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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE'S DELEGATION TO THE CONSERVATION
CAUCUS AND GALA 2018 IN WASHINGTON DC, USA

21ST -28TH SEPTEMBER, 2018.

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TABLED BY:	Hon. Korei Atieno for Chair, Sports, Culture & Tourism Committee
CLERK-AT-THE-TABLE:	Moses Lemuna.

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

The State Department for Tourism, invited the Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism to attend the International Conservation Caucus Summit and Gala 2018, held between 21st and 28th September in Washington DC United States Of America. The summit brought together Legislative leaders from Africa, Latin America United States of America, business and civil society stakeholders, conservation experts and U.S Government and multilateral Organizations met at the historic Mt Vernon, Virginia, home to the late George Washington to discuss the role of Conservation governance in addressing threats and responding to opportunities related to parks and protected areas.

In light of this, the Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism nominated a delegation of two Members and one Parliamentary staff to participate in the summit. The International Conservation Caucus Summit was attended by representatives from Kenya, Gabon, Zambia, Mozambique Malawi, Namibia, Botswana Colombia, Peru, Mexico and the United States. Caucus Co Chairs led these delegates.

ICCF President John Grantt gave the opening remarks where he informed the participants the achievement and challenges of ICCF globally through partnership with parliamentary caucuses. Other speakers were David Barron, founder of ICCF, who led the Co- Chairs in Signing the Mt. Vernon declaration.

Conservation experts divided the summit into two sessions where the first session was the presentation of country reports by the Co- Chairs and the second session was presentation from ICCF Conservation stakeholders

The Committee wishes to thank the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the National Assembly for the support extended to the delegation to undertake this important event that offers a deep insight not only in regards to our conservation, but also on the growth of our Tourism industry.

The Committee wishes to record its appreciation for the services rendered by the staff of the National Assembly attached to the Committee. Their efforts made the work of the Committee possible.

On behalf of the delegation and the Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism, it is my pleasant duty and privilege to lay on the Table of the House, our report of the participation in the International Conservation Caucus Summit and Gala 2018.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism is one of the fifteen departmental committees of the House established pursuant to Article 124 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and Standing Order 216 of the National Assembly and mandated to:

- (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 analyse 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*); and
- (g) Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

1.1 Committee Membership

The Committee comprises of the following Members:-

Chairperson **The Hon. (Dr.) Victor Kioko Munyaka, M.P**

Vice Chairperson **The Hon. (Dr.) Korei Ole Lemein, M.P.**

The Hon. Christopher Omulele, MP

The Hon. (Dr.) Christine Ombaka, MP

The Hon. Cyprian Kubai Iringo, M.P

The Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP
The Hon. Daniel Wanyama Sitati, M.P.
The Hon. Bernard Masaka Shinali, M.P.
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The Hon. Grace Jelagat Kipchoim, M.P.
The Hon. Lydia Haika Mnene Mizighi, M.P.
The Hon. George Risa Sunkuyia, M.P.
The Hon. Annie Wanjiku Kibeh, M.P.
The Hon. Sylvanus Maritim, M.P.
The Hon. Jeremiah Lomurukai, MP
The Hon. Charles Ngusya Nguna,MP
The Hon. Titus Mukhwana Khamala, MP

1.2 Committee Secretariat

Second Clerk Assistant	-	Helen Kina
Third Clerk Assistant	-	Fredrick Otieno
Legal Counsel II	-	Clara Kimeli
Research Officer III	-	Vitus Okech
Fiscal Analyst	-	Catherine Gati
Media Relations Officer	-	James Macharia
Sergeant At-Arms	-	Sheila Chebotibin

1.3 Composition of the Delegation

In response to the invitation by the State Department for Tourism, the Committee nominated the following Members to constitute the delegation:

1. The Hon. (Dr.) Victor Kioko Munyaka, MP - Chairperson & Leader of Delegation.
2. The Hon. Cyprian Kubai Iringo, MP - Member
3. Ms. Hellen Masiyoi. Kina - Delegation Secretary

2.0 OBJECTIVES OF THE DELEGATION TO THE SUMMIT

The main objective of the Summit is to celebrate many achievements as it continues to recognize Governance as an essential and under addressed component in modern conservation efforts. To address this gap, it builds and supports successful legislative caucuses around the world to provide education and build political will around unifying topics of natural resource management. Their programs engage political decisions makers in the United States and partner nations, facilitate the development of innovative public- private conservation partnerships, and deploy top conservation professionals from U.S. and Canadian government agencies to share their expertise.



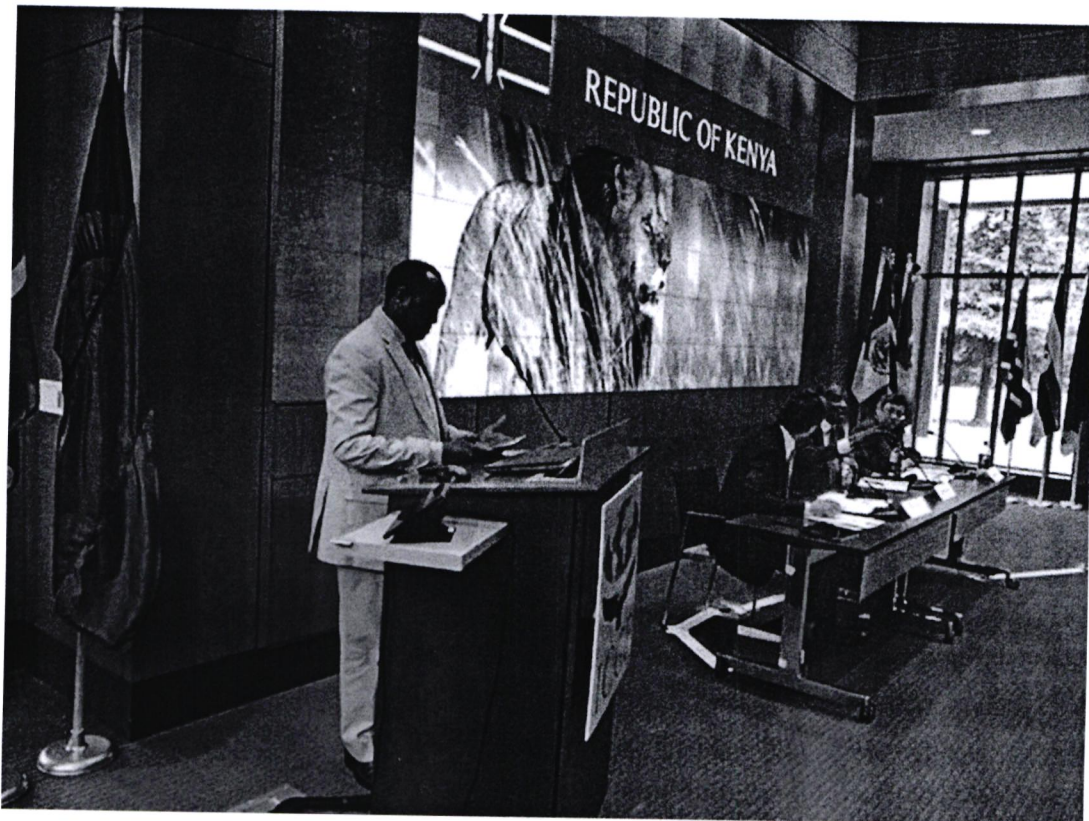
2.1 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1.1 The ICCF Group

The ICCF group was created to bring together governments, business and NGOs to inspire conservation action and create innovative solutions. ICCF derives to result on range issues including oceans conservation, parks and protected areas management, and wildlife trafficking around the world, the ICCF Group is working effectively to address some of our planet's most pressing conservation challenges.

2.2 Individual Country Reports

This Session was moderated by Rick Lazio, Other Panelists were Nick Lapham, President band Foundation, Kaddu Sebunya, President of AWF, and Sue Lieberman, Vice President, International Policy.



Hon Chachu Francis Chachu Ganya reported on the achievement and challenges of PCC-K since its inception in 2012. Notable achievements were the passage of unprecedented new penalties for wildlife crime in the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013, ban on Plastics paper bags, passage of the water bill 2014 and demolition of illegal structures along riparian land. PCC-K co-hosted East African Policymakers and leaders in wildlife management, tourism and conservancies to enhance the value of wildlife for communities, businesses and the environment. Hon Chachu did not hesitate to mention the challenges of PCC-K has gone through which are, Human Wildlife Conflict, lack of proper coordination between the investigation and the prosecution units and lack of proper training in the area of statement taking from suspects.

2.3 Presentation by Conservation Stake holders



Shamini Jayanathan, from Space for Giants, Sue Lieberman, Kaddu Sebunya, Nick Sekhran and Prof. Lee White, moderated this Session

The Panel of experts provided context for the legislators on how their organizations are implementing best practices on the ground as solutions to issues surrounding conservation and environment

3.0 ICCF 2018 ANNUAL GALA



Magical Kenya was one of the sponsors of this year's annual ICCF gala that was held on the 25th September 2018 at Mellon Auditorium. H.E Mokgweetsi Masisi, President of Botswana, graced the occasion. International Policy makers from Africa and Latin America, United states congress, Permanent Secretary State Department of Wildlife Kenya, Dr Margaret Mwakima, Governor Amason Kingi of Kilifi County, Betty Rodier, Chief Executive Officer Kenya Tourism Board, Betty Ichana, Regional Marketing Manager (USA & CANADA)- Kenya Tourism among other delegates



In her opening Remarks, Dr Mwakima noted that Kenya is one of the world's most bio-diverse country with a global reputation for wildlife conservation and tourism. The country's wildlife is an extremely important economic asset which attracts tourists per year, resulting with a tourism industry that generates over 10% of the national gross development product (GDP) and directly employs about 11% of the total formal workforce.

In her Conclusion she was excited to announce the milestone by Kenya and USA, as Kenya Airways (KQ) in partnership with Delta Air is set to launch its inaugural direct flight from Nairobi to New York City (JFK intl Airport) on 28th October 2018.

3.1 Stakeholder meetings

On 26th September 2018, delegates from African Countries held meetings with multilateral agencies and U.S government agencies at the Headquarters of Global Environment Facility (GEF).

3.2 Meeting with U.S government agencies.



Delegates met with representatives of by USAID, U.S Fish & Wildlife Service and U.S forest services. The purpose of these meetings was to have each country discuss their achievements as well as challenges in the area of Conservation and Natural resources Management that can be supported by proceeds from these agencies

Dr. Margaret Mwakima emphasized on the need to:

- Strengthen the anti-poaching strategy and mechanism in Kenya
- Enhance management of our biodiversity and ecosystem,

- Strengthen and reengineer Kenya Wildlife Services,
- Promote strong coexistence between human and Wildlife
- Incorporate innovation and technology in conservation

3.3 Meeting with Multilateral agencies

The multilateral agencies were represented by representatives from World Bank, GEF, and Wild Foundation. The representative of the World Bank pointed out that a World Wildlife Fund was available and that each country could have access to its funding.

Dr. Mwakima, Hon Chachu and other Kenyan delegates present in the meeting shared a detailed proposal for funding that majored on the implementation of the National Wildlife Strategy 2030. They requested for funding for the following activities

- Need to have a strong rapid response unit to support human wildlife conflict for coexistence. @ \$200M
- Need to create a wildlife rescue Centre to house injured and orphaned wild animals @\$150M
- Creation of wildlife conservation museums and national heritage Centre for information and awareness @\$ 200M
- Need to Carry on a campaign dubbed as Kenyans for wildlife and wildlife for Kenyans to mitigate HWC @ \$150M
- Economic valuation of wildlife which requires formation of a wildlife protection fund
- Need for tourism sector to prioritize rehabilitation of parks @ \$150 M

3.4 Meeting at the Capitol Hill



On September 27, 2018, African caucus delegations went to Capitol Hill, at the US Senate, to meet with representatives of the United States Senate and House of Representatives. The Ocean Conservation Caucus initiative was presented to African delegations, by ICCF carol Weiss who informed the delegates that Ocean Caucus priority was to promote and encourage aqua farming. She noted that Marine debris law was an equivalent of the law of plastic ban in Kenya, It was also observed that Gabon had the largest marine protected area at 43%. Notable challenges discussed was the pollution of the ocean by oil from the ships and also illegal fishing.



Delegations also had the opportunity to exchange with the Congresswoman Hon Karen Bass who is a member of the United States house of representatives since 2010,. She is also a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and Subcommittee on Africa, health and human rights, and a member of the US Congressional International Conservation Caucus. Hon Karen noted that the challenges faced by African countries were similar to those she faces in her constituency. Sat the end of the deliberation, the congresswoman reassured the delegates that she was fully dedicated to Africa.

4.0 OBSERVATIONS

Having attended the event, the delegation observed the following:

1. At the close of the 2018 ICCF summit and Gala, all delegates were in agreement that Conservation is an issue that cuts across all spheres of the environment we live in from the Alps in Europe to the Sahara desert in Africa. Globally, we are all bound by nature, which is the fabric that holds our universe together.
2. The Co-founder of ICCF David Baron led all the delegates Co Chairs in signing the Mt. Vernon declaration which tasks parliamentarians to work together to advance the goal of conservation sustainable development in adopting laws and policies that promote better use natural resources.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The delegation recommends the following:

1. The caucus to lobby regional blocks like SADC, EAC and ECOWAS not targeting the African Union to come up with regional and continental protocols which may be ratified by member states.
2. Involvement of communities as major stakeholders to make them own and embrace the wildlife in their environment. There is need for public participation while coming up with structures within communities to embrace wildlife.
3. The Government should embrace modern technology in monitoring and tracking of wildlife to deal with the poaching menace.
4. The Government should allocate sufficient budgets for the wildlife sector and to ensure there are strategies and remedies to safeguard human wildlife conflicts within the communities that are normally affected.
5. Cross boarder strategy involving all neighbouring counties to deal with the poaching menace.


SIGNATURE..... DATE..... 05.12.2018.....

**HON. (DR.) VICTOR KIOKO MUNYAKA (CHAIRPERSON AND LEADER OF THE
DELEGATION)**

**MINUTES OF THE 70TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
SPORTS, CULTURE AND TOURISM HELD ON THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER, 2018
IN THE BOARD ROOM, 4TH FLOOR, PROTECTION HOUSE, PARLIAMENT
BUILDINGS AT 12:00 NOON**

PRESENT

1. The Hon. (Dr.) Korei Ole Lemein, MP. - Vice Chairperson
2. The Hon. (Dr.) Victor Kioko Munyaka, MP. - Chairperson
3. The Hon. Christopher Omulele, MP
4. The Hon. Kubai Iringo, MP.
5. The Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP.
6. The Hon. (Prof.) Jacqueline Oduol, MP.
7. The Hon. (Dr.) Tecla Chebet Tum, MP.
8. The Hon. George Risa Sunkuyia, MP.
9. The Hon. Jeremiah Lomorukai, MP.
10. The Hon. Titus Mukhwana Khamala, MP.
11. The Hon. Jane Jepkorir Kiptoo Chebaibai, MP
12. The Hon. Charles Ngusya Nguna, MP.

APOLOGY

1. The Hon. Dr. Christine Ombaka, MP.
2. The Hon. Benard Masaka Shinali, MP.
3. The Hon. Daniel Wanyama Sitati, MP
4. The Hon. Annie Wanjiku Kibeh, MP
5. The Hon. Lydia Haika Mnene Mizighi, MP.
6. The Hon. Sylvanus Maritim, MP.

IN-ATTENDANCE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

1. Mr. Fredrick Otieno - Third Clerk Assistant
2. Ms. Clarah Kimeli - Legal Counsel I
3. Mr. Vitus Okech - Research Officer III

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/348: PRELIMINARIES

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at fifteen minutes past twelve O'clock followed by a prayer.

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/349: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the 63rd sitting held on 9th October, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. George Sunkuyia, MP and Seconded by the Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP.
2. Minutes of the 64th sitting held on 18th October, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon., Kubai Iringo, MP and Seconded by the Hon. George Sunkuyia, MP.
3. Minutes of the 65th sitting held on 23rd October, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP and seconded by the Hon. Korei Lemein, MP.
4. Minutes of the 66th sitting held on 1st November, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. George Sunkuyia, MP and Seconded by the Hon. Korei Lemein, MP.
5. Minutes of the 67th sitting held on 8th November, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. (Dr.) Tecla Tum, MP and Seconded by the Hon. Kubai Iringo, MP.
6. Minutes of the 68th sitting held on 15th November, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP and Seconded by the Hon. George Sunkuyia, MP.
7. Minutes of the 69th sitting held on 22nd November, 2018 were confirmed as a true record of the proceedings after being proposed by the Hon. Jones Mlolwa, MP and Seconded by the Hon. Kubai Iringo, MP.

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/350: CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE DELEGATION TO THE CONSERVATION COCUS AND GALA 2018 IN WASHINGTON DC, USA.

The Committee considered and unanimously adopted the report and directed the secretariat to prepare the report for tabling in the House.

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/351: CONSIDERATION OF THE SPORTS (AMMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

This agenda was extensively deliberated on and the Committee noted that there was no clear framework on administration of the fund and the transition of assets.

The Committee resolved to invite the Cabinet Secretaries for Sports and Heritage and the National Treasury and Planning immediately after recess in January, 2019 for a joint meeting to deliberate on the Bill and make a conclusion.

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/352: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. EALA Games:

It was noted that the Committee was not considered to be part of the delegation travelling to Burundi for EALA Sports despite being the Committee responsible for sports in the country. However, the meeting was informed that the Vice Chairperson and Hon. Omulele engaged the Clerk National Assembly who agreed that two slots be given to the Committee. The Vice Chairperson and the Hon. Jones Mlolwa were to accompany the delegation awaiting approval. Members noted with concern that the Committee should be included in the planning and participation in these events in the coming years.

2. Ushanga Kenya Initiative

Under this matter, the Honorable Member raised concerns on status of the initiative and what the Ministry has done to ensure it is implemented to achieve its intension of empowering women and youths from pastoralists' counties. It was noted that it seems the Cabinet Secretary was not in support of the initiative.

The Committee resolved that the CS be invited to inform the Committee on the status of the initiative.

MIN.NO.NA/SCT/2018/353: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at forty minutes past One O'clock.

SIGN:  **DATE:** 05-12-2018

CHAIRPERSON



DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON SPORTS, CULTURE AND TOURISM

MEMBERS ATTENDANCE REGISTER

DATE 29/11/2018 TIME 12:00 NOON

VENUE BOARD ROOM, 4TH FLOOR, PROTECTION HOUSE

AGENDA - CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE'S DELEGATION TO CONSERVATION LOCUS & GARDENS, USA

- CONSIDERATION OF SPORTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

NAME	TITLE	SIGNATURE
1 Hon Dr Victor Mungana	Chair	
2 Hon. Dr. Konei Kenei	Vice-Chairperson	
3 Hon. James Mlolwa	member	
4 Hon George Sankuyia	Member	
5 Hon. Kuba Ininga	Member	
6 Hon. Dr. Teso Teso	Member	
7 Hon Charles Nguna	Member	
8 Hon. Jeremiah E. Lomoruiki	Member	
9 Hon. Prof JACQUELINE EDUOL	Member	
10 HON. JANE CAEBABAI	Member	
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