

PARLIAMENT OF KENYA

THE SENATE

THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 24th November, 2020

*The House met at the Senate Chamber,
Parliament Buildings, at 2.30 p.m.*

[The Speaker (Hon. Lusaka) in the Chair]

PRAYER

PETITION

DISPUTE CONCERNING MUHORONI LAND LR NOS. 3977
AND 3978 IN KERICHO COUNTY

Sen. Olekina: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. we have a serious problem and this will not be resolved by the Committee on Lands, Environment and Natural Resources. I register my appreciation for the Petitioner who has yet again reminded us that we are the House of reason that will be able to solve these problems.

We have a serious problem. The Senate Committee on Lands, Environment and Natural Resources currently has 27 Petitions, 20 of them dealing with land. The Committee also currently has 30 Statements which all have to do with land issues. The issue of the Petition is that there is a timeframe of about 60 days to complete this.

I beseech you to look at ways that this can be resolved through an Ad Hoc Committee bringing all these 27 Petitions. If you were to then commit this Petition to the Committee, it would make the 28th Petition.

When we walked into this House, I received a phone call from a gentleman called Dominic Olonana from Kilgoris also complaining about the issue of land registry in Kilgoris saying it is causing a lot of problems. Currently, we have a problem between the boundary of Narok and Migori. We have land which has been adjudicated; the land is in Narok County but its administration is in Migori County.

We are not the first people to see these things. When one goes back to some of the recommendations by the Ndung'u Report, one of them was that they had to bring all those registrations that dealt with land which were by then around 40. They dealt with administration, land use, ownership and boundary disputes.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I beseech you that this is the moment when we should go outside the norm and start thinking outside the box. Let us get an *Ad Hoc* Committee. Let us sit

down on this and bring all those Petitions. That is the only way that the people of Kericho, Narok-Kilgoris all the way to Elang'anais and Migori will get justice.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I remind you of what my colleague Sen. Mutula Kilonzo Jnr. reminded you. This is the time for legacy. History will be written that you stood firm on the issue of revenue allocation. Now you have got another opportunity. Think outside the box, Mr. Speaker Sir, because this issue where we are now talking about expansionist theories, it will cause a lot of problems since we know matters of land are emotive. People are talking about land causing fracas around the country. This is your time, and I know you will rise to the occasion.