



**EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY
EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EAST
AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARY CENTRE FOR PEACE AND SECURITY (EAPCPS)**

By Hon. Abubakar Zein Abubakar and adopted by the Assembly on Wednesday
January 28th, 2015

THAT THIS ASSEMBLY:

AFFIRMING that Peace, security and stability are operational principles for just societies and a people centred development;

APPRECIATING that the role of Parliaments in securing peace and security in society has not been fully utilised or leveraged;

BELIEVING that Parliaments that use society-based peace and security lenses and interventions have the potential of laying the social structures that promote peace, security and stability in the East African Community, Africa and the world;

AFFIRMING that in the exercise of their representative, legislative and oversight responsibilities, Parliaments can be the catalysts in building a culture of peace and confront sources of conflict and war in society;

COMMITTED to establishing an institutional framework that will ensure the Community and the African Continent builds the capacity of Parliaments to address issues of Peace, Security, Stability, Conflict transformation, good governance and democracy related matters;

AWARE that the East African Community (EAC) is in the process of establishing the East African Parliamentary Institute (EAPI),

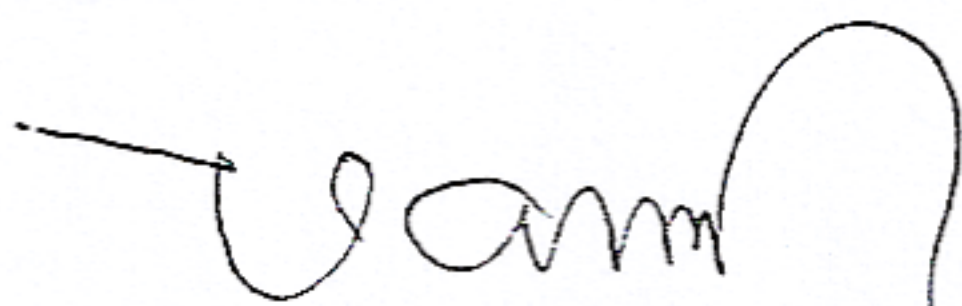
NOW THEREFORE DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS;

- i) To establish the East African Parliamentary Centre for Peace and Security (EAPCPS) which will primarily work with and serve Parliaments in the Community and ultimately work with and serve the African Continent and the globe, enhance

their organising and capacity to promote people centred peace, stability and security.

- ii) The East African Parliamentary Centre for Peace and Security will be located in the East African Parliamentary Institute.
- iii) The Community and EALA will endeavour not only to ensure the East African Parliamentary Centre for Peace and Security becomes the centre of excellence for the study and imparting of information, knowledge, values, skills and attitudes that make peace flourish and build a culture of peace among Parliamentarians, but also the capacity to address conflict situations by institutions of parliament, parliamentarians and staff of parliament.
- iv) That the centre will focus on capacities in the following areas, including –
 - a) Research
 - b) Capacity Building
 - c) Constitutional, legal and policy development
 - d) Leadership training and mentoring
 - e) Publishing
 - f) Networking
 - g) Diplomacy
- v) That the EALA Commission working with the Regional Affairs and Conflict Resolution Committee, on a priority basis, is charged with the responsibility of proposing modalities to actualise the operationalization of the establishment of the East African Parliamentary Centre for Peace and Security.

CERTIFIED BY:



**KENNETH MADETE
CLERK**

DATE:

30TH JANUARY 2015