

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MACHAKOS COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, 31st July, 2018

The House met at 2.45 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. (Mrs.) Mwangangi) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, the Speaker, has eyes at this point to see that the quorum is not enough. Mr. Clerk, can you confirm what the Speaker is seeing. Yes you confirm it, Serjeant at Arms, please ring the bell for ten minutes.

(Quorum Bell rung)

Hon. Members, I am being informed that we have quorum now so the bell can be stopped.

PAPER LAID

REPORT ON NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS SHOW

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, under this Order, we have business by the Hon. Musembi.

Hon. Musembi: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Orders 19 (5) I wish to lay the following Paper on the table of the Assembly today, 31st July, 2018; Broadcasting and Library Service committee report on National Association of Broadcasters Show which was held in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Musembi. Mr. Clerk, proceed.

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Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I wish to call upon Hon. Abdi to second.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Abdirahman

Hon. Abdirahman: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I second.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Abdirahman. Hon. Musembi, can you read the report now?

Hon. Musembi:

PREAMBLE

Madam Speaker, Article 35 recognizes that every citizen has the right of access to information which is held by the State or another person which is further effected by the Access to Information Act No. 31 of 2016.

The County Assembly of Machakos, being a constitutional body established by Article 176(1) and 177 of the Constitution, is a state organ and hence is bound by the national values and principles of governance. To ensure effective performance of its duties, various committees, regulated by the Assembly Standing Orders, are constituted and must conduct their business in an open manner and facilitate public participation and involvement in their activities, except in special circumstances that are justifiable.

BACKGROUND

Madam Speaker, the Broadcasting and Library committee is established under Standing Order 215 of the County Assembly of Machakos Standing Orders to counter the lack of awareness accompanied by a general public opinion that Parliament is an opaque institution devoid of transparency and accountability.

The committee was formed in November, 2016 to create an avenue that would lead to greater public awareness and appreciation of the work of the County Assembly, better public attitude and perception towards parliament and greater involvement of the public in Parliamentary debates, hence helping in making politicians more accountable.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Madam Speaker, the current membership of the Broadcasting and Library committee is as follows:

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| 1. Hon. Florence M. Mwangangi | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Eric Musembi | Member |
| 3. Hon. Cosmas Muia | ” |
| 4. Hon. Jacinta Luka | ” |
| 5. Hon. Paul Nyanzi | ” |

MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE

Madam Speaker, the Broadcasting and Library committee is a select committee mandated under Standing Order 215(3) to undertake the following duties: -

1. Consider and report on all matters relating to broadcasting of Assembly proceedings. These include reporting on rules, policies and procedures and any other matters relating to broadcasting in plenary, committees and events.
2. Advise the Assembly on matters related to public participation in the Assembly. It is the duty of the committee to formulate guidelines to be followed when it comes to public participation in Assembly business.
3. Make reports and recommendations to the Assembly, including proposed legislation on matters relating to broadcasting of Assembly proceedings and related matters.
4. Recommend to and advise the Assembly on matters related to the provision of library, publications and research services in the Assembly. These include recommendations on how to ease access to available information, holding sensitization forums on services available to the members and the general public among other recommendations.
5. Assist members of the County Assembly in utilizing the facilities provided by the library and research services including the use of information and communication technology. This refers to offering assistance in utilizing different tools to access both internal and external information on the Assembly as well as promoting uptake of the systems in place.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS (NAB)

Madam Speaker, the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) is the premier advocacy association that advances radio and television interests in legislative, regulatory and public affairs. Through advocacy, education and innovation, NAB enables broadcasters to best serve their communities, strengthen their businesses and seize new opportunities in the digital age.

The National Association of Broadcasters has been around for nearly as long as broadcasting itself – created nearly a century ago with the intent to tell broadcasters’ story and to support their mission, which is at the heart of what they do every day.

The NAB Show is the world's largest convention encompassing The M.E.T. Effect - the convergence of media, entertainment and technology. With 102,000 attendees from 166 countries and more than 1,700 exhibitors in 2018, the NAB Show proved to be the ultimate marketplace for solutions that transcend traditional broadcasting and embrace content delivery to new screens in new ways.

From creation to consumption, across multiple platforms and countless nationalities, NAB Show is where global visionaries convene to bring content to life in new and exciting ways.

THE NAB SHOW, 2018

Madam Speaker, the committee attended the National Association of Broadcasters Show, an annual event which was held in Las Vegas, Nevada, from 7th to 14th April, 2018, on invitation of the US Embassy in Nairobi, to share experiences and learn best practices on content creation and delivery to enhance the participation of the County's public in policy formulation as well as get exposed to the new technologies in the broadcast industry to enable the Assembly make informed choices on technological advances.

The following Members and staff of the County Assembly attended the Show.

1. Hon. Florence M. Mwangangi	-	The Speaker/Chairperson
2. Hon. Patrick M. Kituku	-	Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Cosmas K. Muia	-	Member
4. Hon. Eric W. Musembi	-	"
5. Hon. Jacinta N. Luka	-	"
6. Hon. Mohammed A. Ali	-	"
7. Mbiuki F.G.	-	The Clerk
8. Luiza Kamau	-	I/C, Assembly Broadcasting Unit
9. Mutuku Kavita	-	Assistant Clerk

Madam Speaker, the Broadcasting committee had an opportunity to experience this great convention, an event that tells the story of broadcasting and its convergence with other technologies to deliver the content our communities rely on every day.

While there, the committee learnt that the National Association of Broadcasters plays a key role in educating policymakers on the vital role of broadcasting and through the Show and broadcasters are able to work with the innovators, creators and storytellers, whose creativity, passion and energy allow us to see broadcasting as it could be in the future.

Speaking at the Show, NAB President and CEO Gordon Smith, quoted Senator Heidi Heitkamp from North Dakota who spoke at the State Leadership Conference, saying:

- Who would tell us where to seek shelter when the storm is coming, and stay with us throughout the ordeal until the danger passes?
- Who would promote and support the charities that help our friends and neighbors in need?
- Who would investigate, produce and air the stories that uncover government corruption and protect us from consumer scams?

To her, she said, this would be a very bleak picture for our communities, but it is a reminder of broadcasting's highest purpose.

NETWORKS

Madam Speaker, the Broadcasting committee got to network with different players in the broadcasting industry including:

1. Royal Media Services – the largest electronic Media House in Kenya, which is home to popular television and radio channels including Citizen TV, Musyi FM, Inooro TV, Radio Citizen among others.

2. BlackMagic Design – one of the world's leading innovators and manufacturers of creative video technology.
3. Live-U – which pioneers portable cellular backpack solutions for reliable and high-quality video streaming and live broadcasting using high efficiency video coding (HEVC) live video transmission.
4. PTZ Optics - a broadcast, live streaming and conference camera manufacturer
5. Nikon – an optical instrument and lens manufacturing company specializing in manufacture of high quality cameras and binoculars
6. Sennheiser - an audio company specializing in the design and production of a wide range of high fidelity products, including microphones, headphones and telephony accessories for personal, professional and business applications.
7. Shure - Leading manufacturer of microphones for live, touring and studio applications.

In addition to the above, the team was also able to network with other production companies like Philips, Behringer, Harman Kardon, Sony, Samsung, Bose, Vimeo among others.

LESSONS LEARNT

Hon. Speaker and Members, our future as a County Assembly lies in investing in the innovation that is crucial to our long-term growth, so that we can enhance greater community participation in the affairs of the Assembly.

We recognize that consumers' media consumption habits are always changing, and we continue to evolve with these changes. We are witnessing an exciting revolution in radio and TV with the increased uptake of social media by both the young and the old.

A just released Knight Foundation study notes that television stations' websites and applications are now a dominant local news source, especially in many smaller markets. We were honoured to have a chat with the Chairman of the Royal Media Services, Dr. S.K. Macharia on the sidelines of the conference where we discussed the prospect of partnering with the media in broadcasting the proceedings and committees of the Assembly through Internet applications such as the ViuSasa and the use of local radio stations to reach the masses.

Broadcasting has the power to reach and impact people like no other medium, and innovations are expanding and improving the delivery of emergency updates, news and entertainment that listeners and viewers value.

The NAB Show was an opportunity for us to reflect on what the committee together with the broadcasting unit does and also an opportunity for us to take an active part in shaping the future of parliamentary broadcasting.

By taking part in the NAB Show and engaging with key broadcasting industry players, we are able to enhance the committee's and the Members' capacity and as a result, enable them to better undertake their mandate of improving the public's understanding of and confidence in democratic governance.

Parliament needs to be demystified, laid bare in its operations to avoid guesswork from the public as to what happens behind the walls.

WAY FORWARD

Hon. Speaker, according to surveys carried out on the public after the 1985 six months experiment of televising the House of Lords, television was considered the best medium in helping one comprehend more about the workings of parliament. Television was also seen as the best medium for citizens to get to know Members of Parliaments' true feelings about national concerns.

Moreover, live Parliament broadcasting was also deemed as the best avenue for encouraging decorum among Members due to the publicity that comes along with it (Wober, 1990)

In the words of former Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon. Kenneth Marende, opening Parliament to the public will recast the manner in which Parliament does its work. The public will be participants in the national debate by accessing, real time, the deliberations of Parliament and its committees on important national issues, as well as its duty to put the Government in check.

With the knowledge and networks gained at the NAB Show, we will be able to enhance the participation of the public by obtaining the relevant technologies to enhance the broadcasting experience.

By broadcasting and televising of parliamentary proceedings, we shall be able to boost public awareness of parliamentary activities, enlarging public participation in governance and increasing accountability and transparency in parliamentary dealings together.

Madam Speaker, I thank the members of the committee for their cooperation and zeal in undertaking their duties of making our vision of parliamentary broadcasting's bright future a reality.

Madam Speaker, it is therefore my privilege and duty to present this report on the National Association of Broadcasters Show to this Hon. House for consideration and approval. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Musembi you have ended on a very high note and you deserve that glass of water. Thank you very much.

(Question proposed).

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I invite you to debate the motion. Hon. Cosmus Masesi.

Hon. Masesi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, first I want to appreciate the committee which is chaired by our Hon. Madam Speaker. In fact, this is the first report of the kind which is coming from abroad and this House---

(Laughter)

This House is delighted and will be happy to have more and more reports from abroad where members will be on a way of acquiring more skills.

Hon. Speaker: Hon Cosmus Masesi, you are very right because Hon. Members have been travelling abroad and we have not seen the reports so this is a way of telling Hon. Members,

bring the reports of the trips you make abroad because they must be adding value to the business of the Assembly. It is s just to comment on what the hon. member has said. Hon. Masesi, please proceed.

Hon. Masesi: Yes. Sure it is a challenge to those of us who will be travelling abroad in the near future. Madam Speaker, if we will be able to implement this issue this issue of going live for the proceedings of this House, it will be a real time information to the people of Machakos whereby I believe they will be well informed of what is traversing across the county.

Madam Speaker, I stand to support the motion, the report and also I support members travelling abroad for the purposes of acquiring some more knowledge. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Constance Mbula.

Hon. (Ms.) C. Nzioki: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to thank the team and I am sure they were well-placed with you and I am sure that is why they have come up with this nice report. I want to say information is power, however low that information comes from it is power because without information really you will not know when to do even if when your enemies are coming you know there is information somewhere you are informed and I want to say they did a great job.

Again considering 166 countries, Kenya was one of those 166; we need to clap for ourselves, it is an honor and they did a good job. Thank you, team and I hope when you go again, you will make a good report like that one so I stand to support. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Constance Mbula. Hon. Museku.

Hon. Museku: Than you, Madam Speaker. I would like first of all to congratulate the Hon. Members for a very a very good report which was made after traversing the streets of Las Vegas in Nevada, USA. Looking at the report itself, it shows a lot about the importance of communication and of coming up with live or up to date communication tools. We live in a global village and dissemination of information real time is key for enabling people to make decisions.

One of the things like the Hon. Members said here of live broadcasting of Assembly proceedings and other proceedings to other people and we will be able to give them up to date, accurate information on the things which this Assembly of ours is approving for their benefits. It will be able to show them live that the Hon. Members who they elected to come to this Hon. House are representing them well.

One of the things which Madam Speaker you had proposed and which will go a long way in ensuring this is done is the issue of *Bunge Mashinani* which is one way or the other able to broadcast the Assembly proceedings direct to the people in *mashinani*. The other thing which the Clerk of the Assembly had said and I remember very well when we opened this Assembly was that there was a plan to put up a billboard at the market place, a big sign which will be streaming live broadcast to people in the market place.

Remember in Machakos market place, people come from all over the county on market days and if we could be having a stand there broadcasting live what is going on here, then I can assure you that, that would enable us to be able to reach the entire county, every corner of the

county people would be able to go back and say when I was in the market today I watched 1-2-3-4-5 and the Assembly passed 1-2-3- 4-5 things for the benefit of our people.

The report again, as I conclude, is very well done and very well constructed and therefore I stand to support the report with all my heart and hope that next time the broadcasting committee goes to the streets of Las Vegas, as the Chair of Chairs, you might invite me. Thank you so much.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Museku. Hon. Katumo.

Hon. Katumo: Thank you, Madam Speaker for this opportunity. I stand to support this report because is a good report coming from this broadcasting and library committee knowing the mandate of this Committee, of course, one of them is to make sure that this County Assembly itself utilizes the facilities that are provided including library services and research services and therefore coming up with such kind of report is very nice for us.

Little do we know that we also have a library where we can of course access the information of the First Assembly and what we do every other time. It is good for this report to come to this House in this particular moment in time to make us aware that we have a lot of information, there is a lot of communication that we can refer to and assist us to of course make our work very easy.

One of the great challenges that we might have going forward is try to link with the outside world, with our electorates and people who are listening to us. Sometimes we talk, we debate and we are not heard because people are not listening to us. It is very important for us to network with our fellow stakeholders outside there to make sure that the information that we have which is very important goes out there and gets to its target.

One of the things I have seen in this report which is very important, is that of course, as a Committee, you tried very hard even in the corridors of the show to talk to other great stakeholders we have around to make sure also you share experience and I like the lessons that you learnt and it is my prayer that they will be implemented, that of course you say that the future of this Assembly will rely in investing in the innovation that is crucial to our long term growth and I agree.

So long as we do not invest in technology, in political science we say, the level of development will depend with the level of technology or technological advancement. So long as we remain the way were some years back when we came to this Assembly, then, of course, our level of growth, development and all sorts of the kind of work we are doing will also remain low.

So, of these are the lessons that you got from Nevada, USA these are very good lessons and they should be implemented to make sure that we also forge ahead and we be at par with the rest of the world in trying to make sure that we work for our people.

One thing I like about this Assembly and especially the leadership is that, you stated very clearly we will be going to *bunge mashinani*; as we try to go to *bunge mashinani*, there are many ways of doing that. One of them is try to use technology to reach these people at T-Tot, people at bus park, people outside here so that they do not ask us or they are not misled by the information that we pass in this Assembly. I support, thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, very much Hon. Katumo. Hon. Jacinta.

Hon. (Ms.) Luka: Asante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Nikishukuru kwa hii nafasi ambayo umenipa kuweza kuchangia kwa huu mjadala ambao uko mbele yetu, hii motion. Kwanza nikisema yakwamba mimi ni Member wa hiyo kamati na tuliweza kusafiri mpaka huko Las Vegas na kwa kweli yote ambayo iko katika hii ripoti tuliweza kuipata na hizo vyombo tuliweza kuziona na ni vifaa vizuri sana hasa wakati huu ambao technology imeenda juu sana na tukiangalia katika bunge yetu inastahili pia tukaweze kupata vifaa kama hivyo na hasa wakati huu tunapoelekea katika mfumo wa bunge mashinani inaeza kua vizuri sana tukiwa na vifaa kama hizo ili mwananchi akaweze kufikiwa kwa njia ambao ni nzuri na ambao inafaa na pia itakua ni vizuri ripoti ama information iwe ikuwekwa kwa wakati ambao unakuta ama wakati ingine ndio wale ambao watakua wawezes pia kujua kila ambako kinaendelea na amini tutakua tunaendelea na tutakua tukijenga nchi yetu.

Kwa hivyo nawasihi kama bunge tukaweze kupitisha hii ripoti maana iko na manufaa sana kwa ajili ya kaunti yetu. Asante.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Hon. Jacinta. Hon. Mueni.

Hon. (Ms.) Mueni: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I support the report, it was having the right people to be in USA, even it is good Madam Speaker those who have never talked in this Assembly since they came, and they have done it this time which is very good.

(Laughter)

Madam Speaker, mine is to say it is very important to have the technology outside there like T-Tot, Sokoni so that people may not be asking us what we do because others say that we come here for the salary and we do not do our work. It is very important they see that we pass motions and it is only that we are not the ones who work on it and so our work is to do the passing of the motions like the ones we have passed and I think it is becoming as if it is a way of not implementing them but this one I think because you are the Chair, we are going to start with going to *mashinani* because this one I think we do not need the Executive to approve for us.

(Laughter)

We have to go straight to *mashinani*. It is you to approve it because if you say we go to Matuu *kwa akina* Mheshimiwa Ndawa, we are there tomorrow so that he might not be saying we are not doing anything for his people to know the work which is done by the Assembly.

(Applause)

Madam Speaker, the other regime we had not reached where we are now; even I think our report for Dubai is coming and Mheshimiwa Mwikali will read it by next week.

(Laughter)

We met the women there and they are very much doing a lot of business and they can bring the businesses in this place. So, Madam Speaker, I congratulate you with your team. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Mueni. Hon. Ndawa.

Hon. Ndawa: Thank you, Madam Speaker. First of all, I would like to congratulate the Committee and more so the Hon. Member who has tabled this report. Just as Mueni has said---

Hon. Speaker: As Hon. Mueni has said.

Hon. Ndawa: As Hon. Mueni has said, some Members have never uttered any word since we came to this Hon. House but I can see we are progressing and those who were not talking, now they are talking. So, I can see we are heading somewhere. Madam Speaker, this is a good precedence that this Committee has set. In fact this is the first report we are getting from those who travel outside this Country. I believe many teams have traveled but none has ever brought any report but I want to commend this Committee. If I had a hat, I would have removed in order of that.

Madam Speaker, this issue of broadcasting is very important because it educates, it involves and it also entertains. I think Madam Speaker, whatever is captured in this Assembly by the local channels that we have, they only capture very shallow issues or very shallow bits. If the Motion has been passed they just capture very small portion.

So, Madam Speaker, I would request, if this Hon. House can think of partnering with some of the local media channels, I can see from the report that the Committee interacted with Macharia who owns the Musyi FM and the rest. Madam Speaker, if we can partner with this owner of this media and we agree that we pay a small fee so that all the proceedings of the House can be captured so that when the residents or when the electorates are at home, they can hear Hon. Ndawa speaking, they can hear Hon. King'ori and any other Member.

Madam Speaker, with that, members will understand that we are working. In fact, we are trying our level best but they do not know. Madam Speaker, as you are aware, there is no screen in Matuu town to show the residents of Matuu that their Member whom they sent into this House, does his work that he was sent to do but when this thing is aired, I am very sure, those people will have an opportunity to know that we are working for them and we are talking on their behalf and they are represented fully.

The other issue Madam Speaker, I believe we are living in a world of limited resources; if we had enough resources, I would have proposed that we have our own channel or station called Machakos County Station and we have our own codes if it is 102 or 100 everybody in the village the channel code so that everybody can tune to that code and get to understand exactly what is transpiring in this Hon. House.

Madam Speaker, the idea of taking this *Bunge to Mashinani* is very noble and it is as if we are going at a slow pace since you promised that will start the process of going to different areas, it has taken long but I believe also it is because of this limited resources that we are talking about. I know God is with us and one time we will have resources to ensure that our dream comes true.

Madam Speaker, this is a noble report and everybody should support it because it is good and it is a challenge to us even some committee retreating within the country has now been able to table a report. So Madam Speaker, I would request my colleagues, Hon. Members, whenever we are sent to do something, kindly let us move with speed and have the report brought to this Hon. House. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Ndawa. Hon. Jeremiah.

Hon. Munguti: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to commend this report which was timely, well elaborate and the Member who moved the report was very much aware of what he was doing.

First, I would like to commend the committee which sat down and brought this report, it is quite elaborate and it is my hope all the other committee will bring to the House a good report like this one.

First and foremost, Madam Speaker, I would like to say when you went to USA, what you brought us something that we admire because according to what I can see this report is giving us a good light especially on our local media station. This issue of broadcasting is a thorn in the flesh, especially in our country and our county.

As Members of this House we do come here with good motions, we deliberate them and immediately we pass them they are not aired and therefore some of these motions are taken like as 'by the way' because when we take them to the Executive, they are neither implemented or assented as a Bill by our Governor and therefore am requesting that this Hon. House can do something so that we can have those local media people who come to our Assembly so that we may attach one or two which could be airing all the discussions that we do in our Assembly.

Madam Speaker, it happened that on 5th July, 2018 there was a conference held in KICC for Young Scientists Kenya Exhibition and I met a young student from Kenya Polytechnic by the name Francis Njoroge, a scientist, who at the age of 24, he could assemble the engine of an aircraft.

This was amazing and if we can actually motivate our young ones to be innovative, this is the way to go because in our country there are no job opportunities and if we make our young ones to be innovative as you saw in the USA according to the report, then it means that our young ones immediately they come out of school they need not to be employed in any institution but they will be creating jobs for themselves.

This young man impressed me a lot because he could assemble the engine of an aircraft and this was his own innovation. Also there were young kids from secondary schools, who showcased some exhibitions concerning the up thrust force and the Archimedes Principle that you could see that our young ones can go far if they are given a chance.

As we debated in the morning, we were seeing our fields to be leveled so that our young ones can show their talents. Also we have other young people who can do innovations according to what is required. I support this report and request this Hon. House to follow suit. Those who have been tabling report they should give us an elaborate report like this one and those who have not done so and have been tasked to bring a report in this House, so that you can give it in the appropriate manner. Thank you, Madam Speaker, I support.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Jeremiah. Hon. Musembi, the mover, I call you to reply.

Hon. Musembi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I thank Hon. Members for the support you have shown for the motion. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Musembi.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Laughter)

I think that the Member did not intend it but all the same the Member has her right of way. Hon. Members, let me just make some comments on what you just resolved.

Firstly, to assure the House that the implementation of this report lies squarely on the Assembly and this time you do not have anybody else to blame but yourselves so this must be implemented and the report is committed to the Implementation committee working with the committee on Broadcasting and Library Services so that Members, you can see the fruit of the motion that you have just passed.

The other item that I want to highlight Hon. Members; you noted that the issue of transparency, if we have live broadcast on our proceedings then the public as Hon. Ndawa and the other Member has said, the public will see what exactly you do in this Assembly. You also behave yourselves because you notice that if they are viewing like they view the National Assembly and all the seats are empty then the public will hold you to account. So that it is about encouraging transparency in the service to the public; we have nothing to hide. Do we? We do not have anything to hide

Then that way, we will be linked to the people we serve and to the public and for this I know the staff in-charge, I can see her in the gallery, Luiza Kamau; she is very passionate about the workings of the committee and I urge her to take this resolution and run with it from here and engage the Royal Media; let us see the Assembly in *Viusasa*.

(Applause)

They talked about it and let us other broadcasters also coming to air the business of this Assembly and the Assembly promises they are going to buy whatever equipment that you need for this committee so that you are able to do the work effectively.

Hon. Members, there is a saying, 'what happens in Las Vegas, stays in Las Vegas.' For us, it did not stay in Las Vegas because Las Vegas is seen as a sin city, just for luxury but it is a city that is very serious and you can see the serious business that is coming from there. So what happen when we went there did not stay there it came to the Assembly of Machakos.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, at this point we are going to adjourn the sitting. The House is going to resume on the 1st day of August, 2018 that is tomorrow at 10.00 a.m. Have a good evening.

The House rose at 3.30 p.m.