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EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SIXTH MEETING - FIRST SESSION - THIRD ASSEMBLY

ORDERS OF THE DAY

TUESDAY, 28TH MAY, 2013 AT 2.30 PM

1. **PRAYER**
2. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**
3. **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

MOTION

“THAT, This House pursuant to the provisions of Article 55(1) of the Treaty and Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure, do resolve to hold Sittings in Kampala, in the Republic of Uganda.

(Chairperson, Committee on Legal, Rules and Privileges)

4. **ADMINISTRATION OF OATH**
5. **DEBATE ON THE STATE OF EAC ADDRESS**

Motion

“THAT, This House do commend the Chairperson of the EAC Summit of Heads of State for the concise exposition of the EAC policy contained in the State of the EAC address to this Assembly on Wednesday 24th April, 2013.

(Chairperson, Council of Ministers)

6. **QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

The Hon. Dora Kanabahita Byamukama to ask the Chairperson of EAC Council of Ministers

(i) EALA/PQ/OA/3/16/2012

Article 5(1) and 5(2) of the Treaty refers. Can the Chairperson of the Council of Ministers inform the House of:-

- a) What steps have been taken towards realization of the ultimate stage of integration - Political Federation?
- b) What mechanisms have been deployed to realize accelerated, harmonious and balanced development and sustained expansion of economic activities and to ensure equitable sharing of benefits?

The Hon. Susan Nakawuki to ask the Chairperson of EAC Council of Ministers

(ii) Ref: EALA/PQ/OA/3/06/2013

It is nearly three years since the Common Market Protocol was signed. The Protocol places several responsibilities on the Partner States along with other stakeholders to spearhead the implementation process. Towards this end, funds have been set aside to facilitate the process. Therefore:-

- (a) Can the Chairperson of the Council appraise the August House on the Country- by-Country status of the implementation of the Protocol?
- (b) Could he further appraise the House on what the EAC Secretariat has been doing since July 2010 to facilitate the Partner States in implementing the Protocol?
- (c) How much money has been budgeted by the Secretariat since July 2010 to specifically facilitate the implementation of the Protocol and what significant results have been achieved?

(iii) Ref: EALA/PQ/OA/3/07/2013

The negotiations for the proposed EAC monetary Union were based on agreed timelines. However, we note a slow pace in the process since the 2nd half of 2012.

Could the Chairperson of the Council:-

- (a) Detail to this August House all the key elements of the Monetary Union including the East African Currency Board and the Central Bank. Could he further state the proposed timelines?
- (b) Inform this August House what challenges are being experienced, if any, that are causing delays in the negotiations;
- (c) Inform the August House by way of a road map when the EAC Monetary Union Protocol is likely to be concluded.

The Hon. Isabelle Ndahayo to ask the Chairperson of EAC Council of Ministers

(iv) Ref: EALA/PQ/OA/3/10/2013

Aware that the EAC Protocol on Environment and natural Resources Management was signed in March 2006 by the then Partner States and further aware that the Republic of Kenya and the Republic of Uganda have ratified the protocol and submitted instruments of ratification to the Secretary General;

Could the Chairperson of the Council inform this august House

- (a) If there are any challenges to get the required full ratification and what the Council is doing to mitigate them to ensure completeness of the process?
- (b) The EAC Partner States are signatory to different Conventions, agreements and Treaties on "Environment and Natural resources".

Could the Chairperson of the Council update the House on the current status of the implementation of these commitments?