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MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ON THE APPROVAL OF THE MEDIATED VERSIONS OF THE FOREST CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 49 OF 2015) AND THE NATURAL RESOURCES (CLASSES OF TRANSACTIONS SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 54 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 29th August, 2016, regarding the approval, by the National Assembly, of the mediated versions of the Forest Conservation and Management Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 49 of 2015) and the Natural Resources (Classes of Transactions Subject to Ratification) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 54 of 2015) -

"**PURSUANT** to the provisions of standing orders 41 and 149 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby convey the following message from the National Assembly-

WHEREAS, the Forest Conservation and Management Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 49 of 2015) and the Natural Resources (Classes of Transactions Subject to Ratification) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 54 of 2015), were published on 11th August, 2015 and 18th August, 2015 respectively to correspondingly give effect to the provisions of Articles 69 and 71 of the Constitution;

WHEREAS, the two Bills were referred to a Mediation Committee on 4th August 2016 pursuant to the provisions of Article 112 (2)(b) of the Constitution and Standing Order 148 (b) of the National Assembly Standing Orders;

AND WHEREAS, on 24th August 2016, the National Assembly considered and adopted the Report of the Mediation Committee and **approved** the mediated versions of the said Bills in the form developed by the Committee;

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the provisions of Article 113 of the Constitution and Standing Order 149 of the National Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby **convey** the said decision of the National Assembly to the Senate".

Hon. Senators,

As you may recall, the Senate passed the mediated versions of the said two Bills, on Wednesday, 24th August, 2016 and a Message to that effect sent to the National Assembly. The said Bills have 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

7th September, 2016