



## EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

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### IN THE EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (EALA)

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**Tuesday, 20 January 2015**

*The East African Legislative Assembly met at 10:08 a.m. in the EALA Chambers, EAC Headquarters, in Arusha, Tanzania*

#### PRAYER

*(The Speaker, Mr Daniel .F. Kidega, in the Chair.)*

*(The Assembly was called to order)*

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#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

**The Speaker:** Good morning, honourable members. Hon. Members, yesterday in the afternoon after we constituted the Commission, the Commission sat and considered the following: proposed allocation to committees to countries; allocated Members to the various committees; reviewed the program for this meeting; and came up with key decisions to make sure we optimally use the time available to us.

Most important to mention, the Commission decided that in the interest of time, workshop reports and other reports, which are not oversight reports might not be debated in this House but they will be laid in this House to form journals of the Assembly. *(Applause)* This, the Commission did so to ensure that we accomplish the bulk of work, which is before this Assembly. I thank the Commission for those considerations. *(Applause)*

## MOTION

### FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

**Dr Kessy Nderakindo (Tanzania):** Rt. hon. Speaker, I beg to move that in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 (b) of the Administration of EALA Act, 2012 and Rules 77, 78 and 81 (3) (c) of the EALA Rules of Procedure, this House do appoint the following Members to serve on the Standing Committees:

**The Speaker:** Seconded by hon. Rwigema, hon. Bazivamo, hon. Hafsa, hon. Dr Nyiramilimo, hon. Mulengani, hon. Patricia and all the Members standing. The motion is seconded. Can I now ask the mover to read along and give the justification?

**Dr Nderakindo:** Thank you, Rt. hon. Speaker.

*“WHEREAS Article 49 (2) (e) of the Treaty provides that the Assembly may for purposes of carrying out its functions establish any committee or committees for such purposes it deems necessary;*

*AND WHEREAS Rule 77 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly provides that, the Assembly shall appoint relevant committees necessary for the efficient discharge of its functions;*

*AND WHEREAS under Rule 78 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, the House establishes six Standing Committees;*

*NOTING THAT in accordance with the provisions of Rule 78 (3) of the Rules of Procedure, the members of the Standing Committees shall be nominated from among the Members of the Assembly and shall serve for a term of 2 1/2 years;*

*FURTHER NOTING that the tenure of the current Standing Committees appointed under these Rules of Procedure of the Assembly commenced on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2012, which is more than 2 1/2 years ago;*

*WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 4(b) of the Administration of EALA Act, 2012, the Commission nominated members of the Standing Committees;*

*NOTING THAT the Commission, in its 49<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2015 nominated the members to serve on Standing Committees;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, this Assembly do here by resolve as follows: that the following Members be appointed to the respective committees:*

### NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

1. Hon. Jeremie Ngendakumana
2. Hon. Yves Nsabimana
3. Hon. Emmanuel Nengo
4. Hon. Bernard Mulengani
5. Hon. Suzan Nakawuki

6. Hon. Margaret Nantongo Zziwa
7. Hon. Bernard Murunya
8. Hon. Nderakindo P. Kessy
9. Hon. Shy-Rose Bhanji
10. Hon. Straton Ndikuryayo
11. Hon. Celestin Kabahizi
12. Hon. Pierre Celestin Rwigema
13. Hon. Peter Mathuki
14. Hon. Mumbi Ng'aru
15. Hon. Saole Ole Nkanae

#### **NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL, RULES AND PRIVILEGES**

1. Hon. Frederic Ngenzebuhoro
2. Hon. Leonce Ndarubagiye
3. Hon. Isabelle Ndahayo
4. Hon. Dora Byamukama
5. Hon. Fred Mbidde Mukasa
6. Hon. Suzan Nakawuki
7. Hon. Twaha IssaTaslina
8. Hon. Charles Makongoro Nyerere
9. Hon. Maryam Ussi Yahya
10. Hon. Christophe Bazivamo
11. Hon. Dr. Odette Nyiramilimo
12. Hon. Valerie Nyirahabineza
13. Hon. Judith Pareno
14. Hon. Joseph Ombasa Kiangoi
15. Hon. Peter Mathuki

#### **NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

1. Hon. Isabelle Ndahayo
2. Hon. Jeremie Ngendakumana
3. Hon. Leonce Ndarubagiye
4. Hon. Chris Opoka-Okumu
5. Hon. Mike Kennedy Sebalu
6. Hon. Suzan Nakawuki
7. Hon. Bernard M. Murunya
8. Hon. Adam Kimbisa
9. Hon. Shy-Rose Bhanji
10. Hon. Christophe Bazivamo
11. Hon. Abdul Karim Harelimana

12. Hon. Patricia Hajabakiga
13. Hon. Judith Pareno
14. Hon. Mumbi Ng'aru
15. Hon. Saoli Ole Nkanae

#### **NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION**

1. Hon. Hafsa Mossi
2. Hon. Dr. Martin Nduwimana
3. Hon. Emanuel Nengo
4. Hon. Chris Opoka-Okumu
5. Hon. Mike Kennedy Sebalu
6. Hon. Dora Byamukama
7. Hon. Abdullah Mwinyi
8. Hon. Maryam Ussi
9. Hon. Twaha Issa Taslima
10. Hon. Abdul Karim Harelimana
11. Hon. Celestin Kabahizi
12. Hon. Pierre Celestin Rwigema
13. Hon. Abubakar Zein
14. Hon. Abubakar Ogle
15. Hon. Sarah Bonaya

#### **NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL PURPOSE**

1. Hon. Dr. Martin Nduwimana
2. Hon. Hafsa Mossi
3. Hon. Emerence Bucumi
4. Hon. Margaret Nantongo Zziwa
5. Hon. Nusura Tiperu
6. Hon. Bernard Mulengani
7. Hon. Angela Kizigha
8. Hon. Adam Kimbisa
9. Hon. Charles Makongoro Nyerere
10. Hon. Dr. Odette Nyiramilimo
11. Hon. Dr. James Ndahiro
12. Hon. Valerie Nyirahabineza
13. Hon. Abubakar Ogle
14. Hon. Abubakar Zein
15. Hon. Nancy Abisai

## NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, TRADE AND INVESTMENT

1. Hon. Yves Nsabimana
2. Hon. Emerence Bucumi
3. Hon. Frederic Ngenzebuhoro
4. Hon. Fred Mbidde Mukasa
5. Hon. Bernard Mulengani
6. Hon. Nusura Tiperu
7. Hon. Angela Kizigha
8. Hon. Abdullah Mwinyi
9. Hon. Dr. Nderakindo P. Kessy
10. Hon. Dr. James Ndahiro
11. Hon. Straton Ndikuryayo
12. Hon. Patricia M. Hajabakiga
13. Hon. Nancy Abisai
14. Hon. Sarah Bonaya
15. Hon. Joseph Ombasa Kiangoi

The Commission further proposed that for the period of January 2015 to June 2017, the above-constituted committees be chaired as follows:

The Accounts Committee will be chaired by the Republic of Burundi; the Agriculture, Tourism and Natural Resources Committee will be chaired by the Republic of Rwanda; the Communication, Trade and Investment Committee will be chaired by the Republic of Uganda; the General Purpose Committee will be chaired by the Republic of Rwanda; the Legal, Rules and Privileges Committee, will be chaired by the Republic of Kenya; and the Regional Affairs and Conflict resolution Committee will be chaired by the United Republic of Tanzania.

These recommendations are based on the following fundamental principles:

- (a) The principle of rotation;
- (b) Equitable sharing of benefits and responsibilities;
- (c) Fairness based on history, context and future prospects; and
- (d) The Partner State holding the Speakership should not share more than one committee.

Rt. hon. Speaker<sup>4</sup>, I beg to move. (*Applause*)

**The Speaker:** Thank you, hon. Kessy. Hon. Members, the proposal is that this House in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 (b) of the Administration of EALA Act, 2012 and Rule 77, Rule 78 and Rule 81 (3) (c) of the EALA Rules of Procedure, this House do appoint Members to serve on the Standing Committees. Debate is open.

Since no Member has risen to take the floor, I will now put the question on the same motion.

*(Question put and agreed to.)*

**The Speaker:** Hon. Members, you have dully undertaken a very serious responsibility since yesterday. We have constituted the Commission; we now have the Standing Committees; the House is ready to move. The next exercise left is for the various committees to elect their leaders – the chairpersons. I, therefore, now take this opportunity to wish all the committees well in the process of choosing their leadership. I look forward to working with the leadership they will choose and the House. I now adjourn the House to tomorrow, 2.30 p.m. House stands adjourned.

*(The House rose at 10:21 a.m. and adjourned until Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015 at 2.30 p.m.)*