Therefore, you are bound by the rules of debate and the member for North Kinangop is in order to call for a point of order. Hon. Wambugu, proceed.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to seek clarity from the member for Githabai on how Kshs. 2 Million can be transferred through Mpesa.

Speaker: Member for North Kinangop in my understanding, the member for Githabai is saying that he configured a fake Mpesa message and sent it to the particular officer. Member for Githabai proceed.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Mr Speaker, I was just checking to see whether members are alert. I noticed those that were not. It is not possible to send Kshs. 2 Million via Mpesa. I did not expect that interruption but it came anyway. We need to be vigilant. Even if we would be given a gun or be escorted by a great battalion of soldiers, remember they cannot accompany us to all places. It is upon us to be wary, vigilant, be on the lookout, careful and be mindful of the moves we make and places we go. I am not insinuating that we go to the wrong places but let us be on the lookout. Not everyone is your friend and not everyone is happy about

who you are or what you do. Not everyone celebrates your success. Some of them are hell-bent to make sure that there is a by-election. Let us avoid that. Thank you Mr Speaker, Sir.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Central Hon. David Mwangi Maitai.

Hon. Mwangi Maitai: Thank you Mr Speaker, Sir. I rise to contribute on the personal statement made by Hon. Kenn. Actually, we all know that security is one of our fundamental rights. We can go to any police station and get police escort. This however comes at a cost. We require you to clarify to us whether the county has some budget that can take care of that instead of having individual members digging deep into their pockets to pay those bills. We do not want by-elections. We want to exercise our rights. We are the role models in our villages and if an Hon. member is exposed to such kind of insecurity, what about mwananchi. That one tells us a lot.

I am very sorry for what happen to one of us, Hon. Gathungu especially because he experienced that in my ward. I can see that the member is stressed, he has lost weight and he is darker. I seriously feel for you. I have been trying to call him but it seems like he was so traumatized. He did not even replace his SIM card. I however understand. This is an issue that should be addressed.

Concerning the blogging, it is a marketing tool. We should use the social media as much as we want. Everyone has the right to do that. The Hon. Speaker has many followers and it is allowed, the governor too and even I. I think all Hon. Members have. It is good that your people know what you are doing. If you are asleep, do not use them. We are supposed to be up to date with technology. That is why today we do not have to attend so many meetings. You talk about things over the phone or online. Let us not resist change; it is inevitable and we are supposed to make use of available technology. I will however say that while using those bloggers and followers we should train them so that they deliver facts. There was the rating of the assemblies that was uncalled for. It is wrong to rate one of the members as number one yet the member never attends sittings while those who do come as last. This is illogical but we support use of technology but do it intelligently and avoid cybercrimes.

Thank you Mr Speaker sir.

Speaker: Member for Kipipiri Hon. Paul Ngeche

Hon. Paul Ngeche: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to give my input. It is an emerging issue that big names are being used to con people. If I say big names, I mean names like Lotto, Safaricom Shinda Mamilli, Man Ngeche and now Nyandarua. Someone is using a government entity and when this is being used, a member will easily get into the trap. We need to appreciate that these incidences are there. If you receive a message from Lotto and the rest and you have not participated, what could you be winning? It is the high time that we all learn to desist from going easy on them. If I can send money, it means that I am used to that.

This message made me visit the CECM for Education to know who that director is. I found a mirror in that office and on it was written, 'the person using this mirror is incorruptible.' I do not know why I should buy lunch for anyone pausing as a county director for Education yet we had no deal. This is a person who wants to depict this county as one that is corrupt. The county government of Nyandarua is incorruptible. The staff in Nyandarua County Government do not ask for money. We have to curb this.

Lastly, security is paramount to all. If the Leader of Majority of the County Assembly of Nyandarua can be hijacked, what about Wanjiku? She will be killed. At that very place since then, two vehicles have been hijacked and little or no effort has been made towards this. The county Commissioner of Nyandarua should come in and if there is need for reinforcement, we know that H.E Uhuru Kenyatta is governor number one here and forces can be increased. This is just one scenario in Nyandarua and there are so many others in other places

Speaker: Yes the County Member from Rurii Hon. Joseph Kariuki.

Hon. Joseph Kariuki: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to make my input on this statement. I will emphasize on the issue of the county staff. Personally, I sent some money to the fake director. This is not a thing that needs the higher office to solve, it is good that the members of staff have a meeting with the members of the County Assembly so that they can know each other. Had I met some of the directors in the department I would not have fallen into the trap. The woman was so humble.

I know that the security personnel meet regularly and it is good that members also get to know them. One time while going to Kinangop, I was stopped by a police officer and he said that I do not look like a member of this House. If he knew me, he would have listened to me.

Speaker: Yes, the Member for Gatimu Hon. John Kieru Wambui.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker. Before I make any comment on the matter before the House as brought by the Deputy Leader of Majority, I would like to welcome the students with us here today. They are from Mung'etho and I would like to say that the lady teacher has been my teacher too. I am very happy that she has progressed this far. The products of this teacher have increased to three. *Mheshimiwa* Milkah should know that. I am one of her products and I know she is happy to see me here.

Mr Speaker this country has advanced in technology. The advancement in technology comes along with ideas. There are people who can manoeuvre and get identifications that take my credentials. Those are impersonators. Let me give a case example. Today, Hon. Sabina Chege, the Women Representative for Murang'a, is dealing with the issue of a person who registered an M-pesa account using her name. That person is asking for money from other members of parliament, saying that she has a very bad ailment and she needs to rush to India for medication. The Speaker of the National Assembly is a victim and he sent her sh.300, 000.

We need to know who this Gladys is. She is able to get information and understand that Nyandarua County Assembly has an MCA called Kieru or Mbogo. It means that these people are with us. We need to record a statement and especially people who sent money so that the investigations can be started.

Lastly, the issue of carjacking at Ndaragwa is taking course again. They were being experienced a very long time ago. I have heard that on the same spot where Hon. Gathungu was carjacked, there was still another similar incident just recently. We need to tell the new County Commissioner to be up in arms so that this doesn't happen again.

I want to echo a statement by another *Mheshimiwa* that, security starts with us. Let us know who we talk to, what we say and how we engage one another. Let us also keep some secrets for our own personal security. These are very dangerous days that we are living in and in this county, we should be very careful. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: The final word from the Member for Karau.

Hon. Kenn Mukira: I wish to thank members for supporting me in this statement and the recommendations I had requested from the office of the Speaker as Hon. Kieru has said, to get to the CID head, that is Mr Mumanyi, and also the person in charge of NIS, Mr Shaban. A letter needs to be sent to them to investigate this culprit and bring a report to this house. I had reported to the CID in charge of OIKalou, and the culprit was located using the satellite communication and sported at Muhoroni. I had given directions for arrest. The name should be tabled in this house the same way it has been done in the National Assembly. We have her name and she should be brought to book as a warning to other Kenyans who are thinking of doing the same thing. They should know that there is security in this county and they should not mess with Hon. Members or any Kenyan.

So Mr Speaker through your office, let's have a report, the arrest done and at least the road from Nyeri to Nyahururu should be safeguarded because I don't think there is any road in Nyandarua where there are cases of carjacking. This therefore should not be an avenue for that. That road is in Nyandarua. It should be made safe to even encourage investors to come to Nyandarua. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Very well members as you are aware, there is no question to be put to this particular statement and the same is not expected by the law. I will only comment and confirm that this is an issue of great concern to this Assembly and to the board for what happened to the leader of the majority and the member for Leshau Pondo, Hon. Peter Gathungu Kamau. I think members you have noted the intensity of this issue. It has been discussed without the member for Leshau Pondo showing any interest of contributing. He must be still feeling haunted. It is not easy. Some of us have gone through the same.

I also appreciate the sentiments of the members that, if it can happen to the leader of the majority for the County Assembly of Nyandarua, then where is the fate of Wanjiku? These are people enjoying absolute impunity. It was reported all over the country through both print and electronic media and after one day of the occurrence, a similar scenario happens on the same sport. This is sending a very scaring message to all of us, that we can never be secure. I thought that the people behind that would all go silent putting into consideration the person they tried to attack and that this issue has been taken over by all the agencies and even the press.

We will make sure that we send this statement together with the Hansard to H.E. the Governor, the county commissioner, police commander, the NIS and the DCI so that they can find out what exactly happened, that we are greatly concerned and our expectations from them.

As we do that, we consider allocating some money so that if we have police officers patrolling that particular area called *Kianugu*, we also take care of some of their budget. For now, we are arguing from a very weak point, although it is a constitutional right for every person, not Hon. Members only, to have security. So let us be provided with security. We should do something, knowing the budgetary constraints in the national government. We can allocate some security fund to accommodate all of us.

I thank the Member for Karau for that particular statement because nothing can ever be important like the security of the Hon. Members and the people of this county.

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ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members, the business for this sitting having been exhausted, this House will now adjourn to Tuesday the 27th day of March, 2018 at 2.30 p.m.

(The House rose at 3.39 p.m.)