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NOMINEE, STATE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL
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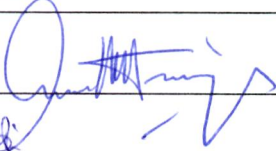

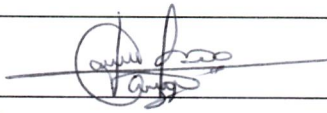

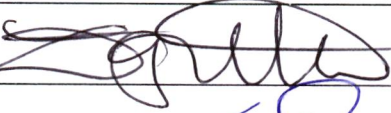
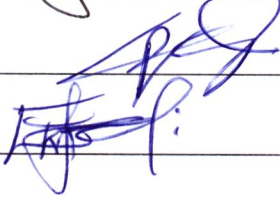


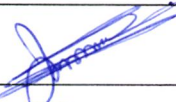

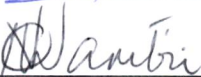
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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE VETTING OF DR. KEVT DESAI, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY NOMINEE, STATE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING (TVET):
26TH FEBRUARY, 2018

The Hon. Members of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research do hereby affix their signatures to this Report on the Vetting of Dr. Kevit Desai, Principal Secretary Nominee, State Department of Vocational and Technical Training (TVET), to affirm their approval and confirm its accuracy and authenticity

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19. Hon. Catherine Wambilyanga, MP 



1.0 PREFACE

Mr. Speaker, Sir,

On behalf of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research and pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 199(6), it is my pleasant privilege and honour to present to this House the Report of the Committee on its consideration of the nomination for appointment of **Dr. Kevit Desai, Principal Secretary Nominee**, State Department for Vocational Training and Technical Training.

1.1 Mandate

The Departmental Committee on Education and Research is established under Standing Order 216 and mandated to, *inter alia*,

- a) investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned Ministries and departments;
- b) study the programme and policy objectives of Ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- c) study and review all legislation referred to it;
- d) study, assess and analyze the relative success of the Ministries and Departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- e) investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned Ministries and departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the House;
- f) **vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the National Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 204 (Committee on Appointments);**
- g) examine treaties, agreements and conventions;
- h) make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation;
- i) consider reports of Commissions and Independent Offices submitted to the House pursuant to the provisions of Article 254 of the Constitution; and
- j) examine any questions raised by Members on a matter within its mandate.

The Departmental Committee on Education and Research deals with the following subjects:-

- Education,
- Research, and

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1.2 Membership

The Departmental Committee on Education and Research was constituted by the House on Thursday 14th December, 2017 and comprises the following Members:

1. Hon. Julius Melly, MP - **Chairperson**
2. Hon. Amos Kimunya, EGH, MP - **Vice-Chairperson**
3. Hon. Moses Malulu Injendi, MP
4. Hon. Geoffrey Makokha Odanga, MP
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15. Hon. Lilian Cheptoo Tomitom , MP
16. Hon. Omboko Milemba, MP
17. Hon. Peter Lochakapong, MP
18. Hon. Wilson Sossion, MP
19. Hon. Wilson Kipng'etich Kogo, MP

1.3 Committee Secretariat

1. Mr. Daniel Mutunga - Principal Clerk Assistant I
2. Mr. Philip Lekarkar - Third Clerk Assistant
3. Ms. Emma Esendi - Legal Counsel II
4. Mr. Eric Kanyi - Fiscal Analyst
5. Annceta Cacheri - Research Assistant
6. Mr. Nimrod Ochieng' - Audio Officer
7. Ms. Catherine Mukunyi - Sejeant-At-Arms

1.4 Message from H.E. the President

On Tuesday 13th February, 2018 and the Speaker of the National Assembly communicated a message from H.E. the President to the House pursuant to Standing Order 42(1), regarding nominees to the positions of Principal Secretaries. He further informed the House that Pursuant to Article 155(3)(a) and (b) of the Constitution, H.E. the President had sought the approval of the nominee by the National Assembly in accordance with the law. The Speaker therefore referred the name of the nominee to the Departmental Committee on Education and Research to conduct approval hearings.

He further directed the Committees to conduct extensive public participation as provided for under Article 118 of the Constitution and Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011 and Standing Order 45(3).

1.5 Nomination and appointment process of Principal Secretaries

Pursuant to Article 155 (3)(a) and (b) of the Constitution, the President is required to nominate a person for appointment as a Principal Secretary from among persons recommended by the Public Service Commission; and with approval of the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries. After receipt of names of nominees, the National Assembly is obligated to conduct approval hearings and make a determination of the nominees' suitability or otherwise within fourteen days as provided for in section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011.

1.6 Committee proceedings

Based on its mandate, the nominee for State Department for Vocational and Technical Training, Ministry of Education, Research and Technology was forwarded to the Departmental Committee on Education and Research for vetting.

During the approval hearings, the Committee held a total of three sittings. In conducting the vetting exercise, the Committee was guided by the Constitution of Kenya, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, No.33 of 2011 and the Standing Orders. The vetting process involved interviewing the nominee, examining correspondences from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, the Higher Education Loans Board, the Kenya Revenue Authority, Criminal Investigation Department and affidavits from the Public.

The Committee received no memorandum for or against the suitability of Dr. Kevit Desai's appointment to the position of Principal Secretary, TVET.


1.7 Committee Observations and Recommendations

The Committee's findings, as outlined in this report, enabled it to conclude that Dr. Kevit Desai was suitable to serve as Principal Secretary in the State Department of Vocational and Technical Training, Ministry of Education and Research. The Committee further noted that due process was followed on the nomination process as provided for by the Constitution and the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011.

1.8 Acknowledgement

The Committee is thankful to the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the National Assembly for the logistical and technical support accorded to it during its Sittings. The Committee wishes to thank all the stakeholders for their participation in the approval hearing process. Finally, I wish to express my appreciation to the Honourable Members of the Committee for their useful contributions during the Committee proceedings and preparation of this Report.

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research, to table its Report in the House on the vetting of Dr. Kevit Desai, Principal Secretary nominee to the State Department of Vocational and Technical Training, Ministry of Education and Research for consideration and adoption pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution and Standing Order 45(4).

Signed  Date 26/2/2018

HON. JULIUS MELLY, MP
CHAIRPERSON, DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Legal Provisions

The criteria used in nomination and appointment of Principal Secretaries are set out in Article 155(3) of the Constitution. Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, No.33 of 2011 requires that the vetting Committee and indeed the House shall focus on a candidate's academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background.

Standing Orders 42 and 45 provide for the manner in which messages from the President are communicated to the House and the procedure to be followed during approval hearings respectively.

2.2 Message from H.E. the President

On 13th February 2018, H. E. the President presented names of the nominees for appointment as Principal Secretaries to the Speaker for approval by the National Assembly pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) and Standing Order 42. In his communication from the Chair on 13th February 2018 and Pursuant to Standing Order 42 regarding messages from the President, the Speaker read H.E. the President's message and referred the names of the nominees of Principal Secretaries to the relevant Departmental Committees to conduct approval hearings.

Dr. Kevit Desai's Curriculum vitae, Educational certificates and other testimonials were forwarded to the Departmental Committee on Education and Research to conduct approval hearings.

2.3 Clearance requirements

On Wednesday 14th February, 2018, the Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to Mr. Kevin Desai notifying him on the place, time and venue for the vetting by the Departmental Committee on Education and Research on Wednesday 21st February, 2018 at 9.00 am. He further requested the nominees to bring with them clearance certificates from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC); Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB); Criminal Investigation Department (CID); and any of the Credit Reference Bureaus.

On the same date (Wednesday 14th February 2018) the Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the KRA, HELB, EACC, and CID requesting for tax, loans, integrity and criminal record status respectively of the nominee. The institutions wrote back on 16th and 19th February 2018 to the National Assembly confirming clearance of the nominee.

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2.4 Notification to the Public

Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No.33 of 2011) provides that *“any person may, prior to the approval hearing and by a written statement on oath, provide the Clerk with evidence contesting the suitability of a candidate to hold the office to which the candidate has been nominated”*.

On Wednesday 14th February, 2018, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statement on oath (**sworn affidavit**) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee in conformity with Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act 2011. The submissions were to be received latest by Tuesday 20th February, 2018.

Pursuant to provisions of Article 118 of the Constitution, Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No.33 of 2011) and Standing Order 45(3), the general public was also notified in the print media by the Clerk of the National Assembly on Wednesday 14th February 2018 of the intention of the Departmental Committee on Education and Research to conduct the vetting and approval hearings of the nominee on Wednesday 21st February 2018 in Committee Room, 4th Floor, Continental House at 9.00 am.

3.0 Approval hearings

The Committee held a meeting with the nominee on Wednesday 21st February 2018 and conducted approval hearings. During the process, the Committee was guided by the Constitution; Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act No. 33 of 2011, the Technical and Vocational Training Act No. 29 of 2013, National Assembly Standing Orders and other relevant statutes. Specifically, the nominee was examined on the following criteria as set out in the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act No. 33 of 2011:-

- Academic qualifications
- Employment record
- Professional affiliations
- Potential conflict of interest
- Knowledge of the relevant subject
- Integrity
- Vision and leadership
- Expectations and key priorities

3.1 Vetting Process: Dr. Kevit Desai – Principal Secretary Nominee, State Department of Vocational and Technical Training

Dr. Kevit Desai appeared before the Committee on Wednesday 21st February, 2018. He was orally interviewed by the Committee and responded to questions during the vetting as follows:-

(a) Self-introduction and educational background

Dr. Kevit Desai submitted as follows:-

He is a Kenyan citizen, who was born on 29th August, 1968. He holds a Doctor of Philosophy Degree (PhD) in Robotics Control Systems Engineering, from Shibaura Institute of Technology (SIT), Tokyo, Japan between 1989 and 1993. He also graduated with a Masters degree from the same Institute between 1986 and 1989.

He undertook his undergraduate course in Electrical/Electronic/Computer Engineering from City University, City College and London Metropolitan University in London, England from 1982 to 1985. He also pursued a course in Factory Automation Systems Research and Development from Toyohashi, Japan, in 1990.

(b) Professional/Work experience

Until his nomination, he was Chairman and Board Member of a number of organizations and institutions where he had gained considerable experience for a period spanning over twenty (20) years.

The Nominee underscored that he had served as the Chair of KEPISA between the year 2007 to 2009 where he played a key role in creating linkages between the private sector and the Ministry of Education through informing policy and legislation on education reforms. This culminated into the development of various Legislation such as; TVET Act, Universities Act and Kenya National Qualifications Framework Act.

The Nominee further stated that he had gained substantive experience from chairing a number of Boards dealing with the TVET sector. Some of these Institutions included;- United States International University (USIU), Technical University of Mombasa, Karen Technical Training Institute for the Deaf and Permanent Working Group on vocational training . Specifically, as the Chairman of the Working Group on vocational training, Dr. Desai underlined that he had championed the private sector, academia, government and development partner's linkages towards the transformation of Kenya's vocational training platform.

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The Nominee also stressed that he was a member of a number of taskforces, among them; the taskforce on the alignment of higher education with the Constitution which informed the development of the TVET Act, STI Act, Universities Act and the taskforce for research and development National Council for Science and Technology.

Dr. Desai further highlighted that over the years he had been very instrumental in supporting the youths in the country in setting up various businesses.

(c) Vision for the sector

On the vision for the sector, the Nominee underscored that he would hasten the competence based curriculum reforms and would also ensure that there was quality assurance policy in place considering that quality human resource was an important determinant of sustainable national growth and development.

Further he noted that linkage between the industry and academia would be top of his priority to ensure that courses being offered met quality and relevance required by the private sector. In regard to this, he emphasized that he would put in place a partnership policy with the private sector which would include occupation standards.

Moreover, he observed the need to evaluate teacher training curriculum considering the critical role of the teachers in transferring knowledge to the youth or learners in skills development.

(d) Good working relationship with the Legislature in reforming the TVET sector

The Nominee explained that he would put in place policy measures to deliver demand driven skills through a competency based curriculum geared towards self-employment. He further noted that significant economic transformation was enhanced through dynamic industry-institution linkages.

(e) Key deliverables expected in the short term

The Nominee underscored the importance of delivery Quality Based TVET. He would accomplish this through setting clear policies as a requisite to quality international standards.

In addition, he emphasized the need to encourage industrial organizations to participate in the formulation of the curricula, provide on-the-job Training programmes through apprenticeship and centres of excellence.

(f) Revamping TVET Institutions

The Committees' concern was on the low students applicants to TVET institutions. The Nominee underscored that there was need for an enabling TVET environment that will be achieved through:- putting in place harmonized and well-coordinated TVET institutions, policies, acquisition of appropriate and up-to-date equipment and tools and management of TVET institutions; provision of adequate funds; developing positive social attitudes towards training and enhanced management to make TVET institutions attractive.

The Nominee further emphasized that TVET colleges were instrumental in transforming economic development. He gave an example of Utalii College which he described as an excellent institution.

(g) Conflict of Interest

The Nominee underscored that many of his leadership positions were voluntarily, but nonetheless he would step down from the positions which would bring conflict of interest.

(h) Management of the many responsibilities

The Committee wondered how the Nominee managed the many responsibilities as was evident in his Curriculum Vitae. The Nominee was quick to respond that leadership came naturally and that he was passionate in serving hence he managed his time well.

(i) Measures to actualize the vision for the TVET sector

The Nominee noted that he would put into place necessary legislations to enable the implementation of various Sessional papers so that the thousands of young people joining secondary education could transit to some of the TVET institutions and eventually gain skills for gainful employment.

(j) Most significant contribution in the Nominee's career

Dr. Desai underlined that he had been very instrumental in transforming the education sector through public participation in the legislation process. He further highlighted that he had been actively involved in supporting youths in developing skills with a goal of connecting them to the market.

(k) Meeting the expectations of the public service

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He stated that he will endeavor to link industry needs to TVET education, to ensure a match between graduates from learning institutions and human resource needs. All stakeholders therefore need to come together and be more innovative to ensure enhanced quality of TVET to produce self-reliance graduates and promote gainful employment.

(l) Upholding good working relationship with the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Education

The Nominee stressed that the Cabinet Secretary and Principal Secretary had a role to play in the implementation of the Development plans and other Policy instruments hence the importance of dialogue and good work relationship could not be overemphasized in the delivery of the Ministry's mandate.

(m) Funding of TVET

The Nominee underscored the need for enhanced funding of the TVET State Department considering its critical role in meeting the needs of the vision of the country, especially in driving the 'big four' agenda.

(n) Controlling courses offered in Universities and TVET Institutions

The Committee was deeply concerned about universities offering courses that should be offered by TVET Colleges. The Nominee emphasized that since the introduction of the parallel courses in the Universities, most of the Universities concentrated on offering courses for their survival. However, he stressed that clear path ways needed to be created for smooth transition from TVET institutions to Universities Education.

He further observed that universities needed to create centres of excellence, concentrate on applied research and promote economic blocks in their counties.

(o) Honours and Awards

He was awarded Honorary Doctor of Science *honoris causa* of KCA University in 2013. He is a decorated Moran of the Order of the Burning Spear (MBS) for Engineering Contribution in 2008. He received a citation by the Professional Society of Kenya. He was also honoured with a Board Member of the Year Award by AISEC Kenya in 2009.

(p) Publications

He has written one publication: "*Stimulating innovation and entrepreneurship in Kenyan universities and public research institute*", in 2005, while he co-authored some work with B.O.

Aduda titled “*Science and Technology: park development for sustainable industrial growth: proceedings of the National Workshop in Commemoration of the Scientific Revival Day of Africa*” in June, 2004.

(q) Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations

He did not hold any public office as he had relinquished all the public positions he held prior to the appointment. He was not involved in political activities and was not a member of any political party or affiliation.

(r) Sources of Income

His income was mainly from employment by Centurion Systems Ltd amounting to Kshs. 3,600,000.00 per annum and Kenya Markets Trust, at Kshs. 109,000.00 per annum.

(s) Tax Status

He was tax compliant.

(t) Statement of Net Worth

His financial net worth currently stood at Kshs. 100,000,000.

(u) Potential Conflicts of Interest

He would officially resign from all positions of Board Chairmanship and Memberships in institutions that may present conflict of interest. He would forward an official communication to the Committee by 27th February, 2018.

(v) Pro-bono, charity work or donations to charity

He was involved in a number of charity work all over Kenya.

3.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

The Committee, having considered the nominee's filled questionnaire pursuant to Section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, No. 33 of 2011, his curriculum vitae and having heard his oral submission during the approval hearing, made the following observations on his suitability for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department of Vocational and Technical Training (TVET), Ministry of Education, Science and Technology:-

- a) He exhibited vast knowledge and experience having served in various capacities as Board Chairman or Member of a number of reputable organizations in the private sector and in government institutions.
- b) His contribution to the education sector, especially in the technical training field was commendable.
- c) By the time of conducting the approval hearing, no affidavit had been received for or against his suitability for appointment.
- d) He is a Kenyan citizen in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, does not hold dual citizenship and is therefore fit to hold office as Principal Secretary;
- e) His academic credentials, and professional training and experience are impressive and in compliance with Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011;
- f) He satisfies the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having been cleared by the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).
- g) He has never been charged in a Court of Law;
- h) He has no potential conflict of interest in line with Article 75(1) of the Constitution. He undertook to resign as Chairman or Board Member from all the institutions.

- i) He satisfies the requirements of Article 77(1) of the Constitution in that he does not intend to participate in any other gainful employment.
- j) He does not hold office in any political party hence satisfies the provisions of Article 77(2) of the Constitution;
- k) He has never been dismissed from office for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1) (conflict of interest), 76(financial probity), 77(restriction of State Officers) and 78(2) (dual citizenship) and is therefore fit to hold office as a Principal Secretary;
- l) He exhibited impressive knowledge of topical issues.

The Committee noted that the nominee had in-depth knowledge on matters relating to vocational and technical training, having previously served in various capacities in such institutes. He possessed the requisite abilities, qualifications and experience to serve as Principal Secretary, State Department of Vocational and Technical Training, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

4.0 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Having conducted approval hearings and pursuant to Article 155(3) of the Constitution, and Section 8 (1) and (2) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act No. 33 of 2011; the Committee recommends that this House approves the nomination and subsequent appointment of Dr. Kevit Desai as Principal Secretary, State Department of Vocational and Technical Training, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

6.0 ANNEXURES

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MINUTES OF THE 5TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RESEARCH HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY 2018 IN COMMITTEE ROOM, 4TH FLOOR, CONTINENTAL HOUSE, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS AT 9:00 AM

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PRESENT

1. Hon. Julius Melly, MP - **Chairperson**
2. Hon. Amos Kimunya EGH, MP - **Vice Chairperson**
3. Hon. Moses Malulu Injendi, MP
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5. Hon. Eric Muchangi, MP
6. Hon. Oroo Oyioka, MP
7. Hon. Joseph Tonui, M.P
8. Hon. Peter Lochakapong, MP

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

1. Hon. Geoffrey Odanga, MP
2. Hon. (Prof.) Zadoc Ogutu, MP
3. Hon. Jerusha Momanyi,
4. Hon. (Dr.) Pamela Ochieng, MP
5. Hon. Eve Obara MBS, MP
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9. Hon. Wilson Sossion, MP
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11. Hon. Lilian Tomitom, MP

IN-ATTENDANCE - NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

1. Mr. Daniel Mutunga - Principal Clerk Assistant I
2. Ms. Ruth Mwhaki - Clerk Assistant III
3. Mr. Eric Kanyi - Fiscal Analyst III
4. Ms. Emma Esendi - Legal Counsel II
5. Mr. Nimrod Ochieng' - Audio Officer

IN-ATTENDANCE - PS NOMINEE, TVET

Dr. Kevit Desai – Principal Secretary Nominee, TVET

MIN. NO. 023/EDUC/2017: PRELIMINARIES/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9.25 am. The Prayer was said and introductions made. The Agenda was adopted as the true business for the day after having been proposed by Hon. (Dr.) Pamela Ochieng, MP and seconded by Hon. Eric Muchangi Njiru, MP.



MIN. NO. 024/EDUC/2017: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of Minutes of the previous Sitting was deferred to the next Meeting. There were no matters arising under this item.

MIN.NO. 025/EDUC/2018: APPROVAL HEARING – DR. KEVIT DESAI, PS NOMINEE, TVET

The Chairman informed the Principal Secretary Nominee that the sole purpose of the Meeting was to conduct a Vetting exercise to establish whether he was suitable or not for the appointment to the post. The relevant statutes governing the vetting, including the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval Act No. 33 of 2011 and the Standing Orders were read to him. His original identification documents, certificates and testimonials were examined. The Clerk administered the oath to the Nominee. He was then invited to introduce himself, his family and educational background.

Dr. Kevit Desai submitted as follows: -

Educational Background

On education background, Dr. Kevit Desai responded that he was born in Kenya and that he was a Hindu by faith. He also highlighted that he holds an undergraduate degree in Electrical and Electronic Computer Engineering from the City University, City College and London Metropolitan University, London, England. Additionally, he is a Master's Degree holder in Master of Science Robotics Control Systems Engineering, SIT, Tokyo, Japan. The Nominee also holds a Postgraduate degree in Robotics Control Systems Engineering, SIT, Tokyo, Japan.

Work experience

The Nominee underscored that he had served as the Chair of KEPISA between the year 2007 to 2009 where he played a key role in creating linkages between the private sector and the Ministry of Education through informing policy and legislation on education reforms. This culminated into the development of various Legislation such as; TVET Act, Universities Act and Kenya National Qualifications Framework Act.

The Nominee further highlighted that he had gained substantive experience from chairing a number of Boards dealing with the TVET sector. Some of these Institutions included; - United States International University (USIU), Technical University of Mombasa, Karen Technical Training Institute for the Deaf and Permanent Working Group on vocational training. Specifically, as the Chairman of the Working Group on vocational training, Dr. Desai underlined that he had championed the private sector, academia, government and development partner's linkages towards the transformation of Kenya's vocational training platform.

The Nominee also stressed that he was a member of a number of taskforces, among them; the taskforce on the alignment of higher education with the Constitution which informed the development of the TVET Act, STI Act, Universities Act and the taskforce for research and development National Council for Science and Technology.

Dr. Desai further highlighted that over the years he had been very instrumental in supporting the youths in the country in setting up various businesses.

Vision for the sector

On the vision for the sector, the Nominee underscored that he would hasten the competence-based curriculum reforms and would also ensure that there was quality assurance policy in place considering that quality human resource was an important determinant of sustainable national growth and development.

Further he noted that linkage between the industry and academia would be top of his priority to ensure that courses being offered met quality and relevance required by the private sector. In regard to this, he emphasized that he would put in place a partnership policy with the private sector which would include occupation standards.

Moreover, he observed the need to evaluate teacher training curriculum considering the critical role of the teachers in transferring knowledge to the youth or learners in skills development.

Good working relationship with the Legislature in reforming the TVET sector

The Nominee explained that he would put in place policy measures to deliver demand driven skills through a competency-based curriculum geared towards self-employment. He further noted that significant economic transformation was enhanced through dynamic industry-institution linkages.

Key deliverables expected in the short term

The Nominee underscored the importance of delivery Quality Based TVET. He would accomplish this through setting clear policies as a requisite to quality international standards.

In addition, he emphasized the need to encourage industrial organizations to participate in the formulation of the curricula, provide on-the-job Training programmes through apprenticeship and centres of excellence.

Revamping TVET Institutions

The Committees' concern was on the low students' applicants to TVET institutions. The Nominee underscored that there was need for an enabling TVET environment that will be achieved through: - putting in place harmonized and well-coordinated TVET institutions, policies, acquisition of appropriate and up-to-date equipment and tools and management of TVET institutions; provision of adequate funds; developing positive social attitudes towards training and enhanced management to make TVET institutions attractive.

The Nominee further emphasized that TVET colleges were instrumental in transforming economic development. He gave an example of Utalii College which he described as an excellent institution.

Conflict of Interest

The Nominee underscored that many of his leadership positions were voluntarily, but nonetheless he would step down from the positions which would bring conflict of interest.

Management of the many responsibilities

The Committee wondered how the Nominee managed the many responsibilities as was evident in his Curriculum Vitae. The Nominee was quick to respond that leadership came nationally and that he was passionate in serving hence he managed his time well.

Measures to actualize the vision for the TVET sector

The Nominee noted that he would put into place necessary legislations to enable the implementation of various Sessional papers so that the thousands of young people joining secondary education could transit to some of the TVET institutions and eventually gain skills for gainful employment.

Most significant contribution in the Nominee’s career

Dr. Desai underlined that he had been very instrumental in transforming the education sector through public participation in the legislation process. He further highlighted that he had been actively involved in supporting youths in developing skills with a goal of connecting them to the market.

Meeting the expectations of the public service

He stated that he will endeavor to link industry needs to TVET education, to ensure a match between graduates from learning institutions and human resource needs. All stakeholders therefore need to come together and be more innovative to ensure enhanced quality of TVET to produce self-reliance graduates and promote gainful employment.

Upholding good working relationship with the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Education

The Nominee stressed that the Cabinet Secretary and Principal Secretary had a role to play in the implementation of the Development plans and other Policy instruments hence the importance of dialogue and good work relationship could not be overemphasized in the delivery of the Ministry’s’ mandate.

Funding of TVET

The Nominee underscored the need for enhanced funding of the TVET State Department considering its critical role in meeting the needs of the vision of the country, especially in driving the ‘big four’ agenda.

Controlling courses offered in Universities and TVET Institutions

The Committee was deeply concerned about universities offering courses that should be offered by TVET Colleges. The Nominee emphasized that since the introduction of the parallel courses in the Universities, most of the Universities concentrated on offering courses for their survival. However, he stressed that clear path ways needed to be created for smooth transition from TVET institutions to Universities Education.


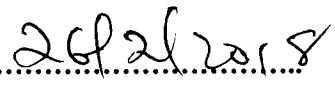
He further observed that universities needed to create centres of excellence, concentrate on applied research and promote economic blocks in their counties.

MIN. NO.025/EDUC/2017: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no business under this item.

MIN. NO. 026/EDUC/2017: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10.45 am. The next meeting would be held on 21st February, 2018 at 3.00 pm.

Signed..........Date.....

**Hon. Julius Melly, MP
(Chairman)**

MINUTES OF THE 9TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RESEARCH HELD ON MONDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY 2018 IN ROOM 9, MAIN PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS AT 2:30 PM

PRESENT

1. Hon. Julius Melly, M.P. - **Chairperson**
2. Hon. Moses Injendi, M.P.
3. Hon. (Prof.) Zadoc Ogutu, M.P.
4. Hon. Eric Muchangi, M.P.
5. Hon. Wilson Sossion, M.P.
6. Hon. Omboko Milemba, M.P.
7. Hon. Peter Lochakapong, M.P.
8. Hon. Wilson Kogo, M.P.
9. Hon. Jerusha Momanyi, M.P.

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

1. Hon. Amos Kimunya EGH, M.P. - **Vice Chairperson**
2. Hon. Geoffrey Odanga, M.P.
3. Hon. (Dr.) Pamela Ochieng, M.P.
4. Hon. (Eng.) Thaddeus Nzambia Kithua, M.P.
5. Hon. Oroo Oyioka, M.P.
6. Hon. Eve Obara MBS, M.P.
7. Hon. Catherine Wambilianga, M.P.
8. Hon. Jackson Lekumontare, M.P.
9. Hon. Joseph Tonui, M.P.
10. Hon. Lilian Tomitom, M.P.

IN-ATTENDANCE - NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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| 1. Mr. Daniel Mutunga | Principal Clerk Assistant I |
| 2. Ms. Ruth Mwihaki | Clerk Assistant III |
| 3. Ms. Emma Essendi | Legal Counsel II |
| 4. Ms. Anneceta Gacheri | Research and Policy Analyst |
| 5. Mr. John Mungai | Audio Officer |
| 6. Ms. Catherine Mukunyi | Sejeant-At-Arms |

MIN. NO. 42/EDUC/2017: PRELIMINARIES/ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 3.00 pm. The prayer was said. The agenda of the meeting was adopted as the true business for the day after having been proposed by Hon. Erick Muchangi, M.P., and seconded by Hon. Peter Lochakapong, M.P.

MIN. NO.43/EDUC/2017: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the 1st Sitting held on Wednesday 20th December 2018 were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Peter Lochakapong, MP and seconded by Hon. Jerusha Momanyi, MP.

Minutes of the 2nd Sitting held on Thursday 15th February 2018, at 10.00 am were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Erick Muchangi, M.P., and seconded by Hon. Wilson Kogo, M.P.

Minutes of the 3rd Sitting held on Monday 19th February 2018, at 2.30 pm were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Erick Muchangi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P.

Minutes of the 4th Sitting held on Tuesday 20th February 2018, at 10.00 am were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Peter Lochakapong, M.P.

Minutes of the 5th sitting held on Wednesday 21st February 2018, at 9.00 am were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Erick Muchangi, M.P.

Minutes of the 6th Sitting held on Wednesday 21st February 2018, at 3.00 p.m were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Peter Lochakapong, M.P., and seconded by Hon. Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P.

Minutes of the 7th sitting held on Wednesday 21st February 2018, at 4.30 pm were confirmed as the true record of the proceedings of that day, after being proposed by Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Peter Lochakapong, M.P.

MIN.NO. 44/EDUC/2018: MATTERS ARISING

Under MIN. NO. 008/EDUC/2018:

The Committee resolved that the Kenya National Examinations Council be invited to appear before it to provide a detailed report on marking, awarding and tabulation of scores in the 2017 examinations.

The Committee further resolved to conduct an inspection visit to a marking centres with the aim of interacting with the Centre manager, chief examiner, head of subject and some examination markers. During the visit, the Committee will also interact with the raw score sheets of students.

Under MIN. NO. 014/EDUC/2018:

It was noted that the Committee overlooks four State Departments. The Ministry of Education would be contacted to give the proper terminologies for the State Departments.

The Committee resolved that the Ministry be requested to provide the committee with details of all pending bills.

Under MIN. NO. 020/EDUC/2018:

The Committee resolved that a meeting be scheduled with other stakeholders in the education sector to get their views on the issue of Teachers management in the Country. This includes the Unions, Associations and sponsors.

Under MIN. NO. 025/EDUC/2018:

The Committee was Informed that Dr. Kevit Desai, Principal Secretary Nominee, State Department Of Vocational and Technical Training had written to the Clerk of the National Assembly confirming that he

would forthwith resign from positions he held in various University Councils upon approval by Parliament.

Under MIN. NO. 029/EDUC/2018:

The Committee was informed that the Chairperson had presented the BPS 2018 report to the Budget and Appropriations Committee (BAC) and that most of the Committee recommendations were carried. The BAC was also unanimous on the need to employ more teachers and additional funds would therefore be provided in the 2018/2019 FY budget.

The Committee however noted that there was need to clarify the roles between the Ministry and the Teachers Service Commission, particularly in regard to capacity building of Teachers. This would help in allocation of funds for the function, and to avoid double allocation during in the main 2018/19 FY budget.

MIN.NO. 045/EDUC/2018: CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE VETTING OF DR. KEVIT DESAI, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY NOMINEE, STATE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL TRAINING, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Committee considered and adopted the report after being proposed by the Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P., and seconded by the Hon. Wilson Sossion, M.P.

MIN. NO.46 /EDUC/2017: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

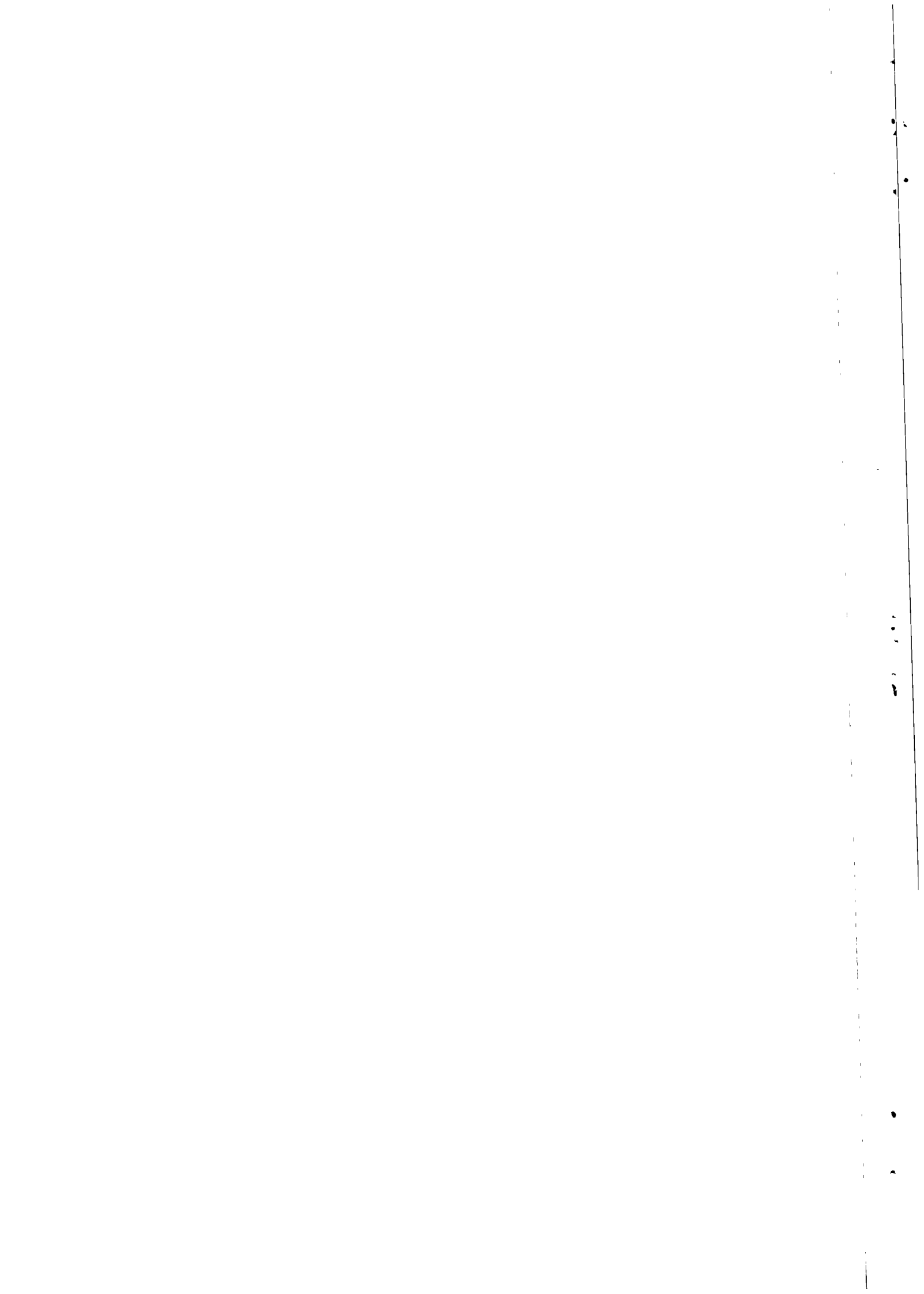
There was no item for discussion.

MIN. NO. 47/EDUC/2017: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 17.20 p.m. The next meeting will be held on 27th February, 2018, at 10.00 am.

Signed..........Date..........

**Hon. Julius Melly, M.P.
(Chairman)**



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Hon. Justin Muturi, EGH, MP
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Dear *Hon Muturi,*

RE: NOMINATION FOR PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

In exercise of the powers bestowed on the President under Articles 155 (3), the President has nominated two (2) Principal Secretaries as follows:-

S/No	Names of Nominee	Ministry	State Department
1	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura	Transport, infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development	Housing and Urban Development
2	Mr. Kevit Desai	Education	Vocational and Technical Training (TVET)

The President has directed me to request you to submit the names of these two nominees to the National Assembly for approval. Their CVs and other testimonials are herewith attached for your necessary action.

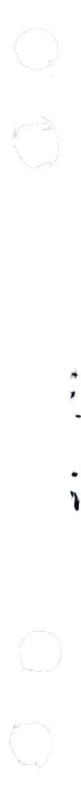
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TENDER FOR PROVISION OF MEDICAL COVER SERVICES, GPA/ WIBA & GLA COVER FOR STAFF, FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/2018

County Assembly of Kwale invites applications from Interested eligible Insurance Company for the below Tenders for the financial year 2017/2018 as per below.

NO	CATEGORY A-TENDER	DESCRIPTION OF GOODS/ SERVICE	CATEGORY	CLOSING DATE
	CAK/010/02/2018/2019	PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE COVER FOR STAFF	OPEN	Wednesday 28/ 2/2018
	CAK/011/02/2018/2019	PROVISION OF GPA/WIBA FOR STAFF	OPEN	Wednesday 28/ 2/2018
	CAK/012/02/2018/2019	PROVISION OF GLA COVER FOR STAFF	OPEN	Wednesday 28/ 2/2018

The following documents MUST be Attached by all interested bidders: among others the tender document

- Copy of certificate of registration.
- Must submit evidence of IRB Registration.
- Must submit tender security.
- Valid tax compliance Certificate.
- Must be a current member of the Association of Kenya Insurers (AKI)
- Must be registered with the Insurance Regulatory Authority
- 2% Bond
- All documents MUST be serialized.
- Only underwriters will be required to tender.

Applications should be received on or before **Wednesday 28th February 2018 at 10.00am** (East African Time) and be placed in the tender Box situated at the County Assembly Offices. Submitted applications will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of Bidders representatives who are invited to attend.

The County Assembly reserves the right to reject or accept any tender in whole or in part and it is not bound to give reasons thereof.

Complete tender documents in a sealed plain envelope clearly marked with relevant tender number and description addressed to:-

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SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA

In the Matter of Approval by the National Assembly of persons nominated for appointment as Principal Secretaries, Ambassadors/High Commissioners & Members of the Judicial Service Commission

Pursuant to Articles 155(3), 132(2), 171(2)(g) & 250(2)(b) of the Constitution, H.E. the President has nominated the following ten (10) Principal Secretaries; eight (8) Ambassadors/High Commissioners and three (3) members of the Judicial Service Commission for appointment to their respective positions as indicated below:-

A. PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES		
No.	MINISTRY	NOMINEE
1.	Public Service, Youth & Gender Affairs State Department – Gender	Ms. Safina Kwekwe Tsungu
2.	Devolution and ASAL State Department – Devolution	Mr. Nelson Marwa Sospeter
3.	Foreign Affairs & International Trade State Department – Foreign Affairs	Amb. Macharia Kamau
4.	The National Treasury & Planning State Department - Planning	Dr. Julius Muia
5.	Interior and Coordination of National Government State Department - Immigration, Border Control & Registration of Persons	Maj. Gen. Gordon Kihalangwa
6.	Agriculture and Irrigation State Department- Agricultural Research	Prof. Hamadi Iddi Boga
7.	Transport, Infrastructure, Housing & Urban Development State Department – Housing & Urban development	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura
8.	Health	Mr. Peter Tum Kiplagat
9.	Education, Vocational & Technical Training (TVET) State Department – Vocational & Technical Training (TVET)	Mr. Kevit Desai
10.	Water & Sanitation	Joseph Wairagu Irungu
B. AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS		
No.	COUNTRY	NOMINEE
1.	France	Prof. Judy Wakhungu
2.	Permanent Mission, UN Geneva	Dr. Cleopa Mailu
3.	Tanzania	Hon. Dan Kazungu
4.	Belgium, Luxemburg; European Union	Mrs. Phyllis Kandle
5.	India	Mr. Willy Bett
6.	Permanent Mission UNESCO, Paris	Prof. Jacob Kaimenyi
7.	Austria	Mr. Hassan Wario Arero
8.	Netherlands	Lawrence Ntoye Lenayapa
C. JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION		
No.	NOMINEE	POSITION
1.	Mr. Patrick Gichohi	Member (JSC Nominee)
2.	Prof. Olive Mugenda	Member
3.	Felix Koskei Kiptarus	Member

Following the receipt of the nominations from H.E. the President, the respective Departmental Committees are mandated pursuant to Standing Order 216(5)(f) to vet and consider their suitability for appointment to their respective positions and submit their reports to the House for approval.

Pursuant to Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011, the respective Departmental Committees now invites interested members of the public to submit any representations by written statement on oath (affidavit), that they may have on the suitability or otherwise of the said nominees for appointment to their respective positions. The representations may be forwarded to the Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi; hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi; or emailed to clerk@parliament.go.ke; to be received on or before Tuesday 20th February, 2018 at 5.00 pm.

MICHAEL R. SIALAI, EBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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14th February, 2018

Mr. Kevit Desai
P.O Box 66031-00800
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Tel. 0722517067
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Dear Sir,

RE: INVITATION FOR VETTING BY THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Following your nomination by H.E. the President for appointment to the position of **Principal Secretary (Vocational and Technical Training), Ministry of Education, Vocational and Technical Training, the Departmental Committee on Education and Research** of the National Assembly hereby invites you for vetting pursuant to section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011, on **Wednesday 21st February, 2018 in Committee Room on 4th Floor, Continental House, Parliament Buildings at 9.00 am.**

Kindly fill the attached questionnaire as required by the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011 and return **on or before Monday 19th February, 2018.** You are required to bring with you originals of your National Identity Card, academic and professional certificates and any other documents and testimonials. In addition, you should bring letters/certificates of clearance from the following:-

- i. Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission.
- ii. Kenya Revenue Authority Tax Compliance Certificate.
- iii. Higher Education Loans Board.
- iv. Directorate of Criminal Investigations.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Sialai'.

MICHAEL R. SIALAI, EBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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RE: VETTING OF PERSONS NOMINATED AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

We acknowledge receipt of your letter referenced KNA2/4/2018/(47) dated 14th February, 2018 on the above subject matter.

We wish to confirm that information regarding seven (7) nominees for Principal Secretaries was provided vide our letter Ref:EACC.7/10/5 VOL.V (102) dated 13th February, 2018.

We wish to confirm that there are no outstanding issues or ongoing investigations against the following three (3) nominees for the Principal Secretaries category:

S/NO	MINISTRY	NOMINEE	ID NO.
1.	State Department – Housing & Urban Development	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura	13535122
2.	State Department – Vocational & Technical Training (TVET)	Mr. Kevit Desai	21361733
3.	Water & Sanitation	Mr. Joseph Wairangu Irungu	7197113

The information provided is based on records available as at 16th February, 2018.

Please note that the absence of records in the Commission’s database is not a guarantee of absolute integrity of the nominees.

MICHAEL K. MUBEA, EBS
DEPUTY SECRETARY/CEO - TECHNICAL SERVICES
FOR: SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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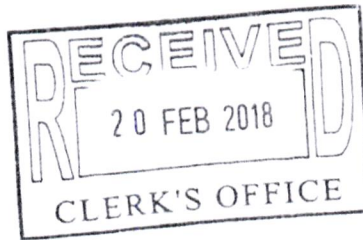
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Attn: Michael R. Sialai, EBS

SUBJECT: VETTING OF PERSONS NOMINATED AS AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS AND JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSIONERS BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Your correspondence Ref. No. KNA2/4/2018 (47) dated 14th February, 2018 refers.

We hereby confirm that the below mentioned applied for Police Clearance Certificates on diverse dates and were **genuinely** issued with certificates by this office.

S/NO.	NAME	IDENTITY NO.
1.	Mr. Nelson Marwa Sospeter	3980474
2.	Amb. Macharia Kamau	28095481
3.	Dr. Julius Muia	4827415
4.	Maj. Gen. (Rtd.) Gordon Kihalangwa	0569046
5.	Prof. Hamadi Iddi Boga	8434346
6.	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura	13535122
7.	Mr. Peter Tum Kiplagat	3276913

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8.	Mr. Joseph Wairagu Irungu	7197113
9.	Pr. Judy Wakhungu	3962007
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11.	Hon. Dan Kazungu	10831431
12.	Mrs. Phyllis Kandie	0334848
13.	Mr. Willy Bett	3448933
14.	Prof. Jacob Kaimenyi	0995606
15.	Mr. Hassan Wario Arero	10956527
16.	Mr. Lawrence Ntove Lenayapa	16121196
17.	Mr. Patrick Gichohi	5541762
18.	Prof. Olive Mugenda	4835662
19.	Mr. Felix Koskei Kiptarus	6665340

Please note that this office could not give you details pertaining the status of the below mentioned persons since their applications have not reached us.

S/NO.	NAME	IDENTITY NO.
1.	Ms. Safina Kwekwe	11367097
2.	Mr. Kevit Desai	21361733

Kind regards.


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FOR: DIRECTOR OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

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16th February, 2018

Michael R. Sialai, EBS
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Dear *Michael,*

VETTING OF NOMINEES TO POSITIONS OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter dated 14th February 2018 regarding the vetting of the nominees to positions of principal secretary by the committee on appointments.

Please find a list confirming the loan status of the nominees with the Board.

S/NO	NAME	ID NO.	STATUS	YEAR OF CLEARANCE
1.	Safina Kwekwe	11367097	Cleared Certificate No. 08290	29 th August, 2017
2.	Mr. Nelson Marwa	3980474	Not a Beneficiary	N/A
3.	Amb. Macharia Kamau	28095481	Not a Beneficiary	N/A
4.	Dr. Julius Muia	4827415	Cleared Certificate No. 45395	2 nd September, 2016
5.	Maj. Gen. (Rtd.) Gordon Kihalangwa	0569046	Not a Beneficiary	N/A
6.	Prof. Hamadi Iddi Boga	8434346	Cleared Certificate No. 38552	9 th February, 2016
7.	Mr. Peter Tum	3276913	Not a Beneficiary	N/A
8.	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura	13535122	Cleared Certificate No. 07778	2 nd August, 2017
9.	Mr. Kevit Desai	21361733	Not a Beneficiary	N/A
10.	Mr. Joseph Wairagu Irungu	7197113	Cleared Certificate No. 19248	20 th September, 2007



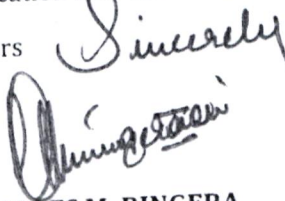
ISO 9001: 2008 Certified. Working with you to finance Higher Education now and in the future

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We urge you to encourage applicants to seek their compliance certificate from the Board as part of testimonials and conformity to Chapter six of the constitution of Kenya.

We wish to thank you most sincerely for allowing us to provide you this information as this kind of collaboration goes a long way in assisting HELB finance needy Kenyans pursuing higher education now and in the future.

Yours

Sincerely


CHARLES M. RINGERA

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER & BOARD SECRETARY



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OUR REF: KRA/CDT/HO/54

YOUR REF: KNA2/4/2018/(47)

16th February, 2018

Mr. Michael R. Sialai, EBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
National Assembly, Clerk's Chambers
Parliament Buildings
P.O. Box 41842-00100,
NAIROBI

Dear Sir,

COMPLIANCE STATUS OF NOMINEES TO POSITIONS OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS AND JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSIONERS.

We refer to your letters dated 8th February 2018 and 14th February 2018 on the subject matter herein.

The compliance status of the respective nominees is as follows:-

No.	Name	ID Number	PIN	Tax Status
A. Nominees to be appointed as Principal Secretaries				
1	Safina Kwekwe	11367097	A002582244P	Compliant
2	Mr. Nelson Marwa	3980474	A001749543G	Compliant
3	Amb. Macharia Kamau	28095481	A000157209G	Compliant
4	Dr. Julius Muia	4827415	A000230027T	Compliant
5	Maj. Gen. (Rtd.) Gordon Kihalangwa	0569046	A001330135X	Compliant
6	Mr. Hamadi Iddi Boga	8434346	A001383665V	Compliant
7	Mr. Charles Hinga Mwaura	13535122	A011325336K	Compliant
8	Mr. Peter Tum Kiplagat	3276913	A001268954D	Compliant
9	Mr. Kevit Desai	21361733	A001735177F	Compliant
10	Mr. Joseph Wairagu Irungu	7197113	A001261870J	Compliant

Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegemeef



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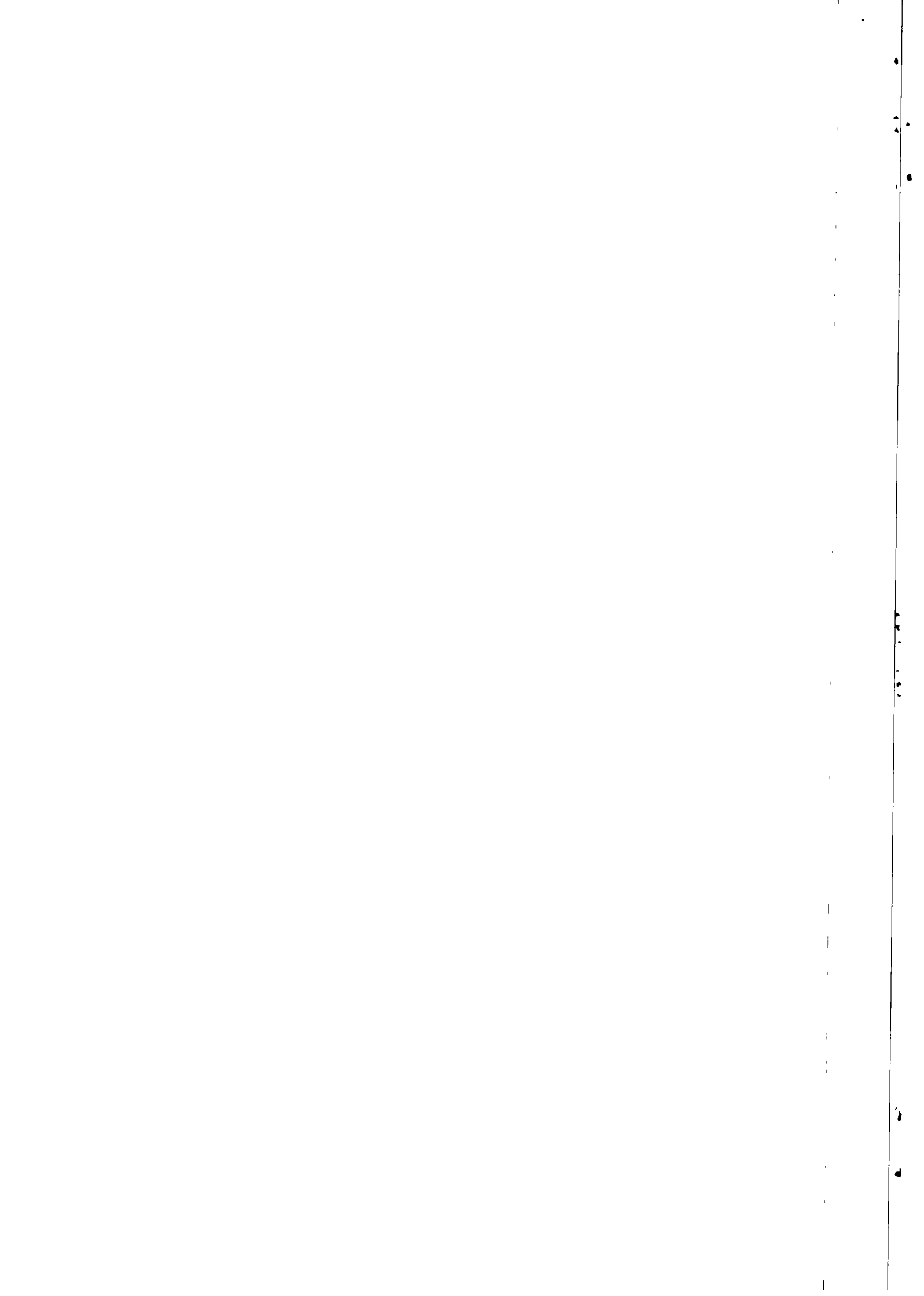
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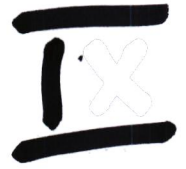
B. Nominees to be appointed as Ambassadors/High Commissioners				
1	Prof. Judy Wakhungu	3962007	A003623927U	Compliant
2	Dr. Cleopa Mailu	4829569	A000114568K	Compliant
3	Hon. Dan Kazungu	10831431	A002481727K	Compliant
4	Mrs. Phyllis Kandie	0334848	A002309241Z	Compliant
5	Mr. Willy Bett	3448933	A001596445C	Compliant
6	Prof. Jacob Kaimenyi	0995606	A000108709I	Compliant
7	Mr. Hassan Wario Arero	10956527	A005665918C	Compliant
8	Lawrence Ntoye Lenayapa	16121196	A001948313X	Compliant
C. Nominees to be appointed as Judicial Service Commissioners				
1	Mr. Patrick Gichohi	5541762	A000100244O	Compliant (has undertaken to clear outstanding issues)
2	Prof. Olive Mugenda	4835662	A001957347J	Compliant
3	Mr. Felix Koskei Kiptarus	6665340	A001383634M	Compliant

Yours faithfully,



Benson Korongo, OGW
Commissioner of Domestic Taxes





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EDUCATION

- † Ph.D. Robotics Control Systems Engineering, SIT, Tokyo, Japan. (1989 – 1993)
- † MSc Robotics Control Systems Engineering, Shibaura Institute of Technology (SIT), Tokyo Japan. (1986 - 1989)
- † Undergraduate – Electrical/Electronic /Computer Engineering, City University, City College and London Metropolitan University, London, England. (1982 – 1985)
- † Factory Automation Systems Research and Development, Toyota, Toyohashi, Japan (1990)

CURRENT LEADERSHIP ROLES

- **Proprietor** Centurion Systems Ltd, Nairobi, Kenya- www.centurionsystemsLtd.com (1993 – Present)
- **Board Member** –UK/ Kenya Research, Science and Innovation Oversight Board (January 2018-Present)
- **Chairman Board of Trustees-** United States International University (USIU) www.usiu.ac.ke (2017-Present)
- **Chairman of Council-** The Technical University of Mombasa
- **Chairman of the Board of Governors-** Karen Technical Training Institute for the Deaf
- **Chairman of the Board** – Young Scientists Kenya
- **Industrial Automation Development Engineer** – Nippon ABS Ltd, Tochigi Japan (1992 – 1993)
- **Siemens Trainer** in industrial automation and drives technologies (2012 – Present)
- **Fellow member** - Institution of Engineering Technologists and Technicians Kenya
- **Member of the Steering Committee** – JICA Master's Degree and Internship Program of the Africa Business Education Initiative for Youth www.jica.go.jp (2014 – Present)
- **Chairman** – Permanent working Group on Vocational Training, championing private sector, academia, government and development partner linkages towards transformation of Kenya's Vocational training platform through the Delegation of German Industry and Commerce in Kenya (AHK) <http://www.kenia.ahk.de/> (2014 – Present)
- **Member of the National Commission of Science Technology and Innovation (NACOSTI)** advisory committee on University Research Chairs Programme www.ncst.go.ke (2013 – Present)
- **Member of the Research Development Advisory Board-** University of Nairobi. (February 2015- present)
- **Member of the Project Steering Committee for GoK/ADB Support to TVET for Relevant Skills Development Project – Phase II** (2015 – present)
- **Chief Judge** of the Kenya Association of Manufacturers Industrial Energy Efficiency and Waste Water Management Program (2014 – present)
- **Member of the Advisory Committee for University Research Chair Program – NACOSTI** (2013 – present)
- **Member of the Advisory Committee for the Science Granting Councils Initiative in Sub-Saharan Africa – IDRC-DFID** (August, 2015 – present)
- **Member – Employers' Challenge Advisory Board (KEPSA-UNDP-Ministry of National Development)** - (August 2015 - present)

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- **Chairman** –Kenya Industrial Sector Board- Kenya Association of Manufacturers & The Government of Kenya (October 2015 – present)
- **Chairman**- Technical Working Group on Education Sector Linkage To Industry , Ministry of Education State Department of Vocational and Technical Training (2016- Present)
- **Founding Chairman** LIWA Kenya Trust – Linkage of Industry with Academia –www.liwaprogrammetrust.org (2010 – Present)
- **Chairman** – Mahatma Gandhi Academy Society (2012 – Present)
- Member Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM) BSC Committee (Human capital development). www.kam.co.ke (2013 – Present)
- **Chairman**- The Permanent Working Group for technical, industrial and vocational training in Kenya.(2014 - present)
- **Chief coordinator** – Standard Gauge Railway consortium:
- A member of the Technical and Vocational Education and Training Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (TCDACC) (2014 – present)
- A Member of the Selection Panel for the Technical and Vocational, Education and Training Funding Board (2014 – present)
- Trustee – United States International University (USIU) www.usiu.ac.ke (2009 – Present)
- A Member of Managing Committee- Asian Foundation

PREVIOUS LEADERSHIP ROLES

- Board Member – Pan African University www.africa-union.org (2011)
- Member of the selection panel to identify Chairperson and members of the Commission for University Education www.cue.or.ke (2013 – 2014)
- Member South to South Cooperation – Ministry of Devolution and Planning www.planning.go.ke (2012 – 2015) Member – Standing Committee on Investment of Renewable Energy (MOE) www.energy.go.ke (2009)
- Mentor - Kenyatta University's Business Innovation and Incubation Centre (BIIC) www.ku.ac.ke (2008)
- Member – TAHEST – Task Force on Alignment of Higher Education with the Constitution. Informed the development of the TVET Act, STI Act, Universities Act and Kenya Qualifications National Framework Act www.education.go.ke/documents (2012)
- Member - Task Force for Research and Development National Council for Science & Technology www.scienceandtechnology.go.ke, www.ncst.go.ke] (2004-2010)
- Council Member – University of Nairobi (UoN)- www.uonbi.ac.ke (2010 – 2013)
- Chairman – USIU Audit Committee www.usiu.ac.ke (2009 – 2011)
- Council Member – South Eastern University - www.seuco.ac.ke (2009 – 2012)
- Commissioner – Commission for Higher Education – www.che.or.ke (2009 – 2013)
- Chairman – University Grants Committee- Policy Development, differentiated Unit Cost and Voucher System (2009 – 2013)
- Member of the Selection Panel to Identify Chair Person and Member of the University Funding Board (2014 – 2015)
- **Governor** – KEPSA Education Sector Board www.kepsa.or.ke (2013)
- Member of the Selection Panel to Identify Chair Person and Member of the Commission of Higher Education (2013 – 2014)
- **Trustee** Kenya Gatsby Trust (2009 – 2016)
- Director – Kenya Markets Trust – www.kenyamarkets.org (2009 – 2016)
- Chairman- Kenya Markets Trust -www.kenyamarkets.org(2009-2016)
- Board Member OD Committee Kenya Markets Trust (2009 – Present)
- Founding Chairperson- IEEE East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Sudan) - www.ieee.org (2000 - 2010)
- Governor ICT Sector Board -Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) - www.kepsa.or.ke (2004 – 2007)



- Director – Kenya ICT Board- www.ict.go.ke (2004 – 2007)
- Chairman – Audit Committee
- Director -Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) - www.kepsa.or.ke (2004 – 2012)
- Vice Chairman Kenya ICT Federation (KIF)- www.kif.or.ke (2004 – 2007)
- Member- National Higher Education Reform Task Force - Min. of Education –www.education.go.ke (2005 – 2008)
- Board of Directors-AIESEC – www.ke.aiesec.org (2006 – 2010)
- Appointed to National ICT Master Plan Development Task Force- Min. of Information and Communications – www.information.go.ke (2007 – 2010)
- Appointed to Co-ordinators Committee-UNDP-GSB Programme – www.globalcompact.org (2003 – 2005)
- Appointed for Consultancy by ATPS on Science & Technology Parks-Technopolis (Finland) (2003 -2004)
- CEO KEPSA– www.kepsa.or.ke (2007 – 2009)
- General Co – chair Africon 2009 – www.africon2009.org (2008 – 2009)
- Vice Chairman – Mahatma Gandhi Academy Society (2010 – 2012)
- Peer review adviser at the DFID Action research into a Kenya Coast Youth Employment Programme (2013)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION & MEMBERSHIPS

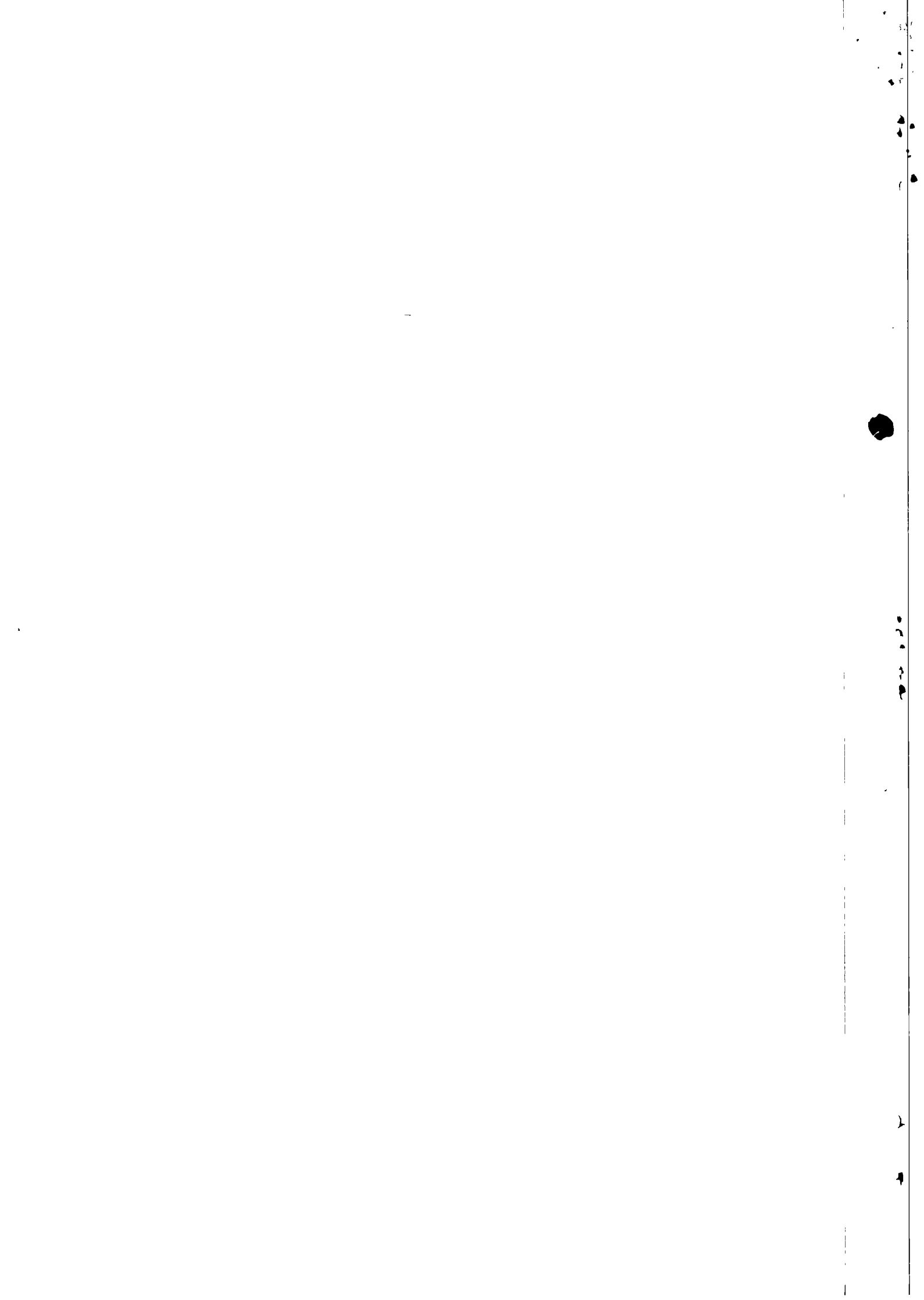
- Member - Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)- www.ieee.org (1990 -Present)
- Patron – Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Kenya Section – www.ieee.org (2010 – Present)
- Member Kenya ICT Federation (KIF)- www.kif.or.ke (2004 – Present)
- Member –IEE (1984 – Present)
- Member of the Kenya Science, Technology and Innovation Steering Committee (2006 –2009)

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Awarded Honorary Doctor of Science *honoris causa* of KCA University (2013)
- Rehabilitation and maintenance for one and a half years of Uhuru Highway and Kenyatta Avenue traffic lights systems free of charge to the Ministry of Local Government (2003 – 2004)
- Moran of the order of the Burning Spear (MBS) for Engineering Contribution (2008) Citation by the professional Society of Kenya
- Board Member of the year Award – AISEC Kenya (2009)
- Donation of computers to; Catholic Parochial primary school, Nairobi Hospice and Mukuru School (2007)
- Offer machine support at the women for women Health camp weekend (October 2002) held at Avenue Hospital
- Pioneered the IEEE Careers open day hosted annually by Centurion Systems (2001 –2014)
- Engineering talks to Universities and technical schools (e.g. University of Nairobi, Kenya Polytechnic, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and technology, Railways Technical Training Institute, Moi University, Egerton University, Kiambu Institute of Science & Technology and Starehe Boys' centre) – (2000 – Present)
- Patron – Starehe Boys School – Horsten House (2005 – 2007)
- Free repair and maintenance of mission critical Biomedical equipment for the Nairobi Hospice (2011)



- Initiated an annual International Engineering & ICT Students' exhibition which aims at recognition of local innovations in technology towards development, under the auspices of IEEE (1997 – Present)
 - Nationwide annual Power Up with ICT campaign: Building ICT Communities in Kenya's Town and Villages, www.powerup.co.ke (2005 – 2010)
 - Founder – The Engineering students exhibition (from 1997 – 2013) – www.engineeringexhibition.co.ke
 - Organizer for the electrification project of the Escarpment Primary School Lari Division Kenya (2007)
 - Chief Judge – Annual Robotics Competition – MOEST – www.scienceandtechnology.go.ke (2010 – Present)
 - Board Member – Asian Foundation (2009 – Present)
 - KEPSA Award – Esteemed Director (2007- 2012)
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23rd February 2018.

Mr. Michael Sialai,
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P.O Box 41842 - 00100,
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Dear Mr. Sialai,

RE: RESIGNATION FROM PREVIOUSLY HELD POSITIONS

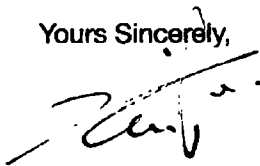
Prior to my nomination as a Principal Secretary for Education, State Department for Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET), I held certain key positions in the education sector.

Following my vetting session with the Parliamentary committee on the 21st of February 2018, I hereby wish to state that should I be appointed as Principal Secretary, I shall resign from all positions in various institutions that may interfere with my daily work as the PS TVET.

I look forward to serving the people of The Republic of Kenya with utmost dedication and without engagement in any activities that may result in a conflict of interest in my course of duty.

Looking forward for a positive response and subsequent approval by the National Assembly.

Yours Sincerely,



Dr. Kevit Desai

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