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The House met at 2.30 p.m.
[Mr. Deputy Speaker in the Chair]
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POINTS OF ORDER

ANONYMOUS LETTER ADDRESSED TO HON. IMANYARA

Mr. Imanyara: On a point of order, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: What is your point of order, Mr. Imanyara? Indeed, make it very short because we have to start the business of the House by 3.30 p.m.

Mr. Imanyara: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I seek your indulgence. As I was walking into this House this afternoon, I received a letter in my pigeon hole. The letter came officially through Parliament. It is rubber-stamped "received" by the parliamentary staff on 17th June, 2009.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, it is a chilling story of murder. It talks about Members of Parliament who are to be eliminated. I am on that list and so are five other hon. Members of Parliament, including Ms. Karua. The letter says:-

"The First Family is using our Commissioner, Maj-Gen. Hussein Ali, to order us to eliminate Mr. Imanyara, but the Commissioner is not willing and he is summoned to State House every week."

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, this letter contains chilling details about Kenyans who have been killed, how they have been killed and those who are about to be killed. I need your direction on how to proceed, given the very, very serious implications of this letter, which I am giving to you.

(Mr. Imanyara laid the letter on the Table)

(Several hon. Members whistled loudly)

Hon. Members: Shame! Shame!

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mbadi, while the Chair is studying the contents of this letter and giving a communication on the same, could you, please, seek your Ministerial Statement?

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Mr. Imanyara: On a point of order, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. The letter---

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Indeed, hon. Members, I have gone through the content of this letter. It is, indeed, chilling as you put it. But nonetheless, the Chair will give a direction on this matter on Wednesday, next week in the afternoon.

Dr. Khalwale: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, it is very important that the Chair comes out clearly about this letter. This is because the names of the hon. Members who---

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, Dr. Khalwale! The Chair has, indeed, ruled on the same. The Chair notes the gravity of the content of the letter and will give a communication on the same on Wednesday, next week. The matter rests there!

Dr. Khalwale: On a point of order, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is it on the same matter?

Dr. Khalwale: On procedure, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: What procedure and yet a ruling has been made on this matter? The matter rests there!

Dr. Khalwale: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, indeed, the matter rests there, but because the issue is a matter of life and death, it is only important that for the record, it is clear that on the list is Mr. Gitobu Imanyara, Dr. Khalwale---

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, Dr. Khalwale! Order! The gravity of the matter is as grave to every Member of Parliament in this House as it is to you. The Chair has made a ruling on that. Unfortunately, there is no appellate process in this. If you need to make an appeal, then approach the Chair and present your case. You can do that at your own time in the Speaker's Office. Under the circumstances, that matter rests there!

Let us move on to the next Order!

Hon. Members, we are ten minutes late. Therefore, the House will sit up to 20 minutes to 7.00 p.m.