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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT

CHAIRMAN, SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES.

Pursuant to standing order 45(2) (b), I rise to seek a statement from the chairperson of the standing committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries regarding the fate of Tea farmers whose deposits from tea sales' proceeds went down with the collapse of both Imperial and Chase banks.

In the statement, the chairperson should:-

- (i) State whether the Government is aware that tea farmers under KTDA ltd. cannot access Kshs.4.8Billion deposited in both Imperial and Chase banks which are under receivership.
- (ii) Whether Central bank of Kenya can intervene to allow KTDA on behalf of affiliate factories to access their entire deposits in both banks to facilitate this year's payments of 2nd payments (Bonus)
- (iii) Whether KTDA could be prevailed upon to pay farmers in excess of 75% of what is due to the farmer monthly for the deliveries made in order to reduce the money held by KTDA and deposited in various banks for most of the year ostensibly to earn interest.

(iv) Whether KTDA can be compelled through a Government directive to operate within their core mandate of processing and marketing tea and minimize establishment of subsidiary companies that of enlead to the temptation of retaining huge sums of money held in banks.

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