The East African Legislative Assembly met at 2.30 p.m. at the Chamber of the Assembly, Ngorongoro Wing, Sixth Floor, AICC Complex, Arusha

PRAYER

[The Speaker, Hon. Abdirahin Haither Abdi, in the Chair]

The Assembly was called to Order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

The Speaker: Honourable Members, I rise to notify you of the decisions of the House Business Committee that met yesterday.

1. Programme of Activities

You will recall that the Summit of the Heads of State will be meeting in Kampala on Monday, 18 June 2007. We have been invited to attend and I am making arrangements for your travel to Kampala to attend the Summit. The House Business Committee is also finalizing details of another programme we wish to undertake in Uganda. When it is ready, the Clerk will circulate it to you later on.

2. Recommendation of Officers of the Assembly for Appointment

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 49(2) (f) the Assembly is required to recommend to the Council the appointments of its officers. Two posts, that of Senior Clerk Assistant and Accountant were advertised and the normal process of selection was done. Upon the advice of the interviewing panel, the following candidates have been approved by the House Business Committee on your behalf:

1. Mr. Alex Obatre Lumumba,
   Senior Clerk Assistant
2. Mr. Joseph A. Malesi,
   Accountant.
We will forward these names to the Council of Ministers for appointment. Please take note accordingly. I thank you.

**MOTION**

**FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Ms. Dora Byamukama (Uganda): Mr. Speaker, sir, I beg to move a Motion on behalf of the House Business Committee—

THAT, in accordance with the provisions of Rules 77, 78 and 81(3)(c), this House do appoint the following Members to serve on the Standing Committees:

**Committee on Accounts:**
1. Hon. Dr. Didas J. Masaburi
2. Hon. Dr. Gharib S. Bilal
3. Hon. Janet Mmari
4. Hon. Margaret Nantongo Zziwa
5. Hon. Bernard Mulengani
6. Hon. Dora B. Kanabahita
7. Hon. Catherine N. Kimura
8. Hon. Christopher Nakuleu
9. Hon. Otieno C. Karan

**Committee on Legal Rules, and Privileges:**
1. Hon. Abdallah A. H. Mwinyi
2. Hon. Dr. Aman W. Kabourou
3. Hon. Dr. Fortunatus L. Masha
4. Hon. Daniel O. Wandera
5. Hon. Dora B. Kanabahita
6. Hon. Dan Kidega
7. Hon. Gervase Akhaabi
8. Hon. Sarah B. Talasa
9. Hon. Augustine C. Lotodo

**Committee on Agriculture, Tourism and Wildlife**
1. Hon. Dr. George Nangale
2. Hon. Dr. Fortunatus L. Masha
3. Hon. Sebtuu Nassor
4. Hon. Mike K. Sebalu
5. Hon. Nusura Tiperu
6. Hon. Dan Kidega
7. Hon. Otieno C. Karan
8. Hon. Safina K. Tsungu
9. Hon. Augustine C. Lotodo

**Committee on Regional Affairs and Conflict Resolution**
1. Hon. Dr. Aman W. Kabourou
2. Hon. Kate S.M Kamba
3. Hon. Abdallah A.H Mwinyi
4. Hon. Mike K. Ssebalu
5. Hon. Mugisha Muntu
6. Hon. Nusura Tiperu
7. Hon. Sarah B. Talaso
8. Hon. Christopher Nakuleu
9. Hon. Augustine C. Lotodo

**Committee on General Purposes**
1. Hon. Dr. Didas J. Masaburi
2. Hon. Dr. George Nangale
3. Hon. Sebtuu Nassor
4. Hon. Daniel O. Wandera
5. Hon. Lydia Wanyoto Mutende
6. Hon. Bernard Mulengani
7. Hon. Reuben O. Oyondi
8. Hon. Safina K. Tsungu
9. Hon. Sarah B. Talaso

**Committee on Communications, Trade and Investments**
Hon. Dr. Gharib S. Bilal
Hon. Janet D. Mmari
Hon. Kate S.M Kamba
Hon. Margaret Zziwa
Hon. Lydia Wanyoto Mutende
Hon. Mugisha Muntu
Hon. Reuben O. Oyondi
Hon. Catherine N. Kimura
Hon. Gervase Akhaabi
Mr. Abdallah Mwinyi (Tanzania): Seconded.

(Question proposed)

Mr. Otieno Karan (Kenya): Mr. Speaker, in supporting the Motion, I want to emphasize a few points. I would hate for this House to appoint these committees as a matter of procedure and tradition. I want to request that the committees are facilitated to function, because the House operates through committees. So, in appointing these committees, the Members are expectant that these committees will be facilitated to function so that the Assembly can be effective. I beg to support.

Mr. Mike Ssebalu (Uganda): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. These names have been thoroughly studied by the House Business Committee and the procedures and processes through which they went in the country chapters were elaborate, and at the end of the day, these names were arrived at through a consensus building mechanism. Therefore, I beg to move that we do pass the list and adopt these names of the hon. Members to serve in the committees for the tenure that has been speculated.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker: Honourable Members, that marks the end of our business for the day. I adjourn the House sine die...I am told that there is a fire somewhere in the building, therefore we have to vacate the building immediately.