



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION

JOINT SITTING OF PARLIAMENT

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 02, 2018 AT 3.00 P.M

1. Parliament assembled at three O'clock.
2. **ARRIVAL OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT**

The President and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, His Excellency Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, CGH, escorted by the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the National Assembly and accompanied by Maces of both Houses, entered the Chamber at three O'clock.

3. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer by the Speaker of the Senate.
4. **CONVOCATIONS –**

(i) **By the Speaker of the Senate**

“Your Excellency, Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon. Justin Muturi, Hon. Members of Parliament, Article 132(1)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the President to address a Special Sitting of the Parliament of Kenya once every year and at any other time.

Further, Article 132 (1) (c) requires the President to, among others, once every year, report, in an address to the Nation, all the measures taken and the progress achieved in the realization of the national values set out in Article 10 of the Constitution and submit a report for debate to the National Assembly on the progress made in the fulfilment of international obligations of the Republic.

In addition, Article 240 (7) of the Constitution requires the President, in his capacity as the Chairperson of the National Security Council, to report to Parliament annually, on the state of the security of the Republic.

In this regard, pursuant to Article 132 (1) (b) and (c) (i) and (ii) of the Constitution and Standing Order No. 22 (1) and (2) of the Senate, that, upon a request by His Excellency the President, I gave notice of the Special Sitting to the Honourable Senators by Gazette Notice No. 3551, which was published in the *Kenya Gazette* on 17th April, 2018.

Accordingly, Hon. Members, this Special Sitting is properly convened.

Thank you”.

(ii) **By the Speaker of the National Assembly**

The Speaker of the National Assembly conveyed the following -

“Your Excellency, Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, C.G.H, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces;

The Honourable Speaker of the Senate, Senator Kenneth Lusaka;

Honourable Members of Parliament;

Article 132(1) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the President to address the nation once every year.

In this regard, pursuant to the provisions of Article 132(1)(b) and (c)(i)(ii) &(iii) of the Constitution and the provisions of Standing Order No. 22 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, by *Gazette Notice* No. 3550, which was published in the *Kenya Gazette* on April 20, 2018, I gave Notice of this Joint Sitting to all Members of the National Assembly. Accordingly, Honourable Members, this Joint Sitting is properly convened.

Your Excellency, it is also the custom of Parliament to recognize invited guests seated in the Speaker’s Row. I therefore wish to recognize the following guests: the Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya, The Hon. William Ruto, E.G.H, the Chief Justice of the Republic of Kenya, The Hon. Justice David Maraga, the Governor of the Nairobi City County, The Hon. Mike Mbuvi Sonko, the Governor of the Kajiado County, Joseph ole Lenku, former Speakers of the Houses of Parliament, that is, The Hon. Francis ole Kaparo and The Hon. Kenneth Marende, who are all seated in the Speaker’s Row.

Your Excellency, of special mention today, and also seated in the Speaker’s Row, is a guest of our Parliament, H. E. Hon. Said Bouhadja, the Speaker of the National Assembly of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria. May I also recognize former Clerks of the National Assembly that is Mr. Japheth Masya, and Mr. Justin Bundi, who are seated in the Speaker’s Gallery.

Honourable Members of Parliament and invited guests,

It is now my singular honour and privilege to invite His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces to address this Joint Sitting of Parliament.

I thank you”.

5. **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 132 OF THE CONSTITUTION**

Pursuant to Articles 132 and 240(7) of the Constitution, His Excellency the President delivered a State of the Nation address and submitted to Parliament Reports on -

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- (i) Measures Taken and Progress Achieved in the Realization of National Values and Principles of Governance;
- (ii) the Progress made in fulfillment of the International Obligations of the Republic; and,
- (iii) the State of National Security.

6. **DEPARTURE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT**

The Speaker of the National Assembly drew the attention of the Houses to the fact that it was His Excellency the President's pleasure to take his leave.

Thereupon, His Excellency the President departed from the Chamber in State procession.

7. **ADJOURNMENT OF PARLIAMENT**

And there being no other business, the Speakers of the Houses of Parliament, adjourned the respective Houses at forty minutes past Four O'clock without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. **PARLIAMENT ROSE** - at forty minutes past Four O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speakers will take respective Chairs on Thursday,
3rd May, 2018 at 9.30 a.m. for the National Assembly and
Tuesday, 8th May, 2018 at 2.30 pm for the Senate.

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