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**ON THE BUSINESS THAT LAPSED AT THE END OF THE SECOND
SESSION AND TRAINING ON PAPERLESS SOLUTION**

Honourable Members,

I wish to take this opportunity to welcome you all to this August House as we commence the Third Session of the Twelfth Parliament. It is my hope that you had a happy and restful recess and that you are now fully rejuvenated and ready for the heavy legislative agenda that lies ahead this Session.

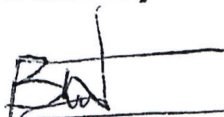
Honourable Members, as we commence the Session, I wish to bring to the attention of the House that, going by our practices and the Standing Orders, certain business that was not concluded at the end last Session has now lapsed. This includes Bills published in the First Session (2017) but whose Second Reading had not been concluded at the end of the last Session of this Parliament, save for a Bill to amend the Constitution or a Bill originating from the Senate. The same applies to all Motions, all Petitions *that have not exceeded the sixty days consideration limit* and all Questions. To this end, any Committee or individual Member who wishes to re-introduce such business is advised do so following the usual procedure. In addition, respective Committees are requested to write to the individual Petitioners indicating the status of the lapsed Petitions.

Honourable Members, I wish to also draw the attention of the House to the fact that the term of Sessional Committees has come to an end and therefore they will be reconstituted afresh. These include the Committee of Powers and Privileges and Committee on Members' Services and Facilities. The Committee on Selection is thus required to expedite the process of nominating Members to serve in the said Committees.

Honourable Members, as you are aware, the process of installation of the paperless solution in the National Assembly Chamber which has been ongoing has since been concluded and is now ready to be rolled out. The process is aimed at, among other things, enabling the House to fully embrace the *e-Parliament* initiative. The said installation will ease access to parliamentary papers, documents and journals such as Order Papers, the Standing Orders, the Constitution, Committee Reports, Bills and Acts of Parliament by enabling access of the same in electronic form.

Honourable Members, to ensure that all Members are familiar and conversant with the use of the paperless system, short briefing sessions have been organized for all Members. The said briefing will take place commencing today **Tuesday, 12th February, 2019** after the rise of the House and will go on for the next two weeks, every day from 9.00 am to close of business when the House is not sitting. You are therefore notified to attend these crucial sessions. In addition, there are ongoing minor alterations and refurbishments of the Members' lounges in the Main Building which will inevitably disrupt some services around the Members' restaurants and lounges. However, alternative arrangements have been made in the adjacent spaces. Your co-operation is therefore requested during this time.

I thank you!



THE HON. JUSTIN B.N. MUTURI, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Tuesday, February 12, 2019