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## Full text of Governor's letter to CM

Kumaraswamy,

That you were sworn in as Chief Minister after receiving support from the Indian National Congress. The strength of the House of the Legislative Assembly stands at 224, (plus a nominated member) out of which INC has 79 members, JD(S) 37 members, one member from the KPJP, one member from the BSP and one independent candidate. And Bharatiya Janata Party is at 105.

In the last few days, several members of INC have met me and submitted that they have tendered their resignations as Members of the Legislative Assembly.... Sri H Nagesh and Sri R Shankar, members from independent party, met me on 08-07-2019 and intimated to me that they have withdrawn their support from your government and would extend support to BJP.

They have also submitted their resignations from the Council of Ministers. These resignations being before the Speaker of the House, I have

also informed the Speaker to consider resignations in accordance with the Constitution. It is clear from the above that out of 117 members, the strength of the Coalition Government, if these are to move away from coalition, the same casts serious doubt on the confidence in the Government/Ministry led by you in the House.

It is well studied that the CM and his Ministry are expected to always enjoy and maintain confidence of the House. I have also received letters from various persons indicating that the Government has lost its majority. The BJP, led by the leader of Opposition, has given a representation dated 10-07-2019, in which there is an allegation even against Speaker.

I have also received a memorandum dated 18-07-2019 from BJP delegation stating that the Government is unnecessarily dragging the issue of Vote of Confidence.

In this background, I have objectively considered the prevailing situation since past several days, including today. The fact that 15 members have met me and tendered their resignations, and coupled with 2 members, have withdrawn their support and other attendant circumstances do prima facie indicate thatyou have last majority/confidence of the House. In my capacity as the Head of the state, I had not intervened in the matter having regard to the fact that the House was called and Trust Vote has been moved.

However, it has been reported to me that the proceedings of the House on 18-07-2019 for vote of confidence has been stalled and consequently adjourned without reaching finality. This cannot go on in a democratic set-up governed by the Constitution of India.

Though a message as contemplated under Article 175 (2) is sent to Speaker, I am informed the House is adjourned today, i.e. 18-07-2019. Under these circumstances, I require you to prove majority on the floor of the House on or before 1.30 pm tomorrow.