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The House met at the County Assembly Chamber at 9:30 a.m.

(Mr. Speaker [Hon. Emmanuel Situma] in the Chair)

MOTION

**REPORT BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND
INVESTMENT OF BUNGOMA AND TRANS NZOIA COUNTY ASSEMBLIES ON
THE INTERROGATION OF NZOIA WATER SERVICES COMPANY**

Hon. Speaker: Chair of the Committee, PAC, members of PAC Committee. The beautiful part of this report is that we'll proceed as long as the Assembly is going to pay the members of PAIC Committee. Even if we will find one, he'll proceed with the report.

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: Thank you, Speaker. Indeed I have seen my colleague, who is a member of that Committee, though he was doubtful, is he handling the document, the original one or not. But I'm a worried member of this House, because I received this report at 9:17a.m. this morning. I don't know other members, because my gadget is when maybe it's receiving the report. I don't know if other members have the report or not. You can even see from the disorganization of the Committee itself also. So it has moved and raised with the members. So through your wisdom, Speaker, you can guide us.

Hon. Speaker: Leader of Majority, what you seek from me is very difficult, because I have been able to confirm. Members, I think there were challenges in sending this report at exactly 7:00 a.m. in the morning. What you've received has been resent for the third time since morning. And I'm using even my gadget and up to now is yet to indicate the level of the same. Honourable Members, we are about to break for a short recess. I will want to know whether the member who is having the report is ready and waiting to proceed or not, because for our case, we are ready. From the Speaker's office, we are ready to proceed.

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: Thank you, Speaker. Actually we have a report, but my big question is, was it a must that they wait until today morning is when they are sending the report or when the notice was given. And you know the notice was given almost two weeks ago. So what are the challenges in between then up to now? Because, Hon. Speaker, now are we at the mercy of the person who was to send us the report?

Hon. Speaker: Yes, Hon Luseneka, because I know where this House is heading to.

Hon. Anthony Luseneka: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. We are ready to proceed. But I also want to agree with the Leader of Majority that whenever a notice of motion is moved in this House, your communication is always clear that the report should be circulated to members from that particular time. I don't know what happens within that time, because like this report, we moved the notice I think two weeks ago and the report was sent today morning. And this is a critical report. It covers, I don't want to pre-empt, but it affects the two counties.

So, it's just prudent enough to give members enough time so that when this House makes a decision, then it is the one that will help this County move forward.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Meshack, you will be heard. Hon. Luseneka, is saying that he is ready and willing to proceed. You are the only member of the Committee in this House, if you are not aware.

Hon. Meshack Simiyu: Asante Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa hii nafasi. Vile Kinara wa Wengi amesema, unajua ukiwa mahali penye umekaa ukisema neno moja tu lazima wale wafanyi kazi wetu waweke maanani yale yenye umesema ili kazi yetu iwe rahisi sana. Hii kitu imekuja kama imechelewa. Ukiangalia mambo ya PAC wenyewe kwa sababu siyo mtu mmoja. Ata saa hii ndio naona Mheshimiwa Nganga ndio anaingia kama angeanza na tumalize hatungekuwa na yule *seconder*. Kwa hivyo nataka niombe ya kwamba tuwapee muda kidogo ili tukisoma mambo ya Trans Nzoia na Bungoma tutakuwa tumechukua maanani.

Hon. Speaker: Table clerks, you should share the report in advance and I don't understand how can you share the report early in the morning, when the reports notice was issued way back in March. So what Majority Leader is saying is true that basically in essence you are part of the saboteurs of these House transactions.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: Based on that, we adjourn the sittings. This report shall be moved today at 2: p.m. to allow members really interrogate this report accordingly. But the office that is in charge of sending reports, the reports must be send out at least 48 hours before moving it. They may be at home but going through the report, so they come here prepared. I am imagining like Hon. Waiti driving all the way from Naitiri coming here will he be reading the report on the way or driving? Because he nearly met God and came back so we don't want to go to that direction. On that basis, we adjourn the House. Report to be heard at 2:00 p.m. today. We adjourn.

(The House rose at 9:40 a.m.)