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Submitted for your approval and onward transmission to the Clerk/Speaker for their approval.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

The Hon. Speaker
You may approve.
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THE SENATE

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

ON PERIODIC REVIEW OF THE SENATE STANDING ORDERS

Honourable Senators,

As you are aware, standing order 176A of the Senate Standing Orders establishes the Procedure and Rules Committee, with the mandate to, among others, proposing and considering proposed amendments to the Senate Standing Orders.

Further, standing order 249 requires the Committee to undertake a comprehensive review of the standing orders *'at least once in every term of Parliament, not later than six months to the end of the term'*.

Considering that we are approaching the end of the current term, the Procedure and Rules Committee has commenced this important exercise, and is now inviting views and proposals from Senators and other stakeholders on areas of our standing orders that may require amendment.

This exercise is particularly important for us, as it is the first time that the Senate will be undertaking a comprehensive review of its standing orders for use by the incoming Senate. It is important that we seize this opportunity, drawing from our experiences over the last three and a half years, to refine and improve our standing orders in a way as to facilitate the efficient and expeditious processing of business by the Senate.

This is therefore to request, **Hon. Senators**, that you forward all such proposals, in writing, to the Office of the Clerk of the Senate, not later than **Friday, 25th November, 2016**. The proposals will be considered by the Procedure and Rules Committee, which will then table its report before the Senate for consideration.

I thank you.

SEN. DAVID EKWEE ETHURO, E.G.H., E.B.S., M.P.
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

15th November, 2016