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Chair - D.C on Transport  
Public Works &  
Housing on 18/3/15  
Afternoon Sitting.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, PUBLIC  
WORKS AND HOUSING

REPORT ON THE PETITION REGARDING STOPPAGE OF  
KENYA AIRWAYS 'OPERATIONS ON NAIROBI-ELDORET  
ROUTE AND THE INCONVENIENCES CAUSED BY  
JAMBOJET



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## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### 1.1. PREFACE

On Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014, a petition was tabled before the House pursuant to Standing Order No. 225 (2)(a) by the Hon. David Kangog Bowen, MP, Member for Marakwet East , on behalf of residents of North Rift and Businessmen regarding Stoppage of Kenya Airways' operations on Nairobi-Eldoret route and the inconveniences caused by JamboJet

Pursuant to Standing Order 227 (1), the petition was referred to the Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing for consideration and preparation of a report within 60 days. The Committee considered the petition pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 227 (1) and (2).

### 1.2. MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee is established pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 216, with the following terms of reference: -

- a) to investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned Ministries and departments;
- b) to study the programme and policy objectives of Ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- c) to study and review all legislation referred to it;
- d) to study, access and analyze the relative success of the Ministries and departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- e) to investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned Ministries and departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the House or a Minister;



- f) to vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the National Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 204 (Committee on Appointments); and
- g) to make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

The Committee is mandated to consider matters of Transport, Roads, Public works, Construction, Maintenance of roads, rails and buildings, air, seaports and housing and oversees the following Government Ministry and State Department, namely: -

- a) Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure;
- b) State Department for Housing
- c) Directorate of Public Works and Urban Development

### 1.3 COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

The Committee was constituted on May 20<sup>th</sup> 2013 and its membership is as follows:-

1. The Hon. Maina Kamanda, M.P. – (**Chairperson**)
2. The Hon. Eng. Mahamud Maalim, M.P. – (**Vice Chairperson**)
3. The Hon. Eng. Stephen Ngare, M.P.
4. The Hon. Ali Wario, M.P.
5. The Hon. Arch. David Kiaraho, M.P.
6. The Hon. Cecily Mbarire, M.P.
7. The Hon. Capt. Clement Wambugu, M.P.
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23. The Hon. Mishi Juma, M.P.
24. The Hon. Aduma Owuor, M.P.
25. The Hon. Chachu Ganya, M.P.
26. The Hon. Omar Mwinyi, M.P.
27. The Hon. Ahmed Abbas Ibrahim, M.P.
28. The Hon. Omulele Christopher, M.P.
29. The Hon. Mukwe James Lusweti, M.P.

The Committee proceeded with the consideration of the petition by holding meetings to set up terms of reference and scheduling meetings.

#### **1.4 CONSIDERATION OF THE PETITION**

The Committee proceeded with the consideration of the petition by holding meetings to set up terms of reference and scheduling meetings.

The Committee in considering the petition invited and held meetings with the petitioner Hon. David Kangog Bowen, MP, and officials from the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure. The purpose of the meetings was to respond to the issues raised in the petition. The meetings were held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of March 2015

## 1.5 COMMITTEE OBSERVATION

Having held meetings and considered the submissions made to the petition, the Committee observed that based on the market data currently available and on the size of aircraft currently operated by JamboJet and Kenya Airways, only one of the two carriers can serve this route on commercially viable bases with double daily frequency.

## 1.6 RESPONSE TO THE PRAYERS IN THE PETITION

The petitioners had prayed that the National Assembly through the Committee:-

- I. Recommend that Kenya Airways will rescind its April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 decision to stop its operations of KQ on the Nairobi-eldoret route in favor of Jambojets and
- II. Retain Jambojet so that travelers have choices.

With regards to the above prayers the Committee recommends the management of Kenya Airways Limited review the possibility of acquiring more appropriate aircrafts for Jambo Jet to enable it operate direct flights from Nairobi to Eldoret without operating circular flights through Kisumu.





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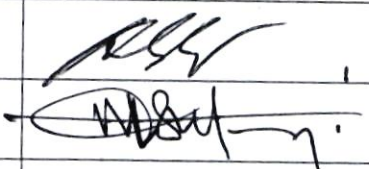
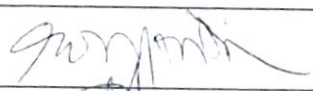
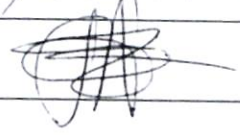

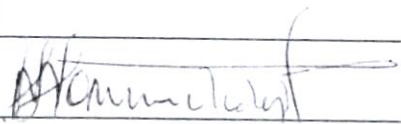


## ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – 3<sup>RD</sup> SESSION

### DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING

Adoption of the Report on the Petition by Hon. David Kangogo regarding the stoppage of Kenya Airways operations on Nairobi-Eldoret route

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4.	Hon. Christopher Omulele, MP	
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For: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**1.7. ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The Committee wishes to sincerely thank the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the National Assembly for the necessary support extended to it in the execution of its mandate.

Being the Chairperson of the Committee, I take this opportunity to thank all the Members of the Committee for their patience, sacrifice, endurance and hard work during the long sitting hours under tight schedules which enabled us to complete the tasks within the stipulated period.

The Committee wishes to record its appreciation for the services rendered by the staff of the National Assembly attached to the Committee. Their efforts made the work of the Committee and the production of this Report possible.

Finally, it is now my pleasant duty, on behalf of the Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing, to present this report to the House pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders of the National Assembly.

SIGNED: .....  .....

**THE HON. MAINA KAMANDA, M.P.**

**(CHAIRPERSON)**

**DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING**

DATE: ..... *14/3/05* .....



## 2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Petition by residents of North Rift and Businessmen was presented to the House by the Hon. David Kangogo Bowen, MP, Member for Marakwet East, on Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 pursuant to Standing Order No. 225 (2)(a).
- 2.2 Pursuant to the Standing Order 227 (1), the petition was referred to the Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing for consideration and preparation of a report within 60 days. The Committee considered the petition pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 227 (1) and (2).
- 2.3 In their petition, the petitioners wished to **draw the attention of the House that** transport is an important aspect in business and development of any particular country, noting that affordable and effective means of transport bolsters efficiency in service delivery; be it be the economic or administrative sectors.
- 2.4 **That**, Kenya Airways is a National Airline destined to serve and benefit all parts of Kenya without discrimination
- 2.5 **That**, launching and operationalization of a low cost carrier (LCC); Jambo jet by Kenya Airways was anticipated to be a solution in the transport sector due to its cheaper cost and capacity to cater for the increased demand for air travel.
- 2.6 **That**, the move by Kenya Airways to stop Kenya Airways operations on the Nairobi-Eldoret on April 1, 2014 favor of its subsidiary Jambojet, has caused a lot of inconvenience to travelers in the region and the travelers have in one way or another faced time related constraints as a result of the network change. Further, a traveler to Eldoret sometimes has to travel via Kisumu to Nairobi. This, in itself, frustrates travelers who have timelines to meet.

## 3.0 SUBMISSIONS AND EVIDENCE

Having been seized of the Petition, the Committee commenced its investigations by inviting the Petitioner, Hon. David Bowen, MP, the Ministry of Transport and



Infrastructure on the **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2015**. The purpose of the meetings was to respond to issues raised by the petitioners

### **3.1 MEETING WITH THE PETITIONER**

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2015 the Committee met with the Hon. David Kangog Bowen, MP, where he underscored the importance of transport in regards to business development. He emphasized on the inconveniences caused the Jambojet particularly to business people in the region.

### **3.2 MEETING WITH THE OFFICIALS FROM THE MINISTRY TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE**

The Principal Secretary for State Department of Transport Mr.Nduva Muli, appeared before the Committee on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015. He informed the Committee, that:-

- I. Initially, and in agreement with the Kenya Airways, Jambojets's network strategy was to serve the four main airports in Kenya i.e. Nairobi, Mombasa, Kisumu and Eldoret. The initial months of network implementation has also provided the management of both Kenya Airways and Jambojet with an opportunity to receive and evaluate feedback from regular travelers on all the routes, including on the Nairobi-Eldoret route. Based, on the market data currently available and on the size of aircraft currently operated by both carriers, only one of the two carriers can serve this route on a commercially viable bases with double daily frequency. Responding to travelers' feedback, the scheduling team of both airlines recently reviewed the pattern of flights and from July 2014, to meet the requirement of regular travelers, Jambojet is offering both morning and evening flights on the Nairobi-Eldoret route.
- II. Both airlines will continues to monitor demand for scheduled airline services on the route to decide if a further scheduling adjustment is required.
- III. The Ministry will consult with Kenya Airways with view to acquire

appropriate aircraft for Jambojet to enable it operate direct flights from Nairobi-Eldoret.

### 3.3 SUBMISSIONS FROM THE KENYA AIRWAYS LIMITED ON THE PETITION

On Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 the Committee held a meeting with the officials from the Kenya Airways Limited who informed the Committee as follows, that:-

Kenya Airways have no intention of rescinding its April 2014 decision to stop its operations on Nairobi- Eldoret route. This is because KQ's Subsidiary company Jambo Jet is serving the market well, operating double flights throughout the week. Jambo Jet currently runs the following itinerary;

Route	Departure	Arrival	Days
NBO-ELD	6.30am	7.20am	Mon, Tue, Wed Thur, Fri, Sat
ELD-NBO	8.00AM	10.00AM	Mon, Tue, Wed Thur, Fri, Sat
NBO-ELD	5.00PM	7.00PM	Mon, Tue, Wed Thur, Fri, Sat
ELD-NBO	7.40PM	8,30PM	Mon, Tue, Wed Thur, Fri, Sat
NBO-ELD	5.45PM	6.35PM	Friday
ELD-NBO	7.15PM	8.05PM	Friday
NBO-ELD	4.15PM	5.05PM	Sun
ELD-NBO	5.45PM	6.35pm	Sun



The Committee was further informed that it was not commercially viable to have both Kenya Airways and Jambo Jet fly to Eldoret as the market is too small for both carriers. Jambo Jet currently enjoys about 71 % of Eldoret leaving 29% to other airlines.

The management of Kenya Airways undertook to monitor demand for scheduled air services on the route to help it make informed business decisions. The current statistics are as follows:-

Passenger No.s	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015
KQ	0	27,123	80,116	0
Others	79,148	60,457	28,387	29,911
Jambo Jet	0	0	0	74,026
<b>Total</b>	<b>79,148</b>	<b>87,580</b>	<b>108,503</b>	<b>103,937</b>

On the reason why Kenya Airways Limited does not fly direct flights and back to Nairobi; the management informed the committee that the current aircrafts they have are of large capacity hence the need to pick more passengers from Kisumu on specific days when the need to pick adequate load from Eldoret.

In conclusion, the management informed the Committee that it will endeavor to review the possibility of acquiring more appropriate aircraft for Jambo Jet and they will consequently advise the market once they finalized on the matter.

#### 4. FINDINGS, OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

##### 4.1. FINDINGS

The Committee made the following findings.

##### **That:-**

The Committee established that the Kenya Airways subsidiary company Jambo jet is operating double daily flights throughout the week and passengers can make use of such flights in place of the flights by Kenya Airways.

#### 4.2. OBSERVATION

The Committee made the following observation, that:-

Kenya Airways Limited is a profit making organization and its decision to stop its operations on Nairobi-Eldoret route was informed by business decisions and therefore the government cannot compel the company to operate direct flights in a route that is not commercially viable.

#### 4.3. RECOMMENDATION

The Committee makes the following recommendation, that:-

The management of Kenya Airways Limited review the possibility of acquiring more appropriate aircrafts for Jambo Jet to enable it operates direct flights from Nairobi to Eldoret without operating circular flights through Kisumu.



**RESPONSE TO PUBLIC PETITION BY THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH RIFT AND BUSINESS MEN REGARDING THE STOPPAGE OF KENYA AIRWAYS OPERATION IN NAIROBI-ELDORET ROUTE AND INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY JAMBO JET OPERATION**

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NBO-ELD	5.45pm	6.35pm	Fri
ELD-NBO	7.15pm	8.05pm	Fri
NBO-ELD	4.15pm	5.05pm	Sun
ELD-NBO	5.45pm	6.35pm	Sun

Q2. It is NOT commercially viable to have both Kenya Airways and Jambo Jet fly to Eldoret as the market is too small for both carriers. Jambo Jet currently enjoys about 71% of Eldoret route leaving 29% to other airlines.

We continue to monitor demand for scheduled air services on the route to help us make informed business decisions. The current statistics are as follows:

<b>Passenger Nos.</b>	<b>2011/2012</b>	<b>2012/2013</b>	<b>2013/2014</b>	<b>2014/2015*</b>
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Lastly, on the question raised during the session on why we don't fly direct flights every day to Eldoret and back to Nairobi, we wish to respond that the current aircrafts we have are large capacity hence the need to pick more passengers from Kisumu on specific days when we cannot get adequate load from Eldoret. We wish to reiterate that we are reviewing possibility of acquiring a more appropriate aircraft for Jambo Jet, we will advise the market once we finalize on the matter.

**Yours Sincerely,**



**Tom Odongo**  
**Head of Business Development**  
**For: Group Managing Director & CEO**

9<sup>th</sup> March, 2015



PUBLIC PETITION

BY THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH RIFT AND BUSINESS MEN ON THE STOPPAGE OF KENYA AIRWAYS OPERATIONS IN NAIROBI- ELDORET ROUTE AND THE INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY JAMBOJET OPERATOR

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We, the undersigned residents and businessmen of North Rift region

Draw the attention of the House to the following: -

That, transport is an important aspect in business and development of any particular country, noting that affordable and effective means of transport bolsters efficiency in service delivery; be it in the economic or administrative sectors

That, Kenya Airways is a National Airline destined to serve and benefit all parts of Kenya without discrimination.

That, the launching and operationalization of a low cost carrier (LCC); Jambojet by Kenya airways was anticipated to be a solution in the transport sector due to its cheaper cost and capacity to cater for the increased demand for air travel.

That, the move by Kenya Airways to stop Kenya Airway operations on the Nairobi-Eldoret route on April 1, 2014 in favor of its subsidiary Jambojet, has caused a lot of inconvenience to travellers in the region and the travelers have in one way or another faced time related constraints as a result of the network change. Further, a traveller to Eldoret, sometimes has to travel via Kisumu to Nairobi. This, in itself, frustrates travelers who have timelines to meet.


Therefore, your humble petitioner(s) prays that Parliament through:-

The Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing obtains an undertaking from the Cabinet Secretary in charge of Transport and Infrastructure that:

- i. Kenya Airways will rescind its April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 decision to stop its operations of KQ on the Nairobi- Eldoret route in favor Jambojets and
- ii. Retain Jambojet so that travelers have choices.

And your PETITIONERS will ever pray: -

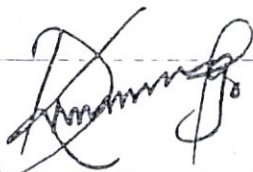
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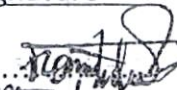
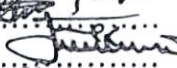
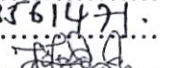
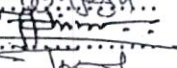
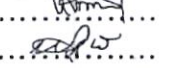
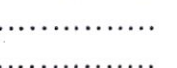


BY THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH RIFT AND BUSINESS MEN ON THE STOPPAGE OF KQ OPERATIONS IN NAIROBI- ELDORET ROUTE AND THE INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY JAMBOJET

Presented by;



Hon. David Kangogo Bowen, MP.  
Marakwet East Constituency

Signed;

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MINUTES OF THE 9<sup>TH</sup> SITTING OF THE TRANSPORT, PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH, 2015 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, CONTINENTAL HOUSE, AT 10:30AM

PRESENT:

1. Hon. Maina Kamanda, M.P - Chairperson
2. Hon. (Eng.) Mahamud M. Mohamed, M.P - Vice-Chairperson
3. Hon. Omulele Christopher, M.P
4. Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe, M.P
5. Hon. Ahmed Abbas Ibrahim, M.P
6. Hon. Johnson Manya Naicca, M.P
7. Hon. ChachuGanya, M.P
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15. Hon. (Capt.) Clement Wambugu, M.P
16. Hon. Mathias Robi, M.P

APOLOGY

1. Hon. Eng. John Kiragu, M.P
2. Hon. (Arch.) David Kiaraho, M.P
3. Hon. Cecily Mbarire, M.P
4. Hon. K.K. Stephen Kinyanjui Mburu, M.P
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11. Hon. Barchilei Kipruto, M.P
12. Hon. Stephen Manoti, M.P
13. Hon. Gideon Konchella, M.P

IN ATTENDANCE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Mr. Samuel Kalama  | Clerk Assistant |
| 2. Mr. Abdifatah Bule | Clerk Assistant |
| 3. Ms. Nuri Nataan    | Clerk Assistant |

MIN/DC-L/2015/039 Preliminaries

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10.30am and opened it with a word of prayer.

Min/DC-L/2015/040 Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair presented the agenda as follows;

1. Prayer
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Consideration of the following Petitions:-
  - i. Petition by the Hon. Humphrey Kimani Njuguna, MP, regarding the Tarmacking of the Gatiiguru-McVast-Matangini-Ithanga, Kiarathani, MiyuuyaNg'ang'a-Mukuyu Road
  - ii. Petition by Hon. Isaac Mwaura, MP, on behalf of Persons with disabilities on the construction of a footbridge along Waiyaki Way to link ABC Place bus stage to the National Council for Persons with Disabilities Offices (NCPWD)
  - iii. Petition by the Hon. James Gakuya, MP, regarding the Re-carpeting of the Komarock Road, Nairobi County.
  - iv. Petition by the Hon. David Kangogo Bowen, MP, regarding the Stoppage of KQ's operations on Nairobi-Eldoret route and the inconveniences caused by Jambo Jet
  - v. Petition by the Hon. Sunjeev Kaur Birdi, MP on behalf of business owners and residents operating and living along the Old Mombasa Road/Maasai Road A, B and C in Nairobi County for the upgrading of the Old Mombasa Road/Maasai Road A, B and C in Nairobi County
  - vi. Petition by the Hon. Onesmus Njuki, MP, regarding erection of bumps and road signs along Mate Road in Kathuana Town
4. Any Other Business
5. Adjournment

The agenda was adopted as proposed by Hon. Eng. Stephen Ngare, MP and seconded by Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe, MP.

- a) Petition by the Hon. David Kangogo Bowen, MP, regarding the Stoppage of KQ's operations on Nairobi-Eldoret route and the inconveniences caused by Jambo Jet

The Principal Secretary responded as follows, that:-

- i) Initially, and in agreement with the Kenya Airways, Jambojets's network strategy was to serve the four main airports in Kenya i.e. Nairobi, Mombasa, Kisumu and Eldoret.

The initial months of network implementation has also provided the management of both Kenya Airways and Jambojet with an opportunity to receive and evaluate feedback from regular travelers on all the routes, including on the Nairobi-Eldoret route. Based, on the market data currently available and on the size of aircraft currently operated by both carriers, only one of the two carriers can serve this route on a commercially viable bases with double daily frequency. Responding to travelers' feedback, the scheduling team of both airlines recently reviewed the pattern of flights and from July 2014, to meet the requirement of regular travelers, Jambojet is offering both morning and evening flights on the Nairobi-Eldoret route.

- ii) Both airlines will continues to monitor demand for scheduled airline services on the route to decide if a further scheduling adjustment is required

#### Committee Recommendations

The Principal Secretary for the State Department of Transport was requested to facilitate a meeting between the Hon. David Kangogo and Kenya Airways Flight scheduling team to see if a compromise can be struck since the Member was not satisfied with the answer. The meeting was scheduled for Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

- b) Petition by the Hon. Sunjeev Kaur Birdi, MP on behalf of business owners and residents operating and living along the Old Mombasa Road/Maasai Road A, B and C in Nairobi County for the upgrading of the Old Mombasa Road/Maasai Road A, B and C in Nairobi County

The Principal Secretary responded as follows, that:-

- i) Interventions

The Ministry recently improved some of the roads around the area under the City Cabanas Interchange. However, the contract did not include all the adjacent



roads. For example the Access to Excel Industries joining the interchange is currently in deplorable condition. This link was not developed under the interchange project due to land acquisition issues.

The Ministry through Kenya Urban Roads Authority (KURA) has engaged a contractor, MS Saxon Investments Ltd, to improve to bitumen standards the link road between the interchange at the Airport North Road and the access to Excell Industries at a cost of sh. 35,866,388. Work is expected to commence on the section of the road by 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2015.

There are no immediate plans to upgrade all the roads to bitumen standards. However, the Ministry through Kenya Urban Roads Authority (KURA) in the FY 2015/2016 will carry out routine maintenance of the roads to restore them to motorable conditions for ease of access.

ii) Allocation of sh. 100 million

Kenya Urban Roads Authority (KURA) was not in operation in 2008 when Kshs.100 Million was allocated by Kenya Roads Board (KRB) for upgrading of some roads within Nairobi. Kenya Urban Roads Authority (KURA) is therefore not aware of the said allocation.

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The Principal Secretary for the State Department of Infrastructure was requested to facilitate a site visit of the said road. The Hon. Sunjeev Birdi and Hon. Mathias Robi to accompany the Ministry Officials visit the road since the Member felt that the road she is talking about is different from what the Ministry has provided answer for. The visit was scheduled for Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

c) Petition by the Hon. Humphrey Kimani Njuguna, MP, regarding the Tarmacking of the Gatiiguru-McVast-Matangini-Ithanga, Kiarathani, MiyuuyaNg'ang'a-Mukuyu Road

The Principal Secretary informed the Committee that the response for the petition was not ready and the Committee deferred the petition to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

d) Petition by Hon. Isaac Mwaura, MP, on behalf of Persons with disabilities on the construction of a footbridge along Waiyaki Way to link ABC Place bus stage to the National Council for Persons with Disabilities Offices (NCPWD)

The Principal Secretary informed the Committee that the response for the petition was not ready and the Committee deferred the petition to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

- e) Petition by the Hon. James Gakuya, MP, regarding the Re-carpeting of the Komarock Road, Nairobi County.

The Principal Secretary informed the Committee that the response for the petition was not ready and the Committee deferred the petition to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

- f) Petition by the Hon. Onesmus Njuki, MP, regarding erection of bumps and road signs along Mate Road in Kathuana Town

The Principal Secretary informed the Committee that the response for the petition was not ready and the Committee deferred the petition to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

**MIN/DC-L/2015/042      Any Other Business**

The following issues were raised in the meeting:-

The Chair urged the Ministry to speed up processing of responses to petitions in order to avoid accumulation of petitions committed to the Committee.

**MIN/DC-L/2015/043      Adjournment**

And the time being 11.30am, the Chairperson adjourned the Meeting to Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 at 10:00am.

Signed:

Date:.....  


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Hon. Maina Kamanda, M.P., Chairperson

