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House met in the Main Chamber at 02:30 p.m.

(The Speaker (Hon. Elisha Jack Oraro) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you Honourable Members, I want to request under Standing Order No. 32 (2) that the Serjeant-at-Arms rings the quorum bell for five minutes.

(Quorum bell rung for five minutes)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Leader of Majority, can you confirm if we have the quorum.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker, we have quorum. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Mr. Clerk, kindly take us through the Order Paper of the day.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, thank you so much and welcome to this session. This might be our last session if we agree that we shall adjourn today. I have got a few

communication to make. One, it was brought to the attention of the House Business Committee in the previous weeks of complaints of various House Committee not getting slots in the House Business Committee as regards to their sittings. The House Business Committee resolved that communication be made in writing to the House informing every Member of the County Assembly that every committee wishing to have a meeting shall communicate the same to the House Business Committee or the Clerk to the said committee indicating the agenda for discussion on the day of the meetings.

Honourable Members, I want to make it very clear that it is the responsibility of the Chair of the Committee to request for a sitting. There is no way the House Business Committee can slot for a sitting without the request of the Chair of the committee. I believe that is clear.

Two, I had indicated in our forum that we have a *kamukunji* at the end of this session to make clarification on some welfare issues and the way forward as we move to the long recess. Please purpose to attend. It will take at most 20 minutes at the most. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

STATEMENTS

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Maurice Ngeta. Member for Awasi Onjiko Ward.

Hon. Ngeta: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 41 (2) (b), I wish to seek for a Statement from Chairperson, Cooperative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development Committee. Aware that some contractors in this County are claiming not to have been paid despite having fulfilled their Contractual Agreements. Further, aware that these contractors have issued threat and are planning to bar the public from accessing the facilities that they have completed. It is in this regard and pursuant to the provisions of Article 185 of the Constitution 2010, section 8 of the County Government Act, 2012 read together with Standing Order No. 41 (2) (b), that I request the Chairperson of the said Standing Committee to provide a response to the following concern;

1. The Status of Payment of the Suppliers to the Kisumu County.
2. The Status of the Pending Bills and plans of settling them.

It is therefore my humble request that you open this matter for discussion as provided for under our Standing Orders. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, there is a Statement by Hon. Ngeta about the Pending Bills and he is requesting the Chairperson of Cooperative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development Committee to give feedback on the issues indicated in the Statement. He is requesting that I open the matter for debate. I believe it is a matter that you have seen going on

with the local contractors demanding for their payments and it is a concern even to the Members. I want to decline to open it for debate but I want to direct....

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): What is it Hon. Leader of Majority?

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Of course, I understand that the issue the Honourable Member is raising is very important. However, the traditions and norms of our parliamentary jurisdiction presupposes that whenever the Governor's Speech is still being debated, then that takes precedence and it cannot be interrupted by any other motion. Mr. Speaker, that is something that is in our parliamentary tradition and I would wish to indulge you that even though the matter is important but we cannot break away from the traditions and norms of our parliamentary jurisdiction.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. I believe that you heard me clear. I declined to open this matter for debate. We are only having two businesses as indicated in our Order Paper. This is a matter of topical concern and I am directing that this matter should not only be handled by the mentioned committee but I want to direct that we constitute an Ad Hoc Committee to look into this matter and the following Hon. Members shall be responsible to handle this matter;

1. Hon. Steve Owiti
2. Hon. Maurice Ngeta
3. Hon. Maureen Otiang'
4. Hon. Paul Okiri
5. Hon. Seth Okumu
6. Hon. Kenneth Onyango
7. Hon. Priscah Misachi
8. Hon. Benny Oiko
9. Hon. Jacktone Ogendo

The mentioned Members to look into this matter and report back within two weeks. It is Statement time.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would wish to rise under Standing Order No. 41 (2) (d). I know that we have the Motion for the Adjournment for Long Recess. However, the House cannot be in abeyance just because we out for long recess. I want to believe just as you had directed that the Ad Hoc Committee should expedite on that matter which is very urgent. Mr. Speaker, I would have wished that those House Committees that may have business and I believe quite a number of them have approached the leadership that they would want to sit over the recess period. I would propose that such committees do make a work plan together with the letter requesting for the meetings that they may have during this period.

Of course, it would be at the discretion of the Speaker to approve such kind of requests but I want to believe that if there is any reason that would make committees meet then, I want to believe the same will be granted. I would wish to plead with Members that if such requests are granted, then for once let us be serious and for once part of our oversight role which is very critical for this Assembly can be carried out during the recess period. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): It is Statement time!

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

MOTION

DEBATE ON THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH ON THE THIRD ANNUAL STATE OF THE
COUNTY ADDRESS

BY

HON. KENNETH ONYANGO

LEADER OF MAJORITY

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, we are continuing with the Debate on the Governor's Speech. Remember the rules of the debate. If you had given your submissions on the same then I am not going to allow you to contribute. Hon. Ogutu. Hon. Samo, Hon. Okumu, Hon. Omoro, Hon. Ojuok, Hon. Odongo, and Hon. Guya. Yes Hon. Caren Muga.

Hon. Muga: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to contribute to the Governor's speech. This was a speech and a report of its kind because it explains the progress we have made in different sectors of our County. I want to refer you to page 16. That is the establishment of Special Economic Zone. The Members of this House have supported this noble course because this will create employment of our people. The implementation of this project should move smoothly. The cases of land that were in courts were dispensed with and a directive had been given.

We are aware that insecurity has been a problem in our County. The County Government has done much in reducing the cases of insecurity through the construction of flood lights in various markets but we still need to add more lights especially at our borders.

I want to applaud the Governor for adopting the use of machine-based system in our road maintenance. I believe this is a move that is going to save our people from spending much while doing their businesses. Mr. Speaker, I support the motion. Thank you.

(Hon. Speaker is temporarily relieved by Temporary Speaker Hon. Okumu)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes. Hon. Jenifer Obonyo, Deputy Majority Whip.

Deputy Majority Whip (Hon. Obonyo): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to contribute and support the Governor's speech. Looking at the Agriculture Sector, you all saw the clip that was played at the Hall during the address by the Governor. You remember the boy who could not continue with his education due to lack of school fees but through the initiative of the Department of Agriculture, he was able to pursue his education. I therefore, want to support this address because it is not only positively touching on the people of Kisumu West Sub-County but also the entire County. I support the speech.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Aslam Khan.

Hon. Khan: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this motion and I want to begin by saying that, I take cognizant of the fact that the development that has been done in Kisumu is impressive and we have a bright future. I am convinced that if the proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill ratifies county allocations be added to 35% from 15% through the BBI then a lot of our industries will rise again. Remember the number of industries that were there in this County. I want to ask the Governor to do a lot in the Agricultural Sector so that we don't import more from our neighboring counties.

The fishing industry has been deplorable for a long time. The fishermen need refrigerators that can help them keep their catch as they wait for the market. We must ensure that the industry is up and running. We must come out and support the Governor as an Assembly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. Yes, Hon. Florence Olang'o.

Hon. Olang'o: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support this address by the Governor with the following reasons. It touched on Health, Education and Roads. The Governor has good plans for this County and I therefore support this speech. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Steve Owiti:

Hon. Owiti: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to contribute to the Governor's Speech which was being given for the third time in a row on the State of the County. Mr. Speaker, listening and reading through the speech, it is encouraging that, as we celebrate the third year, our Governor has highlighted some of the achievements that we can easily see in the City of Kisumu and this great County.

Mr. Speaker, food security was given prominence in the Governor's manifesto. I want to agree with the Governor that he has tried and in as much as he has tried, there is still need from us who come from the flood prone areas to come up with a way in which the flood can be mitigated so that Nyando, Nyakach and Muhoroni can be able to harvest when we are engaged in agricultural activities.

I also want to congratulate the Governor for being able to implement one of the highlights of his manifesto which was the Village Administration Units which is in accordance with the provisions of Article 176 of the Constitution. We have seen the creation of the Village Units and even the employment of the Village Administrators. This is one of the areas that will enhance the implementation of the devolution. I will urge our Governor together with his team to move with haste to ensure that the Village Councils are created as we move to the next Financial Year.

Mr. Speaker Sir, we also understand that the Governor is moving forward to introduce and implement the County Roads Maintenance Teams with more focus on machine-based approach and not contracting. This approach I want to believe that we as an Assembly, we will need to look at it keenly, give it our unwavering support and if possible, come up with mechanisms and modalities of improving it so that, it would be able to serve our people. Mr. Speaker Sir, in this the idea is noble but we find the challenge in the procurement of the machineries that we had budgeted for.

Mr. Speaker, I therefore want to appeal and encourage our Governor that he need to move with haste to ensure that machinery that were supposed to be procured be fast-tracked so that we are able to acquire these machines and put them into use.

Mr. Speaker Sir, Development as highlighted in this Third Annual State of the County Address, clearly shows that City development is per excellence. Mr. Speaker Sir, as we move forward, let us make the City resemble like a real City. We should also like to urge the Governor that, let him not be lost to the fact that, the County also has the Peri-urban and other rural areas that equally need to be developed and that actually required the per-excellence development that we have witnessed in the City. Mr. Speaker, I want to say that, in the next two Financial Years and as we move forward towards the end of this term, we should see more focus also given to other wards that are not necessarily in the jurisdiction of the City of Kisumu. So, that as we develop, we shall equitably develop without leaving other areas behind that might create marginalized regions within this County.

Mr. Speaker Sir, we are very proud of the development that we are witnessing, we are indeed very proud by the mere fact that, the Governor has recognized that the collaborative role the County Assembly has with that of the Executive, is one matter that has given his government an opportunity to implement its obligations and I would say accelerate development. As we contribute to the Third Annual State of the County Address, I urge this Assembly to keep this focus on the collaborative relationship without necessarily sacrificing the doctrines of separation of powers that is enshrined in the Constitution, 2010.

Mr. Speaker Sir, as I conclude I want to articulate that, we as an Assembly must still come out strongly to ensure that our Oversight Role is exercised judicially and with efficacy. The implementation of projects in this County is still wanting. When projects have been budgeted for and funds appropriated, you still find a lot of bureaucracies in the procurement processes and I

believe that, this is one of the areas that is degrading our gains. The excellent speech that our Governor gave, would have been far much better if those people entrusted with implementation of some of these projects would have done a much better work. I therefore urge the Governor to ensure that his officers who are entrusted with the implementation of projects move with haste and be officers who are hands-on so that the lethargy that we have experienced in the last years, be improved on.

Mr. Speaker, lastly, today we were here, we have seen the issues of the Pending Bills which has become a thorn in the flesh of this County. I want to beseech the Governor that, in his own wisdom and in collaboration with the Assembly, that we need to jointly find a methodology that would assist us settle the issues of Pending Bills once and for all. So, that this County can be taken to greater heights.

Mr. Speaker Sir, please allow me to congratulate the Governor once more for such a wonderful speech that was quite elaborate and informative. I want to say that, our Governor is one of the few Governors who has consistently despite the challenges that we have, has been able to deliver to the people of this County and Annual State of the County Address and I believe that, as I conclude my submissions, I would like to implore the Governor that in his Fourth Annual State of the County Address, I want to believe that he will equally give us a report on the implementation of projects especially at the Ward level which is one of the key highlights that this Government created and has disbursed a lot of funds to. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. God bless the people of Kisumu County and God bless Kisumu County Assembly.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Order Hon. Ogotu!! I have information that you had initially contributed the Third Annual State of the County Address that was delivered by the Governor, Kisumu County.

Hon. Ogotu: Mr. Speaker, I believe that, that information on your possession is not right. If you can refer to your Hansard Records, you will realize that Hon. Ogotu has not contributed to this motion.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Member. Let me first confirm with that. If it is my information which is not correct, you will be next.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Leader of Minority.

Leader of Minority (Hon. Oiko): Thank you Mr. Speaker for also according me time to give my contribution on this motion on the Third Annual State of the County Address that was delivered by the Governor, Kisumu County.

Mr. Speaker, on that Speech...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Mr. Clerk, could you please approach the Chair?

(The Speaker consults the Clerk)

Leader of Minority (Hon. Oiko): Mr. Speaker, we are happy because Kisumu County is an Agricultural County and we see the Governor making a lot of effort to improve agricultural input in this great County. The Government of Professor Peter Anyang' Nyong'o is reviving Cotton Farming in Kisumu County which had died long time ago. This will serve as a cash crop for our people and with this kind of cash crop, our people will be empowered. This is because they will produce sell and get money to take care of their families and to educate their children.

Mr. Speaker, in this report, I have seen that cassava plantation is also being encouraged. As you are all aware that cassava cuttings is a food crop that can withstand adverse weather conditions. When we go this direction, the County will be food secure.

Mr. Speaker, one which is very important is Rice Production in Kisumu County. The Government of Professor Nyong'o is promoting Rice Production. Rice can serve as both cash crop and food crop. If this is undertaken properly, with the effort that is being put in place, our people will have good life and in turn improve on their livelihood and fetch good money and we pray that good effort...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Serjeant-at-Arms, could you please confirm if Hon. Member's microphone is working properly.

Leader of Minority (Hon. Oiko): Mr. Speaker, with the Promotion of Rice Farming, our people will go in the right direction. The Government of Professor Nyong'o is making effort to install a Rice Milling Plant for Rice Farmers in Ahero. We all pray that, this is done with haste so that rice can be milled locally and sold to our people. The surplus can be exported to other neighboring Counties.

Mr. Speaker, another thorny issue on the Rice Production is the issues of Co-operative Societies. The Governor had instructed the Department of Co-operative and Trade to strengthen the Co-operative Societies in the Rice Belt areas. We hope that, they will put good effort to ensure that the Co-operative Societies are strengthened and to assist the farmers at the Co-operative Societies sell their produce. This is because the National Government had disbursed funds to the tune of Kshs 660 million to purchase rice from Kano and Mwea Tabere. The handicap that we are experiencing since these funds were disbursed by the National Government is that, our people who are the Rice Farmers don't have strong and established Co-operative Societies. I hope that the Department concerned will put good effort to ensure that farmers are enlightened, sensitized and they go the Co-operative Societies way. Once this is done, the Assembly will be called upon to make By-laws so that the middlemen don't take leverage of our farmers to sell rice to traders from Uganda. We need rice to be produced, milled in Kisumu, get the by-products so that our people can get employment and others. I believe that if this is will be done, we shall farmers will reap the benefits.

Mr. Speaker, having made my contributions on those issues, I would also want to touch a little on an issue that the Governor raised on the staff in Kisumu County.

Mr. Speaker, the Governor raised the above issue that the establishment of staff in Kisumu County is a thorny issue. The Government is not able to establish the exact number of employees to regulate the Wage Bill. The Wage Bill has been on a steady rise and it is estimated at about 46% above the recommended 35%. When the government is not sure of its staffing numbers, this raises eyebrows. Mr. Speaker, when you look at the Approved Budget Estimates of FY 2017/2018, which should be a record to rely upon, we are being informed that, the Personnel Emolument envisaged/projected to be paid in the year under review, was Kshs 3.2 billion and this represented 33%. This was FY 2017/2018 when the Governor was being inaugurated or coming to power.

Mr. Speaker, the successive FY 2018/2019, we are being told that, and this is a document that we can rely on because it is a document from the Office of the Controller of Budget (OCOB). The first nine months of FY 2018/2019, this is the report the OCOB furnished us with. The expenditure component on Personnel Emoluments represented an increase of 15.7% compared to a similar period of FY 2017/2018.

Mr. Speaker Sir, one would question if FY 2017/2018 the Personnel Emolument was about 33% at Kshs 3.2 billion. Mr. Speaker, after nine months from the period under review, the ratio went up by 15.7%, then what transpired in between? The Human Resource and Accounts Department must explain to the people of Kisumu County what really happened.

Mr. Speaker Sir, when you now go to FY 2018/2019, by the end of this FY, we are again being told by the OCOB that, County Public Service Board should develop an Optimal Staffing Structure and devise strategies to control expenditure on Personnel Costs within the recommended 35% of the County's total Revenue in-line with PFM Regulations 21 (5) (b) of 2015. The picture that we are getting is that, the Salary of staff of Kisumu County started rising when Governor Nyong'o came to power and this is not something that both the Departments cannot explain. They should be able to explain. Mr. Speaker, if we get the picture that we cannot be furnished with these answers to this matters, then, the questions now comes what is so special with Kisumu County. Mr. Speaker, the OCOB is again giving us another picture that by the end of FY 2018/2019, the figure increased by 2.7%. Mr. Speaker Sir, relying on these records, Staff at the Executive, should be able to explain what has been happening on the Wage Bill in Kisumu County. We cannot just take this matter for granted and this is an issue that the County Assembly should open its eyes on and interrogate and find out the true position. If there are ghost workers then they should be put aside so that our young and unemployed constituents get these positions.

My other issue is on the Pending Bills. As the Speaker has now formed an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate the same, I would just want to touch slightly on it. When we look at the approved

Budget Estimates for the FY 2017/2018, we are getting a figure of Kshs. 1, 402,000,000 billion, so we would take this as the official position of the former government's pending bills when they were handing over. From this therefore, the current government should be in a position to explain how the pending bills have increased, what they have paid as well as the position of the pending bills currently. We cannot have figures that don't match and it is great that an Ad-hoc Committee has been constituted which I am pleased to be a member so that we can deeply investigate this issues to ensure that the government gets a clarification on the same. At times it is quite difficult being open to the public but when a government produces a document like this touching on our wards plus other big book that touches on every ward, then this is indeed a government that is struggling to be transparent to its people and is opening ground for adjustment and ideas from the public. Otherwise thank you Mr. Speaker and I also thank the Governor for being transparent.

The temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. George Ogutu.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance to submit my contribution following the Governor's State of the County Address. From the book, it is clear that there is work to be done and it is upon us as Honorable Members as well as the people of Kisumu County to team up. My fellow Hon. Members have had great sentiments regarding what was entailed in the speech and I wouldn't have it any other way. I want to comment particularly on one area of concern and that is the Education Sector. Mr. Speaker, the Governor talked about Education which I believe highlighted good things that have been done by the County Government of Kisumu in regards to education.

Mr. Speaker, please let me touch on the Vocational Training Colleges or TVETs which forms a very important component in this country and in this, the Governor passionately talked about it. I want to confirm that I have one VTC in my West Nyakach Ward known as Obange VTC and I am contributing basically for purposes of improvement. Some of these VTCs need much improvement done to them and I believe that it is the responsibility of the Department of Education to do so. If we want to be industrialized in this county of Kisumu then, we must take these TVETs seriously because we know that it is the bridge for those who could not further their studies to do so in a professional way.

Mr. Speaker, we know that through the VTCs we can get good masons, and with good improvement of VTCs then we can have our very own graduates from the VTCs engaging in construction of other projects within our wards and county as a whole. I believe that the County Government of Kisumu has been using a lot of money in hiring contractors so with up to date equipment in these VTCs, we can get great ECD classrooms at fair prices subsidized by the County Government of Kisumu.

Consequently, I want to comment on the Department of Roads. Mr. Speaker, if you want to access Obange VTC, it will be challenging because of the poor road network. This is where the

road Machine-based Maintenance comes in and we are very sure as honorable Members and we know that the County Government of Kisumu initiated the machine based work which had a piloting period of the same. Today, when you were talking to the MCAs on the piloting of the machine based, you will be surprised to learn that not all wards were graced with the same. Despite it being a very good initiative, it might not be really helpful to the County of Kisumu if it is used like it was earlier. We have to get very nice roads towards our TVETs so that we can upgrade the students that are there. I have been quite passionate about the TVETs and even last time when the students were reduced from 25 to 18, I raised that issue and I can proudly report that just recently some MCAs were called and told to submit at least 25 students per ward, which is an improvement. If we can continue with how things are currently being done then, there won't be any hullabaloo in this Assembly.

Consequently, I want to comment on the flood menace and as a people, who are directly affected by the floods. I believe you are aware of areas such as West, North and parts of Central Nyakach, Kabonyo/Kanyagwal and Kobura, these are areas often affected by the floods. I know that the funds we are getting as a county might not be adequate but I believe we can somehow mitigate the issue of floods in good time to avoid effects caused to our people when floods come. My other worry is on the implementation bit of it. The Select Committee on Implementation should come up and tell us the percentage to which implementation has been done over the three years we have been around. It is wrong for projects to be initiated in areas of the county but is left undone; this is an issue that brings me to another consistent one which is on Pending Bills. Mr. Speaker, the Pending Bills has been a thorny issue in this county of Kisumu.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Order! Hon. Member I want to request you to summarize because we have other Honorable Members who want to contribute and we only have two motions to debate on.

Hon. Ogotu: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I am just summarizing with the issue of Pending Bills. We have to be very serious when we want to help this county to move on. It dawned on us when we were in Naivasha when all the Honorable Members saw that almost half of a project collapsed and yet we were told that this same project's money could not be accounted for. In addition, the project were classified and placed among the pending bills. I want to believe that Hon. Leader of Minority who asked a very pertinent question that if the former Governor left Ksh.1.402 billion as Pending Bills and also left some funds...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Order! Hon. Ogotu I am giving you only 30 seconds.

Hon. Ogotu: Mr. Speaker, it has come to our attention that pending bills keep on increasing? We really need to ask ourselves about this and it is good that the Hon. Speaker has formally constituted an Ad hoc Committee that is going to unravel this matter. Otherwise I support and thank you very much.

The temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Ngeta and kindly make it short.

Hon. Ngeta: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to emphasize on the sugarcane farming and as someone who comes from the sugar belt. A lot of sugarcane land is lying idle in our areas and it was a delight when I heard our beloved governor Hon Anyang' Nyong'o mentioning it. It is important for us to take this matter seriously so that our long serving sugarcane farmers can resume normalcy. Mr. Speaker, I was brought up as a result of Sugarcane farming and I can tell you for a fact that, our Leader of Majority has a thousand of acreage and he has never taken time to do even an acre. This issue of cane farming, we as a Country Assembly need to look at it because Agriculture in the 2010 Constitution is a devolved function and as a Committee of Agriculture we need to work on this so that we help our Governor invest in this sub-sector.

Secondly, I realized that there is a lot of money to the tune of Kshs 660 million for the Co-operative Societies. Our SACCOs have not been given these funds and only Kshs 20 million from this Kitty has so far been disbursed out of the Kshs 660 million. Mr. Speaker, we are aware that, our Youths and Women are suffering in these small groups and there are funds lying somewhere as a result of lack of sensitization. Mr. Speaker, the Standing Committee of Co-operative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development of this House should invite the line ministry to inform this House the reason as to why these funds have not been disbursed to these groups...

Leader of Minority (Hon. Oiko): On a Point of Order. Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to inform this House that the matter the Hon. Member is raising is not in the direction that he is putting it. The Kshs 660 million that he keeps on referring to was allocated for the Purchase of Rice in Kano and Mwea through the Co-operative Societies and it is not money being disbursed to the Co-operative Societies. They produce rice they mill it then, they sell it to the Kenya Co-operative Trading Corporation it is when they will get that money. The Government does not take these funds to the Accounts of the Co-operative Societies and that is the information that I wanted to convey to the House. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Leader of Minority. I hope that Hon. Ngeta is guided accordingly.

Hon. Ngeta: Mr. Speaker, I hope the Leader of Minority had taken his time to get my point because I believe that being a good listener will assist you in the future. Mr. Speaker, what I implied was that I applaud what the Governor is doing but, there is lethargy somewhere and we need to assist our County. Mr. Speaker, there is a lot of money and what we are talking about here is for the betterment of the people of Kisumu County. We don't want to be particular in a certain area so we need to be fair to the people of Kisumu County. Mr. Speaker, I believe that the Leader of Minority misunderstood my statement but I want to tell him to be a bit patient so that at the close of business he can have some points to take home.

Mr. Speaker, as I had reiterated earlier I am in concurrence with the Governor's Speech and we are totally behind the County Government of Kisumu. So, let us work together towards the achievement of the aspirations of the people of Kisumu County. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes, Hon. Nancy Owiti.

Hon. Nancy Owiti: Thank you Mr. Speaker for according me this opportunity and going by the mood of the House, I would like to call upon the mover to reply.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Foremost, allow me to applaud Hon. Members who have contributed to the Third Annual State of the County Address by the Governor of Kisumu County that was delivered on Thursday, 26th November, 2020.

Mr. Speaker, as has been the tradition of this House, this Address by the Governor has been debated in this House for the last three days as required by our Standing Orders. Mr. Speaker, I want to state that, indeed Hon. Members have expressed their satisfaction at the direction to which this County is moving.

Mr. Speaker, if you look at the Roster Stage of Economic Development, you will realize that it consists of five stages. There is usually the Traditional Society which is usually characterized by Traditional Methods of Production. Then we have the Preconditions for Take-off, we have the Take-off Stage, we have the Drive to Maturity and finally we have the Age of Mass Production.

Mr. Speaker, I want to say very categorically and unequivocally that Kisumu County is firmly in the Stage of Take-off as a result of very deliberate efforts and the focus that the Governor has put so that once more, this County can fly with eagles. This is not just a coincidence that this County is on firm pedestal for growth. This takes effort and it equally takes good planning and that is precisely what the Governor has done. Mr. Speaker, Hon. Members have contributed and I want to say that, the Annual State of the County Address encompasses almost every facet of our economy.

Mr. Speaker, there is the Agricultural Sector which is actually the backbone of our economy and indeed deliberate effort is being made by the Governor to ensure that Agriculture drives this economy. Many multi-approaches have been developed and numerous interventions have been put in place to ensure that at the end of the day, this County can become Food Secure. This ranges from Agricultural Production, Dairy Production, Horticulture and many other facets of the Agricultural Sector.

Mr. Speaker, there is also a very deliberate attempt by the Governor to improve our Healthcare. We are all aware that, a “Health Nation is a Growing Nation”. We cannot purport to be growing if our Health Sector is in turmoil. Of course the health sector has experienced challenges in the past...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Order!! Order!! Leader of Majority. Your duty was to reply to the motion.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker, I am summarizing because these are concerns that Hon. Members raised. Nevertheless I will try to be concise...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Leader of Majority, I just wanted to remind you that because now you are sneaking something in. I want to remind you that we are time bound, so, please make it succinct.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to say that, there is a move towards a right direction. Mr. Speaker, of course Hon. Members have highlighted significant issues like Pending Bills which I am aware that is a matter that needs to be dealt with. But of course it is similarly important that even as we raise these matters, we nurture them with facts. Mr. Speaker, I don't know where the former Government of Kisumu County handed over to this current Government a Pending Bill to the tune of Kshs 1.4 Billion which is a subject for debate. I am glad that an Ad hoc Committee has been established by the Speaker so that this matter can be delved into deeper.

Mr. Speaker, I want to state here that, during the Governor's Annual State of the County Address, he did indeed emphasis that moving forward, Contractors will only be paid for work that is completed. I believe that one of the issues that has made these Pending Bills to escalate, there are contractors who want to be paid for works that have not been completed. So, I believe that if this can be implemented to the letter, then, it will assist the County to resolve this matter of Pending Bills.

Mr. Speaker, Hon. Ogutu has also raised the issues of high costs of Constructing ECDs classes and TVETs. Mr. Speaker, today we had a Committee of Education that undertook Benchmarking in Migori County and they furnished us with evidence that indeed, these costs can be brought down. Probably, when we bring this matter to the floor of this House, then these House will probably seize the opportunity to make a decision on how cost cutting measures can be put in place to ensure that our Procurement does not drain this County unnecessarily.

Otherwise, I want to say that, of course Members have talked about this. The collaboration that has existed between the County Assembly of Kisumu and the County Executive. Mr. Speaker, since you assumed the Office of the Speaker, we have emphasized on the constructive engagements with the County Executive. So, that if there are issues that needs to be sorted out, we convene and we discuss. This has ensured that there is a seamless engagement between the Assembly and the Executive and that is what has ensured partly to this kind of astronomical development that we witness today. Mr. Speaker, that constructive engagement I want to say has equally enabled us to be on the right trajectory and focus now to construct the Ultra-modern County Assembly. I believe this was mentioned during the Third Annual State of the County Address that those are some of the developments that this Assembly is going to undertake in this Financial Year. Mr. Speaker, we are hopeful that, the Construction of the Ultra-modern County Assembly, the ground-breaking will be done before the end of this financial year. This also calls true to the Construction of the Speaker's Residence.

Mr. Speaker, we are generally doing very well and I believe that if we can work hand-in-hand with the Office of the Governor, in our capacity with regards to the oversight body of this County, then we shall help to move this County forward. Mr. Speaker, I want to encourage Members that please, let us not slacken, let us not hold back, let us do our work in a very robust manner without any malice whatsoever the way we have done so far and I want to believe that it will be good for the residents of this great County.

Otherwise, I want to thank all the Hon. Members for supporting this Third Annual State of the County Address by the Governor and I want to believe that this is the only way to go. Thank you so much.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Leader of Majority. Hon. Members... Order!! Order!! Hon. Member. Hon. Members, the Third Annual State of the County Address by the Governor of Kisumu County was moved and debated before this House and the document was laid. A Motion was moved by the Leader of Majority on the Debate on the Address by the Governor seconded and deliberated by Hon. Members and I want to propose that I now put a question for the adoption of the Third Annual State of the County Address by the Governor of Kisumu County?

(Question put and agreed to)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, the Third Annual State of the County Address by the Governor of Kisumu County is today adopted on the Thursday, 03rd December, 2020 at 16:04 hours.

Hon. Members, I want to direct that, this Address together with the Hansard Report and the Vellum be forwarded to the Office of the Governor. Consequently, let the Address be made available to the general public in the website of the County Assembly.. The Address be made a document of this House.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Next order!

MOTION

MOTION ON THE ADJOURNMENT FOR LONG RECESS PURSUANT TO GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 2324 READ TOGETHER WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY STANDING ORDERS NO. 25 (1) AND 26 (3).

BY

LEADER OF MAJORITY, HON. KENNETH ONYANGO.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of County Assembly of Kisumu Standing Orders No. 25 (1) which states that;

“Regular Sessions of the County Assembly

25.(1) Except for the Session commencing immediately after a General Election, the regular Sessions of the County Assembly shall commence on the second Tuesday of February and terminate on the first Thursday of December.

Mr. Speaker, acknowledging Gazette Notice No. 2324 of 13th March, 2020 in which the County Assembly gazetted its Annual Calendar...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Order!! Order Hon. Atieno, can you please consult in low tones.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker, which was a resolution of the House that the Long Recess was to commence as from Friday, 04th December, 2020 to Monday, 08th February,

2021. Further acknowledging that the County Assembly Standing Orders No. 26 (3) which states that; Calendar of the County Assembly;

“(3) On a day when the County Assembly is scheduled to adjourn to a day other than the next normal sitting day in accordance with the County Assembly calendar, the Leader of the Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party or another Member of the County Assembly Business Committee shall move a Motion of adjournment which shall be debated for not more than three hours after which the County Assembly shall adjourn without question put”.

Mr. Speaker, the Assembly now urges Members to adjourn the House until Tuesday 9th February, 2021 pursuant to County Assembly of Kisumu Standing Orders. That is precisely what the Standing Orders say. So, this is an adjournment that is in our Annual Calendar. It is also an occasion that will give Members an opportunity to interact with their constituents.

Nevertheless, this is an opportunity for Hon Members to enlighten their electorates on the Building Bridges Initiative (BBI), which is very critical to our democracy.

Mr. Speaker, in addition, as we break, Members should be cognizant of the fact COVID-19 is real and is out there. Therefore, we should not forget to adhere to the Health Protocols. I was the latest victim here to be attacked by this disease but I thank God for taking me through that horrendous experience. I stayed at home for eleven days to be precise. Thereafter, I went back for retest and I thank my Creator because the test came out negative. I would wish that wherever we feel unwell; let us always go for testing and with that, we can be saving lives.

Mr. Speaker, the other day when I was going for retest, I was with my friend Jenifer whom was also not feeling well. Unfortunately she was also tested negative. That is the courage I want to give other people whom may not be feeling well that, let us take the earliest opportunity to go for the test.

The other time, when the Leader of Minority was telling us about some concoctions on how to deal with COVID-19. Even though I was very adamant that some of them do not work, Mr. Speaker, sometimes it is better we go back to our roots. I remember when I was young and whenever my mother would detect some strange ailments coming, I would be covered by blankets and with some herbs. The next thing is, I would be sweating profusely and the following day all those foreign things would go out of my body. I shared that with Leader of Minority. You know he has seen a lot in this world and he advised me to try that and when I did, today my lungs are very open.

Mr. Speaker, that is on a light note. It is ingest, but I believe that it is something that can work for us. So, I want to wish the Hon. Members a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2021. Please let us take time with our families; let us try to encourage them amidst

these difficult times of COVID 19. At this juncture I want to ask the Leader of Minority to second the Motion on Adjournment. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Leader of Minority.

Leader of Minority (Hon. Oiko): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to second the Motion on Adjournment. It is stated in the County Assembly Annual Calendar that this is the right time to go for Long Recess to interact with our constituents and also to relax as we wait for the New Year. Without much ado, I wish the Hon. Members of Kisumu County Merry Christmas and a Prosperous new year. The adjournment motion is seconded.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. Hon. Members, Motion of Adjournment for Long Recess pursuant to the Gazette Notice No. 2324 and our Standing Order No. 25 (1) read together with No. 26 (3) has been moved by the Leader of Majority and seconded by the Leader of Minority and now I want to propose that we open the motion for debate.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. George Ogutu.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. It has been said by the Leader of Majority and we know very well that this event is in the Assembly Annual Calendar. Mr. Speaker it is very sad that you are sending Hon. Members back to their wards with empty pockets.

Mr. Speaker, I wish that Hon. Members were continuing being here. Going home empty handed will cause a lot of problems to Hon. Members. You are aware that of the tradition - since you are also a Hon. Member, that Hon. Members receive visitors every morning. It is very sad when you cannot even afford a cup of tea for your ward people. Sometimes you even decide that there is no need of going back home but rather stay here in the Assembly so that we continue with other undertakings which are geared to help this County.

It is tough outside there when you wake up every morning interacting with your ward people empty pocketed Mr. Speaker. If tables can be turned, I could propose that there is no reason for going home. Let us continue with our work which we were elected for, Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Seth Okumu): Thank you Hon. Member. I just want to guide you that under our Standing Order No. 26 (4), which states;

“Despite Paragraph (2) the County Assembly may, by resolution, alter its calendar or the adjournment date”

Hon. Member you have all the right to do that plus every other member. You only need to convince them and that one can be achieved.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. That is why I am pleading with them that there is no need of going home empty handed, thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Member. You have heard Hon. Ogutu wanting to stay in the Assembly.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Caren Muga.

Hon. Muga: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I concur with Hon. Ogutu. Truly today is 3rd and Hon. Members have not yet received their salaries. We have investigated and found out that the Finance Officer is not around. But, with the leadership of this House, they should all know that we should be getting our salaries on time. I fail to understand why the Leader of Majority was saying that we are working in harmony with the Executive if they are unable to append their signature on our things in time.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Seth Okumu): What is it Hon. Leader of Majority?

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker I am worried that the debate that is coming up is completely strange to the adjournment motion that I raised.

Laughter

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Member let me guide the House. Hon. Muga, we are talking about the adjournment and not the salaries of the members.

Hon. Muga: Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): First, allow me guide you. However much you may want to convince the Hon. Members in your contribution, you must lean towards the adjournment issue at hand.

Hon. Muga: That is where I was heading to.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu): Remember that, this House approved an Annual Calendar here in this House and we agreed and it is the practice of the House that between the first Thursday of December and the first Tuesday of February, we shall be on long recess. So, if you want to alter that, kindly contribute along those lines.

*Change of chair, (the Temporary Speaker Hon. Seth Okumu leaves the Chair as the Speaker
Hon. Oraro takes the Chair)*

Hon. Muga: Thank you very much. Actually that is where I was heading to, so I do not want to alter it. I wonder why you are preempting what I wanted to say. In other words we have to go by the calendar respectfully. If it has come to the floor that the adjournment motion is brought here, I fully stand in its support. We have to respect the calendar as the legislators.

Mr. Speaker, it was my worry and fear, which is why I did put it across for the House and the leadership. Maybe their pockets are full so that they do not know how we feel. As they said that we work cordially with the executives, let them push for it.

As I support this, I just want to wish my fellow colleagues a Merry Christmas and request for God's tender protection since we know that our Speaker is going to take good care of us. I am seeing the Leader of Majority with a lot of worries, but, I want to confirm to you that "I support!" this motion fully so that we go and rest. Sometimes, it is good to go and refrain a bit by going and meeting the community members who voted for us; that, we go have enough time with our family members. Let us go and embrace the time we have been given. Mr. Speaker sir, once again I support, thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Ogaga.

Hon. Ogaga: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support this motion of adjournment and I want to thank God for this far He has brought us. It is another wonderful time that we are going to have an opportunity to interact with our electorate. To me, I thank the County Government and I cannot complain especially if I hail from Nyakach Sub County.

In Agriculture Livestock and Fisheries Committee, we made field visits to farmers that have been supported by the County Government. During that exercise we happened to meet very successful farmers and therefore I am shocked if a Hon. Member can complain of being empty pocketed. I would be able to utilize the resources and be ...

(Loud consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Whom do you want to inform? Do you want to be informed?

Hon. Ogaga: Mr. Speaker I do not want to be informed.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): She doesn't want to be informed. So proceed Hon. Ogaga.

Hon. Ogaga: Apart from making good use of the resources available to be economically stable I will also take this opportunity to sensitize my electorates. Just the other day the County Government distributed farm inputs. This is a good time and the fact that it is also raining, we should take the opportunity to do our best with our people. Let us not make them be dependent on hand-outs. I know it is a big problem that we experience nationally that poverty level is quite high and especially with what we are currently going through that is the pandemic which has given us many challenges. We can still trust in God and make good use of the resources that we have. Let us work so that we see how to support our people and also how to support ourselves for them to be economically strong and where there are challenges, let this come up in the public participation so that we can see how to support the better.

Secondly, it is good that we are going for the long recess but we all understand and agree that Covid-19 also affected our work and in many areas I think it went down and therefore I want to make a humble request on behalf of my Chairperson for Finance and Education committee; we have a lot of work that is pending and we need to make field visits; we have a lot of reports to look at and a lot of issues to handle. We believe it is the same with other committees and therefore I want to request that we will be given time to come to the Assembly. I don't think that I was born here and come 2022 I will be going home or come back if the electorates allow me to come back here. I would want to be here for the sake of work so that by the time we are resuming in February then we will have reports to present on the floor of this House. I therefore support this but with a humble request that let us be given special sittings to be able to carry on with our work. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Okumu.

Hon. Okumu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Adjournment Motion. It has been a long and tedious year; we have had incidences like COVID-19 not only in the Country but in the County. It is time for the Hon. Members to go and spend time with family and friends. Mr. Speaker despite the fact that it is in our calendar, even if it were not in our calendar I would have still advised the Hon. Members to go home. We have Hon. Members who are here and are a little bit advanced in their age and they require to rest. We have Hon. Members representing people with disability that is Hon. Ollows; she needs time to rest and she needs to have her Christmas date early enough. I know that we have House Committees which need to do some work and yes we support that but, I would like to plead with the Chairpersons of those House Committees that let us not push it too much so that the Members can have time to rest.

They say that work without play makes Jack a dull boy. But I would want to urge the people of West Nyakach where Hon. Ogotu comes from; I believe that he has mentioned on the floor of this House that he might be struggling to get for them tea. We will assist him as much as possible so that he can be having tea so that Hon. Ogotu does not run away from home because people want to just drink tea. I know the people of Nyakach can drink tea. We miss a lot of people and like in my ward I miss a lot of them that I would like to have time and hang out with them. I have my friends like Omondi Saitoti and Otibo that I really want to have time and spend with them. I have my long friend from this House, Hon. Olga; I have not seen where she stays. This is the time for me to go and visit her so that we can take porridge together. I have just heard in this House that Hon. Olang'o makes the sweetest porridge in the whole of Kisumu County. I have not tasted that and this is the time to move around.

Mr. Speaker, I want to request the Hon. Members that should there be a special case that needs our presence in this Assembly or the Speaker calling on a Special Sitting so that we can dispense on a matter of urgent need in this County, let us not refrain from offering our time to come even though we will be on holidays. Otherwise I support the adjournment motion and immediately

you will release us today we are heading home and I am going to invite Hon. Leader of Minority so that we can share a piece of meat of some goat that I have been keeping all this long. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Obonyo.

Hon. Obonyo: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to call the mover to reply.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Leader of Majority.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Kenneth Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to thank the Hon. Members for their contribution. I have heard the sentiments of Members and especially the sentiments of Hon. Ogutu. I happened to have stayed in that part of the County and I know Nyakach people are very proud and certainly they cannot miss tea or porridge to drink in the morning. Mr. Speaker we as Hon. Members need to be innovative so that we give our constituents good example. It is sad that we as net consumers buy everything that we literally eat and that is the point where some of us can have panic of not staying at home. I would wish that we become innovative. *Nyar Alego* was just whispering to me that she has special menu that I can visit her tomorrow. Those are the kind of innovativeness that we would like the Hon. Members to embrace so that we don't panic so much when circumstances don't go your way at certain times. Otherwise, I would like to appreciate the Members and once more I want to urge Members that as we start the recess let us be careful with COVID-19 and whenever you feel unwell, go to the hospital and get tested. I remember when I was unwell I heard the opportunity of sharing with you and urged me to go and get tested which I did. We also need to be positive in our minds because sometimes when we get stigmatized then we go very fast.

Mr. Speaker, I just lost a friend of mine who was the first cousin of Mr. Anditi. People we know just die very suddenly and this happens every day. We cannot take our health matters for granted. If at all we are not feeling well, I want to reiterate that we seek medical attention. Otherwise I want to wish you the best as we go to our respective homes. Anybody who wants to invite me for meat or porridge I will be available. You know that my appetite is improving and I would like to say that it was very low. So, if you invite me I would readily come so that we can know one another better. Let us remain united in this Assembly. Let us not have very weird conversations especially in our WhatsApp groups. We have leadership in this Assembly and the Speaker is the symbol of leadership here. When we sometimes make remarks that demeans that position of the Speaker then it becomes very absurd. I want to plead with you that, let us respect our leaders. You may not like their faces so much but they are the people that God has given us to serve with us. We have a short time because I know that the House may be recalled to pass the (Constitutional Amendment Bill) BBI Bill before the recess ends and thereafter we shall be busy popularizing the BBI for referendum. After referendum it will be politics. So we don't have time to engage in petty squabbles that really derails us. Let us pull together and if there is anything then we shall enjoy together. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members now that the Motion on Adjournment has been proposed by the Leader of Majority seconded and debated upon, I want to refer ourselves to Standing Orders No. 26 which is basically about the Annual Calendar of the County Assembly and I believe that each and every one of us had access to the calendar. We are aware that at a date such as today the Assembly goes for long recess and we shall be back at the first Tuesday of February.

Before I make a ruling I want to urge Members that you take care when you go home. When Christmas period may be very short but sometimes it has to be very long. I know we have our children at home because of COVID – 19. I know that we are anticipating that they may be going back to school in January. I know the welfare issues of us may be very tricky but I want to urge Member that you be careful. Covid-19 is real and it is still with us. If you feel anything that is contrary to the normal feeling kindly rush to the hospital and get tested and follow the MOH protocols that have been provided for and that are being reminded to us every day.

As the Leader of Majority has put it, you may be called anytime for a special sitting. I want to request that by your indulgence that if that one is made, kindly come so that we work on the business at hand. We also have a number of activities that is papers that came to us from the Executive in terms of Bills and policies. We may not have laid them because they had to undergo a number of steps before they reach the House for laying. Anytime the technical team will be through with them, we may call you that we proceed with the same. I also know that there are a number of House Committees with pending works. I would like to encourage you to write to the Speaker we look at it with your proposed schedules then, we will act on it accordingly. Otherwise, may I take this opportunity to wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and may Hon. Olang'o invite me for the porridge.

The ward that I was representing is also undergoing some campaigns in the process of electing a new person. I understand and I know that the majority in this House is ODM. I was also elected on ODM ticket and even I being the Speaker was under ODM and I am praying that the ODM candidate that was given the certificate excels and comes in this House.

Standing Orders No. 26 (3) provides that once the adjournment motion has been done, seconded and debated a question is not put.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): In that regard the House stands adjourned to Tuesday, 09th February 2021 at 2.30 p.m.

(House rose at 4.35 p.m.)

Addendum

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