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ISABOKE, EBS, NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CA	-	Communications Authority of Kenya
CAK	-	Competition Authority of Kenya
CEO	-	Chief Executive Officer
DCI	-	Directorate of Criminal Investigations
EACC	-	Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
H.E.	-	His Excellency
HELB	-	Higher Education Loans Board
ICT	-	Information Communication Technology
KBC	-	Kenya Broadcasting Corporation
KES/KSh	-	Kenya Shilling
KRA	-	Kenya Revenue Authority
PAPAA	-	Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F)
PCK	-	Postal Corporation of Kenya
PPP	-	Private Public Partnership
ORPP	-	Office of the Registrar of Political Parties
USF	-	Universal Service Fund

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

This report contains proceedings of the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation during the approval hearing of Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS, Nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting as requested by H.E. the President and communicated to the House by the Speaker on Wednesday, 26th March 2025.

Pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution, Section 5 of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (Cap. 7F) (PAPAA) and Standing Order 45(1), H.E. the President notified the National Assembly of the nomination of fourteen (14) Principal Secretaries to various State Departments vide a letter dated 20th March 2025. The Hon. Speaker vide a communication made on Wednesday, 26th March 2025 conveyed to the House the Message from H.E. the President and subsequently referred the names of the Nominees, curricula vitae, and the report of the Public Service Commission on their recruitment to Departmental Committees for approval hearings. While referring the matter to the Committees, the Speaker directed that the Committees undertake the vetting exercise within twenty-eight (28) days pursuant to Section 8 of the of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (Cap. 7F). The Speaker further directed the Clerk of the National Assembly to notify the Nominees and the general public by placing advertisements in two newspapers of nationwide circulation and the Parliamentary Website of the time and place of holding the approval hearings by Friday, 28th March 2025.

In compliance with Article 118 (b) of the Constitution and section 6 (4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media on Friday, 28th March 2025. informing the public of the nomination, date, time and place of the approval hearing. He also invited the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (*affidavit*) on the suitability of the Nominees in conformity with section 6 (9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F). The memoranda were to be received on or before Friday, 4th April 2025 at 5.00 p.m. (East African Time). At the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had received two memoranda contesting the suitability of the Nominee.

The Clerk of the National Assembly also wrote to Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) seeking references and background checks relating to the suitability of the Nominee.

The Nominee appeared before the Committee on Friday, 4th April 2025 for the approval hearing. The Committee examined his suitability based on the criteria set out in Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F). In addition, the Committee examined his academic credentials, relevant experience, knowledge of sector issues and on leadership and integrity. The Committee paid due regard to the procedure used to arrive at the Nominee through the report of the Public Service Commission on the recruitment exercise; any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question and suitability of the Nominee for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the Nominees' abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the State Departments.

Committee Recommendation

The Committee having held the approval hearing of the nominee regarding their suitability, observed that due process was followed on the recruitment process as provided for under Article 155(3) (b) of the Constitution and the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval Act) (Cap. 7F). The Committee therefore recommends that the National Assembly **APPROVES** the nomination of Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS to the position of Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication.

Acknowledgements

The Committee registers its appreciation to the Offices of the Speaker, Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly, Office of the Director, Departmental Committees and the Committee Secretariat for the logistical support extended to it during the vetting process.

In addition, the Committee thanks the Nominee for his cooperation during the vetting process. Finally, the Committee appreciates KRA, EACC, DCI, HELB and ORPP for providing references and background checks relating to the suitability of the Nominee.

I acknowledge and appreciate Members of the Committee for their patience, sacrifice and commitment which enabled the Committee to complete the task within the required timelines.

On behalf of the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation and pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) and provisions of Standing Orders 45(4) and 199(6), it is my pleasant duty to present the Report of the Committee on the approval hearings of Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS, Nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary for the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunication for debate and adoption by the House.

**HON. JOHN KIARIE, MP
(CHAIRPERSON)**

**DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION
AND INNOVATION**

CHAPTER ONE

I PREFACE

I.1 Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

- I. The Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation is one of the Departmental Committees of the National Assembly established under **Standing Order 216** whose mandates pursuant to the **Standing Order 216 (5)** are as follows:
 - i. *To investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned ministries and departments;*
 - ii. *To study the programme and policy objectives of ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;*
 - iii. *on a quarterly basis, monitor and report on the implementation of the national budget in respect of its mandate;*
 - iv. *To study and review all legislation referred to it;*
 - v. *To study, assess and analyse the relative success of the ministries and departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;*
 - vi. *To 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;*
 - vii. **To 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);**
 - viii. *To examine treaties, agreements and conventions;*
 - ix. *To make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation;*
 - x. *To consider reports of Commissions and Independent Offices submitted to the House pursuant to the provisions of Article 254 of the Constitution; and*
 - xi. *To examine any questions raised by Members on a matter within its mandate.*

I.2 Subjects under the Committee

2. In accordance with the Second Schedule of the Standing Orders, the Committee is mandated to oversee: Communication, information, media and broadcasting (except for broadcast of parliamentary proceedings), information technology, communication technology, including development and advancement of technology, data protection and privacy, cyberspace and cyber-security, artificial intelligence, block-chain technology, and other emerging technologies.
3. In executing its mandate, the Committee oversees the Ministry of Information, Communication and the Digital Economy.

1.3 Committee Membership

4. The Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation was first constituted by the House on Thursday, 27th October 2022 and further reconstituted on 6th March 2025 comprises of the following Members:

Chairperson

Hon. John Kiarie Waweru, MP
Dagoretti South Constituency

UDA Party

Vice Chairperson

Hon. Alfah Miruka Ondieki, MP
Bomachoge Chache Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Shakeel Shabbir Ahmed, CBS, MP
Kisumu East Constituency

Independent Member

Hon. Bernard Kibor Kitur, MP
Nandi Hills Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Erastus Kivasu Nzioko, MP
Mbooni Constituency

WDM-K Party

Hon. Antony Njoroge Wainaina, MP
Kieni Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Joseph Kipkosgei Tonui, MP
Kuresoi South Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Gideon Kimaiyo Kipkoech MP
Keiyo South Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Mark Ogolla Nyamita, MP
Uriri Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Kakuta Maimai Hamisi, MP
Kajiado East Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Flowrence Jematiah Sergon, MP
Baringo County

UDA Party

Hon. Khalif Ali Abdisirat MP
Nominated Party

UDA Party

Hon. Bensuda Joyce Atieno Osogo, MP
Homabay County

ODM Party

Hon. Mumina Gollo Bonaya, MP
Isiolo County

Jubilee Party

Hon. Umulkher Harun Mohamed, MP
Nominated Member

ODM Party

1.4 Committee Secretariat

5. The Committee is facilitated by the following staff secretariat:

Ms. Nuri Kitel Nataan
Clerk Assistant I/Head Secretariat

Mr. Sakana Saoli
Clerk Assistant II

Ms. Marlene Ayiro
Principal Legal Counsel I

Mr. Thomas Ogwel
Fiscal Analyst I

Mr. Githinji Wanjohi
Research Officer III

Mr. Boaz Chebiego
Research Officer III

Mr. Paul K. Shana
Sergeant At Arms

Ms. Florence Wanja
Protocol Officer III

Ms. Lilian Mburugu
Media Relations Officer III

Ms. Pauline Wanjiru
Hansard Reporter II

Mr. Kelvin Lengasi
Audio Officer III

CHAPTER TWO

2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Legal Framework

6. Article 155 of the Constitution provides that:

155. (1) There is established the office of Principal Secretary, which is an office in the public service.

(2) Each State department shall be under the administration of a Principal Secretary.

(3) The President shall—

(a) nominate a person for appointment as Principal Secretary from among persons recommended by the Public Service Commission; and

(b) with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries.

(4) The President may re-assign a Principal Secretary.

(5) A Principal Secretary may resign from office by giving notice, in writing, to the President.

7. In light of this, H.E. the President nominated fourteen (14) persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries to various State Departments. The President nominated Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS: Nominee for Principal Secretary State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication

8. The Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation has been assigned the role of conducting the vetting of the aforesaid Nominee.

9. The following Articles of the Constitution and statutes/provisions were paramount to the Committee as it executed this mandate:

- i. The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F);
- ii. The Public Service Commission Act (Cap. 185) on recommendation for appointment of Principal Secretaries;
- iii. Article 10 of the Constitution on the national values and principles of governance;
- iv. Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity;
- v. Article 77 of the Constitution on restriction on activities of State Officers;
- vi. Article 78 of the Constitution on dual citizenship;
- vii. Article 118 of the Constitution on public participation;
- viii. Article 232 of the Constitution on values and principles of public service;
- ix. The Leadership and Integrity Act (Cap. 182);
- x. The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act (Cap. 185A); and
- xi. The Public Officer Ethics Act (Cap. 183).

The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F)

10. Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F); provides for issues which the relevant House of Parliament (in this case, the National Assembly) is supposed to consider in relation to any nomination. These issues include:

- i. the procedure used to arrive at the Nominee;*
- ii. any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and*
- iii. the suitability of the Nominee for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the Nominee's abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which nomination is being made.*

11. During the approval hearing, section 6 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) provides important points, viz:
- i. An approval hearing shall focus on a candidate's academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background (section 6(7), PAPAA);
 - ii. The criteria specified in the Schedule shall be used by a Committee during an approval hearing for the purposes of vetting a candidate (section 6(8), PAPAA);
 - iii. Any person may, prior to the approval hearing, and by 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 (section 6(9), PAPAA); and
 - iv. A candidate may, at any time, by notice in writing addressed to the Clerk, withdraw from the approval process and the candidate's nomination shall end (section 6(10), PAPAA).

The Public Service Commission Act (Cap. 185)

12. Section 47 (2) of the Public Service Commission Act (Cap. 185) provides qualifications that one must have so as to be eligible for appointment as a Principal Secretary. These qualifications include:
- i. be a citizen of Kenya;
 - ii. hold a degree from a university recognised in Kenya;
 - iii. has at least ten (10) years relevant professional experience, five (5) years of which should have been in a leadership position or at a top management level in the public service or private sector;
 - iv. possess general knowledge of the organisation and functions of Government;
 - v. demonstrates an understanding of the goals, policies and developmental objectives of the nation;
 - vi. has demonstrable leadership and management capacity including knowledge of financial management and strategic people management; and
 - vii. meets requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.

Article 10(2) of the Constitution on national values and principles of governance

13. Article 10(2) of the Constitution provides for the national values and principles of governance which include patriotism, national unity, sharing and devolution of power, the rule of law, democracy and participation of the people; human dignity, equity, social justice, inclusiveness, equality, human rights, non-discrimination and protection of the marginalised; good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability; and sustainable development.

Chapter 6 of the Constitution (Leadership and Integrity)

14. There are important provisions in Chapter 6 of the Constitution worth pointing out. Article 73 of the Constitution provides that the authority assigned to a State officer (a Principal Secretary being a state officer under Article 260 of the Constitution) is a public trust to be exercised in accordance to the Constitution, demonstrate respect for the people, bring honour to the nation and dignity to the office and promote public confidence in the integrity of the office. Also, the State officer shall have the responsibility to serve the people, rather than the power to rule them.
15. The guiding principles of leadership and integrity are listed as selection based on personal integrity, competence and suitability, objectivity and impartiality in decision making, selfless

service based solely on the public interest, accountability and discipline and commitment in service to the people.

Article 77 of the Constitution (Restriction on activities of State officers)

16. Article 77 of the Constitution provides that a full-time State officer shall not participate in any other gainful employment and that any appointed State officer shall not hold office in a political party.

Article 78 of the Constitution on citizenship and leadership

17. Article 78 of the Constitution states that a person is not eligible for election or appointment to a State office unless the person is a citizen of Kenya. It also provides that a State officer or a member of the Defence forces shall not hold dual citizenship.

Article 118 of the Constitution on public access and participation

18. Article 118 of the Constitution provides that:
1. Parliament shall:
 - a) conduct its business in an open manner, and its sittings and those of its committees shall be in public; and
 - b) facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its committees.
 2. Parliament may not exclude the public, or any media, from any sitting unless in exceptional circumstances the relevant Speaker has determined that there are justifiable reasons for the exclusion.

Article 232 of the Constitution on Values and Principles of Public Service

19. Article 232 of the Constitution provides for the values and principles of public service which include high standards of professional ethics; efficient, effective and economic use of resources; responsive, prompt, effective, impartial and equitable provision of services; involvement of the people in the process of policy making; accountability for administrative acts; transparency and provision to the public of timely, accurate information; fair competition and merit as the basis of appointments and promotions; representation of Kenya's diverse communities; and affording adequate and equal opportunities for appointment, training and advancement, at all levels of the public service of men and women; the members of all ethnic groups; and persons with disabilities.

The Leadership and Integrity Act (Cap. 182)

20. The Leadership and Integrity Act provides a number of obligations to a State officer. These are, among others: to respect and abide by the Constitution and the law, public trust, performance of duties in an honest and accountable manner, professionalism, financial integrity, not to engage in activities that amount to abuse of office, not misuse public resources, accepting gifts that may compromise the officer's duties, wrongful or unlawful acquisition of property, conflict of interest etc.

The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act

21. Section 5 of the Public Service (Values and Principles) Act provides that a public officer shall maintain high standards of professional ethics, including, being honest; displaying high standards of integrity, transparency, accountability, respect to others, objectivity, patriotism, observance of rule of law. (Applies in future upon appointment)

The Public Officer Ethics Act (Cap. 183)

22. The Public Officer Ethics Act provides for obligations to be carried out by a public officer. These include professionalism, carrying out duties in accordance with the law, prohibition from unjust enrichment, avoiding conflict of interest, not using office as a venue for soliciting or collecting harambees; not acting for foreigners; care of property; political neutrality, not practicing nepotism or favouritism, giving impartial advice, conducting private affairs in a way that maintains public confidence, bar from sexual harassment, submission of declaration of income, assets and liabilities once every two years (section 26). (Applies in future after appointment)

2.2 Qualifications for appointment as Principal Secretary

23. In conducting the approval hearings, the Committee was guided by Article 155 (3) (b) of the Constitution, section 47 (2) of the Public Service Act and the provisions of Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F).

2.3 Message from H.E. the President

24. H.E. the President on **20th March 2025** communicated the names of the Nominees for appointment to the positions of Principal Secretary, Broadcasting and Telecommunication to the Speaker for approval by the National Assembly pursuant to Article 155 (3). The Speaker in his communication from the Chair issued on **Wednesday, 26th March 2025** and pursuant to Standing Order⁴² referred the names to the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation to conduct approval hearings and report within twenty-eight (28) days.

2.4 Speaker's Communication and Committal to the Committee

25. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 4242, the Speaker of the National Assembly on **Tuesday, 1st April 2025** communicated to the House the message from H.E. the President regarding the Nominees for appointment as Principal Secretaries for various State Departments. The Speaker informed the House that H.E. the President was seeking approval of the National Assembly on the said nominations before the Nominees' appointment.
26. In accordance with Standing Order 45(1), the Speaker read the Message from H.E. the President and referred the names of the Nominees, their curricula vitae and the report of the Public Service Commission on the recruitment process to the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation to conduct approval hearings.
27. While referring the matter to the Committee, the Speaker directed that the Committee undertakes the vetting exercise within twenty-eight (28) days pursuant to Section 8 of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (Cap. 7F). The Speaker further directed the Clerk of the National Assembly to notify the Nominees and the general public by placing adverts in two newspapers of nationwide circulation and the Parliamentary Website of the time and place of holding the approval hearings by **Friday, 28th March 2025**.
28. In addition, the Speaker directed that approval hearings should commence immediately and thereafter, the reports to be tabled in the House not later than Tuesday, 22nd April 2025 so as to enable the House to consider the reports within the statutory timelines.

2.5 Notification to the Public

29. Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), provides that “any person may, prior to the approval hearing, and by 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”.
30. The Clerk of the National Assembly on **Thursday, 27th March 2025**, placed a notification in the print media informing the general public of the intention of the Committee to conduct approval hearings, as provided for by Article 118 (1) (a) (b) and (2) of the Constitution and Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) which allows public participation in committee proceedings. The notification gave provision for the submission of memoranda, by way of written statements on oath (*affidavit*) on the suitability or otherwise of the Nominees, by **Thursday, 3rd April 2025 at 5.00 pm (East African Time)**. At the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had received two (2) memoranda contesting the suitability of the Nominee.

2.6 Notification to the Nominee

31. The Clerk of the National Assembly vide an advert placed in the print media on **Thursday, 27th March 2025** and letters **Ref. NA/DDC/CII/2025/008** informed the Nominee of the nomination by H.E. the President and requested them to appear for vetting by the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation on **Friday, 4th April 2025** in Committee Room 9, Main Parliament Building. The Clerk of the National Assembly further requested the Nominees to bring with him his clearance certificates from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP).

2.7 Clearance Requirements

32. The Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) and Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) requesting for tax, education loans, integrity, affiliation to political parties and criminal record status of the Nominees. The following institutions wrote back to the National Assembly clearing the nominee, KRA (letter Ref. KRA/5/1002/5(12219) dated 8th April 2025); DCI (letter Ref. DCI/CRO/SEC/6/7/2/A/VOL.XVI/91 dated 2nd April 2025); EACC (letter Ref: EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXXI (63) dated 4th April 2025); HELB (letter Ref. HELB/RR/112009/V/378 dated 2nd April 2025); and ORPP (letter Ref: RPP/ORG/34 VOL. VIII (70) dated 2nd April 2025).

2.8 Report of the Public Service Commission on the Nomination of Principal Secretaries

33. Pursuant to Article 155 (3) (a) of the Constitution, the Public Service Commission invited applications from suitably qualified persons for the position of Principal Secretary. The advertisement was published in the print media and on the Commission’s Website on 20th November 2024 with a closing date of 4th December 2024.
34. The advertisement period lapsed on 4th December 2024 with a total of Two Thousand Five Hundred and Seventeen (2,517) persons submitting applications for consideration.

35. One Hundred and Nine (109) candidates were shortlisted and the names published in the print media and on the Commission website on Friday, 10th January 2025. The interview schedule indicating the date and time of the interviews was published on the Commission website on 20th January 2025.
36. Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS, was number twenty-two on the published list of shortlisted candidates and the interviews were conducted by the Public Service Commission on from 27th to 31st January 2025.
37. The Public Service Commission adhered to all provisions of the Constitution in the process of advertising, shortlisting and interviewing the candidates including, merit, gender, ethnic and regional balance.

2.9 Committee proceedings

38. The Committee having received the name of the Nominee was obligated to conduct the approval hearing and make a determination of the Nominee's suitability or otherwise within twenty-eight (28) days as provided for in section 8 (1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F).
39. The Committee held three (3) Sittings during which it examined and reviewed the Nominees' certificates, testimonials as well as conducted approval hearings.

CHAPTER THREE

3 APPROVAL HEARING

40. The Committee conducted the approval hearing for the Nominee on **Friday, 4th April 2025**. In conducting the vetting exercise, the Committee was guided by, among other documents, the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Public Service Act and the National Assembly Standing Orders.
41. The Committee examined the Nominee using the guidelines in the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F). The Committee also considered the following in vetting the Nominees:
- i. Academic qualifications
 - ii. Employment record and work experience
 - iii. Professional association
 - iv. Public office, political activities and affiliations
 - v. Potential conflict of interest
 - vi. Suitability to the position
 - vii. Tax compliance
 - viii. Vision and leadership
 - ix. Integrity
 - x. Expectations and Key priorities

3.1 Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS – Nominee for the Position of Principal Secretary State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication

Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS was orally interviewed by the Committee and responded to questions during vetting as follows:

3.1.1 Personal Background

42. Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS stated that he is a Kenyan citizen of identity card number 9148176 and was born in Gucha, Kisii County in 1968.

3.1.2 Educational Background

43. The Nominee indicated that he holds a Master of Business Administration degree (Strategic Management) from The University of Nairobi, a Post-graduate Diploma in Marketing, (DipM.) from Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK), a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Business Administration from the University of Nairobi and has attended various Management and International Leadership courses.

44. He sat for his 'A' level examinations at Maseno National School in 1986 and his 'O' level examinations at Sameta Secondary School in 1984.

3.1.3 Work experience/ career progression

45. The Nominee was until the time of nomination, working as an executive consultant in Technology, Media, Oil, Gas & renewable energy.

46. The Nominee has also worked in the following capacities:

- i. Group Executive Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs, Africa. MultiChoice Africa Holdings, Dubai, UAE (June 2018-February 2021)
- ii. Regional Director, MultiChoice Africa Group East Africa (November 2011-June 2018);
- iii. General Manager/Managing Director, MultiChoice Kenya (January 2008-October 2011);
- iv. Head of Commercial, Shell Kenya (June 2006 to December 2007)
- v. General Manager, Shell Kenya (January 2003 to June 2006)
- vi. Reseller Business Manager, Shell Kenya (October 2000 to December 2002)
- vii. Brands & Communication Manager (June 1998 to September 2000)
- viii. Senior Brand Manager (September 1995 to June 1998); and
- ix. Field Sales and Brand Manager (September 1991 to June 1995)

47. He has knowledge and experience in strategic planning, stakeholder engagement, regulatory affairs management, strategic corporate communications and public affairs management, Brand and Corporate Communications strategy and Talent identification.

3.1.4 Net worth

48. The Nominee informed the Committee that he was worth approximately **KSh. 681 million**. The source of his wealth was from salaries earned from being a business executive, parcels of lands, rental income and funds received from consultancy jobs that he undertook.

3.1.5 Professional Associations & Affiliations

49. The Nominee informed the Committee that he is affiliated with the following organizations and associations:

- i. Kenya Historical Association
- ii. Member of the American Cultural Centre Library Nairobi
- iii. Executive Member of the Kenyan American Studies Association (KAMESA)
- iv. Member of Board of Governors, St Mary's Secondary School
- v. Member, Board of Governors Chesamisi High school.
- vi. Member, Council for the Development of Social Science Research Africa (CODESRIA).
- vii. Regular visiting Lecture, the Kenya National Defence College.

3.1.6 International Leadership Courses Attended

50. The Nominee stated that he has published the following publications:

- i. Executive Coaching Diploma Academy of Executive Coaching (AoEC), UK 2011
- ii. Regulatory Master Class Course: Bath, UK (2019)
- iii. Harvard Business School Naspers Executive Leadership Program (2015)
- iv. Executive Leadership Development Course (ELDP) University of Wits, SA (2004)
- v. Advanced Business Management Course, Cranfield University UK (2000)

3.1.7 Clearance Requirements

51. The Committee confirmed that the Nominee had been cleared by KRA, ORPP, DCI, EACC and HELB, having obtained clearance certificates to that effect.

3.1.8 Other issues under consideration

To examine the suitability or otherwise of the Nominee, the Committee posed questions to the Nominee in the following thematic areas:

On Leadership and Integrity

52. The Nominee acknowledged that there might be a potential conflict of interest on account of his shareholder status in GOtv. He submitted that he had since resigned as a Director at GOtv and indicated that once appointed to the role, he would be willing to recuse himself on handling any issues on the relationship between GOtv and KBC. He further reiterated that his acquisition of shares in GOtv was due to a legal provision that required the company to have at least 30% local shareholding. He averred that the process that led to his acquisition of the 30% was legal and above board and further that he acquired nominal shares for a value of Kshs 5.2million. The Nominee submitted that he would be willing to relinquish his shareholding from GOtv if approved and appointed as Principal Secretary.
53. He further added that in the event of identifying a conflict of interest, he would take immediate steps to mitigate its impact which would involve: recusing himself from any decision-making or involvement in matters where a conflict exists and publicly disclosing the conflict and outlining measures taken to address it. He concluded that his actions shall be guided by his dedication to moral behavior and public trust and will make sure that his choices put the welfare of Kenyans and the development of programs first by proactively recognising and resolving any potential conflicts of interest.
54. During the vetting process his family ties with an FM station was raised, the Nominee also acknowledged his nephew ran a local FM station, the Nominee emphasized his commitment to transparency and ethical conduct. He assured the Committee that any potential conflict of interest would be disclosed as is provided by law and further that he would take the necessary steps to recuse himself from any concerned matter.

On Strategic Vision

55. The Nominee expounded on his vision for revitalizing KBC, which has been struggling financially. He stressed the need for effective financial management, strategic partnerships, and innovative approaches to ensure the long-term sustainability of the station. Recognizing the importance of innovation in driving broadcasting improvements, he emphasized the necessity of clear, consistent, and accurate communication to ensure government programs are easily understood by the public.
56. The Nominee also submitted that he appreciated the role of the private sector in realizing the effective implementation of government projects. He affirmed his commitment to working within the provisions of the Public Private Partnerships Act in a bid to come up with commercialization strategies for the agencies that will be under his purview. He stated that he believed that the private sector has the requisite resourcing and expertise needed to revitalize the broadcasting and telecommunications space.

57. The Nominee further proposed using communication as a tool to generate public awareness of government projects and activities. With a firm belief in the power of effective communication, the Nominee committed to modernizing KBC's operations, improving its outreach, and expanding network coverage across both urban and rural areas of Kenya. His plan would include leveraging partnerships, optimizing financial management, and ensuring that KBC's content resonates with a broader audience.

On Policy, Legislative and Regulatory Frameworks

58. The Nominee provided his vision for updating and strengthening Kenya's legislative and regulatory frameworks to address the emerging digital challenges facing the country. He proposed a revision of the Cybercrimes Act to better handle the spread of misinformation and online harm, while also protecting the public from digital threats. He emphasized the need for public education on the consequences of misusing digital platforms and the importance of ensuring that there are regulatory safeguards to ensure a balance between media freedom and accountability. Further, he averred that he advocates for media self-regulation rather than government interventions.

59. The Nominee outlined key reforms that he would bring on board, if approved for appointment. These would include enhancing digital e-commerce fulfilment, introducing a national addressing system, strengthening cybercrime laws, local content promotion, site colocation and improving consumer protection regulations. In particular, he focused the need of ensuring that a fair and inclusive licensing framework was put in place, promoting infrastructure sharing, and ensuring that frequency and spectrum management is efficient and equitable.

60. The Nominee observed that these reforms will be aimed at creating a regulatory environment that would support both traditional and new media platforms. He also committed to upholding media freedom, engaging with media stakeholders, and promoting responsible journalism while ensuring that regulations were fair and balanced. He reiterated that the approach will aim at creating a level playing field where media outlets, both large and small, can thrive.

On Media and Broadcasting

61. The Nominee underscored the importance of improving KBC's financial situation, particularly through lobbying for government support to clear outstanding financial obligations. He informed the Committee that by ensuring that media houses like KBC meet their financial responsibilities, he aims to prevent situations where staff go for months without being paid, as this could damage the credibility and operation of such outlets.

62. Acknowledging the evolving media landscape, the Nominee committed to strengthening the financial model for content creators, emphasizing fair remuneration and enhancing their economic participation. He reiterated that by supporting local content creation, he hopes to build a more sustainable media ecosystem that will promote diversity and innovation.

63. In terms of improving KBC's content, the Nominee proposed attracting new talent and generating fresh ideas to appeal to both viewers and advertisers. He recognizes the challenges posed by changing technology and audience preferences and aims to ensure

that KBC and other state-owned media outlets stay relevant by adapting to these shifts. He also pledged to balance the interests of public and private broadcasters, fostering a harmonious media environment that benefits all stakeholders.

64. The Nominee addressed the critical issue of uneven journalism training, particularly in rural areas and outside of Nairobi. He committed to expanding access to quality journalism education, including diploma and certificate programs, to empower youth across Kenya, particularly in underserved counties including the use of online training. He informed the Committee that this initiative was tied to his vision of empowering youth, ensuring that they are equipped with the skills necessary to succeed in the rapidly evolving media industry.
65. In addition to promoting training for journalists, the Nominee acknowledged the role of content creators in shaping the future of Kenya's media landscape. He placed emphasis on the fact that local content creators, including bloggers and independent producers, must be fairly compensated for their work. By improving the financial models for content creators, he aims to foster a more inclusive and equitable media environment that benefits all participants.

On Telecommunication Landscape

66. The Nominee noted the need to seize and analyze data on underserved areas to better target Universal Service Fund (USF) interventions. He highlighted the importance of stakeholder engagement, including collaboration with the Parliamentary Committee, to accurately identify these areas. He further indicated that the Communications Authority (CA) will be instrumental in addressing the connectivity gaps through targeted initiatives.
67. He noted that the Kenya Kwanza manifesto places great emphasis on the digital economy, which cannot be realized without robust digital infrastructure reaching even the most rural areas of our nation.
68. On the issue of dominance in the telecommunication space, the interviewee pointed out that competition is addressed under the Kenya Information and Communications Act (KICA). He affirmed that Kenya operates a free market economy, and dominance is not problematic, however he enthused that the main concern lay in the abuse of that dominance. He stressed that innovation and success should not be penalized but noted the importance of regulatory safeguards. The Communications Authority of Kenya should institute mechanisms to prevent the abuse of market dominance, particularly through its regulation of inter-call termination rates.

On Stakeholder Collaboration

69. Recognizing the impact of misinformation on public trust, the Nominee emphasized the need for putting in place a robust and coordinated approach to tackle fake news, cybercrime, and digital threats. He proposed working closely with both national and international stakeholders to develop strategies that effectively address these challenges. The Nominee informed the Committee that by collaborating with other African nations and global organizations, he hopes to create a unified response to the growing issue of online misinformation, which transcends borders and has the potential to erode societal cohesion.

70. The Nominee also outlined a plan to streamline communication across government agencies, ensuring that public messaging is unified and consistent. This would help avoid confusion, ensure that the public receives accurate information and enhance the credibility of government communication efforts.

On Emerging Issues

71. The Nominee expressed a forward-thinking approach to the challenges posed by digital technology, proposing innovative solutions such as the use of satellite technology to improve connectivity in remote and underserved areas. He informed the Committee that this approach would ensure that youth across the country, not just those in urban centers, have access to digital learning opportunities and can participate in the digital economy.
72. In terms of privacy and online safety, the Nominee emphasized the need for a balanced approach that protects individuals' privacy while addressing cyber risks. He stressed the importance of safeguarding youth from cyberbullying and harmful online content, while also ensuring their right to privacy is upheld. The Nominee proposed a national digital training program that would address these concerns by equipping youth with the necessary skills to navigate the digital world safely and effectively.

3.2 Responses from the Public

3.2.1 Chairperson, Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration and Agriculture

73. The Committee received a memorandum from the Chairperson of the Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration, and Agriculture (*ANNEX 11*) contesting the nomination of Mr. Stephen Isaboke as Principal Secretary in the State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunications.
74. The Committee accorded the nominee an opportunity to respond to the concerns raised in the memorandum to which he replied in writing (*ANNEX 13*).

3.2.2 Affidavit of Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo

75. The Committee received an affidavit from Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo (*ANNEX 12*) contesting the nomination of Mr. Stephen Nyaboke as Principal Secretary in the State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunications.
76. The Committee accorded the nominee an opportunity to respond to the concerns raised in the memorandum to which he replied in writing (*ANNEX 14*).

CHAPTER FOUR

4 OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS

77. The Committee observations were guided by Article 155 of the Constitution, section 47 of the Public Service Commission Act and section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), in terms of issues for consideration as follows:

- i. the procedure used to arrive at the Nominee;
- ii. any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and
- iii. suitability of the Nominees for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the Nominees' abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is made.

78. In evaluating the suitability of Mr Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS for appointment to the position of Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication, the Committee considered the following:

- i. The relevant provisions of the Constitution and the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act governing the appointment of State Officers;
- ii. The vetting questionnaire duly completed and submitted by the Nominee;
- iii. The Curriculum Vitae of the Nominee;
- iv. The Nominee's academic and professional certificates availed to the Committee;
- v. The clearances in relation to the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution; and
- vi. The oral submissions made by the Nominee during the approval hearing.

79. The Committee made the following general observations on the Nominee:

- i. The Nominee is a Kenyan and not a citizen of any other country. He therefore meets the requirements of Article 78 of the Constitution;
- ii. The Public Service Commission submitted the report of the recruitment of principal secretaries to the National Assembly hence the Committee was able to ascertain that the interview process was competitive and that the Nominee was in the shortlist as required by Article 155(3) of the Constitution;
- iii. The Nominee was cleared by KRA on tax compliance, HELB on the payment of his education loans, EACC on integrity, DCI on their criminal status and ORPP on membership to political parties; and
- iv. The Clerk of the National Assembly invited members of the public to submit memoranda on the Nominees pursuant to section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F). The Committee received two memoranda in contesting the suitability of the Nominee.

80. The Committee further observed that:

- i. The Nominee holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Business Administration from the University of Nairobi and therefore meets the requirements of Section 47(2) (ii) of the Public Service Commission Act, 2017;

- ii. He has been a business executive therefore has leadership experience of twenty-five (25) years. He therefore been in leadership positions for more than five (5) years as required by section 47(2) (iii) of the Public Service Act, 2017;
 - iii. The Committee noted that the Nominee had vast experience in the private sector of Broadcasting, Telecommunication, Media, Oil & Gas and Energy; The Nominee's cumulative academic qualifications, professional training, abilities, qualities and extensive experience in the ICT sector meet the threshold required to hold the office of Principal Secretary and having complied with all the relevant legal, constitutional, statutory, academic, professional, and ethical requirements Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke is fit to hold the position of Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication.
 - iv. The Committee noted that the Nominee's responses to the Committee's questions demonstrated a clear understanding of the challenges facing Kenya's communication, broadcasting and telecommunications sectors. His vision for reform and innovation was centred on improving financial sustainability, expanding access to education, supporting local content creators and ensuring fair regulatory frameworks.
 - v. In addition, the Committee noted that the Nominee's averment that he would focus on transparency, collaboration, and technological innovation, aims to drive growth and improve the effectiveness of the country's broadcasting and telecommunications sector which has faced many challenges because of emerging technologies.
 - vi. The Committee noted that the Nominee has an understanding of the mandate of the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunication and assured the Committee that if appointed he will quickly upskill and learn the roles of operations in the public sector.
 - vii. According to the information and records presented to the Committee, the Nominee had never been implicated in any issues that may lead to lack of integrity. On his part, he declared a conflict of interest as he owns 30% shares in GoTV Kenya and indicated that he would relinquish his shareholding once appointed.
 - viii. The Committee further observed that the nominee had indicated that he would follow the provisions of the law, including recusing himself when presented with a situation that was a potential conflict of interest. He therefore met the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.
81. Notably, the Committee received two (2) memoranda from the public on Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS and observed the following:

Observations on Memoranda submitted by the Chairperson, Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration, and Agriculture

- i. That, according to the Business Registration Service document that was attached to the memorandum, the nominee holds 643 ordinary shares in GOtv Kenya Limited with Multichoice Africa Holdings having 1499 shares. This translates to a 30% shareholding in respect to the nominee.

- ii. That, the memoranda states that Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) was offered to come in as a local shareholder for 40% in GOtv Kenya. However, the Nominee clarified that the 40% shareholding offer from Multichoice was on GOtv and not DSTv as indicated in the memorandum. Additionally, he indicated that KBC does not own any shares in GOtv.
- iii. That, the Nominee resigned from being a Group Executive Director, MultiChoice Africa Group in February 2021 and later acquired 30% shares in GOtv for Kshs. 5.1 Million through a loan which he has since repaid. The memoranda states that the shareholding offer to KBC as a local shareholder was 40% but was unable to take its shareholding of 40% in DSTV because of the regulatory restriction on operators being shareholders in more than one Broadcasting Signal Distributor given KBC shareholding in Signet and due to lack of funds. Further the memoranda states that the shares that KBC declined to take up were later allocated to Mr. Stephen Isaboke as a "loan".
- iv. That, the Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration, and Agriculture has been examining the unexplained decrease of dividends following the Reports of the Auditor- General on the Financial Statement of the Kenya Broadcasting Corporation for FY 2016/2017 and is yet to be table its report in the House.
- v. That, the Nominee has proactively disclosed his potential conflict of interest in accordance with public service regulations and expressed his intention to relinquish his shareholding in GOtv if appointed.

Observations on Affidavit by the Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo

- i. That, Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo states that the nominee has been an employee of KBC, yet, as per the PSC report, submitted CV, nominee verbal and written responses, the nominee has never been employed at KBC.
- ii. That, the information by Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo stating that the nominee is currently a Chairperson, Non-Executive Director, and shareholder with 30% shares in GOtv Kenya Ltd is not accurate.
- iii. That, both KBC and the MultiChoice Group have benefitted from their partnerships and KBC has received dividends worth more than Kshs. 1.7 Billion as opposed to the submission by the deponent that KBC has never received any dividends from Multichoice Kenya Limited.
- iv. That, there is no submission of the Ad Hoc Committee Report on MultiChoice Africa Holdings and the Kenya Broadcasting Corporation Partnership of December 2023 highlighted that GOtv Kenya Limited, where the nominee, played a central role in unduly influencing KBC to relinquish its frequencies, infrastructure, and transmission sites to GOtv without ensuring fair compensation to the National Broadcaster.

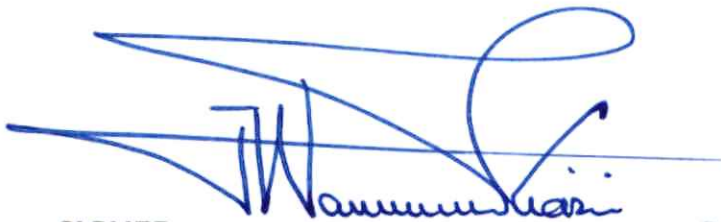
- v. That, DCI has cleared the Nominee irrespective of the deponent submitting that the nominee's suitability is compromised by ongoing investigations by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) on MultiChoice.
 - vi. That, currently there is an ongoing arbitration case in London between KBC and Channel 2 Group Corporation, entities not affiliated to the Nominee, as opposed to the deponent submission that the case exemplifies financial mismanagement by the nominee.
 - vii. That, the deponent mentions a Mr. Stephen Nyaboke and Mr. Isaac Nyaboke while referring to the nominee, Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke. Further, the Committee also notes inconsistencies in the deponent's submission on the nominee's previous employment, details of the arbitration case and investigations by the DCI. On account of this inconsistencies, the Committee resolved not to admit the memoranda.
82. That, during the vetting/approval hearing process, concerns of conflict of interest have continued to emerge. The Committee was invited to consider a precedent that was set in the 12th Parliament during the nomination for appointment of Mwendu Mwinzi as Kenya's Ambassador to South Korea. The then National Assembly Committee on Defence and Foreign Relations approved the appointment of the Nominee subject to a condition that the Nominee **cedes** her United State citizenship. With a view to avert any potential conflict interest and relying on the aforesighted precedent, therefore, the Committee observed that the Nominee's appointment be approved subject to the condition that he be re-assigned a different State Department.

CHAPTER FIVE

5 RECOMMENDATION

83. THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution and sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Committee recommends that the House **APPROVES** the appointment of **Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS**, as the of the Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication on the following **condition-**

THAT, in order to avert any potential conflict of interest with respect to the claims made during the Vetting exercise relating to part ownership of GOTV Kenya Limited, the appointing authority re-assigns the nominee a different State Department, upon taking oath of Office.



SIGNED.....DATE.....

15 APRIL 2025

HON. JOHN WAWERU KIARIE, MP
(CHAIRPERSON)

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION
AND INNOVATION



Annexure I: Adoption List



THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION - 2025

DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION AND INNOVATION

ADOPTION SCHEDULE

Report on the consideration of the Approval Hearing of Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS the nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary for State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication

No.	MEMBER	SIGNATURE
1.	Hon. John Kiarie Waweru, MP - Chairperson	
2.	Hon. Alfah Miruka Ondieki, MP - Vice Chairperson	
3.	Hon. Shakeel Shabbir Ahmed, CBS, MP	
4.	Hon. Erastus Kivasu Nzioka, MP	
5.	Hon. Joseph Kipkosgei Tonui, MP	
6.	Hon. Mark Nyamita, MP	
7.	Hon. Bensuda Joyce Atieno Osogo, MP	
8.	Hon. Bernard Kibor Kitur, MP	
9.	Hon. Gideon Kimaiyo Kipkoech, MP	
10.	Hon. Flowrence Jematiah Sergon, MP	
11.	Hon. Kakuta Maimai Hamisi, MP	
12.	Hon. Khalif Ali Abdisirat, MP	
13.	Hon. Mumina Gollo Bonaya, MP	
14.	Hon. Umulkher Harun Mohamed, MP	
15.	Hon. Wainaina Njoroge, MP	

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Annexure 2: Minutes



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION - 2025
DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

**MINUTES OF THE 13TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION & INNOVATION HELD AT 5TH FLOOR
COMMITTEE ROOM 22, BUNGE TOWER, ON 15TH APRIL 2025 AT 9.30 AM.**

PRESENT

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| 1. Hon. John Kiarie Waweru, CBS, MP | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Alfah Miruka Ondieki, MP | - | Vice-Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Mark Nyamita, MP | | |
| 4. Hon. Erastus Kivasu Nzioka, MP | | |
| 5. Hon. Joseph Kipkosgei Tonui, MP | | |
| 6. Hon. Gideon Kipkoech Kimaiyo, MP | | |
| 7. Hon. Bernard Kibor Kitur, MP | | |
| 8. Hon. Anthony Wainaina, MP | | |
| 9. Hon. Bensuda Joyce Atieno Osogo, MP | | |
| 10. Hon. Umulkher Harun Mohamed, MP | | |

ABSENT

1. Hon. Shakeel Shabbir Ahmed, CBS, MP
2. Hon. Kakuta Maimai Hamisi, MP
3. Hon. Flowrence Jematiah Sergon, MP
4. Hon. Khalif Ali Abdisirat, MP
5. Hon. Mumina Gollo Bonaya, MP

SECRETARIAT

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|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. Ms. Nuri Kitel Nataan | - | Clerk Assistant I |
| 2. Mr. Sakana Saoli | - | Clerk Assistant II |
| 3. Ms. Marlene Ayiro | - | Principal Legal Counsel |
| 4. Mr. Boaz Chebiego | - | Research Officer III |
| 5. Mr. Brian Githinji | - | Research Officer III |
| 6. Ms. Lilian Mburugu | - | Media Relations Officer III |
| 7. Ms. Florence Wanja | - | Protocol Officer III |
| 8. Mr. Paul Shana | - | Serjeant-At-Arms |

Agenda

1. Preliminaries
2. Confirmation of the Minutes



3. Matters arising
4. **Consideration and Adoption of the Draft report on its consideration of the Approval Hearing for Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS Nominee for Principal Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication**
5. Any Other Business
6. Adjournment

MIN.NO/NA/CII/2024/062: PRELIMINARIES

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:55 am, followed by a word of prayer. Introductions by Members of the Committee and staff followed.

MIN.NO/NA/CII/2024/063: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The agenda was deferred.

MIN.NO/NA/CII/2024/064: CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT REPORT ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE APPROVAL HEARING FOR MR. STEPHEN MOTARI ISABOKE, EBS NOMINEE FOR PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BROADCASTING AND TELECOMMUNICATION

The Chairperson invited the Members to the meeting and briefed on the agenda of the day. He further asked members to peruse through the draft report to ascertain that it was indeed a true reflection of the approval hearings.

Members of the Committee noted that the affidavits were duly admissible and responded to and that the nominee was suitable to hold office and if approved by the house, the nominee to relinquish his shareholding to avoid conflict of interest.

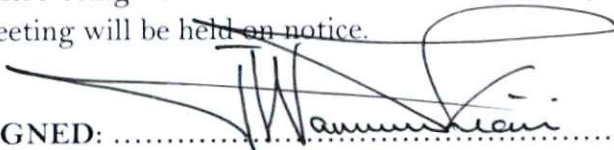
The Committee considered the report and adopted it with amendments to the observations. The adoption was proposed by Hon. Mark Nyamita, MP and seconded by Hon. Erastus Kivasu Nzioka, MP.

MIN.NO.NA/CII/2024/065: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

MIN.NO.NA/CII/2024/066: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to deliberate on, the meeting was adjourned 12.38pm. The next meeting will be held on notice.

SIGNED:  DATE: 15 APRIL 2025

**HON. JOHN KIARIE, MP (CHAIRPERSON)
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION AND
INNOVATION**



Annexure 3: Message from H.E. the President
nominating the fourteen (14) Principal
Secretaries



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**PRESIDENTIAL
NOMINATION NO. 1 of 2025**

THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA

25 MAR 2025

**NOMINATION
of
PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES**

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by **Article 155 (3) of the Constitution, I, WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO**, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces nominates —

NOMINEE	STATE DEPARTMENT
1. Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya	State Department for Public Service & Human Capital Development Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development & Special Programmes
2. Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	State Department for Trade Ministry of Investments, Trade & Industry
3. Mr. Cyrell Odede Wagunda	State Department for Public Investments & Assets Management The National Treasury & Economic Planning



4. Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	State Department for East African Community (EAC) Affairs Ministry of East African Community (EAC) Affairs & The ASALs and Regional Development
5. Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	State Department for Medical Services Ministry of Health
6. Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	State Department for National Government Co-ordination Office of the Prime Cabinet-Secretary
7. Ms. Judith Nayaiai Ramaita Pareno	State Department for Justice, Human Rights & Constitutional Affairs Office of the Attorney-General & State Department for Justice
8. Dr. Bonface Makokha	State Department for Economic Planning The National Treasury & Economic Planning



9. Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	State Department for Science, Research & Innovation Ministry of Education
10. Mr. Stephen Isaboke	State Department for Broadcasting & Telecommunications Ministry of Information, Communication & Digital Economy
11. Mr. Michael Lenasalon	State Department for Devolution Office of the Deputy President
12. Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	State Department for Youth Affairs Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
13. CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng	State Department for Children Welfare Services Ministry of Labour & Social Protection
14. Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	State Department for Shipping & Maritime Affairs Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy & Maritime Affairs



For appointment as Principal Secretaries of the **specified State Departments within various Ministries and State Offices** constituting the National Executive of the Government of Kenya.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused this Nomination Certificate to be issued under the **HAND OF THE PRESIDENT** and **PUBLIC SEAL OF THE REPUBLIC**, on this the *Twentieth* Day of *March* in the **YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE**.



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WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO,
PRESIDENT.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

_____ (No. 001 of 2025) _____

NOMINATION OF PERSONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO VARIOUS
STATE AND DIPLOMATIC OFFICES

Honourable Members,

1. You may recall that by a resolution passed on 13th February 2025, the House ordered that upon receipt of any name of a person nominated for appointment to a State or public office from the President during the Short or Long Recesses of the Fourth Session, **the Speaker shall forthwith refer such Message to the relevant Committee for consideration, without having to recall the House, and report such fact to the House on resumption.**
2. In this regard, **Honourable Members**, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42(2), I wish to report to the House that on Tuesday, 24th March and Wednesday 25th March 2025, being a period during the short recess, I received two Messages from His Excellency the President, seeking approval of persons nominated for appointment to various State and diplomatic offices.
3. **Honourable Members**, in the First Message, His Excellency the President conveyed that, in exercise of the powers conferred to him by the provisions of Article 155(3) of the Constitution, he had nominated **fourteen (14)** persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries as hereunder –

NO.	NAME	STATE DEPARTMENT
1.	Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya	State Department for Public Service & Human Capital Development, Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development & Social Programmes
2.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	State Department for Trade, Ministry of Investments, Trade & Industry
3.	Mr. Cyrell Odede Wagunda	State Department for Public Investments & Assets Management, The National Treasury & Economic Planning
4.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	State Department for East African Community (EAC) Affairs, Ministry of East African Community (EAC) Affairs & The ASALs and Regional Development
5.	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	State Department for Medical Services, Ministry of Health
6.	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	State Department for National Government Co-ordination, Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary
7.	Ms. Judith Nayaiai Ramaita Pareno	Justice, Human Rights & Constitutional Affairs, Office of the Attorney-General & Department for Justice

NO.	NAME	STATE DEPARTMENT
8.	Dr. Bonface Makokha	State Department for Economic Planning, The National Treasury & Economic Planning
9.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	State Department for Science, Research & Innovation, Ministry of Education
10.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	State Department for Broadcasting & Telecommunications, Ministry of Information, Communication & Digital Economy
11.	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	State Department for Devolution, Office of the Deputy President
12.	Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	State Department for Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
13.	CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng	State Department for Children Welfare Services Ministry of Labour & Social Protection
14.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	State Department for Shipping & Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy & Maritime Affairs

4. **Honourable Members**, in the Second Message, His Excellency the President notified that in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the provisions of Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, he had nominated **four (4)** persons for appointment as **Ambassador, Permanent Representative and Consuls-General**, as hereunder–

A. AMBASSADOR

NO.	NAME	STATION
1.	Eng. Peter Kiplagat Tum, CBS	Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo

B. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE

NO.	NAME	STATION
1.	Ms. Susan Nakhumicha Wafula, EGH	Permanent Mission of Kenya to the United Nations Habitat, Nairobi

C. CONSULS-GENERAL

NO.	NAME	STATION
1.	Mr. James Buyekane Muhati, CBS	Guangzhou, People's Republic of China
2.	Mr. Abdi Dubat Fidhow, CBS	Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania

5. Accordingly, **Honourable Members**, *vide* Notification No.s 003 and 004 of 2025, issued on 26th March 2025 and 27th March 2025, respectively, I notified all Members of the House and the general public of the receipt of the said Messages from the President.

6. In the notifications, I referred the Messages from His Excellency the President, together with the certificate of Presidential nominations, curriculum *vitae* and other testimonials of the nominees proposed for appointment as Principal Secretaries, to the relevant Departmental Committees to undertake the necessary approval hearings as follows-


NO.	DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE	NOMINEE(S)
1.	Administration and Internal Security	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim
2.	Communication, Information and Innovation	Mr. Stephen Isaboke
3.	Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu
4.	Education	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat
5.	Finance and National Planning	(i) Mr. Cyrell Wagunda Odede; and (ii) Dr. Bonface Makokha
6.	Justice and Legal Affairs	Ms. Judith Nayaiai Pareno Ramaita
7.	Labour	Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya
8.	Health	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma
9.	Regional Development	Mr. Michael Lenasalon
10.	Social Protection	(i) Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs; and (ii) CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng
11.	Trade, Industry & Cooperatives	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam
12.	Transport and Infrastructure	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah

7. **Honourable Members**, the Committees are expected to have already commenced the necessary approval hearings of the nominees for appointment as Principal Secretaries referred to them in accordance with the provisions of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F. It is expected that the Committees will table their reports on or before **Tuesday, 22nd April 2025.**

8. **Honourable Members**, with respect to the nominees proposed for appointment as Ambassador, Permanent Representative and Consul-General, I referred the Message from His Excellency the President, together with the certificate of Presidential nominations, curriculum *vitae* and other testimonials to the **Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations** for consideration. The Committee is expected to submit its report by **Wednesday, 23rd April 2025**, so as to enable the House consider the matter within the statutory timelines.
9. **Honourable Members**, I also received a Third Message on 27th March, 2025 from His Excellency the President conveying that, in exercise of powers conferred on him by Article 152(2) of the Constitution, he nominates **the Hon. Geoffrey K. Kiringa Ruku, MP** for appointment as the **Cabinet Secretary in the Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development & Special Programmes**. In the same Message, His Excellency the President has also nominated **Ms. Hanna Wendot Cheptumo** for appointment as the **Cabinet Secretary in the Ministry of Gender, Culture, the Arts & Heritage**.
10. **Honourable Members**, the President now seeks the approval of the nominees by this House. In this regard and pursuant to the provisions of section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, CAP 7F as read together with Standing Order 42(3), I hereby refer the third Message from the President, together with the curriculum *vitae* of the nominees to the Committee on Appointments for consideration.
11. **Honourable Members**, section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, CAP 7F provides that, unless otherwise provided in law, the Committee to which such nomination is referred shall consider the matter and table a report in the House **within twenty-eight (28) days**.

12. In this regard, the Committee on Appointments is expected to immediately commence the approval hearing and report back to the House by **Thursday, 24th April 2025** to allow consideration by the House within the statutory timelines.

I thank you!


THE RT. HON. (DR.) MOSES E.M. WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Tuesday, 1st April 2025

Annexure 4: Communication from the Speaker



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (FOURTH SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTIFICATION FROM THE SPEAKER

[Pursuant to Standing Order 42(2)]

_____ (No. 003 of 2025) _____

ON

NOMINATION OF PERSONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

WHEREAS, the House, by a resolution passed on 13th February 2025, ordered that, upon receipt of any name of a person nominated for appointment to a State or public office from the President or any other office in the National Executive during the Short or Long Recesses of the Fourth Session, **the Speaker shall forthwith refer such Message to the relevant Committee for consideration, without having to recall the House**, and report such fact to the House on resumption;

FURTHER WHEREAS, on Tuesday, 25th March 2025, being a period during the short recess, I received a Message from His Excellency the President, seeking parliamentary approval of nominees for appointment as Principal Secretaries;

FURTHER WHEREAS, in the Message, His Excellency the President conveyed that, in exercise of powers conferred by the provisions of Article 155(3)(a) of the Constitution, he nominated **fourteen (14)** persons for appointment as **Principal Secretaries** as hereunder—

NO.	NAME	STATE DEPARTMENT
1.	Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya	State Department for Public Service & Human Capital Development, Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development & Social Programmes
2.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	State Department for Trade, Ministry of Investments, Trade & Industry
3.	Mr. Cyrell Odede Wagunda	State Department for Public Investments & Assets Management, The National Treasury & Economic Planning
4.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	State Department for East African Community (EAC) Affairs, Ministry of East African Community (EAC) Affairs & The ASALs and Regional Development
5.	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	State Department for Medical Services, Ministry of Health

NO.	NAME	STATE DEPARTMENT
6.	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	State Department for National Government Coordination, Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary
7.	Ms. Judith Nayaiai Ramaita Pareno	Justice, Human Rights & Constitutional Affairs, Office of the Attorney-General & Department for Justice
8.	Dr. Bonface Makokha	State Department for Economic Planning, The National Treasury & Economic Planning
9.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	State Department for Science, Research & Innovation, Ministry of Education
10.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	State Department for Broadcasting & Telecommunications, Ministry of Information, Communication & Digital Economy
11.	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	State Department for Devolution, Office of the Deputy President
12.	Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	State Department for Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

NO.	NAME	STATE DEPARTMENT
13.	CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng	State Department for Children Welfare Services Ministry of Labour & Social Protection
14.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	State Department for Shipping & Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy & Maritime Affairs

NOTING THAT, section 3 of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides that an appointment under the Constitution or any other law for which the approval of Parliament is required **shall not be made unless the appointment is approved or deemed to have been approved by Parliament;**

FURTHER NOTING THAT, section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides that unless otherwise provided in law, the Committee to which nominations are referred shall consider the matter and table a report in the House for debate and decision **within twenty-eight (28) days.**

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and furtherance of the resolution passed by the House on 13th February 2025 on consideration of business received during the recess period, is **NOTIFIED** to all Members of the National Assembly and the general public as follows—

(1) **THAT**, the Message from His Excellency the President, together with the certificate of Presidential nominations, *curriculum vitae* and other testimonials of the nominees now stand referred to the respective Departmental Committees to undertake approval hearings as hereunder—

NO.	COMMITTEE	NOMINEE(S)
1.	Administration, and Internal Security	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim
2.	Communication, Information and Innovation	Mr. Stephen Isaboke
3.	Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu
4.	Education	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat
5.	Finance and National Planning	(i) Mr. Cyrell Wagunda Odede
		(ii) Dr. Bonface Makokha
6.	Justice and Legal Affairs	Ms. Judith Nayaiai Pareno Ramaita
7.	Labour	Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya
8.	Health	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma
9.	Regional Development	Mr. Michael Lenasalon
10.	Social Protection	(i) Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs
		(ii) CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng
11.	Trade, Industry & Cooperatives	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam
12.	Transport and Infrastructure	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah

- (2) **THAT**, the respective Committees to which the nominations have been referred are expected to immediately commence the approval process and, thereafter, table their reports on or before **Tuesday 22nd April 2025**, to enable the House to consider the nominees within the statutory timelines; and,
- (3) **THAT**, the Clerk is hereby required to transmit this Notification to all Members of the National Assembly, and facilitate the Committees to undertake the necessary approval hearings on the nominees referred to them for consideration.

I thank you.


THE RT. HON. (DR.) MOSES F. M. WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 26th March 2025

Annexure 5: Advertisement notifying the public of the approval hearings



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BUSIA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Email: csselectionpanel@busiacounty.go.ke



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT COUNTY SECRETARY - JOB GROUP 'T' (1 POSITION)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 44 as read together with Section 58 of the County Governments Act, 2012, and in view of the impending expiry of the current County Secretary's contract, the Selection Panel for the Recruitment of the County Secretary for the County Government of Busia invites applications from suitably qualified, result-oriented, and self-driven Kenyan citizens for the appointment to the above position.

Duties and Responsibilities

- i. Serve as the Secretary to the County Executive Committee.
- ii. Act as the Head of the County Public Service.
- iii. Be responsible for arranging the business and keeping minutes of the County Executive Committee.
- iv. Convey the decisions of the County Executive Committee to the appropriate people or authorities and track their implementation.
- v. Disseminate and oversee the implementation of National and County Government policies.
- vi. Coordinate County Government activities.
- vii. Provide directions to public officers in the County.
- viii. Perform any other functions as directed by H.E. the Governor and the County Executive Committee.

Requirements for Appointment

- i. Be a Kenyan citizen.
- ii. Hold a degree from a university recognized in Kenya.
- iii. Have at least ten (10) years of relevant professional experience.
- iv. Have at least five (5) years of experience in a leadership position at senior management level in a public service or private sector organization.
- v. Meet the requirements of leadership and integrity as prescribed in Chapter Six of the Constitution.

Terms of Service

Contract Duration: 5 years (Renewable).

How to Apply

- i. A cover letter.
- ii. A detailed curriculum vitae (CV) and testimonials.
- iii. Copies of academic and professional certificates.
- iv. A copy of the National Identity Card or Passport.
- v. Proof of membership to a professional body, where applicable.
- vi. For candidates with foreign degrees: Attach an approval letter from the Commission for University Education (CUE).

Clearance Requirements

- i. Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI).
- ii. Higher Education Loans Board (HELB).
- iii. Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA).
- iv. Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).
- v. Credit Reference Bureau (CRB).

Submission of Applications

All applications should be addressed to:

The Chairperson

Selection Panel for the Recruitment of the County Secretary

P.O. Box Private Bag-50400 Busia (K)

Delivery Options:

1. Post: Send your application to the address above.
2. Hand Delivery: Submit your application to the reception desk of the County Chief Officer - Human Resource & Public Communication at the Governor's Office, Town Hall - Busia-Kisumu Road, Door No. 30.
3. Email: Send your application to csselectionpanel@busiacounty.go.ke.

Deadline for submission: 2nd May 2025 (Close of Business).

NOTE: Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted.



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025)

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(b), 132(2), 155(3) OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT (CAP. 7F)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARINGS AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Articles 132(2)(d) of the Constitution, His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries, in exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President nominated the following persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries—

No.	NOMINEE	STATE DEPARTMENT
1.	Mr. Ahmed Abdulsan Ibrahim	State Department for National Government Coordination Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary
2.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	State Department for Broadcasting & Telecommunications Ministry of Information, Communication and Digital Economy
3.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	State Department for East African Community (EAC) Affairs Ministry of East African Community (EAC) Affairs and Regional Development
4.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	State Department for Science, Research & Innovation Ministry of Education
5.	Mr. Cyrell Odede Wagunda	State Department for Public Investments & Assets Management The National Treasury and Economic Planning
6.	Dr. Bonface Makokha	State Department for Economic Planning The National Treasury and Economic Planning
7.	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	State Department for Medical Services Ministry of Health
8.	Ms. Judith Nayalal Pareno	State Department for Justice, Human Rights & Constitutional Affairs Office of the Attorney-General and Department of Justice
9.	Dr. Jane Kere Imbuonya	State Department for Public Service & Human Capital Development Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development and Social Programmes
10.	Mr. Michael Lanasalon	State Department for Devolution Office of the Deputy President
11.	CPA Carren Agang's Achieng	State Department for Children Welfare Services Ministry of Labour & Social Protection
12.	Mr. Fikirini Katol Kahindi Jacobs	State Department for Youth Affairs Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
13.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombani	State Department for Trade Ministry of Investments, Trade & Industry
14.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	State Department for Shipping & Maritime Affairs Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy & Maritime Affairs

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nominations from His Excellency the President, the Rt. Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Notification made on Wednesday 26th March 2025 conveyed the Message to the Members of the National Assembly and referred the names and curriculum vitae of the nominees to the relevant Committees for consideration and reporting to the House.

IT IS NOTIFIED to the general public that pursuant to Article 118(1)(d) of the Constitution and section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the respective Committees of the House shall conduct Approval Hearings (Vetting) of the nominees on the dates, times and at the venues indicated in the schedule below—

No.	NOMINEE	STATE DEPARTMENT	VENUE	DATE	TIME
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND INTERNAL SECURITY					
1.	Mr. Ahmed Abdulsan Ibrahim	State Department for National Government Coordination	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Room 21	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION AND INNOVATION					
2.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	State Department for Broadcasting & Telecommunications	Bunge Tower, 3 rd Floor, Room 17	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS					
3.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	Community (EAC) Affairs	Mini-Chamber, County Hall, 1 st Floor	Monday, 7 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION					
4.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	State Department for Science, Research & Innovation	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Room 24	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND NATIONAL PLANNING					
5.	Mr. Cyrell Odede Wagunda	State Department for Public Investments & Assets Management	Bunge Tower, 3 rd Floor, Committee Room 18/19	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
6.	Dr. Bonface Makokha	State Department for Economic Planning	Bunge Tower, 3 rd Floor, Committee Room 18/19	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	12.00 pm
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON HEALTH					
7.	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	State Department for Medical Services	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Committee Room 20	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS					
8.	Ms. Judith Nayalal Pareno	Justice, Human Rights & Constitutional Affairs	Main Parliament Buildings, Committee Room 9	Monday, 7 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON LABOUR					
9.	Dr. Jane Kere Imbuonya	State Department for Public Service & Human Capital Development	Main Parliament Buildings, Committee Room 7	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT					
10.	Mr. Michael Lanasalon	State Department for Devolution	Bunge Tower, 3 rd Floor, Room 16	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL PROTECTION					
11.	CPA Carren Agang's Achieng	State Department for Children Welfare Services	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Room 26	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am
12.	Mr. Fikirini Katol Kahindi Jacobs	State Department for Youth Affairs	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Room 26	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	12.00 noon
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INDUSTRY AND COOPERATIVES					
13.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombani	State Department for Trade	Main Parliament Buildings, Committee Room 7	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	12.00 noon
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE					
14.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	State Department for Shipping & Maritime Affairs	Bunge Tower, 5 th Floor, Room 23	Friday, 4 th April, 2025	10.00 am

AND WHEREAS, section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) provides that "any person may prior to the approval hearing and by 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";

IN COMPLIANCE with Article 118(1)(d) of the Constitution and section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites members of the public to submit any representations they may have, by way of written statements on oath (affidavits) with supporting evidence contesting the suitability of the candidates for appointment to the offices they have been nominated to.

The memoranda 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 cs@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before Thursday, 3rd April, 2025 by 5.00 p.m.

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominees are required to—

- (1) Appear for the approval hearings with the original identity cards, academic and professional certificates and other relevant testimonials; and
- (2) Obtain letters/certificates of compliance from the following institutions—
 - (a) The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
 - (b) The Kenya Revenue Authority;
 - (c) The Higher Education Loans Board;
 - (d) The Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
 - (e) The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties; and
 - (f) A Credit Reference Bureau.

SAMUEL NJOROGE, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Thursday, 27th March, 2025

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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025)

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(b), 132(2), 155(3) OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT (CAP. 77)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARINGS AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Articles 132(2)(d) of the Constitution, His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries. In exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President nominated the following persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries:-

Table with 2 columns: No. and Name, and State Department. Lists 14 nominees including Mr. Ahmed Abdiasan Ibrahim, Mr. Stephen Isaboka, Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karuga, Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat, Mr. Cyrill Odede Waganda, Dr. Bonface Makokha, Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma, Ms. Judith Nayaal Pareno, Dr. Jane Kere Imbunya, Mr. Michael Lenasalon, CPA Carren Ageng'o Achleng, Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs, Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam, and Mr. Aden Abdi Millah.

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nominations from His Excellency the President, the Rt. Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Notification made on Wednesday 26th March 2025 conveyed the Message to the Members of the National Assembly and referred the names and curriculum vitae of the nominees to the relevant Committees for consideration and reporting to the House.

IT IS NOTIFIED to the general public that pursuant to Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 77), the respective Committees of the House shall conduct Approval Hearings (Vetting) of the nominees on the dates, times and at the venues indicated in the schedule below:-

Schedule table with columns: No., Name, State Department, Venue, Date, and Time. Lists 14 approval hearings for the nominees listed in the previous table.

AND WHEREAS, section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 77) provides that "any person may prior to the approval hearing and by 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";

IN COMPLIANCE with Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 77), the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites members of the public to submit any representations they may have, by way of written statements on oath (affidavits) with supporting evidence contesting the suitability of the candidates for appointment to the offices they have been nominated to.

The memoranda 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 assembly@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before Thursday, 3rd April, 2025 by 5.00 p.m.

- IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominees are required to:-
(1) Appear for the approval hearings with the original identity cards, academic and professional certificates and other relevant testimonials; and
(2) Obtain letters/certificates of compliance from the following institutions:-
(a) The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
(b) The Kenya Revenue Authority;
(c) The Higher Education Loans Board;
(d) The Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
(e) The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties; and
(f) A Credit Reference Bureau.

SAMUEL NUOROGE, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Thursday, 27th March 2025

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MIGORI

RE-ADVERTISEMENT OF TENDERS

The County Assembly of Migori wishes to Re-advertise tender for Sale Motor Vehicles, Furniture & Other items and therefore invites sealed applications from eligible individual/firms.

INVITATION TO TENDER-OPEN NATIONAL TENDER

TENDER NUMBER: MCA/FEP/01/2024-2025

TENDER DESCRIPTION: SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, FURNITURE & OTHER ITEMS

Table with 6 columns: S/NO., REG NO./SERIAL NO., MAKE/ MODEL, TYPE / USE, FRAME NO., LOCATION. Lists 38 items for sale including vehicles (Ford Everest, Toyota Prado, Toyota Rav4), appliances (Cooling Fridge, Cooker, Tyres), furniture (Office chairs, Iron sheets, TV sets), and electronics (Printer, Desk top computer, iPad).

All Motor Vehicles, Furniture & Other items on sale can be viewed at the places and time indicated on the bid document.

The new tender document containing the submission information, details of items to be disposed may be downloaded free of charge from the website (www.migoriassembly.go.ke)

Further information can be obtained from The Supply Chain Management Office at the County Assembly during working hours between 8.00am - 5.00pm from Monday to Friday or via migoriclerk@gmail.com

Completed tender documents enclosed in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked with the tender name and tender number should be addressed to:

ACCOUNTING OFFICER
COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MIGORI
P.O BOX 985-40400
SUNA-MIGORI

And deposited in the tender box located at the entrance of Cafeteria so as to be received not later than 10th April, 2025 at 10am. The tenders shall be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the firm's representatives who may choose to attend. The new tender document supersedes the previous one. Late bids shall be rejected.

ODIWOOR HESBORN OLUOCH
Ag. HEAD OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES
FOR: ACCOUNTING OFFICER
COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MIGORI

Annexure 6: Letter from the Clerk of the National
Assembly inviting the Nominee for the
approval hearing



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OFFICE OF THE CLERK

P. O. Box 41842-00100
Nairobi, Kenya
Main Parliament Buildings

Telephone: +254202848000 ext. 3300
Email: cna@parliament.go.ke
www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly

When replying, please quote

Ref: NA/DDC/CII/2025/008

27th March 2025

Mr. Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS
P.O Box 64018 – 00620
Mobile Plaza
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Isaboke*

**RE: INVITATION FOR VETTING BY THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION AND INNOVATION**

Following your nomination by His Excellency the President for appointment as Principal Secretary for the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunications, the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation hereby invites you for vetting pursuant to provisions of Section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) on **Friday, 4th April 2025** in **Committee Room 17, 3rd Floor, Bunge Tower at 10.00 am.**

Kindly fill the attached questionnaire as required by the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) and attach copies of your national identity card, academic and professional certificates and any other testimonials. The questionnaire should be returned **on or before Wednesday, 2nd April 2025.**

Further, you are required to bring along your original documents and other testimonials. In addition, you are required to bring letters/certificates of clearance/compliance from the following institutions:

1. Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission;
2. Kenya Revenue Authority;
3. Higher Education Loans Board;
4. Directorate of Criminal Investigations; and
5. Office of the Registrar of Political Parties.

The liaison officers on this subject are **Ms. Nuri Kitel Nataan** who may be contacted on tel. no. **0727 371 890** or email: nuri.kitel@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Saoli Sakana**, on tel. no. **0719 646 697** or email: sakana.saoli@parliament.go.ke.

Yours

JEREMIAH NDOMBI, MBS
FOR: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Encl:

KBC
KIMC
CA
MS
PK

Annexure 7: Letters from the Clerk of the National Assembly to KRA, EACC, DCI, HELB and ORPP requesting for information on the Nominee



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OFFICE OF THE CLERK

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www.parliament.go.ke/the-national-assembly

When replying, please quote

Ref: NA/DDC/005/2025

27th March 2025

Mr. Abdi A. Mohamud, MBS
Commission Secretary
Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
Milimani/Valley Road Junction

NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Mohamud*

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES**

The National Assembly is in receipt of a notification of fourteen persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries by His Excellency the President.

As you are aware, the National Assembly is required to approve the nominees for appointment in accordance with the provisions of Article 132 (2) (d) of the Constitution and the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F).

Article 124(4) (a) of the Constitution provides that "when a House of Parliament considers any appointment for which its approval is required under the Constitution or an Act of Parliament, the appointment shall be considered by a Committee of the House."

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Further, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), Committees are mandated to consider whether the nominees meet all Constitutional and Statutory requirements relating to the office in question.

In this regard, the nominations have since been committed to Departmental Committees for consideration. Consequently, the Committees request you to provide a report on the integrity of the following nominees as set out in Chapter Six of the Constitution.

	Name	JD No
1.	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	20865145
2.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	11692023
3.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	9148176
4.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	8009288
5.	Mr. Cyrell Wagunda Odede	1545354
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12.	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	26629462
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14.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	9089480

This information will assist the Committees to effectively undertake their mandate. We will appreciate if the information is received by **Thursday, 3rd April 2025**.

The liaison officer on this subject is Mr. **Benjamin Magut, Principal Clerk Assistant** who may be contacted on Tel. 0712974966 or email benjamin.magut@parliament.go.ke

Yours



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Ref: NA/DDC/002/2025

27th March 2025

Mr. Amin Mohamed Ibrahim, EBS, MBS, OGW

Director
Directorate of Criminal Investigations
Mazingira Complex, Kiambu Road
NAIROBI

Dear Mr. Ibrahim

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES**

The National Assembly is in receipt of a notification of fourteen persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries by His Excellency the President.

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2.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	11692023
3.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	9148176
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Ref: NA/DDC/001/2025

27th March 2025

Mr. Humphrey Wattanga Mulongo

Commissioner General
Kenya Revenue Authority
Times Tower Building
P.O Box 48240-00100

NAIROBI

Dear *Mr Wattanga*

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Ref: NA/DDC/004/2025

27th March 2025

Mr. Geoffrey Monari
Chief Executive Officer
Higher Education Loans Board
Anniversary Towers, 19th Floor
P.O Box, 69489-00400
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr Monari*

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Ref: NA/DDC/003/2025

27th March 2025

Ms. Anne N. Nderitu, CBS
Registrar of Political Parties
Lions Place, 1st Floor
Karuna Close, Waiyaki Way
Sarit Center,
NAIROBI

Dear *Ms Nderitu*

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Annexure 8: Letters of clearance from EACC, KRA, DCI, ORPP and HELB

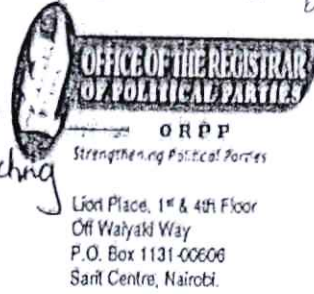


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 Mr. Adam Gindicha, HOD
 Mr. Benjamin Mepit, HOD
 Ms. Rose Wanjohi, HOD
 Ms. Tracy Chebet, HOD

Pls bring to the attention of the relevant Dept. Committees conducting the approval hearings.
 DM 03/04/25

(2) All Committee Clerks
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 pls bring to the attention
 of the relevant Committees
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 03/04/25



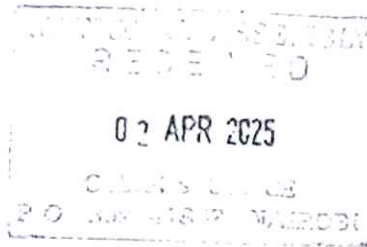
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Date: 2nd April 2025

Clerk of the National Assembly
 Clerk's Chambers
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 P.O. Box 41842-00100
 NAIROBI

Attn: Jeremiah Ndombi, MBS

Dear Sir,



RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

Reference is made to letter Ref. NA/DDC/003/2025 dated 27th March 2025 and on the above subject matter.

Pursuant to Article 77 (2) of the Constitution and according to the records held by this Office as at 2nd April 2025, the list of the nominees tabulated herein are NOT officials of any registered political party.

S/No.	Nominee	ID No.	Official of Registered Political Party
1.	Mr. Ahmed' Abdisalan Ibrahim	20865145	Not an official
2.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	11692023	Not an official
3.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	9148176	Not an official
4.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	8009288	Not an official
5.	Mr. Cyrell Wagunda Odede	1545354	Not an official
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11.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	20584192	Not an official
12.	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	26629462	Not an official
13.	Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	33271223	Not an official
14.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	9089480	Not an official

Yours faithfully,


Ann N. Nderitu, CBS
Registrar of Political Parties/CEO



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When replying please quote:

Our Ref: EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXXI (63)

4th April 2025

Mr. Samuel Njoroge, CBS

Clerk

National Assembly

Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings

P O Box 41842 – 00100

NAIROBI



Dear *Mr. Njoroge,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

Your letter referenced NA/DDC/005/2025 dated 27th March 2025, on the subject matter refers.

Please note that the Commission has not undertaken any investigations pursuant to its mandate against the under listed nor has it recommended prosecution of any of them.

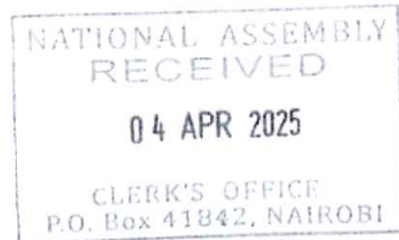
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The information provided herein is based on records available as of **4th April 2025**.

Yours *Sincerely*



Abdi A. Mohamud, MBS
SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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HELB/RR/112009/V/378

2nd April 2025

Jeremiah Ndombi, MBS
Clerk
National Assembly
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Dear *Sir,*

CLEARANCE FOR SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated **27th March 2025**, with reference number **NA/DDC/004/2025**, regarding the background check on the status of HELB loan repayment for candidates nominated for the position of **Principal Secretaries**.

HELB is committed to assisting the National Assembly in the comprehensive evaluation of candidates, including their financial responsibilities and obligations. We have utilized the necessary procedures to conduct background checks on the candidates listed in the attached schedule.

Our team has diligently reviewed the HELB loan repayment status of each candidate, ensuring accuracy and compliance with the information provided. We understand the importance of this inquiry in the overall assessment process.

Please find below their status.

S/No.	NAME OF NOMINEE	ID/No.	STATUS	YEAR OF CLEARANCE
1	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	20865145	Not a loanee	N/A
2	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	11692023	Cert No.55335	2013
3	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	9148176	Cert No.8277	2007
4	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	8009288	Not a loanee	N/A
5	Mr. Cyrell Wagunda Odede	1545354	Not a loanee	N/A
6	Dr. Boniface Makokha	13671582	Cert No.42774	2012
7	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	23797977	Cert No.95205	2025
8	Ms. Judith Naiyai Pareno	10883558	Cert No.35551	2012
9	Dr. Jane Kare Imbunya	34645601	Not a loanee	N/A
10	CPA Carren Ageng'o Achieng	13235213	Cert No.94046	2024
11	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	20584192	Not a loanee	N/A
12	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	26629462	Cert No.25344	2018
13	Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	33271223	Repaying	Repaying
14	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	9089480	Cert No.44862	2013

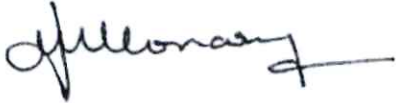


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We appreciate the collaborative effort with the National Assembly and remain committed to maintaining the highest standards of professionalism and confidentiality throughout the background check process. Thank you for entrusting us with this responsibility, and we look forward to contributing to the successful appointments.

Yours *Sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. Monari", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

GEOFFREY MONARI
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

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8th April 2025

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P. O. Box 48240-00100
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Dear *Clerk,*

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

Reference is made to your letter Ref: NA/DDC//001/2025 dated 27th March 2025 requesting for tax compliance report for fourteen (14) candidates nominated for the position of Principal Secretary.

Please see below the tax compliance status of the candidates:

No.	Name	ID No.	PIN	Status
1.	Mr. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim	20865145	A002889352Z	Compliant
2.	Mr. Aden Abdi Millah	11692023	A002487299Z	Compliant
3.	Mr. Stephen Isaboke	9148176	A001361563J	Compliant
4.	Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat	8009288	A001850830N	Compliant
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6.	Dr. Bonface Makokha	13671582	A002841501E	Compliant
7.	Dr. Oluga Fredrick Ouma	23797977	A005872629C	Compliant
8.	Ms. Judith Niayai Pareno	10883558	A002765024T	Compliant
9.	Dr. Jane Kare Imbunya	34645601	A010652849W	Compliant
10.	CPA Caren Angeng'o Achieng	13235213	A002790847Z	Compliant
11.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	20584192	A002935370F	Compliant
12.	Mr. Michael Lenasalon	26629462	A005467152Z	Compliant
13.	Mr. Fikirini Katoi Kahindi Jacobs	33271223	A008984562Z	Compliant
14.	Ms. Regina Akoth Ombam	9089480	A002105709E	Compliant

This is submitted for your further action.

Yours sincerely,

Humphrey Wattanga
COMMISSIONER GENERAL

Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegemee!

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2nd April, 2025

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*Mr. Aberayo Wawoie, HoD
Mr. Benjamin Magut, HoD
Mr. Adam Gindicha, HoD
Ms. Rose Wanjohi, HoD
Ms. Tracy Chebet, HoD*

Attn: Jeremiah Ndombi, MBS

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT
AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES

*To place before
the relevant
selecting Comms.
on 04/04/25*

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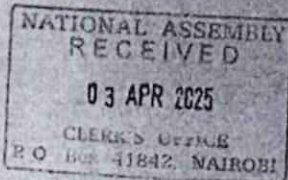
Forensic fingerprint analysis of the below named nominees was conducted in the criminal database and found that they have no previous criminal records.

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The below named nominees are advised to present themselves to the nearest Huduma Centre DCI desk for fingerprinting services. Alternatively, they can centrally access the same service at DCI Headquarters fingerprint and Police Clearance Certificate application centre for the exercise.

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5.	Dr. Caroline Wanjiru Karugu	20584192
6.	Ms. Regina Akoth Omibani	9089480

(Signature)
Mohamed I. Amin, CBS, OGW, ndc(K)
DIRECTOR OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS



Annexure 9: Curricula vitae of the Nominee

STEPHEN M. ISABOKE, EBS

MBA, BCOM (HONS), DIPCIM, FCIM (UK),
Dip Exec Coach AoEC (UK)



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Public/Current affairs
Contemporary Leadership
Leisure Golf

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP PROFILE

An experienced and multi-disciplinary business executive with over 25 years' leadership experience at executive level. I have had diverse opportunities holding senior roles in various businesses spanning several sectors. Have engaged and interacted with senior and influential government and Regulatory authorities across the African continent and in the process helped shape policy on key issues. A business leader savvy in Technology, media, Content, customer experience. Have been a senior executive managing businesses in Kenya and in regional businesses in Africa. I Have experience working with virtual teams and thorough experienced in operational and strategic drivers for success. conversant with working in complex and ever-changing business environments in Sub-Sahara Africa.

SKILLS HIGHLIGHTS

- Experienced in overall business leadership and results focus
- Strategic planning with a focus on growth/top line drivers
- Regulatory Affairs management
- Stakeholders' engagement and Managing Public Policy issues
- Strategic Corporate Communications and Public Affairs management
- Brand and Corporate Communications strategy and execution
- Talent identification, attraction, retention, succession management and career growth for high potential staff
- Enthusiastic, innovative, results oriented, diplomatic, a fast learner, and an excellent communicator.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- In June 2018, I was promoted to Group Executive Director in charge of Regulatory and Government Affairs for MultiChoice Africa based in Dubai, United Arab Emirates responsible for 48 Countries across Africa. A first for a Kenyan.
- Managed a team of 15 C-suite executives spread across the continent and maintained and ensured business growth via renewals of the MAH Group licenses to operate and managed the major Regulatory risks and secured the environment to operate across Africa
- Achieved a Presidential intervention to have the competition authority issue in Kenya amicably resolved.
- Lobbied and influenced successfully digital migration in Kenya which was a major achievement for the broadcasting industry and enabled the massive access to 4&5G spectrum.
- Hosted the Senate ICT Committee under the then Chairman Sen. Mutahi Kagwe (currently CS for Health) to orient them into Group operations and keep abreast with shifts in the sector.
- A results driven business executive, with long standing experience in delivering; corporate mission, vision, and objectives of the organization. This is key in an ever-changing environment.
- A people person with a track record of identifying and attracting top talent. Achieved getting two of my direct reports promoted to MAH Group EXCO. I have overseen approx., 1500 staff compliment in Eastern Africa region.
- In December 2022, I got recognized and awarded by H.E. President Dr. William Samoei Ruto, PhD, president of the Republic of Kenya the Order of the Elder of the Burning Spear (EBS) for my role in the digital transformation in Kenya citing the historic switch between analogue and digital broadcasting where I and the MultiChoice Group played a pivotal role to drive change.

Professional Experience

Technology, Media, Oil and Gas, Renewable Energy Executive Consultant: March 2021 – Current
Nairobi, Kenya & Dubai, UAE
Reporting to: Board(s) and Group CEOs

Having had long standing corporate experience, I have taken up non-executive Directorships and active consultancy roles in several Technology, Media, Oil, Gas and Renewable energy companies as follows

Active Roles:

- GOtv Kenya: Non executive Director and Consultant Regulatory and Government Affairs
- AURA Always Safe Kenya: Non Executive Director and strategic advisor.
- Ovex Kenya: Non Executive Director in Fintech and Financial services support
- Renovo Energy: Business Bay, Dubai, UAE

Group Executive Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs, Africa: June 2018 – to- February 2021
MultiChoice Africa Holdings (BV), Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE).

Reporting to: CEO, MultiChoice Africa Holdings BV

As a member of MultiChoice Africa Group EXCO having a span of control across the Africa continent with over 50 countries was involved in formulating strategy and overseeing the implementation. As Group Executive Head of Regulatory and Public Policy, my key responsibilities included strategic leadership in influencing the Regulatory environment for MultiChoice Group businesses including securing licenses to operate and other authorizations from Sector Regulators and other authorities. My role also entailed supporting the Group CEO in building relationships with key stakeholders among Government and sector Regulators to ensure a conducive business environment.

Selected Achievements:

- Held a private meeting with HE Uhuru Kenyatta president of Republic of Kenya in Feb 2017 to discuss an MCG issue on Competition Authority of Kenya (CAK) leading to his personal intervention to resolve the issue leading to protection of IP rights in Kenya and Africawide
- Directly involved in Digital migration policy formulation and implementation as an operator and impacted party.
- Held a meeting with the president to brief him on MCG level of involvement and support for digital migration.
- Treasury PS and other senior officials on Import Duty on Decoders for digital migration – decoders Zero rated in Kenya/Tanzania under EAC convention.
- Parliamentary Portfolio committee: Lobbied the enactment of the Kenya Copyright Bill on Internet piracy
- Hosted the Tanzania Vice-President: HE Samia Suluhu during the MCT 20th anniversary and used the opportunity to lobby for MCG policy issues
- Successfully supported the negotiation of the Ghana Landing Rights License
- Engaged the Ethiopian Minister Dr Getahun Mekuria on Investment Policy and ICT and Broadcasting laws and Regulations on foreign ownership leading to change to allow foreign ownership.
- Did multiple engagements with ARECOM and INCC DG's on digital migration and Tariff regulations on ICT/ Broadcasting sector in Mozambique.
- Hosted Multichoice Africa/CNN Journalists of the year awards in Tanzania and Kenya where the respective Presidents attended the events where major media stakeholders were in attendance.

Regional Director, East Africa: Nov 2011 – June 2018
MIH East Africa (MultiChoice Africa Group), Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: CEO MultiChoice Africa

As the Regional Director for MultiChoice in Eastern Africa region I was responsible for eleven (11) countries namely; - Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Uganda, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Eritrea, Seychelles & Somalia. With responsibility for the Business P&L and other strategic objectives.

Selected Achievements:

- Exponentially grew MultiChoice Group revenues and Subscriber base in the region over the years.
- Launched several new products which were successfully marketed to the mass market segments.
- Fully involved in the GOtv launch and growth since inception to its current market position as a top Digital TV brand.
- I have successfully positioned and obtained several key licenses and authorizations for various Group entities in the region.
- I have been a top quartile performer in delivering Revenues (more than ten times), Trading Profit (more than four times) & operating Cash flow for the businesses have been responsible.

General Manager/Managing Director: Jan 2008 – Oct 2011
MultiChoice, Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: CEO MultiChoice Africa and MCK Board

As the Managing Director, led MultiChoice Kenya in delivering the agreed targets in Subscriber numbers growth. Drove for greater penetration of DStv brand and new service innovations.

Selected Achievements

- Preparing annual business and long-term strategic plans to meet specific targets for revenue, trading profit and shareholder value for the Company.
- Achieved accelerated business growth in the face of the then increasing competition to become the fastest growing business in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Built, coached and mentored a strong management team which drove the business growth.
- Liaised with the various stakeholders including; the government, Sector Regulators, staff, shareholders to ensure that the diverse corporate interests are secured
- Enhanced a positive corporate profile enhancing company positioning with stakeholders.

Head of Commercial: June 2006 – December 2007
Shell, Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: Country Chairman/Managing Director

As a member of the Country Leadership team, held responsibility for the corporate objectives delivery. Deputized for the Kenya Shell MD periodically. As a member of the corporate donations committee, made contributions towards sustainable causes by supporting selected projects based on a criteria. Starehe Boys Centre (a high school acting as refuge to destitute boys), Nyumbani – a charity for senior citizens.

Selected Achievements

- Was instrumental in driving major business process change in the B2B/ Commercial business stream in Kenya Shell.
- Turned around the Kenya Shell Commercial Division leading to profitability in a highly competitive and changing business environment and industry structural challenges.
- Was a team leader and member of several change initiatives including; Shell rapid results delivery, cost savings initiative and commercial business streamlining among other initiatives. Outstanding leadership, analytical and commercial skills and entrepreneurial approach to business.

General Manager: Jan 2003 – June 2006
Shell Gas, Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: CEO Shell Gas

As General Manager of the Shell Gas (LPG) Kenya, held responsibility for the overall attainment of the agreed business targets including; Volume, Gross Margins, Operating Costs and initiating and executing marketing strategy.

Selected Achievement

- Drove Operational Excellence whilst promoting Shell Gas best practice across the business. Restructured the business by optimizing the business leading to cost savings.
- Developed and coached direct reportees on business and leadership skills. One of the direct reportees won the LPG CEO's Hero Award, a global nomination on merit.
- Lead in pricing strategy, cost containment, implementation of segment strategy.

Reseller Business Manager: Oct 2000 – Dec 2002
Shell Kenya, Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: MD Kenya

As reseller business manager I was responsible for managing the sales mix including pricing and distribution, new business development and growth, customer relationships and credit risk management.

Selected Achievement

- Held Responsibility for the management of the Distributors channel with a net sales turn-over of (USD \$ 60 Million) and a Net Income after Tax of \$3.3 mln.
- Held responsibility for the development and implementation of the commercial strategies on distributors sector with the objective of optimising revenue and profitable growth opportunities.
- Managed a combined sales and marketing team of 24 staff (4 direct and 20 distributor based).

Brands & Communications Manager: June 1998 – Sept 2000
Shell Kenya, Nairobi, Kenya
Reporting to: MD Kenya

As brands and communications manager developed and implemented Brand Communications strategies and initiatives, providing marketing services and developing PR strategies for all Shell and BP brands in Kenya.

Selected Achievement

- Utilised brand PR in building strong brands. Achieved a strong position in the top ten positions for Shell for East Africa's most respected companies in the PWC/East African survey.
- Initiated a number of corporate charity events with key stakeholders and business partners which were highly successful.
- Involved in identifying Marketing Research needs, developing research briefs, identifying relevant research houses, and utilising research findings for marketing decision making.
- Implemented a highly successful retail consumer promotions (Free & Easy '98 and Make Money '99)

Senior Brand Manager: Sept 1995 – June 1998

Sara Lee, Nairobi, Kenya

Reporting to: MD Kenya

As senior brand manager my key responsibilities included marketing management in shoe care, deodorants and insecticide categories.

Selected Achievement

- Launched Ridsect Insecticide which is the number two brand in the Insecticides category in Kenya.
- Launched a range of Deodorant brands including Status and Body Mist which have been successful in the market
- Managed an Advertising and Promotion budget of US \$ 1 Mln .
- Developed category strategies for Shoe Care, Insecticides and Deodorants for Kiwi Brands and successfully implemented key marketing activities
- Planned and executed highly successful consumer promotions in support of specified brands (Rin commando, Kiwi schools painting competitions, Shoe shiners support programs).
- Developed Shoe Care Centre for Key account outlets as part of a successful trade marketing strategy.
- Developed and executed trade marketing strategies for brands that worked in highly competitive categories.

Field Sales and Brand Manager: Sept 1991 – June 1995

Unilever, Nairobi, Kenya

Reporting to: General Sales Manager

As Field Sales Manager and later brand manager was responsible for delivering weekly sales targets and achieving agreed distribution objectives for the Unilever brands portfolio

Later as a Brand Manager, responsible for strategic brand positioning and marketing

Selected Achievement

- Rolled out and executed Sales/Distribution Study (SDS) which was implemented by Unilever Kenya.
- Executed sales and distribution for consumer brands in Unilever Kenya.
- Developed Vim Scouring Powder brand communications that involved print ads, electronic (radio) ads, and POP all around a unique concept.
- Was involved in developing Key Soap's advertising and media strategy with high consumer impact.
- Developed Home Care Centre concept in the Retail outlets for Unilever.

Academic Qualifications

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|---|-----------------------|------|
| • MBA (Strategic Management) | University of Nairobi | 2001 |
| • Post-graduate Diploma in Marketing, (DipM.) | FCIM, (UK) | 1996 |
| • B.Com. (Hons.) Business Admin | University of Nairobi | 1990 |

Board positions held

- Non-Executive Director GOtv Kenya LTD (Multichoice Group)
- Non-Executive Director Aura Kenya LTD
- Non-Executive Director Ovex Kenya
- Have been an executive director of MultiChoice Africa Group entities (DStv) in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Ghana, Namibia and Rwanda.
- Have previously served as a director of MIH East Africa (MultiChoice Group Co), Local Productions Ltd (SuperSport local entity) and
- Non Executive Director - PayU Kenya Ltd (Naspers Fintech company).
- Appointed by the Kenyan Sports Minister to Board of Harambee Stars Management Board (the National Football Team).

Additional Information

International Leadership Courses attended:

- Executive Coaching Diploma Academy of Executive Coaching (AoEC), UK (2021)
- Regulatory Master Class Course: Bath, UK (2019)
- Harvard Business School Naspers Executive Leadership program (2015)
- Executive Leadership Development Course (ELDP) University of Wits, SA (2004)
- Advanced Business Management Course, Cranfield University UK (2000)

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Annexure 10: Certificates and Testimonials

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI



This is to certify that

Stephen M. Isaboke

having satisfied the requirements
for the award of the degree of the

MASTER OF BUSINESS
AND
ADMINISTRATION

was admitted to the degree
at a Congregation held at
this University on the

Twenty Sixth Day of November in the Year
2001

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VICE-CHANCELLOR

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR (ACADEMIC AFFAIRS)

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI



This is to certify that

Stephen M. Isaboke

having satisfied the requirements
for the award of the degree of the

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE
(BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OPTION)

Second Class Honours (Upper Division)

was admitted to the degree
at a Congregation held at
this University on the

Twenty Second Day of October in the Year
1990

Philip M. Mbiti

VICE - CHANCELLOR

N. D. Bwibo

DEPUTY VICE - CHANCELLOR (ACADEMIC AFFAIRS)

THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL



This is to certify that the candidate named below sat for the Examination for the Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education and qualified for the award of a

KENYA ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION

The candidate passed at the level shown (Principal or Subsidiary) in the subject(s) named and attained the Grade(s) as indicated.

STEPHEN W ISADAKI

77009/505

MASEIC NATIONAL SCHOOL

		<u>Grade</u>
GENERAL PAPER	SUBSIDIARY	
ECONOMICS	PRINCIPAL	B
GEOGRAPHY	PRINCIPAL	C
LITERATURE IN ENGLISH	PRINCIPAL	C

SUBJECTS RECORDED FOUR

EXAMINATION OF NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1986

Secretary

Kenya National Examinations Council

Chairman

Kenya National Examinations Council

A 101777

(See overleaf)

THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL



This is to certify that the candidate named below sat for the Examination for the Kenya Certificate of Education and qualified for the award of a

KENYA CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION

DIVISION I

THE CANDIDATE REACHED THE GRADE SHOWN IN THE SUBJECTS NAMED

STEPHEN O. ISAKI

73CC7/C47

SA. IIA. SECONDARY SCHOOL

	Grade
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	6
LITERATURE IN ENGLISH	8
CHRISTIAN REL. EDUCATION	2
GEOGRAPHY	3
UGHA YA KISWAHILI	3
MATHEMATICS	5
BIOLOGY	5
PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTS	6

SUBJECTS NAMED EIGHT SUBJECTS PASSED EIGHT

EXAMINATION OF NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1984

Secretary
Kenya National Examinations Council

Chairman
Kenya National Examinations Council

O 354841

(See overleaf)

Marketing Society of Kenya Certificate

This is to certify that

Stephen Isaboke

has successfully completed the M.S.K.
Marketing course

Subjects passed 2 (two):

1. Principles of Marketing
2. Principles & Practices of Selling.

31ST MARCH 1995

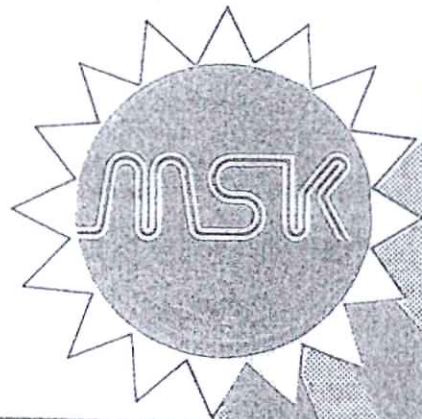
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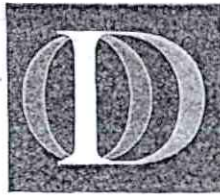
Roger Stead

Chairman

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Chairman, Education Committee





INSTITUTE OF
DIRECTORS
KENYA

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

Stephen M. Isaboke

has participated in the

ESSENTIALS OF DIRECTORSHIP – ED

A Continuing Development Course for Directors

Conducted by

The Institute of Directors Kenya

AACC DESMOND TUTU CONFERENCE CENTRE, Westlands - Nairobi

19th - 20th August, 2021

Chief Executive Officer
Institute of Directors (Kenya)

Training & Director Development Manager
Institute of Directors (Kenya)

Dated This Day of Friday 20th August, 2021



CENTRE FOR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

**ONE-DAY CORPORATE GOVERNANCE
TRAINING COURSE**

This is to certify that
Stephen Isaboke

has attended and participated in the

“One-Day Corporate Governance Induction Course”
which covered:

Principles and Practice of Corporate Governance

Role and Functions of the Board and Management

Duties and Liabilities of Directors

Making the Board More Effective

Strategic Thinking and Direction Setting

Sankara Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya, September 28, 2010

Job K. Kihumba
Chairman, Board of Directors
Centre for Corporate Governance

Dr. Joshua A. Okumbe
Chief Executive Officer
Centre for Corporate Governance



Patent 1191 The Prince Philip,
Duke of Edinburgh, K.G., K.T.

The Chartered
Institute of Marketing

This is to certify that

S. M. Isaboke

has this day been elected
a Member of the Institute
and is therefore authorised to use
the designatory letters MCIM

July 1997

Signed on behalf of the Council

[Signature]

President

[Signature]

Chairman

[Signature]

Vice Chairman

This certificate is the property of
The Chartered Institute of Marketing
and must be returned to the Secretary when
requested on the instructions of Council

Annexure II: Memorandum from the Chairperson
Public Investments Committee on Social
Services, Administration, and Agriculture



OMs Rose Wang'ahi
Pls note CAA's remarks to TNA.
Place before the ICT Committee.
Forward memo to nominee for response.

Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe, CBS., MP. *Du 03/04/25*
Navakholo Constituency

Chairperson: Public Investments Committee on Social Services Administration & Agriculture
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Ref: 142/04/2025/SNA/MP

2nd April, 2025

To,
The Clerk of the National Assembly
Parliament Buildings
P.O Box 41842-00100
NAIROBI

W/D/CS
for attention of the
Committee on
the approval of the
nominee with the response
in para. 47 of the
Appointments
2.4.25

Dear Sir,

RE: SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA ON THE NOMINATION OF MR. STEPHEN ISABOKE AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BROADCASTING AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration and Agriculture is established pursuant to Standing Order No. 206B, and is mandated to examine the reports and accounts of public investments as submitted by the Auditor-General and also examine whether the affairs of public investments are being managed in accordance with sound financial or business principles and prudent commercial practices.

The Committee has been examining the Reports of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statement of the Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC) for the financial years 2016/2017 – relating to the audit query on Unexplained Decrease of Dividends.

The Committee after meeting the management of Kenya Broadcasting Corporation established that –

- a) MultiChoice Africa submitted an intention to partner with KBC in GOtv Kenya at the inception of GOtv services in 2012
- b) Kenya Broadcasting Corporation was offered to come in as a local shareholder for 40% in GOtv Kenya. The funding for the shareholding would be structured as: 30% to be funded by KBC and 10% in consideration of collocation and assistance in applying for frequencies.
- c) The parties were engaged in negotiations and discussions for close to a decade (between 2012 – 2021) with the intention to enter into a shareholding partnership in respect of GOtv.

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- d) Eventually, KBC communicated its decision not to take up the offered 40% shares. Reasons advanced for this decision included the regulatory restriction on operators being shareholders in more than one Broadcasting Signal Distributor given KBC's shareholding in Signet and lack of funds.

In its findings the Committee observed the following -

- a) The shareholding offer to KBC as a local shareholder was 40% but was unable to take its shareholding of 40% in DSTV because of the regulatory restriction on operators being shareholders in more than one Broadcasting Signal Distributor given KBC shareholding in Signet and also due to lack of funds.
- b) The funding for the shareholding was structured as: 30% to be funded by KBC and 10% in consideration of collocation and assistance in applying for frequencies. However, although at this point KBC had already done its part on collocation and assistance in applying for frequencies which automatically entitled it (KBC) to 10% shareholding it did not take up either the 10% or the 30% to be funded by KBC. According to GOtv submissions, the shares that KBC declined to take up were later allocated to Mr. Stephen Isaboke as a "loan".
- c) The total worth of share being Kshs.14.2 billion nominal value for the shares and thus KBC's 10% stake in GOtv which they forfeited amounts to Kshs1.42 billion due and payable by Multi choice Africa in lieu of the 10% shareholding.
- d) Any further collaboration between the Government of Kenya and GOtv will be conflicted as long as Mr. Stephen Isaboke is at the helm of the State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication.

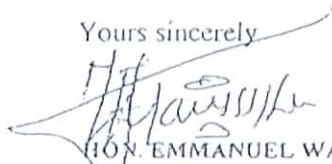
It is on this background that the Committee submits this Memorandum regarding the appointment of Mr. Stephen Isaboke, the nominee for the position of Principle Secretary, State Department for Broadcasting and Telecommunication as being convoluted with his personal commercial interest of been the Chairman (10% Shareholder in GOtv) estimated at Kshs.1.4 billion.

The Committee is of the view that the nominee will be suited to serve in any other state department to avoid conflict of interest.

The Committee is scheduled to table its report in due course.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely



HON. EMMANUEL WANGWE CBS, MP
CHAIRPERSON - PUBLIC INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES,
ADMINISTRATION AND AGRICULTURE



BUSINESS REGISTRATION SERVICE
P. O. BOX 30031
NAIROBI
2 APR 2025

To
MERCY GATHONI KINYUA
P.O. Box 41842
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 2015

Records relating to the below company held by the Companies Registry as at 2 Apr 2025

COMPANY	GOTV KENYA LIMITED
COMPANY NUMBER	C.130704
NOMINAL SHARE CAPITAL	17,614,340.00
NUMBER AND TYPE OF SHARES (VALUE PER SHARE)	NON-CUMULATIVE REDEEMABLE PREFERENCE: 175715 (KES 100.00 EACH) ORDINARY: 2142 (KES 20.00 EACH)
DATE OF REGISTRATION	17TH NOV, 2006
REGISTERED OFFICE	P.O BOX 28348 G.P.O NAIROBI TELEPHONE: , EMAIL: COUNTY: NAIROBI, DISTRICT: STAREHE DISTRICT , LOCALITY: CBD STREET: JAMUHURI ROAD, BUILDING: PLOT NO 23351 JAMUHURI ROAD , OFF NGONG ROAD
POSTAL ADDRESS	P.O BOX 28348 G.P.O NAIROBI
ENCUMBRANCES	

Name of Directors and Shareholders of the above company with their particular are as follows

NAME	DESCRIPTION	ADDRESS	NATIONALITY	SHARES
VINCENT ACHOLAH OPIYO	DIRECTOR	P.O BOX 733 G.P.O NAIROBI	KENYAN	
STAMFORD CORPORATE SERVICES LLP	SECRETARY	P.O BOX 10643 G.P.O NAIROBI	KENYAN	
RETIEF TROMP	DIRECTOR	P.O BOX P O BOX 502860, DUBAI, UAE	SOUTH AFRICA	
GLAUCO LUIZ COUTINHO FERREIRA	DIRECTOR	P.O BOX 1600-097, LISBOA	PORTUGAL	
NZOLA FANCONY RAMIRO DE MIRANDA	DIRECTOR	P.O BOX 60406 - 00200, NAIROBI	ANGOLA	
STEPHEN MOTARI ISABOKE	DIRECTOR/SHAREHOLDER	P.O BOX 64018 CITY SQUARE	KENYAN	NON-CUMULATIVE REDEEMABLE PREFERENCE: 52715 ORDINARY: 643
MULTICHOICE AFRICA HOLDINGS B.V.	SHAREHOLDER	P.O BOX TAURUS AVENUE 105, HOOFDORP, NETHERLANDS	NETHERLANDS	NON-CUMULATIVE REDEEMABLE PREFERENCE: 123000 ORDINARY: 1499

Annexure 12: Affidavit by Oliver Mwalakha
Weyombo

(2) Ms. Tracy Koskei
Urgently bring to the attention of
the Dept. Committee on CII.
Dated 04/04/25

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7/4/25

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
IN THE MATTER OF: CHAPTER SIX OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA, 2010

(LEADERSHIP AND INTEGRITY)

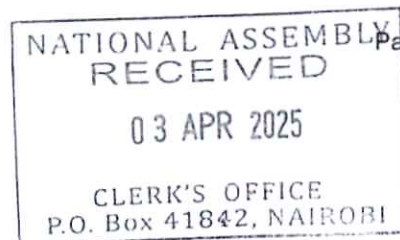
IN THE MATTER OF: ARTICLES 118(1)(b), 132(2), 155(3) OF THE CONSTITUTION
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY
APPROVAL) ACT CAP 7F

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS
NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES
IN THE MATTER OF: THE VETTING OF MR. STEPHEN NYABOKE FOR
APPOINTMENT AS A PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

AFFIDAVIT OF OLIVER MWALAKHA WEYOMBO

I, **OLIVER MWALAKHA WEYOMBO**, an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and a citizen of the Republic of Kenya, and of address **P.O.BOX 52555-00100 Nairobi** do hereby make oath and state as follows:

1. **THAT** I am a citizen of Kenya, an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya, and I have the requisite knowledge and legal standing to depose to the facts herein, and I do so in the interest of upholding the rule of law, transparency, and good governance as espoused in the Constitution of Kenya.
2. **THAT** I am seized of the fact that Mr. Stephen Nyaboke has been nominated for appointment as a Principal Secretary to the Ministry of Information, Communication, and Digital Economy under the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunication and is scheduled to appear for vetting before the National Assembly on the 4th day of April 2025.
3. **THAT** I make this affidavit to contest the suitability of Mr. Stephen Nyaboke to hold public office due to his well-documented violations of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's conduct in the formation, operations, and management of GOtv Kenya Limited and MultiChoice Africa Limited raises serious concerns about transparency, integrity, and accountability.



5. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke previously worked for Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC), where he represented KBC in the Board of MultiChoice Kenya Limited, and he is currently a Chairperson, Non-Executive Director, and shareholder with 30% shares in GOtv Kenya Ltd.
6. **THAT** in 1995, MultiChoice Africa and KBC entered a joint venture forming MultiChoice Kenya Limited, with KBC owning 40% and MultiChoice Africa Holdings owning 60%.
7. **THAT** This arrangement was meant to benefit KBC financially while ensuring quality broadcasting services in Kenya.
8. **THAT** however, despite being a shareholder, KBC has never received any dividends from this partnership.
9. **THAT** in 2006, MultiChoice Holdings Limited, without KBC Board's authorization, together with Mr. Stephen Nyaboke, formed GOtv Kenya Limited, where he acquired a 30% shareholding.
10. **THAT** through GOtv Kenya Limited, Mr. Stephen Nyaboke proposed a new joint venture to establish GOtv Kenya Limited, and in this new joint venture, GOtv offered KBC a 10% shareholding in exchange for access to KBC sites and infrastructure.
11. **THAT** despite this arrangement, KBC has never received any dividends from its stake in GOtv Kenya Limited since its inception.
12. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke, having worked for KBC and represented the corporation on the MultiChoice board, later joined MultiChoice Kenya Limited in January 2008 as General Manager.
13. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke was subsequently promoted to Regional Director for East Africa (MultiChoice Africa) in November 2011 and, on June 2018, was appointed Group Executive Head of Regulatory Affairs for MultiChoice Africa, based in Dubai, while continuing to be actively involved with MultiChoice Africa by virtue of being a shareholder in GOtv Kenya Limited.
14. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke extensive ties to MultiChoice Africa present an undeniable conflict of interest, particularly considering his role in the formation of GOtv Kenya Limited, an entity that has leveraged KBC's resources without fair compensation while diverting business opportunities from the National Broadcaster.

15. **THAT** an Ad Hoc Committee Report on MultiChoice Africa Holdings and the Kenya Broadcasting Corporation Partnership of December 2023 highlighted that GOtv Kenya Limited, where Mr. Stephen Nyaboke is a shareholder, played a central role in unduly influencing KBC to relinquish its frequencies, infrastructure, and transmission sites to GOtv without ensuring fair compensation to the National Broadcaster.
16. **THAT** the National Assembly Public Investment Committee on Social Services, Administration, and Agriculture in 2023 flagged serious governance concerns, noting that KBC representatives in the MultiChoice Kenya Board had been sidelined in key financial and operational decisions.
17. **THAT** the National Assembly Public Investment Committee on Social Services, Administration, and Agriculture committee also questioned the decision-making process surrounding the formation of GOtv Kenya Limited, which was done without KBC Board approval and has continued to deny KBC its rightful revenue.
18. **THAT** in view of the above, Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's actions contradict constitutional principles of leadership and integrity, in particular: Conflict of interest; Breach of public trust and Failure to uphold public service values.
19. **THAT** as regards conflict of interest, Mr. Nyaboke remains a key decision-maker at MultiChoice Africa and GOtv Kenya while pursuing a government appointment, creating an irreconcilable conflict of interest.
20. **THAT** the directorship of Mr. Stephen Nyaboke at GOtv, a company that has exploited KBC resources, demonstrates a lack of professional ethics and accountability.
21. **THAT** his role in GOtv Kenya's formation without KBC Board approval shows a deliberate effort to undermine a public institution, contrary to Article 73 of the Constitution of Kenya, which prohibits a breach of public trust.
22. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's failure to ensure revenue for KBC has been paid to the National Broadcaster has financially crippled the institution, depriving Kenyans of quality public service broadcasting and their constitutional right to access information.
23. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's involvement in MultiChoice Africa compromises his ability to serve with integrity in any government role, as provided in Article 232 of the Constitution of Kenya.

24. **THAT** public service demands neutrality and impartiality, yet Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's actions prioritize corporate interests over those of the Kenyan public.
25. **THAT** Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's suitability to hold public office is severely compromised by ongoing investigations by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations on MultiChoice Africa, an entity Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's works for and also has shares in through GOtv.
26. **THAT** Mr. Isaac Nyaboke's appointment to public office would severely compromise ongoing investigations, particularly those conducted by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) concerning MultiChoice Africa, an entity in which Mr. Nyaboke holds significant financial interest.
27. **THAT** as a shareholder and key decision-maker in GOtv Kenya Limited, a subsidiary of MultiChoice Africa, his involvement in these ongoing investigations presents a clear conflict of interest.
28. **THAT** the appointment of Mr. Stephen Nyaboke to a public office would create an environment where his influence over public policy and regulatory affairs could interfere with the impartiality of these investigations. This could undermine the integrity of the investigation process, as his position may allow him to obstruct, delay, or otherwise influence decisions to avoid accountability for the financial mismanagement and alleged misconduct within MultiChoice Africa.
29. **THAT** given that the investigations may involve actions taken by MultiChoice and its affiliates, the public trust would be compromised if an individual with direct ties to the very company under scrutiny were to assume a senior public office position.
30. **THAT** the ongoing arbitration case in London between KBC and another entity further exemplifies financial mismanagement and lack of accountability associated with Mr. Stephen Nyaboke's involvement in KBC partnerships.
31. **THAT** considering the above and in the interest of the public, I request the National Assembly to decline Mr. Stephen Nyaboke appointment to the Ministry of Information, Communication, and Digital Economy under the State Department of Broadcasting and Telecommunication because Kenyans deserve leadership built on integrity, transparency, and public accountability.

Annexure 13: Response by Nominee to
Memorandum from the Chairperson Public
Investments Committee on Social Services,
Administration, and Agriculture

3rd April 2025

To

The Clerk of the National Assembly

Parliament Buildings

PO Box 41842 – 00100

NAIROBI

Dear Sir,

RE: MEMORANDUM CONTESTING SUITABILITY FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BROADCASTING & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

I have been served with the memorandum by the Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe as Chairman of Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration and Agriculture.

Before I respond to the substance of the Memo, I would wish to raise a preliminary objection on the issues raised;

PARAGRAPH TWO of this memorandum refers to the reports of the Auditor General on the financial statements for the financial years 2016/2017 relating to the audit query on unexplained decrease of dividends. The memorandum is based on the proceedings of an audit report of financial year 2016/2017. I would like to draw the attention of the Committee to the High Court ruling on a case pitting THE REPUBLIC vs THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY AND ANOTHER application E082 of 2023, on 1st October 2024 on the application of provisions of Article 229(8) of the Constitution. In the case, the Honorable Judge ruled that any decision arising from violations of the constitutional timelines on processing of the audit reports are invalid, null and void. The memorandum presented by Hon. Wangwe is based on the proceedings of an audit report that occurred in the financial year 2016/2017. According to the cited court ruling and precedent, this memorandum is an illegality.

Having said that I would like to respond to the specific issues raised by the Hon member:

- a) **THAT** Kenya Broadcasting Corporation ("KBC") which partners with MultiChoice Africa in the company MultiChoice Kenya Limited ("MCK"), was the preferred local shareholding partner in GOtv Kenya to fulfill the ICT Regulations (2009) requirement that broadcasters must have a minimum of 30% local shareholding.
- b) **THAT** In 2012, MultiChoice Africa made an offer to KBC for them to take up 40% shareholding of GOtv Kenya Limited



- c) **THAT** The parties were engaged in negotiations and discussions for close to a decade (between 2012 – 2021) and despite KBC showing interest initially, it kept returning or rejecting the proposed partnership for review or discussions by MultiChoice Africa.
- d) **THAT** KBC cited several concerns among them being; the restriction set out in the Kenya Information and Communications Act on a single entity holding shares in more than one Broadcast Signal Distribution (BSD) operator which would preclude KBC entering into the GOtv venture as they had already invested in Signet. Another concern raised was that the investment made by MultiChoice Africa was far too high leading to high financing requirements from KBC and also that the period of time in which business was projected to turn profitable was too long. In spite of KBC being offered shareholder loans by MultiChoice Africa, they still declined the offer.
- THAT** it was a license requirement for any license holder to have a 30% local shareholding. As such GOtv would have been unable to retain its license.

The Hon member makes the following observations:

- a) **I CLARIFY THAT** 40% shareholding offer from Multichoice was on GOtv and not DStv as indicated in the memorandum. I would like to clarify that DStv is a Multichoice brand. However KBC already holds 40% shares in Multichoice Kenya while KBC does not own any shares in GOtv Kenya.

I REITERATE that KBC cited several concerns among them being; the restriction set out in the Kenya Information and Communications Act on a single entity holding shares in more than one Broadcast Signal Distribution (BSD) operator which would preclude KBC entering into the GOtv venture as they had already invested in Signet. Another concern raised was that the investment made by MultiChoice Africa was far too high leading to high financing requirements from KBC and also that the period of time in which business was projected to turn profitable was too long. In spite of KBC being offered shareholder loans by Multichoice Africa, they still declined the offer.

- b) The funding for KBC's acquisition of the shares was structured into 2 parts: 10% was to be contributed by site co-location and assistance of KBC in securing frequencies for GoTv Kenya from the Communications Authority ("CA"), and 30% was to be acquired either by direct funding or shareholder loans. In order to cater for the co-location, the parties entered into a Master Colocation Agreement in 2013.

IT IS FURTHER NOT CORRECT that shares declined by KBC were allocated to myself. The correct position is that Multichoice Africa owned 100% of GOtv since it is the one that fully funded it and at the time were required by the National ICT Policy of 2006 and the (KICA) 2009 to seek a local partner. **Following my resignation from being a group executive in December 2020, as a businessman I made the decision to invest in GOtv and acquired shares. This was a very above board process, to actualize the shareholding, we went through a rigorous process of negotiations to put in place a shareholder agreement before both parties executed them. Following that, MultiChoice Group again notified KBC of the new shareholder in place. KBC acknowledged that the shareholder discussions could no longer proceed with them.**

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- c) I am not aware of any valuation of the shares putting the amount stated in the memorandum. As cited on the latest CR12 attached the nominal value of the shares is KES 17 million. I am not aware of any other valuations of the business as a going concern.
- d) Following my nomination by HE The President of the Republic of Kenya, as the Principal Secretary of Broadcasting and Telecommunications, as stated in the vetting form I have declared my potential conflict of interest as required by law and best practice. Further I have subsequently issued notice of resignation as Director of GOtv Kenya in a bid to address any potential conflict. If approved I intend to take further steps as to my shareholding.

SECOND LAST PARAGRAH I strongly deny that my nominated position as Principal Secretary will put me in a position of conflict because firstly, I have made a declaration of the potential conflict and as per law and best practice if approved I will recuse myself from any decisions touching on this entity. Further if approved in addition to my resignation as director I intend to review my continued shareholding with GOtv.

IN CONCLUSION I would like to state that matter raised on conflict of interest does not arise as I have addressed it according to the law.

Yours Sincerely



Stephen Motari Isaboke, EBS

**Annexure 14: Response by Nominee to Affidavit by
Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo**

Ms. Nuri
pls PNA
A. W. K.
10/4/25

Ms. Tracy Chebet HoD
Pls bring to the attention of the Dept. Comm.
by CII for consideration and
determination. DM 10/04/25

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE MATTER OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL)
ACT

IN THE MATTER OF OATHS AND STATUTORY DECLARATIONS ACT

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS
NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

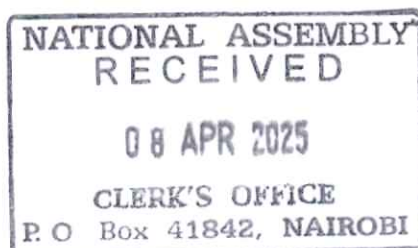
IN THE MATTER OF THE VETTING OF STEPHEN NYABOKE FOR APPOINTMENT AS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

REPLYING AFFIDAVIT OF STEPHEN MOTARI ISABOKE

(Being a Response to the Memorandum of Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo dated 3rd April 2025)

I, **Stephen Motari Isaboke** of P.O Box 60406 – 00100 Nairobi within the Republic of Kenya, do hereby make an oath and state **THAT**:

1. I have been nominated for appointment as Principal Secretary in the State Department of Broadcasting & Telecommunications by His Excellency Dr. William Ruto.
2. The Departmental Committee on Communication, Innovation and Information which is vested with the duty of vetting me, has brought to my attention a Memorandum dated 3rd April 2025 by Oliver Mwalakha Weyombo contesting the suitability for appointment as the Principal Secretary, State Department of Broadcasting & Telecommunications.
3. I have read and understood the Memorandum. Further, the legal aspects of the same has been explained to me by counsel and I wish to respond as hereunder:



4. In response to Para 4 and 5 of the Memorandum, I am unaware of 'any serious concerns about the transparency, integrity and accountability of the formation, operations and management of GOtv Kenya Limited and MultiChoice Africa Limited'. I put the deponent of the Memorandum to strict proof there. I further invite him to particularize the so said serious concerns.
5. Further to Para 4 above, I wish to state that at I have never been an employee of Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (*hereinafter referred to as KBC*).
6. Para 6, 7 and 8 of the Memorandum is incorrect. I am aware as a matter of fact, that the KBC has enjoyed a cordial relationship with and benefitted from its partnership with the MultiChoice Group. It has over the years received dividends in excess of KES 1.7Billion. This is alongside several other technological and human resources benefits.
7. In response to Para 9 and 10 of the Memorandum, the relationship between KBC and MultiChoice Group is wholly governed by the Joint Venture Agreement between them. As such, I possess no powers and would be unable to compel or make decisions on behalf of either board of KBC or MultiChoice Group as sensationally alleged.
8. In response to Para 11 of the Memorandum, KBC is not a shareholder of GOtv hence would not receive any dividends. In addition and for factual correctness, no shareholder of GOtv, including myself has ever received any dividends from GOtv as the company is yet to make any profit.
9. Para 12 and 13 of the Memorandum are incorrect.
10. Further to Para 9 above, I only acquired shares in GOtv after my resignation from MultiChoice Africa. This was done lawfully and procedurally.
11. I am aware of the *Ad Hoc Committee Report on MultiChoice Africa Holdings and KBC Partnership*. I am however unaware of its findings. I know for a fact of law and as further advised by counsel that the reason KBC did not take shareholding in GOtv Kenya Limited is because the Kenya Information and Communications Act, expressly barred KBC from being in the ownership or control of whether directly or indirectly of another licensed signal broadcast distributor.

12. In response to Para 16 and 17 of the Memorandum, it is correct that I appeared before the *National Assembly Public Investment Committee on Social services, Administration and Agriculture*. I am however aware that the Committee is yet to table its Report, as such the findings alluded to by the Deponent would be incorrect.
13. In response to Para 18, 19, 20, 21 22 and 23, I cannot be blamed whatsoever in any manner for the tribulations that have befallen KBC. Importantly, all my interactions with KBC were professional and lawful.
14. Further to Para 13 above, as expected out of me under the provisions of Public Appointments (*Parliamentary Approval*) Act, I have duly disclosed my shareholding and directorship with GOtv as a possible conflict of interest.
15. In addition to Para 14 above, I can confirm I have since resigned as a Director of GOtv Kenya. If confirmed, I am ready to relinquish my shares in GOtv.
16. In response to Para 25, 26 and 27 of the Memorandum, I am unaware of any investigations currently being undertaken by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations into my shareholding and directorship of GOtv.
17. In response to Para 30 of the Memorandum, my shareholding or directorship of GOtv Kenya Limited is not a subject matter of the arbitration in London.
18. It is most clear, that this Memorandum is a sponsored initiative against my suitability as the Deponent of the Memorandum is just but a mere conduit. Despite having the legal standing to depose the facts therein, he is pitifully misinformed of the subject issues he so sensationally makes allegations on.
19. Further, the Memorandum is incompetent, lacks merit and is devoid of any substance. It is laden with factual inaccuracies - it cannot even get my name right. In addition it makes wild allegations, none of which are supported by any evidence whatsoever.

20. Without any evidence before it, in addition to my factual rebuttals, this Departmental Committee can only find that the Memorandum is so lacking and can only be dismissed with contempt.
21. What is deponed to hereinabove is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SWORN by the said **Stephen Motari Isaboke EBS**
at Nairobi this 8th day of April 2025



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DEPONENT

Before Me Abner Collins Mango
Associate
Commissioner For Oaths
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NAIROBI.

Commissioner for Oaths