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**[Mr. McKenzie]**

radius. But, for his information, we are developing all the cane land which can be developed in the Nandi Land Unit, within approximately fifteen miles of the factory. I am told that this takes all the land below the escarpment. Over and above that, Mr. Speaker, we are prepared, as a Government, to consider breaking up the Kibgori Veterinary Land Holding and giving the Nandi people back at least two thousand of the three thousand acres. I am hopeful that we may even be able to give a little more, but it depends on the amount of land which I will need for a cane station, so I can promise them that it will not be much more than two thousand acres.

**The Speaker (Mr. Slade):** The question of factories has nothing to do with this question.

**Mr. Choge:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I wanted to pursue his previous answer, instead of asking the same question again. Could I be allowed to pursue the reply he has given us?

**The Speaker (Mr. Slade):** Yes, in the ordinary way, though I do not see where a point of order comes in; but we cannot pursue the question of factories.

*Question No. 738*

## POLICE CONSTABLE INVOLVED IN SHOOTING INCIDENT

**Mr. Okwanyo,** on behalf of Mr. Maisori-Itumbo, asked the Minister for Internal Security and Defence:—

- (a) If the Minister would tell the House why Killion Okwaro of Kehancha Police Station, Kuria, was promoted from the rank of constable to corporal and transferred to Ahero after he had been involved in a shooting incident which resulted in the death of an army man named Francis Nyamohanga?
- (b) What steps was the Government taking to compensate the wives and children of the deceased Francis Nyamohanga?

**The Parliamentary Secretary for Internal Security and Defence (Dr. Waiyaki):** Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to reply.

- (a) Constable Killion Okwaro has not been promoted to the rank of corporal, nor has he been transferred to Ahero. The first part of the question does not, therefore, arise.
- (b) Since no claim for compensation in respect of the death of Francis Nyamohanga has been received, the answer to the second part of the question is—none.

## NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT

## LOANS FOR CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

**The Speaker (Mr. Slade):** I have to inform hon. Members that the matter which Mr. Gichoya was to have raised on the adjournment last Tuesday concerning loans to co-operative societies will now be raised on the adjournment next Tuesday, 10th November 1964.

## MOTION

SESSIONAL PAPER No. 6 OF 1964:  
AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS

**The Minister for Justice and Constitutional Affairs (Mr. Mboya):** Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move the following Motion:—

THAT this House agrees that the draft amendments to Standing Orders, to incorporate provision for the President of the Republic, contained in Sessional Paper No. 6 of 1964, be adopted and henceforth form part of Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment to the Standing Orders arises from the fact that, when we become a republic, the Head of Government will also be the Head of State, and also because in our Constitution we provided for the Head of State, that is the President, to be also a Member of the House of Representatives. It is necessary that when he speaks to this House as Head of State, his position and dignity should be so preserved, and also that we should distinguish those occasions when he speaks to the House as a Member from the Front Bench of the Government as Head of Government. Thus, it will be necessary, in the first place, to arrange for the Head of State, that is the President, to have a Chair of State, which will be his Presidential Chair when in this Chamber, sitting as Head of State.

When the President addresses this Chamber from that Chair of State, as President and Head of State, he will be heard in silence, and without questions or interruptions, and any statement made from the Chair of State shall not be questioned afterwards. This does not mean that messages from the Head of State are not the subject of normal debate as is the case when there is a message from the Crown today. That debate takes place in the normal way. What is intended is that when the President speaks from the Presidential Chair, there will be no points of orders, no interruptions on explanation, or whatever it is, as is today with Standing Orders. When the President sits in his Chair of State, he