



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ON THE APPROVAL OF THE PROTECTION OF THE TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 48 OF 2015)

Hon. Senators,

I wish to report to the Senate that, pursuant to Standing Order 40 (3) and (5), I received the following Message from the Speaker of the National Assembly, on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2016, regarding the approval, by the National Assembly, of the Protection of the Traditional Knowledge and Cultural Expressions Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 48 of 2015)-

**“PURSUANT** to the provisions of Standing Orders 41 and 148 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby convey the following Message from the National Assembly-

**WHEREAS**, the Traditional Knowledge and Cultural Expressions Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 48 of 2015) was published *vide* Kenya Gazette Supplement No. 132 of 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 to give effect to the provisions of Article 11, 40(5) and 69(1)(c) of the Constitution, relating to culture by providing for promotion and protection of indigenous knowledge, cultural expressions and intellectual property rights, further to which the National Assembly passed the Bill on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and referred it to the Senate for consideration;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Senate's amendments to the Bill were thereafter referred to the National Assembly on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 and were thereupon considered and **agreed to** on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2016;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in accordance with the provisions of Article 112(2)(a) of the Constitution and Standing Order 148 (a) of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby **convey** the said decision of the National Assembly to the Senate".

**Hon. Senators,**

The said Bill has since been Assented to by H.E the President.

I thank you.



**SEN. DAVID EKWEE ETHURO, E.G.H., M.P.**  
**SPEAKER OF THE SENATE**

7<sup>th</sup> September, 2016