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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

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| BETA | - | Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda |
| CBS | - | Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear |
| CUE | - | Council for University Education |
| DCI | - | Directorate of Criminal Investigations |
| EACC | - | Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission |
| EBS | - | Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear |
| EGH | - | Elder of the Order of the Golden Heart |
| FIDA-K | - | Federation of Women Lawyers-Kenya |
| FORD | - | Forum for the Restoration of Democracy |
| H.E. | - | His Excellency |
| HELB | - | Higher Education Loans Board |
| KNBS | - | Kenya National Bureau of Statistics |
| KNCHR | - | Kenya National Commission on Human Rights |
| KRA | - | Kenya Revenue Authority |
| KSL | - | Kenya School of Law |
| LSK | - | Law Society of Kenya |
| LLM | - | Master of Laws |
| MCCP | - | Maendeleo Chap Chap Party |
| MP | - | Member of Parliament |
| NEMA | - | National Environment Management Authority |
| NPS | - | National Police Service |
| ODM | - | Orange Democratic Movement |
| OGW | - | Order of the Grand Warrior |
| ODPP | - | Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions |
| ORPP | - | Office of the Registrar of Political Parties |
| UDA | - | United Democratic Alliance |
| UDM | - | United Democratic Movement |
| UN-OHCHR | - | United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights |
| UON | - | The University of Nairobi |
| WDM | - | Wiper Democratic Movement |

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

This report contains the proceedings of the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs during the approval hearing of a person nominated for appointment as Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR) as forwarded by the Selection Panel and communicated to the House by the Speaker of the National Assembly on 19th August 2025.

Vide Gazette Notice No. 4651 of 11th April 2025 and pursuant to section 11(1) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71, H.E. the President convened a selection panel for the recruitment of a suitable candidate for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR. Guided by section 11(4) and (5) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71, the selection panel invited applications from the public, conducted interviews and shortlisted three (3) persons qualified for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR. Consequently, the selection panel forwarded the names of the selected candidates to the President for nomination.

In exercise of powers conferred by Article 250(2)(c) of the Constitution and section 11(6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 as read together with sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, H.E. the President nominated **Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah** for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR.

The Rt. Honourable Speaker vide Message No. 012 of 2025 dated 19th August 2025 conveyed to the House the Message from H.E. the President and subsequently referred it and the *curriculum vitae* of the nominee to the Committee for approval hearing in accordance with section 4 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and Standing Orders 42(3)(c) and 45(1) of the National Assembly Standing Orders. While referring the matter to the Committee, the Speaker directed that the Committee undertakes the approval hearing and reports to the House within twenty-one (21) days in accordance with section 11(7) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71. The Rt. Hon Speaker further directed the Clerk of the National Assembly to notify the nominee and the general public of the time and place of holding the approval hearing.

In fulfilment of the provisions of Article 118(b) of the Constitution and section 6(2), (3), (4) and (9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media notifying the public of the time and place of holding the approval hearing and inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (affidavit) on the suitability of the nominee. The advertisement indicated that the memoranda were to be received by 27th August 2025 at 5.00 pm. By close of the submission deadline, the Committee had received four (4) memoranda from the public in support of the nominee.

The Clerk of the National Assembly also wrote to the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Office of the Director or Public Prosecutions (ODPP), Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), Council for University Education (CUE) and The University of Nairobi (UON) seeking references and background checks relating to the suitability of the nominee.

The nominee appeared before the Committee on 28th August 2025 as scheduled and the Committee examined her suitability based on the criteria set out in section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F including the procedure used to arrive

at the nominee, the constitutional and statutory requirements relating to the office in question and suitability of the nominee for the appointment proposed, having regard to whether the nominee's abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the office in question. Furthermore, the Committee examined the nominee's academic credentials, relevant professional training and experience, knowledge of sector issues and personal integrity in accordance with section 6(7) and (8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

In holding the approval hearing, the Committee observed that the nominee demonstrated deep understanding of human rights issues, the affairs of the KNCHR and the roles of Chairperson of KNCHR. Further, that the nominee possesses the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience required for a person nominated to serve as Chairperson of the KNCHR.

The Committee therefore recommends that this House **approves Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah** for appointment as **Chairperson of the KNCHR**.

The Committee wishes to thank the Offices of the Speaker and of the Clerk of the National Assembly for the technical support accorded to it during the exercise. The Committee further extends its appreciation to the nominee for her cooperation during the parliamentary approval process. The Committee also appreciates the DCI, EACC, HELB, KRA, ODPP, ORPP and CUE for providing references and background checks relating to the suitability of the nominee. Finally, I acknowledge and appreciate the Honourable Members of the Committee who sat for long hours and made useful contributions towards the preparation and production of this Report.

On behalf of the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs and pursuant to Article 124(4)(b) of the Constitution, section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and the provisions of Standing Order 199(6) of the National Assembly Standing Orders, it is now my duty and privilege to present to the House the Report of the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs on the Approval Hearing of a Nominee for Appointment as Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

Hon. George Gitonga Murugara, CBS, MP 
Chairman, Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs

CHAPTER ONE

I PREFACE

I.1 Establishment of the Committee

1. The Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs is one of twenty departmental committees of the National Assembly established under **Standing Order 216** whose mandate pursuant to the **Standing Order 216 (5)** is as follows:
 - (a) *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;*
 - (b) *To study the programme and policy objectives of ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;*
 - (c) *To, on a quarterly basis, monitor and report on the implementation of the national budget in respect of its mandate;*
 - (d) *To study and review all legislation referred to it;*
 - (e) *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;*
 - (f) *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;*
 - (g) **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);**
 - (h) *To examine treaties, agreements and conventions;*
 - (i) *To make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendations of proposed legislation;*
 - (j) *To consider reports of Commissions and Independent Offices submitted to the House pursuant to the provisions of Article 254 of the Constitution; and*
 - (k) *To examine any questions raised by Members on a matter within its mandate.*

I.2 Mandate of the Committee

2. In accordance with the Second Schedule of the Standing Orders, the Committee is mandated to consider:
 - (a) The Judiciary;
 - (b) Tribunals;
 - (c) Access to Justice;
 - (d) Public prosecutions;
 - (e) Ethics, Integrity and Anti-Corruption;
 - (f) Correctional services;
 - (g) Community service orders and witness protection;
 - (h) Constitutional affairs;
 - (i) Sovereign immunity;
 - (j) Elections including referenda;
 - (k) Human rights;
 - (l) Political parties; and
 - (m) The State Law Office including insolvency, law reform, public trusteeship, marriages and legal education.

3. In executing its mandate, the Committee oversees the following Ministries, Departments and Agencies:
- (a) The Judiciary;
 - (b) Judicial Service Commission;
 - (c) State Department for Correctional Services;
 - (d) State Law Office and Department of Justice;
 - (e) State Department for Justice, Human Rights and Constitutional Affairs;
 - (f) Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions;
 - (g) Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
 - (h) Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission;
 - (i) Commission on Administrative Justice;
 - (j) Office of the Registrar of Political Parties;
 - (k) Witness Protection Agency;
 - (l) Kenya National Commission on Human Rights;**
 - (m) Kenya Law Reform Commission; and
 - (n) Council of Legal Education.

I.3 Committee Membership

4. The Committee comprises the following Members:

Chairperson

Hon. Murugara George Gitonga, CBS, MP
Tharaka Constituency

UDA Party

Vice-Chairperson

Hon. Mutuse Eckomas Mwengi, OGW, MP
Kibwezi West Constituency

MCCP Party

Hon. Gladys Boss, MGH, MP
Uasin Gishu Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Maalim Farah, EGH, MP
Dadaab Constituency

WDM-Kenya

Hon. Onyiego Silvanus Osoro, CBS, MP
South Mugirango Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Francis Kajwang' Tom Joseph, CBS, MP
Ruaraka Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Wetang'ula Timothy Wanyoyi, CBS, MP
Westlands Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. (Dr.) Otiende Amollo, SC, EBS, MP
Rarieda Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Muchira Michael Mwangi, MP
Ol Jorok Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Muchangi Karemba, CBS MP
Runyenjes Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Makali John Okwisia, MP
Kanduyi Constituency

FORD-Kenya

Hon. Mogaka Stephen M., MP
West Mugirango Constituency

Jubilee Party

Hon. Aden Daud, EBS, MP
Wajir East Constituency

Jubilee Party

Hon. Siyad Amina Udgoon, MP
Garissa County (CWR)

Jubilee Party

Hon. CPA Suleka Hulbale Harun, MP
Nominated Member

UDM Party

1.4 Committee Secretariat

5. The Committee is facilitated by the following staff:

Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla
Clerk Assistant I / Head of Secretariat

Mr. Ronald Walala
Senior Legal Counsel

Mr. Abdikafar Abdi
Clerk Assistant III

Ms. Jael Ayiego
Clerk Assistant III

Mr. Isaac Nabiswa
Legal Counsel II

Mr. Omar Abdirahim
Fiscal Analyst I

Ms. Vivienne Ogega
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Serjeant-At-Arms

Mr. Meldrick K. Sakani
Audio Assistant

Ms. Mary Kamande
Public Communications Officer III

Mr. Calvin Karung'o
Media Relations Officer III

Mr. Silas Opanga
Hansard Reporter III

CHAPTER TWO

2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Legal Framework

6. The Committee was guided by the following provisions of the Constitution and statutes in executing its mandate:
- (1) Article 10 of the Constitution on the national values and principles of governance;
 - (2) Article 59 of the Constitution on the Kenya National Human Rights and Equality Commission;
 - (3) Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity;
 - (4) Article 77 of the Constitution on restriction on activities of State Officers;
 - (5) Article 78 of the Constitution on dual citizenship;
 - (6) Article 118 of the Constitution on public participation;
 - (7) Article 124(4) of the Constitution on consideration of persons for appointment to public office;
 - (8) Article 232 of the Constitution on values and principles of public service;
 - (9) Article 250(2) of the Constitution on the appointment process of the Chairperson and Members of a constitutional commission;
 - (10) The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F;
 - (11) The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission Act, Cap. 7H;
 - (12) The Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, Cap. 7I; and
 - (13) The Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C.

2.2 Notification of Nominations

7. Sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F stipulate as follows:

“3. Exercise of powers of appointment

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 in accordance with this Act.

5. Notification of nomination

- (1) *An appointing authority shall, upon nominating a person for an appointment to which this Act applies, notify the relevant House of Parliament accordingly.*
 - (2) *A notification under subsection (1) shall be —*
 - (a) *in writing;*
 - (b) *be lodged with the Clerk of the relevant House of Parliament.*
 - (3) *A notification of appointment shall be accompanied by information concerning the nominee, having regard to the issues mentioned in section 7.*
 - (4) *For purposes of this Act, a notification of nomination shall be deemed to be duly given on the day on which it complies fully with subsections (2) and (3).”*
8. Pursuant to section 11(6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 as read with the aforementioned provisions of the law, H.E. the President, through the Head of Public Service, transmitted to the Rt. Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly the Presidential Nomination Certificate

No. 9 of 2025, the Report of the Selection Panel and the nominee's *curriculum vitae* vide letter referenced *EOP/CAB.26/4A/VOL.V* dated 14th August 2025 (*Annexure 1*).

2.3 Notification to the House and Referral to the Committee

9. Standing Order 42(2) of the National Assembly Standing Orders provides that:
"If a message is received from the President, at a time when the House is not in session, the Speaker shall forthwith cause the message to be transmitted to every Member and shall report the message to the House on the day the House next sits."
10. To this end, therefore, the Rt. Hon. Speaker, vide Message No. 012 of 2025 dated 19th August 2025 (*Annexure 2*) conveyed to the House the Message from H.E. the President nominating Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR.
11. In addition, and pursuant to section 11(7) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71, the Rt. Hon. Speaker referred the name and *curriculum vitae* of the nominee to the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs for approval hearing and reporting to the House within twenty-one (21) days.

2.4 Notification to the Public

12. Article 118 of the Constitution provides that *Parliament shall facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative business and other business of Parliament and its Committees.*
13. Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and Standing Order 45(3) of the National Assembly Standing Orders further provide that the Clerk shall notify the public of the time and place for holding an approval hearing at least seven days prior to the hearing.
14. Accordingly, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement dated 20th August 2025 in the print media notifying the nominee and the general public that the Committee would conduct the approval hearing on 28th August 2025 at Committee Room 26, 5th Floor, Bunge Tower, Parliament Buildings at 10.00 am (*Annexure 3*).

2.5 Notification to the Nominee

15. The Clerk of the National Assembly vide a letter dated 20th August 2025 referenced *NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/092* (*Annexure 4*) invited the nominee for the approval hearing in accordance with section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

2.6 Clearance and Compliance Requirements

16. Vide letters dated 20th August 2025 and referenced *NA/DDC/JLAC/2025* (086), (087), (088), (089), (090) and (091) the Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the DCI, EACC, HELB, KRA, ODPP and ORPP (*Annexure 5*) requesting for reports with respect to the nominee on the following matters:
 - (a) criminal records;
 - (b) ethics and integrity;
 - (c) higher education loan repayment(s);
 - (d) tax compliance;

- (e) active criminal court proceedings; and
- (f) political party affiliations.

17. The Clerk of the National Assembly also wrote to the CUE and The University of Nairobi (UON) vide letters referenced NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/(095) and (096) dated 25th August 2025 (Annexure 5) seeking reports on authenticity of the nominee's academic credentials.

18. The following institutions wrote back to the National Assembly clearing the nominee: DCI vide letter referenced DCI/CRO/SEC/6/7/2/A/VOL.XVIII/133 dated 27th August 2025; EACC vide letter referenced EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXXIII(93) dated 27th August 2025; HELB vide letter referenced HELB/RR/112009/V/438 dated 27th August 2025; KRA vide letter referenced KRA/5/1002/5(12869) dated 3rd September 2025; ODPP vide letter referenced ODPP/SPP/GEN dated 27th August 2025; ORPP vide letter referenced RPP/ORG/34 VOL IX (32) dated 22nd August 2025; and CUE vide letter referenced CUE/10/9 VOL.36 dated 28th August 2025. (Annexure 6)

19. At the time of the adoption of this Report, UON had not responded.

2.7 Criteria for Consideration during the Approval Hearing

20. Section 6(7) and (8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides that:

“(7) An approval hearing shall focus on a candidate’s academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background.

(8) The criteria specified in the Schedule shall be used by a Committee during an approval hearing for the purposes of vetting a candidate.”

21. Additionally, section 7 of the Act provides that the issues for consideration by the relevant House of Parliament in relation to any nomination shall be:

- (a) the procedure used to arrive at the nominee;*
- (b) any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and*
- (c) 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.*

22. While conducting the approval hearing, the Committee was guided by the provisions of section 6(7) and (8) and section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

2.7.1 Procedure for Nomination

23. Article 250 of the Constitution provides that:

“Composition, appointment and terms of Office.

- (1) Each commission shall consist of at least three, but not more than nine, members.*
- (2) The chairperson and each member of a commission, and the holder of an independent office, shall be—*
 - (a) identified and recommended for appointment in a manner prescribed by national legislation;*
 - (b) approved by the National Assembly; and*

- (c) appointed by the President.
- (3) To be appointed, a person shall have the specific qualifications required by this Constitution or national legislation.
- (4) Appointments to commissions and independent offices shall take into account the national values referred to in Article 10, and the principle that the composition of the commissions and offices, taken as a whole, shall reflect the regional and ethnic diversity of the people of Kenya.
- (5) The chairperson and each member of a commission, and the holder of an independent office, shall be—
 - (a) identified and recommended for appointment in a manner prescribed by **national legislation**;
 - (b) approved by the National Assembly; and
 - (c) appointed by the President.”

24. Section 11(1) and (2) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 provides that:

- “(1) Whenever there is a vacancy in the Commission the President shall, within fourteen days of the occurrence of the vacancy, convene a selection panel for the purpose of selecting suitable candidates for appointment as the Chairperson or member of the Commission.
- (2) The selection panel convened under subsection (1) shall consist of—
 - (a) one person nominated by each of the following bodies—
 - (i) the Office of the President;
 - (ii) deleted by Act No. 20 of 2020, Sch.;
 - (iii) the Office of the Attorney-General;
 - (iv) the Ministry responsible for matters relating to gender and social development;
 - (v) the Public Service Commission;
 - (vi) the Law Society of Kenya; and
 - (vii) the National Council for Persons with Disabilities; and
 - (b) two persons nominated by the Association of Professional Societies in East Africa.

25. In exercise of his powers in Article 250(2)(c) of the Constitution and in accordance with section 11(1) and (2) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71, H.E. the President vide Gazette Notice No. 4651 of 11th April 2025 (Annexure 7), convened a selection panel for the recruitment of a suitable candidate for appointment for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR.

26. Section 11(4), (5) and (6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 provides as follows regarding the procedure of selecting a qualified persons for Chairperson of the KNCHR:

- “(4) The selection panel shall, within seven days of its convening, invite applications from qualified persons and publish the names and qualifications of all applicants in the Gazette and two daily newspapers of national circulation.
- (5) The selection panel shall within seven days of receipt of applications under subsection (4) consider the applications, interview and shortlist at least three persons qualified for appointment as Chairperson and eight persons qualified for appointment as members of the Commission and shall forward the names of the selected candidates to the President for nomination.
- (6) Until after the first general election after the commencement of this Act, the President in consultation with the Prime Minister shall, within seven days of receipt of the names forwarded under subsection (5), nominate one person for appointment as Chairperson and four persons for appointment as members of the Commission, and shall forward the names of the persons nominated to the National Assembly.”

27. In accordance with the aforementioned provisions, the Selection Panel advertised, shortlisted and interviewed the applicants and selected three (3) persons qualified for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR and subsequently, forwarded the names of the selected candidates to H.E. the President for nomination.
28. Accordingly, H.E. the President, through the Head of Public Service, forwarded to the National Assembly the name of Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah for approval for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR in accordance with Article 250(2)(b) of the Constitution, section 11(6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 and section 3 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

2.7.2 Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

29. The Committee was guided by the following provisions of law on the requirements for appointment to the State office:

(a) National Values and Principles of Governance

30. Article 10 of the Constitution provides for the national values and principles of governance which State officers should abide by in discharging their mandate. They 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 marginalized; good governance; integrity; transparency and accountability; and sustainable development.

(b) Conduct of State Officers

31. Article 75 of the Constitution requires a State Officer, whether in public or private life to behave in a manner that avoids conflict between personal interest and public official duties. The Article further prohibits a State officer who has been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of provisions of Chapter Six of the Constitution from holding any other State office.
32. Article 77 of the Constitution outlines that a full-time State officer must not participate in any other gainful employment and that any appointed State officer must not hold office in a political party.
33. Moreover, the Constitution under Article 78 further stipulates that a State officer must not hold dual citizenship but instead shall be a citizen of Kenya only.
34. Article 232 provides for the values and principles of public service as 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, members of all ethnic groups and persons with disabilities.

(c) Qualifications for Appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR

35. Article 250(2)(a) of the Constitution contemplates that the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 shall prescribe the manner in which the Chairperson of the KNCHR shall be appointed.

36. Section 10(1) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 provides for the qualifications of the Chairperson of the KNCHR as follows:

“A person shall be qualified for appointment as the Chairperson of the Commission if the person—

- (a) has knowledge and at least fifteen years experience in matters relating to law and human rights;*
- (b) holds a degree from a university recognized in Kenya; and*
- (c) meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.*

(d) Leadership and Integrity

37. The Committee, in determining the suitability of the nominee, was also guided by the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined under Chapter Six of the Constitution. In particular, Article 73(2) of the Constitution provides that the guiding principles of leadership and integrity include:

- (a) selection on the basis of personal integrity, competence and suitability, or election in free and fair elections;
- (b) objectivity and impartiality in decision making, and in ensuring that decisions are not influenced by nepotism, favouritism, other improper motives or corrupt practices;
- (c) selfless service based solely on the public interest, demonstrated by
 - (i) honesty in the execution of public duties; and
 - (ii) the declaration of any personal interest that may conflict with public duties.
- (d) accountability to the public for decisions and actions; and
- (e) discipline and commitment in service to the people.

38. In addition, the Committee considered section 10 of the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C in particular which provides that:

“A State officer shall, to the best of their ability—

- (a) carry out the duties of the office efficiently and honestly;*
- (b) carry out the duties in a transparent and accountable manner;*
- (c) keep accurate records and documents relating to the functions of the office; and*
- (d) report truthfully on all matters of the organization which they represent.”*

2.7.3 Suitability of the nominee for the proposed appointment having regard to whether the nominee’s abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the office to which nomination is being made

39. The suitability of the nominee was assessed after scrutiny of her academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, background and qualities as well as her performance during the approval hearing conducted on 28th August 2025.

CHAPTER THREE

3 APPROVAL HEARING OF NOMINEE

40. The Committee held a sitting on 28th August 2025 to deliberate on the approval hearing and noted that:

- (a) the nominee had not notified the Clerk of the National Assembly of her withdrawal from the approval process as outlined in section 6(10) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F;
- (b) the Committee had not received any memoranda contesting suitability of the nominee. Instead, it had received four memoranda from a former Chairperson of KNCHR, Executive Director of Amnesty International Kenya, Executive Director of Center for Justice Governance and Environmental Action and FIDA-Kenya supporting the nomination of Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah for appointment as Chairperson of KNCHR (*Annexure 9*); and
- (c) the current Vice-Chairperson of the KNCHR was a man and as such the nominee being a woman, the nomination complied with Article 250(11) of the Constitution as read with paragraph 1(6) of the Second Schedule to the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71.

41. The Committee, therefore, proceeded to examine the nominee on the areas set out in sections 6(7), 6(8) and 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F as follows:

3.1 Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah – Nominee to the Office of Chairperson of KNCHR

42. The nominee appeared before the Committee on 28th August 2025 and was vetted under oath to examine her suitability. The Committee noted the following:

3.1.1 Questions from General Questionnaire *Citizenship, Date and Place of Birth*

43. The nominee is a female Kenyan citizen and does not hold any other citizenship. She was born in 1972 in Nairobi County.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

44. The nominee is a trained Mediator; a certified Public Secretary; and an Advocate of the High Court having been admitted to the bar on 27th April 2001. She holds a:

- (a) 2010: Master of Laws (LLM), The University of Nairobi;
- (b) 2000: Postgraduate Diploma in Law, Kenya School of Law (KSL);
- (c) 1998: Bachelor of Laws, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India;
- (d) 1995: Bachelor of Commerce, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India; and
- (e) 1990: Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education, Ngara Girls High School.

45. She also indicated that she has undertaken the following trainings:

- (a) Human Rights Based Approach to programming;
- (b) Designing, Managing and Delivering a Human Rights Training;
- (c) Trial Advocacy [Lawyers without Border and NITA];
- (d) Litigating women's rights;

- (e) Public Interest Litigation;
- (f) Facilitation and Presentation Skills;
- (g) Gender and Human Rights;
- (h) Results Based Management;
- (i) Training in Election Observation; and
- (j) Project Management and Evaluation.

Employment Record and Work Experience

46. The nominee has worked in the following capacities:
- (a) 2020-to date: Human Rights Specialist/Deputy Head of Office, United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (UN-OHCHR);
 - (b) 2011-2020: Human Rights Officer, UN-OHCHR;
 - (c) 2009-2011: Deputy Executive Director/Head of Programs, Federation of Women Lawyers-Kenya (FIDA-K);
 - (d) 2007-2009: Senior Legal Counsel, FIDA-K;
 - (e) 2005-2007: Legal Counsel, FIDA-K;
 - (f) 2003-2005: Practicing Advocate, Oloo and Oloo Advocates;
 - (g) 2001-2003: Practicing Advocate, Wainaina Ireri and Company Advocates; and
 - (h) 1999-2001: Pupillage and Practicing Advocate, Abida Ali and Company Advocates.

Memberships and Professional Associations

47. The nominee indicated that she is an ordinary member of the Law Society of Kenya (LSK) and the East African Law Society (EALS). She added that she is also a member of FIDA-K, Runda Women Association, Children Sickle Cell Foundation and Ridgeways Baptist Church.

Published Writings

48. The nominee indicated that she has the following publications:
- (a) Failure to Deliver – Violations of Women’s Rights in Kenyan Health Facilities, 2007
 - (b) “AT RISK” Violation of HIV+ Women in Kenyan Health Facilities, 2007
 - (c) Paper on alternative dispute resolution in succession cases (Thesis for LLM Program), University of Nairobi, 2010;
 - (d) Human Rights in Action (UN-OHCHR), 2012;
 - (e) Columnist with East African Standard Newspapers responding to questions on issues affecting employed women, 2007-2011;
 - (f) Manual for Self-Represented Litigants on Family Law, 2008;
 - (g) Succession and Family Law (Publication for Legal Resources Foundation- LRF), 2009;
 - (h) Human Rights Report on Succession Laws in Kenya (Together with Georgetown Law University), 2010;
 - (i) Policy Brief on women’s land and property rights (based on the National Land Policy), 2007;
 - (j) Human Rights Based Approach to Development Manual, 2014;
 - (k) Policy on Alternative Justice Systems (for FIDA-K), 2019;
 - (l) Catalysing rights-based environmental action for people and planet in Kenya-OHCHR, 2022; and
 - (m) Giving life to data: Towards promotion and protection of human rights and the realization of SDGs, 2020.

49. She also submitted that she had made the following presentations:
- (a) *Ensuring no one is left behind: A human rights-based approach to data* which culminated to an MOU between the KNCHR and Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS).
 - (b) *Human rights and development* for the Inter-Governmental Agency on reporting and follow-up on human rights obligation under the leadership of the Attorney-General in preparation for the reporting to Human Rights Council on the Universal Periodic Review Process.
 - (c) *The Climate Crisis, Just Transitions, and Human Rights in Africa* on understanding the intersections for a sustainable and equitable future presented during the Right Here Right Now (a global summit on climate change and human rights in partnership with OHCHR, University of Oxford and University of Nairobi, among others).
 - (d) *Business and human rights and the implementation of the UN Guiding principles of Business and human rights* for the private sector.

Integrity

50. The nominee submitted that she has not been charged in a court of law, nor has she been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report produced by Parliament or a Commission of Inquiry within the past three years. In addition, the nominee stated that she has never been dismissed or removed from office for violating the provisions outlined in Article 75 of the Constitution.

Income and Net Worth

51. The nominee estimated her net worth to be Kshs. 303 million comprising jointly owned immovable property estimated at 123 million and 180 shareholdings in jointly owned business. She indicated her current sources of income to include salary, rental income and dividends from shares.

Potential Conflict of Interest

52. The nominee declared that she is currently not associated with any persons or matters that would present a potential conflict of interest should she assume the position of the Chairperson of the KNCHR. If a conflict of interest were to arise, she stated that she would resolve it according to the provisions of the law.

Pro Bono and Charity Work

53. The nominee indicated that she provides pro-bono legal services and has made monetary contributions to FIDA-K and devotes her time at Children Sickle Cell Foundation, Runda Women Association and Ridgeways Baptist Church.

3.1.2 General and Sector Specific Questions for the Nominee

54. The Committee posed several questions to the nominee on her suitability for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR. The nominee responded as follows:

On police brutality

55. The nominee stated that she would leverage her experience and network acquired during her time at the UN-OHCHR and international best practice to address police excesses. She added that her work at the UN-OHCHR had enabled her to directly engage with the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA), the Internal Affairs Unit in the National Police Service (NPS) and the ODPP where she identified training and enhanced capacity of security personnel and open dialogue as critical tools in combating police brutality.

56. Furthermore, she stated that she had hands-on experience in crisis management and prevention which she acquired by convening different stakeholders to discuss and resolve issues of concern. For example, in 2022, she contributed to prevention of election violence in Mathare Village by encouraging open dialogue between the Officer Commanding Station (OCS), various ethnic groups, social justice centres and civil society organizations at the grassroots level.

On challenges facing KNCHR

57. The nominee informed the Committee that, as a Human Rights Specialist at UN-OHCHR, she had been involved in conversations with the Office of the Attorney-General and the KNCHR regarding plans to hold public talks on Human Rights Day on 10th December 2025. The purpose of these talks would be to discuss the challenges experienced by constitutional commissions post-2010, including issues such as lack of goodwill towards some commissions and inadequate funding. She added that there were plans to conduct a baseline survey to identify contemporary human rights concerns and to develop viable mitigation measures. She committed to advancing these initiatives, if approved.

58. Regarding KNCHR's inadequate budgetary allocation, the nominee stated that, if approved, she would leverage her network and experience in mobilizing funds for the Commission from development partners such as the United Nations and bilateral States, with whom she had previously engaged in similar fundraising efforts, to support the Commission.

59. In addition, the nominee noted that KNCHR's main challenge as a trust deficit. She stated that, if approved, she would endeavour to translate the Commission's local reputation into the same level of international acclaim. She added that she would also strive to improve the relationship of the Commission with all arms of government for effective service delivery.

On compensation of victims of demonstrations

60. The nominee underscored that compensation of victims is a fundamental human rights issue which is not only limited to the KNCHR but requires concerted efforts from all relevant stakeholders. She noted that while the mandate of the Panel of Experts on Compensation of Victims of Demonstrations and Public Protests may overlap with that of the Commission, the Panel's term of service is limited. Therefore, upon expiration of the Panel's term, the Commission would take over and continue to address compensation claims in line with its mandate.

61. In addition, the nominee informed the Committee that should she be approved as Chairperson of the KNCHR, she would fiercely defend the Commission's mandate.

On her passion for human rights

62. The nominee submitted that she was passionate about human rights, particularly human rights through a lens of development. She stated that Kenya should focus on mainstreaming human rights in development for meaningful and sustainable development.

63. To demonstrate her passion, she stated that she championed Kenya's ratification of the United Nations Principles on Business and Human Rights. She added that she has worked with the private sector in capacitating them on matters relating to business and human rights as Article 20 of the Constitution recognizes the private sector as duty bearers in

protecting human rights. She added that, if approved, she would emulate this and bring together more stakeholders to revamp the Commission.

64. The nominee further submitted that she has been actively involved in advocating for a human rights-based approach to data including participating in a workshop to encourage KNBS to look at human rights from a data lens.

On synergy with non-governmental civil societies

65. The nominee noted that her experience in the human rights and advocacy had enabled her to form good relations with the civil society organizations space. She added that she has acted as a bridge between civil society organizations and various duty bearers and hopes to continue being that bridge to resolve issues for meaningful participation and ensure inclusivity in human rights issues.

On public sensitization of the KNCHR

66. The nominee attributed the Commission's lack of visibility to inadequate communication which is conducted only during times of crisis. In her view, public perception on failure to provide basic rights such as quality healthcare and housing are the causes of demonstrations and could be prevented through effective communication of the Commission's efforts in monitoring and advocating for government compliance with human rights obligations.

On the right to picket

67. The nominee noted that the right to picket, as provided in Article 37 of the Constitution, is an internationally recognized right that should not be limited except where protecting against violence. She added that such limitation must be provided for in statute.
68. In addition, she stated that while the National Police Service (NPS) is mandated to provide protection against harm and damage to property, the mechanisms employed to minimize violence must incorporate a human rights perspective and be proportionate in measure.
69. She also indicated that while working with the ODPP, NPS and the Office of the Attorney-General, she provided an analysis of best practice on ensuring a balance between the right to protest and maintaining public order. For instance, Sweden which has a liaison police officer (Dialogue Police) whose role is to de-escalate protests when they turn violent.

On the practicalities of human rights and development

70. The nominee noted that the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) espouses a human rights and development perspective by focusing on those often 'left behind' in matters housing and healthcare. In her view, housing should be defined as housing accessible to any ordinary Kenyan while social housing should target residents of informal settlements. She indicated that, if approved, she hoped to collaborate with relevant stakeholders to ensure a fair allocation of housing units.
71. Regarding quality healthcare, she committed towards inclusive coverage under the Social Health Insurance Fund for all individuals including patients with pre-existing conditions such as Sickle Cell Anaemia.

On inclusion of the youth

72. The nominee noted that public participation must be contextualized based on the subject matter at hand, not be a one-size fits all. She emphasized the need to utilize contemporary platforms such as *TikTok* to effectively engage the youth. She further stated that she would leverage technology alongside her established networks and partnerships with young people to achieve this goal.

On devolution of the Commission

73. Noting that the Commission currently has a presence in six regions, she stated that would implement innovative strategies similar to the Office of the Attorney-General by devolving operations through shared spaces and resources in Huduma Centres.

On human rights litigation

74. The nominee noted that unsettled judgements in human rights lawsuits was known to her, having litigated the ***Export Processing Zone Authority & 10 others (Suing on their own behalf and on behalf of all residents of Owino-Uhuru Village in Mikindani, Changamwe Area, Mombasa) v National Environment Management Authority & 3 others (Petition E021 of 2023) [2024] KESC 75 (KLR) (6 December 2024) (Judgment)*** on pollution in the coastal region up to the Supreme Court where an award was issued against the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA).
75. The nominee also submitted that during her time at the UN-OHCHR she was involved in supporting stakeholders to develop a reparations framework to enable the Government pay victims of human rights violations. She added that though they developed draft Regulations to be anchored on the Public Finance Management Act, they were never implemented. She undertook to reviving the Regulations for enactment, if approved.

3.1.3 Committee Observations on the Suitability of the Nominee

76. The Committee having considered the nominee's filled questionnaire pursuant to section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F her *curriculum vitae*, and having heard her oral submission during the approval hearing, made the following observations on her suitability for appointment as Chairperson of KNCHR:
- (1) THAT pursuant to Section 10(1)(a) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 the nominee demonstrated expertise in law and human rights having at least fifteen years' experience in human rights advocacy.
 - (2) THAT the nominee holds a Bachelor of Laws Degree from the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India recognized in Kenya having been accredited as a recognized institution by CUE and thereby meets the requirements of section 10(1)(b) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71.
 - (3) THAT the nominee demonstrated an aspiration for integrity in public service and thus meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution and section 10(1)(c) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 on leadership and integrity.
 - (4) THAT the nominee, having been cleared by DCI, EACC, HELB, KRA, ODPP and ORPP meets the statutory requirements for appointment as the Chairperson of the KNCHR.

CHAPTER FOUR

4 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

77. Pursuant to sections 6(7) and (8) and 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Committee observed that:

(a) Procedure for Nomination

(1) The nominee was selected in accordance with the provisions of Article 250(2) of the Constitution as read with section 11(4), (5) and (6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71.

(b) Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

(2) The nominee has satisfied all the following constitutional and statutory requirements including those on citizenship; leadership, ethics and integrity; tax compliance; and higher education loan repayments.

(3) The nominee has met the integrity threshold, demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues of the position to which she has been nominated, and has the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be approved for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR.

(c) Suitability of the nominee for the proposed appointment having regard to whether the nominee's abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is made

(4) The nominee has demonstrated deep understanding of the affairs of the KNCHR and the roles of Chairperson of the Commission. She possesses the requisite abilities for inter-governmental coordination and cooperation and strong leadership skills, including strategic vision, effective decision-making and stakeholder engagement, all of which are instrumental for a person nominated to serve as Chairperson of the KNCHR.


(5) The nominee exhibited a passion for human rights, invaluable knowledge and experience in human rights issues with a particular focus on development critical in addressing the contemporary challenges affecting Kenyans. She demonstrated an awareness of the difficulties faced by the KNCHR and practical solutions to these challenges.

(6) The nominee has a wide network of key stakeholders in the human rights space having previously served as a Human Rights Specialist in UN-OHCHR and interacted with various State and non-state actors in the sector. This would be significant in strengthening the operations of the KNCHR, particularly, through collaboration with development partners for resource mobilization for the Commission in the current financially-austere government.

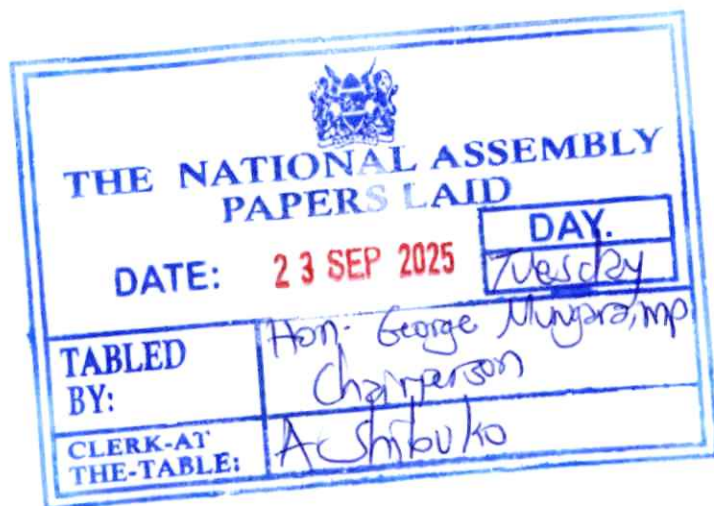
CHAPTER FIVE

5 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

78. Having considered the nominee pursuant to Article 250(2) of the Constitution, section 10 of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 and sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Committee recommends that the National Assembly **approves** the appointment of **Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah** to the Office of **Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights**.

SIGNED.....  DATE..... **23.9.025**

HON. GEORGE GITONGA MURUGARA, CBS, MP
CHAIRMAN
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS



Annexure **1**

**Transmittal Letter by
the Head of Public Service**

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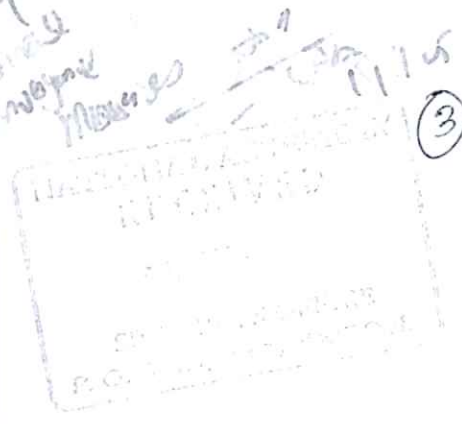
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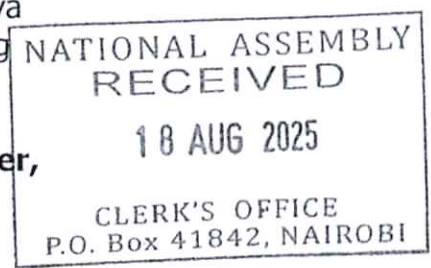
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Parliament of Kenya
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Dear **Hon. Speaker**,
TRANSMITTAL



NOMINATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (KNCHR)

You are most graciously notified that **His Excellency the President** has caused the nomination of a Chairperson to the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNHRC).

The statutory nomination has been undertaken in accordance with the recommendation of the Selection Panel appointed *vide* Kenya Gazette Notice No. 4651 of 11th April, 2025, and pursuant to **Section 11 (6) of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act** (Chapter 71, Laws of Kenya).

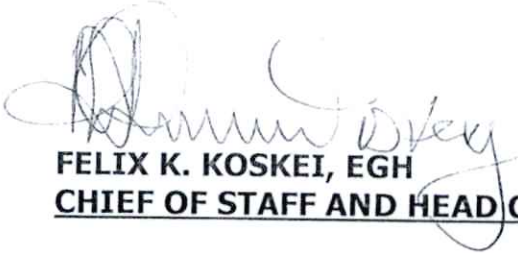
Accordingly, and pursuant to **Article 250 (2) (b) of the Constitution**, as read together with **Section 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act** (Chapter 7F, Laws of Kenya), you are hereby notified that **Ms. Claris Awour Onganga** has been nominated for consideration by the National Assembly for appointment as Chairperson of the Commission.

To aid the August House in its consideration and approval processes, kindly be pleased to receive the Certificate of Presidential Nomination, together with the Nominee's Curriculum Vitae and Testimonials, as well as the Report of the Selection Panel on the recruitment.

Accordingly, and by way of this letter, you are most kindly requested to consider the nomination on a priority basis.

This letter supersedes the earlier communication from this office, dated 27th June 2025 referenced EOP/CAB.26/4A VOL. V/ (162), on the same subject.

Yours **Sincerely,**



FELIX K. KOSKEI, EGH
CHIEF OF STAFF AND HEAD OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE

Copy to: **Hon. Ichungwa A. Kimani, MP, MGH**
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**PRESIDENTIAL
NOMINATION NO 9 OF 2025**

THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA

**THE KENYA NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ACT
(Cap. 71)**

**NOMINATION
for
STATE APPOINTMENT**

CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by Article 250 (2) (b) of the Constitution, and in accordance with the Section 11 (6) of the Kenya National Human Rights Commission Act (*Cap. 71*), **I, WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO**, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, nominate

CLARIS AWOUR ONGANGA

for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Human Rights Commission.

ISSUED under the **HAND AND SEAL** of the President at State House in

NAIROBI this 14th day of August 2025.

**WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO,
President.**

Annexure **2**

**Message No. 012 of 2025
from the Speaker**



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

_____ (No. 012 of 2025) _____

ON

**NOMINATION OF A PERSON FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE
CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION
ON HUMAN RIGHTS (KNCHR)**

Honourable Members,

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42(1), I wish to report to the House that I have received a Message from His Excellency the President regarding the nomination of a person for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR).
2. In the Message, **Honourable Members**, His Excellency the President conveys that, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 250(2)(b) of the Constitution, section 11 of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, Cap. 7I as read together with section 5 of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, he has nominated **Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga** for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights. His Excellency the President now therefore seeks the approval of the House.

Ahmed Salim
pls TNA &
facilitate voting
of the non-voters
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26/5/25

3. **Honourable Members**, you will recall that on Tuesday, 12th August 2025, I notified the House about the **withdrawal by notice in writing to the Clerk, of Dr. Duncan Oburu Ojwang**, the nominee who had been nominated for appointment to the position. Consequently, pursuant to the provisions of Section 6(10) of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, the candidate's nomination lapsed. The nomination of Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga is therefore consequent of the withdrawal.
4. In view of this, **Honourable Members**, I hereby refer the Message from His Excellency the President, together with the Curriculum Vitae, the Report of the Selection Panel and other testimonials of the nominee to **the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration in line with Standing Order 45.
5. **Honourable Members**, whereas section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F requires the House to make a decision on the nomination within twenty-eight (28) days, section 11(7) of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, Cap 7I provides for a lesser period, being **twenty-one (21) days**.
6. In this regard, **Honourable Members**, the Committee is expected to undertake the approval hearings and submit a report within the timelines provided for in the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, Cap 7I.
7. To this end, the Committee should notify the nominee and the general public of the time and place for holding the approval hearing and thereafter, table its report soonest to enable the House to consider the matter within the set statutory timelines.

I thank you!

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

Tuesday, 19th August 2025

Annexure **3**

**Advertisement notifying the
public of the approval hearing**



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025)
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(B) AND 250 OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY
APPROVAL) ACT (CAP. 7F)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SECTIONS 83 AND 34A OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES
ACT (CAP. 70)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF
PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE REGISTRAR AND THE
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARINGS AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Article 260 of the Constitution and Sections 33 and 34A of the Political Parties Act (Cap. 70), His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint the Registrar and the Assistant Registrar of Political Parties. In exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President has nominated the following persons for appointment—

| S/No. | NOMINEE | POSITION |
|-------|---------------------------|--|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | Registrar of Political Parties |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | Assistant Registrar of Political Parties |

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nomination from H.E. the President, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Communication issued on **Tuesday, 19th August, 2025** conveyed the Message to the National Assembly and referred the names and curricula vitae of the nominees to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** 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. 7F), the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** shall conduct the Approval Hearings (Vetting) of the nominees on **Thursday, 28th August, 2025** in **Committee Room 26, 5th Floor, Bunge Tower** as per the schedule below—

| S/No. | NOMINEE | POSITION | TIME |
|-------|---------------------------|--|----------|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | Registrar of Political Parties | 11.00 am |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | Assistant Registrar of Political Parties | 12.00 pm |

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)(b) 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 office 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 cna@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before **Wednesday, 27th August, 2025 by 5.00 p.m.**

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominees are required to—

- (1) Appear for the approval hearing with their 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.

S. NJOROGE, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
20th August 2025



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025)

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(B) AND 250(2) OF THE
CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY
APPROVAL) ACT (CAP. 7F)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 11 OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
HUMAN RIGHTS ACT (CAP. 71)
AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF A
PERSON NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE
KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARING AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Article 250(2) of the Constitution and Section 11 of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act (Cap. 71), His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint the Chairperson and Members of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights. In exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President has nominated **Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga** for appointment as the **Chairperson of the Commission**;

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nomination from H.E. the President, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Communication made on **Tuesday, 19th August, 2025** conveyed the Message to the National Assembly and referred the name and curriculum vitae of the nominee to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** 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. 7F), the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** shall conduct the Approval Hearing (Vetting) of **Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga** for appointment as the **Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights** on **Thursday, 28th August, 2025** in **Committee Room 26, 5th Floor, Bunge Tower** at **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)(b) 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 candidate** for appointment to the office she has 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 cna@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before **Wednesday, 27th August, 2025 by 5.00 p.m.**

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominee is required to—

- (1) Appear for the approval hearing with her original identity card, 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.

S. NJOROGE, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Wednesday, 20th August, 2025

Annexure **4**

**Letter from the Clerk of the National
Assembly inviting the nominee for the
approval hearing**



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Ref: **NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/092**

20th August, 2025

Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga
NAIROBI

Dear *Ms. Onganga*

**RE: INVITATION FOR APPROVAL HEARING BY THE DEPARTMENTAL
COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

Following your nomination for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights, the National Assembly's **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** hereby invites you for approval hearing pursuant to Section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP. 7F) on **Thursday, 28th August 2025, in Committee Room 26, 5th Floor, Bunge Tower, Parliament Buildings at 10:00 am.**

Kindly fill the attached Questionnaire as required by the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, and return it **on or before Tuesday, 26th August 2025**. You are requested to appear for the hearing with the originals of your national identity card, academic and professional certificates and any other relevant documents and testimonials. In addition, you should appear with letters or certificates of clearance from the following institutions: -

- i. Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
- ii. Kenya Revenue Authority;
- iii. Higher Education Loans Board;
- iv. Directorate of Criminal Investigations; and
- v. Office of the Registrar of Political Parties.

The Officers responsible for facilitating this matter are Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla who may be contacted on tel. no. 0710204056 and Ms. Jael Ayiego Kilaka on tel. no. 0725385945 or email: ddc@parliament.go.ke.

Yours *Sincerely,*
[Signature]

PETER K. CHEMWENO
For: THE CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Annexure **5**

**Letters from the Clerk of the National
Assembly to DCI, EACC, HELB, KRA,
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20th August, 2025

Mr. Amin Mohamed Ibrahim, EBS, MBS, OGW, 'ndc' (K)

Director
Directorate of Criminal Investigations
Mazingira Complex, Kiambu Road
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Ibrahim,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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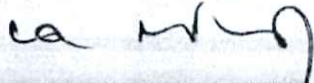
In this regard, the nominations have since been committed to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests you to provide a report on whether the following nominees are adversely mentioned in any investigation carried out by the Directorate:

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|-----|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | Registrar of Political Parties |
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Our Liaison Officers on this matter are Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla who may be contacted on tel. no. 0710204056 and Ms. Jael Ayiego Kilaka on tel. no. 0725385945 or email: ddc@parliament.go.ke.

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20th August, 2025

Mr. Abdi Ahmed Mohamud, MBS
Commission Secretary/CEO
Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
Integrity Centre, Milimani / Valley Road Junction
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Mohamud,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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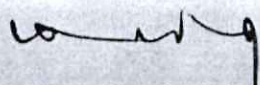
In this regard, the nominations have since been committed to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests you to provide a report on the integrity of the following nominees, as set out in Chapter Six of the Constitution.

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20th August, 2025

Mr. Geoffrey Monari
Chief Executive Officer
Higher Education Loans Board
Anniversary Towers, 19th Floor
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Monari,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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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 nominees meet all Constitutional and Statutory requirements relating to the office in question.

In this regard, the nominations have since been committed to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests you to provide a report on the repayment status of any loans that may have been advanced by the Higher Education Loans Board to the following nominees:

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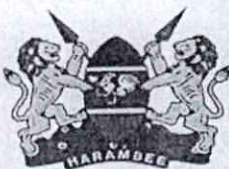
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20th August, 2025

Mr. Humphrey Wattanga Mulongo
Commissioner General
Kenya Revenue Authority
Times Towers Building
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Wattanga,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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In this regard, the nominations have since been committed to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests you to provide a report on the tax compliance status of the following nominees:

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20th August, 2025

Mr. Renson M. Ingonga, OGW
Director of Public Prosecutions
ODPP House, Rigati Road, Upper Hill
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Ingonga*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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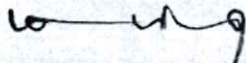
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20th August, 2025

Ms. Sophia Sitati

Ag. Registrar of Political Parties
Lions Place, 1st Floor
Karuna Close, Waiyaki Way Westlands
NAIROBI

Dear *Ms. Sitati,*

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

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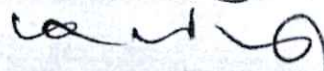
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25th August, 2025

Prof. Mike Kuria

Secretary / Chief Executive Officer
Commission for University Education
Redhill Road, off Limuru Road
NAIROBI

Dear *Prof Kuria*

**RE: CONFIRMATION OF AUTHENTICITY OF DEGREE CERTIFICATES
FOR A PERSON NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE
CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
HUMAN RIGHTS**

The National Assembly is in receipt of notification of nomination of a person for Appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights by His Excellency the President.

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In this regard, the nomination has since been committed to **the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration; and the person listed below indicated that she holds degree certificates awarded by the University stated below:

| NAME | NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD No | DEGREE CERTIFICATE | DATE |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|-------------|
| Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah | 11283621 | Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India Bachelor of Laws | (1996-1998) |
| | | Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, India Bachelor of Commerce | (1993-1995) |

In order to assist the Committee in the consideration of the suitability of the nominees for the appointment to the positions, this is to request you to confirm the authenticity of the certificates cited.

The Committee requests that you provide your response to the Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly by **Wednesday, 27th August, 2025**. You may send a soft copy of the response to the Office of the Clerk via cna@parliament.go.ke.

Our Liaison Officer for this matter is **Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla** who may be contacted on **tel. no. 0710204056** mail: ddc@parliament.go.ke.

Yours



JEREMIAH W. NDOMBI, MBS
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25th August, 2025

Prof. Margaret Hutchinson
The (Ag.) Vice Chancellor
University of Nairobi
NAIROBI

Dear Prof Hutchinson

**RE: CONFIRMATION OF AUTHENTICITY OF DEGREE CERTIFICATE FOR
A PERSON NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON
OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

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In this regard, the Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah indicated that she holds a degree certificate awarded by The University of Nairobi:

| No. | NAME | NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD No. | DEGREE CERTIFICATE | DATE |
|-----|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| I. | Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah | 11283621 | Master of Laws (LL.M) | 2010 |

In order to assist the Committee in the consideration of the suitability of the nominee for the appointment to the position, this is to request you to confirm the authenticity of the certificate cited.

The Committee requests that you provide your response to the Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly by **Wednesday, 27th August, 2025**. You may send a soft copy of the response to the Office of the Clerk via cna@parliament.go.ke.

Our Liaison Officer for this matter is **Mr. Ahmed Salim Abdalla** who may be contacted on tel. no. **0710204056** mail: ddc@parliament.go.ke.

Yours



JEREMIAH W. NDOMBI, MBS
For: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Annexure **6**

**Letters of clearance from DCI, EACC,
HELB, KRA, ODPP, ORPP and CUE**

NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

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Mazingira House Kiambu Road
P.O. Box 30036-00100,
NAIROBI

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DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

DCI/CRO/SEC/6/7/2/A/VOL.XVII/133

27th August 2025

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

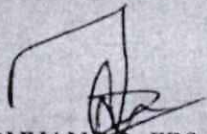
Ahmed
Salim
Pls bring to
attention of
committee
29/08/25

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Reference is made to your letter NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/086 dated 20th August, 2025 on the above matter.

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

| S/NO. | NOMINEE | NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD NO | POSITION |
|-------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | Registrar of Political Parties |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | 14676956 | Assistant Registrar of Political Parties |
| 3. | Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga | 11283621 | Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights |


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Our Ref: EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXXIII (93)

27th August 2025

Mr. Samuel Njoroge, CBS

Clerk

National Assembly

Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings

P O Box 41842 – 00100

NAIROBI

Dear *Sir*

Ahmed Salim
Pls bring to
attention of Committee
24/08/25

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Your letter referenced NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/087 dated 20th August 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.

| S/No | Name | ID Number | Position |
|------|-----------------------|-----------|--|
| 1. | John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | Registrar of Political Parties |
| 2. | Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | 14676956 | Assistant Registrar of Political Parties |
| 3. | Claris Awuor Ogangah | 11283621 | Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights |

The information provided herein is based on records available as of **27th August 2025**.

Yours *Sincerely*

FCPA John Lolkoloi, OGW
Director, Ethics and Leadership
FOR: SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Clerk
National Assembly
P.O Box 41842 - 00100
NAIROBI

*Ahmed Salim
Pls bring to
attention of
Committee
29/08/25*

27th August 2025

Dear *Sir,*

CLEARANCE OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20th August 2025, with reference number NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/088, regarding the background check on the status of HELB loan repayment for persons nominated as Registrar, Assistant Registrar of Political Parties and the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

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.

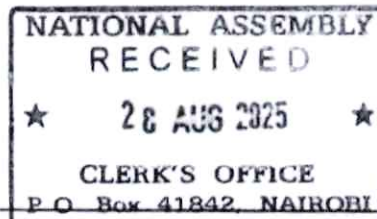
Our team has diligently reviewed the HELB loan repayment status of each candidate, ensuring accuracy and compliance with the information provided. We understand the importance of this inquiry in the overall assessment process.

Please find below their status.

| S/No. | NAME OF NOMINEE | ID NUMBER | STATUS | YEAR OF ISSUE |
|-------|---------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | Cert No. 74384 | 2014 |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | 14676956 | Cert No. 33468 | 2012 |
| 3. | Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga | 11283621 | Not a loanee | N/A |

We appreciate the collaboration between the National Assembly and HELB. We 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,*
Geoffrey Monari
GEOFFREY MONARI
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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Mr. Ahmed
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Mr. Samuel Njoroge, CBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
P. O. Box 42842-00100
Parliament Buildings
Nairobi

Mr. Dennis Ogechi
Please don't
05/09/25

Dear Clerk,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

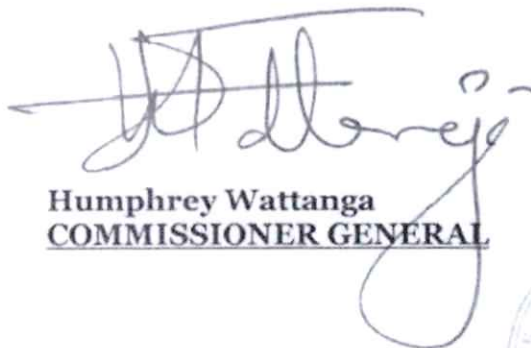
Reference is made to your letter Ref: NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/089 dated 20th August 2025 requesting for tax compliance report for three (3) nominated candidates for appointment as Registrar, Assistant Registrar of Political Parties and the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

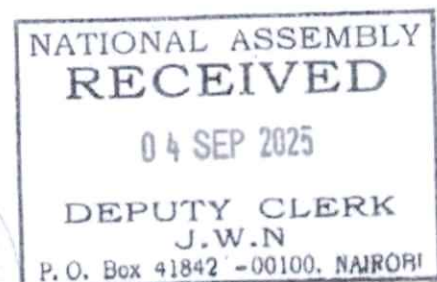
Please see below the tax compliance status of the nominees:

| No. | Name | ID No. | PIN | Status |
|-----|---------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | A002719741E | Compliant |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | 14676956 | A002770160P | Compliant |
| 3. | Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga | 11283621 | A002740657W | Compliant |

This is submitted for your further action.

Yours sincerely,


Humphrey Wattanga
COMMISSIONER GENERAL





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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

Telegraphic address: "Personnel", Nairobi
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ODPP HOUSE, RAGATI ROAD
P.O. BOX 30701 - 00100
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

Date: 27th August, 2025

Mr. Samuel Njoroge, CBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
Clerk's chambers
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P.O. Box 41842-00100
NAIROBI.

Ahmed Salim
Pls bring to
attention of Committee
27/08/25

Dear *Njoroge,*

RE: INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

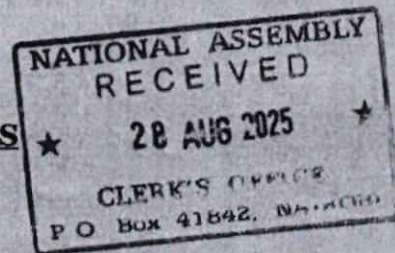
Reference is made to the above-mentioned subject matter and your letter Ref. NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/090 dated 20th August, 2025.

We note the contents of the letter and wish to notify your office that as of the date of your letter the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions would wish to respond as follows;

| S/N | NAME | GENDE R | ID NO. | Whether there are Ongoing Proceedings |
|-----|---------------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | M | 12441121 | None |
| 2. | Ms. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | F | 14676956 | None |
| 3. | Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga | F | 11283621 | None |

Yours *Sincerely*
RM

RENSON M. INGONGA, CBS, OGW
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS





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Ref: RPP/ORG/34 VOL. IX (32)

Date: 22nd August, 2025

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

*Abenayo Wawike
 pls deal
 27/8/25*

*Ahmed Salim
 pls TNA
 Awarice
 27/8/25*

Dear Sir,

RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Reference is made to letter Ref. NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/091 dated 20th August 2025 and on the above subject matter.

Pursuant to Article 77 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya and according to the records held by this Office as at the 22nd of August, 2025, the list of the nominees tabulated herein are **NOT** officials nor members of any registered political party in Kenya.

| S/No. | Name | National Identity Card Number | Position |
|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Mr. John Cox Lorionokou | 12441121 | Registrar of Political Parties |
| 2. | Mr. Agatha Wanjiku Wahome | 14676956 | Assistant Registrar of Political Parties |
| 3. | Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah | 11283621 | Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights |

Yours faithfully,

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 Ag. Registrar of Political Parties

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Commission for University Education

Recognition and Equation of Qualifications

REF: CUE/10/9 VOL. 36

28th August 2025

The Clerk of the National Assembly
The National Assembly
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P. O. Box 41842 - 00100
NAIROBI, KENYA

Email: cna@parliament.go.ke/ ddc@parliament.go.ke

Attn: Jeremiah W. Ndombi, MBS

Dear Sir,

RE: RECOGNITION OF QUALIFICATIONS - CLARIS AWUOR OGANGAH

The Commission for University Education is mandated by Section 5 (1) (g) of the Universities Act CAP 210 of the Laws of Kenya to "recognize and equate degrees, diplomas and certificates conferred or awarded by foreign universities and institutions in accordance with the standards and guidelines set by the Commission from time".

Thank you for your letter, reference number NA/DDC/JLAC/2025/095 dated 25th August 2025, in which you requested the Commission to recognize the following qualifications awarded to the above-named individual by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University in India:

- Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Commerce

The Commission hereby confirms that Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University is a recognized institution in India and by international convention in Kenya. The qualifications awarded the said university are recognized in India and by convention in Kenya.

Yours sincerely,

GILBERT W. OPANGA
FOR: COMMISSION SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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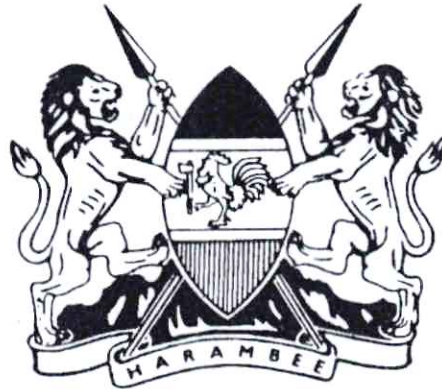
N.B.

- *The Commission is not accountable for the authenticity of any certificate attached or presented or the identity of the holder of the documents presented for this recognition.*
- *The Commission retains the right to revoke recognition of the award if it establishes any reason that makes the award in question ineligible for recognition and/or equation.*

Quality: The Agenda

Annexure **7**

**Gazette Notice No. 4651
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IN Gazette Notice No. 3358 of 2025, *amend* the expression printed as "IN ACCORDANCE with sections 8 and 22 of the Valuers Act, it is notified for the general information that the following registered valuers are licensed to practise valuation in the year 2024" to read "IN ACCORDANCE with sections 8 and 22 of the Valuers Act, it is notified for the general information that the following registered valuers are licensed to practise valuation in the year 2025".

IN Gazette Notice No. 2339 of 2025, Cause No. 3512 of 2024, *amend* the date of death printed as "14th January, 2018" to read "16th January, 2018".

IN Gazette Notice No. 5951 of 2021, Cause No. E70 of 2021, *amend* the expression printed as "for a grant of probate of will to the estate of" to read "for a grant of letters of administration intestate to the estate of".

IN Gazette Notice No. 16418 of 2023, Cause No. E1289 of 2023, *amend* the expression printed as "By (1) Fatima Jeevanjee and (2) Yasmin Jeevanjee" to read "(1) Fatima Jeevanjee, (2) Yasmeen Jeevanjee, both of P.O. Box 42820-00100, Nairobi in Kenya, (3) Zulfikar Jeevanjee, of 480, Oakwood Avenue, Webster Garoves, St. Louis, MO, 63119-2541, U.S.A. and (4) Tasneem Jeevanjee alias Tasneem Dhinakaran, of 62, Russel Road, London, N134RP".

IN Gazette Notice No. 3481 of 2024, Cause No. E3681 of 2022, *amend* the expression printed as "E3681 of 2022" to read "E3687 of 2022".

IN Gazette Notice No. 6526 of 2023, Cause No. E520 of 2023, *amend* the second petitioner's name printed as "Diliplumar Nangpar Narshi Shah" to read "Dilipkumar Nangpar Narshi Shah".

IN Gazette Notice No. 7386 of 2024, Cause No. E1413 of 2023, *amend* the deceased's name printed as "Mohamed Ahmed Mir alias Mahmood Ahmed Mir," to read "Mohamed Ahmed Mir alias Mahmood Ahmed Mir".

IN Gazette Notice No. 8637 of 2024, Cause No. E163 of 2024, *amend* the deceased's name printed as "Simon Mathenge Karimio," to read "Simon Mathenge Karimi and the petitioner's name printed as Ephraim Kariki Mathenge" to read "Ephraim Karimi Mathenge".

IN Gazette Notice No. 3948 of 2025, *amend* the expression printed as "Joseph Koech (ID/23157922)" to read "Kichama Bore (ID/3834264)(deceased)".

GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 4651

THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA
THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

(Cap. 71)

SELECTION PANEL FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF NOMINEES
FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA
NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

APPOINTMENT

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 11 (1) of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, and the procedure set out in section 11 (2) of the Act, I, William Samoei Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, appoint—

Under paragraph (a) (i)–

Joe Ager,

Under paragraph (a) (iii)–

Lawrence Muiruri,

Under paragraph (a) (iv)–

Jackline Nekesa Makokha,

Under paragraph (a) (v)–

Irene Cherotich Asienga, (Dr.),

Under paragraph (a) (vi)–

Kathurima Hiram Kirimi,

Under paragraph (a) (vii)–

Catherine Wameyo,

Under paragraph (b)–

Faith Odhiambo,

Kenneth Wyne Mutuma (Prof.),

to be members of the Selection Panel for the Recruitment of Nominees for Appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

Dated the 8th April, 2025.

WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO,
President.

GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 4652

THE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION

DESIGNATION OF MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP
AGREEMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Kenya, as a member of the Community of Nations, is committed to honouring its bilateral and multilateral obligations:

WHEREAS, the nation's foreign policy is anchored in advancing its strategic interests, global image, and diplomatic positioning, while also contributing to a just, peaceful, and equitable world;

WHEREAS, Article 2 (6) of the Constitution provides that any treaty or convention ratified by Kenya shall form part of the law of the Republic;

WHEREAS, the EPA establishes the Economic Partnership Agreement Council as its primary organ;

WHEREAS, Kenya and the European Union entered into an Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) aimed at promoting trade and investments between Kenya and the 27 EU member states;

WHEREAS, as part of this framework, the EPA secures long-term duty-free-quota market access for Kenya to the EU member states;

WHEREAS, the EPA establishes the Economic Partnership Agreement Council as its apex institutional organ, charged with the stewardship and oversight of its implementation;

WHEREAS, Article 104 (2) of the EPA provides that the Council shall be comprised of representatives of the Parties at the ministerial level; and

WHEREAS, the President is pursuant to Article 132 (5) of the Constitution obligated to: "ensure that the international obligations of the Republic are fulfilled through the actions of the relevant Cabinet Secretaries" (Emphasis)

NOW THEREFORE, I, William Samoei Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution, the Statute Laws of the Republic, and the Economic Partnership Agreement between the Republic and the European Union, do hereby designate the following Cabinet Secretaries to represent the Republic in the Council:

Co-Chairperson:

Cabinet Secretary, Investments, Trade and Industry.

Annexure **8**

**Curriculum Vitae, certificates and
testimonials of the nominee**



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

CRITERIA FOR VETTING/APPROVAL OF NOMINEES FOR
APPOINTMENT TO PUBLIC OFFICE BY PARLIAMENT

QUESTIONNAIRE

Notes:

- a) This questionnaire applies to appointments to public office arising by or under the Constitution or any other law where parliamentary approval is required.
- b) The questionnaire shall be used by the relevant parliamentary committee to vet a nominee appearing before the committee in the process of parliamentary approval.
- c) The questionnaire shall be filled and submitted by the nominee to the relevant parliamentary committee through the Clerk of the relevant House of Parliament on or before a date set by the committee.
- d) The submission of false information in the questionnaire is an offence and may result in prosecution.
- e) Any form of canvassing by a nominee shall lead to disqualification.
- f) The nominee must answer all the questions.

1. **Name:** (State full name) **CLARIS AWUOR OGANGAH**

2. **Position:** (State office to which you have been nominated).

CHAIRPERSON- KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
(KNCHR)

3. **Sex:** **FEMALE**

4. **Date of Birth:** (State year and place of birth) **1972 IN NAIROBI KENYA**

5. **Marital Status:** **MARRIED**

6. **Daytime phone number:** **+254722882444**

7. **Mobile phone number:** **+254722882444**

8. **Email Address:** **Clairenam54@yahoo.com/Claire.nam554@gmail.com**

9. **ID Number:** 11283621

10. **PIN Number:** A002740657W

11. **Nationality:** KENYAN

12. **Postal Address:** P.O.BOX 71-00200 NAIROBI

13. **Town/City:** NAIROBI

14. **Knowledge of Languages:** (Specify Languages): ENGLISH/SWAHILI/LUO/BASIC FRENCH

15. **Education:** (List, in reverse chronological order, each university, college, or any other institution of higher education attended and indicate, in respect of each, the dates of attendance, academic award obtained, whether a degree was awarded, and the dates on which each such degree was awarded).

-**MASTER OF LAWS-** UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI-2010

-**DIPLOMA IN LAW-** KENYA SCHOOL OF LAW-2000

-**BACHELOR OF LAWS-** DR. BAM UNIVERSITY-INDIA 1998

-**BACHELOR OF COMMERCE-**DR BAM UNIVERSITY -INDIA-1995

-**KENYA CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (KCSE)-** NGARA GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL-1990

Employment Record: (List in reverse chronological order all government agencies, business or professional corporations, companies, firms or other enterprises with which you have been affiliated as an officer, director, partner, proprietor, employee or consultant)

-2020 TO DATE; **HUMAN RIGHTS SPECIALIST/DEPUTY HEAD OF OFFICE-** UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS-(UN-OHCHR)

-2011-2020; **HUMAN RIGHTS OFFICER** UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS-(UN-OHCHR)

-2009-2011; **DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/HEAD OF PROGRAMS-** FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS KENYA(FIDA-K)

-2007-2009- **SENIOR LEGAL COUNSEL-** FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS KENYA(FIDA-K)

2005-2007-**LEGAL COUNSEL-**FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS KENYA (FIDA-K)

2003-2005-**PRACTICING ADVOCATE-**OLOO & OLOO ADVOCATES

2001-2003-**PRACTICING ADVOCATE-**WAINAINA IRERI & CO ADVOCATES

2001-2001-**PRACTICING ADVOCATE -**ABIDA ALI & CO ADVOCATES

1999-2001 **PUPILLAGE/ATTACHMENT** ABIDA ALI & CO ADVOCATES

16. **Honours and Awards:** (List any scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, academic or professional honours, honorary society memberships, military awards and

any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievement and in respect of each, state the date of award and the institution or organization that made the award).

NONE

17. **Professional Association** (where applicable): (List all professional associations of which you are or have a member and give any positions held and the respective dates when each such position was held).

-LAW SOCIETY OF KENYA-ORDINARY MEMBER

-EAST AFRICA LAW SOCIETY-ORDINARY MEMBER

18. **Memberships:** (List all professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, and charitable or other organizations, (other than those listed in response to Question 16) to which you belong or have belonged).

-FEDERATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS-FIDA-KENYA

-RUNDA WOMEN ASSOCIATION-RUWA

-CHILDREN SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION-CSCF

-RIDGEWAYS BAPTIST CHURCH

19. **Published Writings:**

(a) List the titles, publishers and dates of books, articles, reports, letters to the editor, editorial pieces or other published materials you have authored or edited.

- Failure To Deliver –Violations of Women’s Human Rights in Kenyan Health Facilities- 2007
- “AT RISK” Violation of HIV+ Women in Kenyan Health Facilities. - 2007
- Paper on alternative dispute resolution in succession cases (Thesis for Master of Laws program) University of Nairobi- 2010
- Human Rights in Action- UN-OHCHR)-2012
- Columnist with East African Standard Newspapers on employment and labour laws. (2007-2011)
- Manual For Self-Represented Litigants- focused on family law. -2008
- Succession and Family Law [Publication for Legal Resources Foundation-LRF]-2009
- Human rights report on succession Laws in Kenya. [Together with Georgetown Law University] 2010
- Human rights report on land laws in Kenya. [Together with Georgetown Law University] 2010
- Policy Brief on women’s land and property rights [based on the National Land Policy 2007
- Human Rights Based Approach to Development manual 2014
- Policy on Alternative Justice systems (for FIDA Kenya) 2019
- Catalysing rights-based environmental action for people and planet in Kenya – OHCHR 2022
- Giving life to data: Towards promotion and protection of human rights and the realisation of SDGs. 2020

(b) Supply four (4) copies of any reports, memoranda or policy statements you prepared or contributed in the preparation of any bar association, committee, conference or organization of which you were a member.

- i. **Ensuring no one is left behind: A human rights-based approach to data-** presentation that led to an MOU between KNCHR and KNBS.

- ii. **Human rights and development-** Presentation made for the Inter-Governmental Agency on reporting and follow up on human rights obligation under the leadership of the Attorney General in preparation for the reporting to Human Rights Council on the Universal periodic Review Process.
- iii. **The Climate Crisis, Just Transitions, And Human Rights In Africa-** understanding the intersections for a sustainable and equitable future-presented during the Right Here Right Now, a global summit on climate change and human rights in partnership with OHCHR, the University of Oxford, University of Nairobi (among other Universities)
- iv. **Business and human rights and the implementation of the UN Guiding principles of Business and human rights-** presentation made for the private sector.

20. Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations:

(a) List chronologically any public offices you have held or are currently holding, including the terms of service and whether such positions were elected or appointed.

NONE.

(b) List all memberships and offices held in and services rendered, whether compensated or not, to any political party or election committee. If you have ever held a position or played a role in a political campaign, identify the particulars of the campaign, including the candidate, dates of the campaign, your title and responsibilities. Also include any linkage you have to a political party at present.

NONE

(c) Have you ever been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for a contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution?

NO

(d) Have you ever been adversely associated with practices that depict bias, favoritism or nepotism in the discharge of public duties?

NO

21. **Deferred Income/Future Benefits:** (List the sources, amounts and dates of all anticipated receipts from deferred income arrangements, stock, options, uncompleted contracts and other future benefits which you expect to derive from previous business relationships, professional services, firm memberships, etc).

NONE

22. **Outside commitment during service in office:** (Do you have any plans, commitments or agreements to pursue outside employment with or without compensation during your service in office? If so explain).

NO

23. **Sources of Income:** (List sources and mounts of all income received during the calendar year preceding your nomination and in the current calendar year).

12 months' salary from the UN- Kes 8,977,812/-
12 months rental income -Kes 3,000,000/-
12months Safaricom shares dividends-Kes 11,300/=

24. **Tax Status:** (State whether you have fully complied with your tax obligations to the State up to the end of the financial year immediately preceding the nomination for appointment).

FULLY COMPLIANT

25. **Statement of Net Worth:** (State your financial net worth)

123 Million (property)
90M (20% shareholding ANIMIX CO LTD)
90M (20% shareholding in EAGLE CHEMICALS LTD)
Pension in UN- \$ 226,736.18 due in 2034

26. **Potential Conflict of Interest:**

(a) Identity the family members or other persons, parties, categories of litigation or financial arrangements that are likely to present potential conflicts-of-interest when you first assume the position to which you have been nominated. Explain how you would address any such conflict if it were to rise.

I HAVE NO KNOWN POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

(b) Explain how you will resolve any potential conflict of interest, including the procedure you will follow in determining these areas of concern.

- **Identify the potential conflict and encourage disclosure.**
- **Evaluate and assess the conflict including documenting all processes and determine its severity (whether real or perceived) and its impact on the organization.**
- **Address the conflict (recusal/mitigation/elimination)**
- **Communication**
- **Prevention through policy reforms and training.**

27. **Pro-Bono/Charity Work/donation to charity:** (Describe what you have done by way of pro bono or charity work, listing specific instances, the amount contributed, and the amount of time devoted to each).

- FIDA KENYA- Probono legal services/contribution to purchase of FIDA house- I contribute my time to offer legal aid to clients as needed.
- Children Sickle Cell Foundation- 4 hours per month
- Runda Women Association- 4 hours per month/welfare contributions
- Ridgeways Baptist Church- 2 hours per week.

28. Have you ever been charged in a court or law in the last three years? If so, specify the nature of the charge, where the matter is ongoing, the present status of the

matter, or where the matter is concluded, the judgment of the court, or otherwise, how the case was concluded.

NO

29. Have you ever been adversely mentioned in an investigatory report of Parliament or any other Commission of inquiry in the last three years?

NO

30. Have you any objection to the making of enquiries with your present employer/referees in the course of consideration of your nomination?

NONE

31. References:

(List three persons who are not your relatives who are familiar with your character, qualification and work).

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Human Rights Specialist | Deputy Head of Office

United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights - Kenya

November 2020 to date:

Current duties

1. Managerial leadership

- As the Deputy Head of office, I establish links and partnerships with Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies and Constitutional Commissions specifically the KNCHR to ensure implementation of cooperation framework to support the government's human rights and development agenda and priorities.
- I support the establishment of OHCHR Kenya's office annual work plan after consultation with key stakeholders including both state and non state actors to set priorities/targets and performance measurements.
- I supervise staff and monitor work progress and ensure results are achieved and undertake mid-year and end-of-year progress reports.
- I support staff to establish clear individual performance objectives, goals, and timelines; and provide timely guidance to enable the team to perform their duties responsibly and efficiently.
- Supervise team members by providing them with clear objectives and goals, direction, and guidance to enable them to perform their duties responsibly, effectively, and efficiently.

2. Programme development and planning

- On a monthly and daily basis, I support the planning and updating of the situation analysis to ensure that current and comprehensive data on human rights issues are available to guide both OHCHR and UNCT in Kenya's strategic policy advocacy, intervention, and development efforts on human rights.
- I represent OHCHR in the Program Management Team (PMT) of the UN Country Team in Kenya made up of Deputies of Agencies where the team works towards setting up, reviewing and guiding UNCTs programme priorities, strategies, design, and implementation plans.
- I support information collection to keep abreast of national, regional, and international development priorities on human rights to leverage OHCHR's position and competencies with donors, national governments, communities, and constituents to advocate and promote human rights interventions, policies, and social change.
- I lead and coordinate and supervise the development of human rights programmes/projects as part of the UNDAF/UNSDCF. I support the development of programme goals where I ensure the human rights-based approach to programming is integrated.
- Consult and collaborate with national and global colleagues, partners, and allies to develop partnership frameworks to address specific needs and to leverage resources for enhancing and scaling up human rights programmes/projects. Ensure synergy, integration, coherence, and harmonization of programmes/projects with OHCHR'S Work Plans and priorities, donors' development strategies/policies, national priorities/competencies, and UN System development interventions/initiatives.
- Undertaking human rights assessments and analysis to ensure the principle of LNOB is integrated in UN processes.

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3. Programme management, monitoring and quality control of results.

- Coordinate, plan and collaborate on monitoring and evaluation initiatives to establish benchmarks, performance indicators and other OHCHR and UNSDCF indicators, to assess and strengthen performance accountability, coherence, and delivery of concrete and sustainable results in human rights programmes.
- Participate in UNSDCF monitoring and evaluation exercises, programme reviews and annual reviews with government and other counterparts to assess progress and to engage stakeholders to take required action and interventions to achieve results.
- I support the Head of Office to plan, approve, monitor, certify, and control the use of programme resources (financial, human, administrative and other assets) certifying/verifying compliance with organizational rules, regulations and procedures, donor commitments and standards of accountability and integrity. Ensure timely reporting and liquidation of resources.
- I work with the other staff members to prepare and submit programme/project reports to donors and other partners to keep them informed on programme progress and critical issues.

4. Advisory services and technical support

- Integrate human rights perspectives in the UN Development Assistance Framework/UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework, Common Country Assessment, programmes, projects, and activities.
- Provide technical advice to key government officials, KNCHR, NGOs, UN system and other country office partners on strategies and best practices to influence approaches/policies, support social/economic/political/legal development planning & implementation, and to support delivery of results on human rights and other related issues.
- Participate in strategic discussions to influence policy and agenda setting to address human rights concerns and all forms of discrimination by advising on and advocating strategies and approaches to promote and catalyse social changes for human rights.
- Lead in country discussions on human rights, programming, and contingency planning to ensure proactive and appropriate responses are in place to meet onset of violations nationally, or in other designated locations

5. Advocacy, networking and partnership building

- Coordinate UNCT's engagement and Governments and KNCHR reporting and follow up on regional and human rights commitments through engaging with UN Human rights mechanisms including CRC and UPR.
- Build and strengthen strategic partnerships through networking and advocacy with local/national governments, UN system agency partners, donors, internationally recognized institutions, NGOs, funding organizations, and private sector to reinforce cooperation and/or pursue opportunities to promote goals and achieve sustainable and broad results on human rights.
- Participate and/or represent OHCHR in inter-agency (UNCT) discussions and planning on child protection and related issues to ensure organizational position, interests and priorities are fully considered and integrated in the UNDAF/UNSDCF process in development planning and agenda setting.

6. Innovation, knowledge management and capacity building

- Promote critical thinking, innovative approaches and good practices for sustainable human rights programme/project initiatives through advocacy and technical advisory services.
- Lead the development of policies and procedures and introduce innovation and best practices to ensure optimum efficiency and efficacy of sustainable programmes and projects.

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- Lead, plan and implement capacity building initiatives to enhance the competencies of stakeholders to promote sustainable results on human rights and related programmes/projects.

Human Rights Officer: | United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights -Kenya

June 2011 to October 2020:

Duties

- Following up on the daily developments on human rights and the administration of justice and conducting legal research on matters with special emphasis on the implementation of Kenya's human rights treaty obligations as well as the UPR process.
- Conducting research on various human rights issues and gathering information from various sources, communications, and publications.
- Assisting the UNCT, Government of Kenya including the KNCHR in Treaty Body Reporting and the UPR process and implementation of recommendations as well as providing substantive and technical support to UN agencies on request.
- Following up on daily developments on human rights and administration of justice and conducting legal research on matters with special emphasis on the implementation of Kenya's human rights treaty obligations as well as the UPR process.
- Working with and supporting members of the United Nations Country Team to implement a human rights-based approach and integrate human rights perspectives in the UNDAF/UNSDF, Common Country Assessment, programmes, projects, and activities.
- Working closely with the National Human Rights Institution (KNCHR) in support of its mandate to further the protection and promotion of human rights in Kenya.
- Supporting civil society organizations in efforts to strengthen the promotion and protection of human rights in Kenya.
- Supporting country engagement of human rights mechanisms such as Special Rapporteurs, Working Groups and treaty bodies, including in the preparation of communications and in the conduct of field missions.
- Assisting in the development and implementation of training programmes and capacity-building activities in the field of human rights, rule of law and governance, with attention to gender perspectives.
- Assisting in the development and coordination of a country strategy and programme to promote respect for and protection of human rights in Kenya.
- Supporting the Office in programme and operational management, including the development and monitoring of an annual work plan and budget, ensuring optimal use of resources allocated, coordination and organization of programme areas, and reporting.
- I serve as Officer-in-Charge in the absence of the Senior Human Rights Adviser.
- Supporting resource mobilization, including through joint projects with UN agencies.
- Preparing reports, documents, briefing notes, talking points and other written materials on human rights and other relevant issues.

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Deputy Executive Director | Federation of Women Lawyers-Kenya (FIDA-K) -Kenya

April 2010 to May 2011

Duties

As the Deputy Director my work was to oversee the following-

- Managing and ensuring the formulation and successful implementation of FIDA Kenya programmes aligned to the Strategic Plans.
- Provided leadership, motivation, mentorship and productivity within the four programs at FIDA-K.
- Provided leadership in the development of programs and appropriate work plans and supported the management of grants and donor funding.
- I reviewed funding concepts and proposals and ensured the development of quality proposals and submission of donor reports by programs.
- Representing FIDA Kenya in strategic meetings with government, development partners and other stakeholders
- Coordinated the running of the three offices in Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu.
- Supported the Executive Director to build and sustain effective partnerships with government, like minded organizations and other civil societies.
- Provided effective and efficient management of FIDA Kenya's human, financial and information management resources, promoting gender equality and women's, empowerment, raising the international reputation and profile of FIDA Kenya and also the secretary to the board including coordinating board meetings and activities. I was also in charge of overseeing the administration of the office including authorization of payments, signing of cheques and approval of payment vouchers.

Senior Legal Counsel /Programme Officer: | Federation of Women Lawyers-Kenya (FIDA-K)- Kenya

March 2007 to March 2010

Duties

Legal Advice and Litigation; - I took up and supervised in-house lawyers to take up deserving cases and provide legal aid services in the form of advice, preparation of court documents and court representation.

Strategic Impact Litigation: - I supervised efforts to continually engage in innovative approaches towards access to justice and embrace strategic impact litigation as an avenue to address widespread and systemic human rights violations and matters of social justice vide a single proclamation. This creative technique of litigation was invaluable in bringing to light existing lacunae in policy and legislation.

- ✓ Pro bono Lawyers Scheme: - I coordinated collaboration with lawyers in public and private practice to volunteer to serve under the pro bono lawyer's scheme. This has helped women who resided far from the location of offices access justice at a minimum cost.
- ✓ Self-Representation; - I supported this strategy and even developed a manual on the same as a strategy to further access to justice for needy women. The intervention has equipped women with knowledge and skills on how to represent themselves in court thus enabling them to file matters on less technical matters such in court and claim their rights.
- ✓ Alternative Dispute Resolution: With a view of enhancing family unity and mutual respect I ran the mediation program under which we availed the clients the opportunity to amicably resolve disputes through mediation.
- ✓ Engagement with the Informal Justice Systems; - I engaged with informal justice systems (non-judicial) to support women rights through resolving disputes at the community level. This was in recognition of the role played by informal justice systems in delivering justice to local communities.

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- ✓ Psychosocial Support: - I supervised this program that helped to empower women both physically and emotionally to face life's challenges and to determine coping strategies. This is implemented through individual and group therapy and the clients were then incorporated within the organizations existing legal aid services to seek further solutions to their problems.
- ✓ Partnerships and linkages; - Lastly being alive to the fact that the work on women rights cannot be accomplished single handedly I initiated partnerships and collaboration with various actors such as the Kenya police service, land office, judiciary and other stakeholders.

Legal Counsel | Federation of Women Lawyers-Kenya (FIDA-K)- Kenya

April 2005 to March 2007

Duties

- Overseeing the implementation of all the Access to Justice Programmes and legal aid programs
- Coordinating and implementing litigation processes
- Monitoring compliance with international and national legal obligations relating to women rights and jurisprudential developments and identify possible Public Interest Litigation cases.
- Developing publications and other legal resources on women's rights.

Between May 2001 to March 2005 ; Practicing Advocate in various law firms -Kenya

August 2002 -March 2005; Oloo & Oloo Advocates

June 2001- July 2002; Wainaina Ileri Advocates

May 2001- May 2001- Abida Ali & Associate Advocates

Educational Qualifications

○ Master of Laws [LLM] at University of Nairobi

- ✓ Diploma in Law-Kenya School of Law.
- ✓ Bachelor of Laws (L.L.B)

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Adoption of the National Action Plan and policy for business and human rights in Kenya (the 1st country in Africa) domesticating the UNGPs.
- ✓ MOU between the NHRI and NSO towards integrating HRBA to data in Kenya.
- ✓ Development of a methodology for collecting data on SDG 16.10.1
- ✓ Development of standard demographic and discrimination modules for use by data collectors.
- ✓ Establishment of the National reporting and follow up mechanisms for international and regional human rights mechanisms.
- ✓ Setting up of the national reporting and tracking database (NRTD) in Kenya.

PUBLICATIONS

TRAININGS UNDERTAKEN

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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Advocate of the High Court of Kenya
- Certified Public Secretary
- Trained Mediator

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of Law Society of Kenya (LSK)
- Member of International Bar Association (IBA)
- Member of Federation of Women Lawyers in Kenya (FIDA-K)
- Member of East African Law Society (EALS)



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| GPR607 | LAW AND STATE SECURITY | A |
| GPR608 | DEMOCRACY AND THE LEGAL PROCESS | C |
| GPR609 | ACCESS TO JUSTICE | B |
| GPR640 | INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW | A |
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having this day signed the Roll of Advocates of the High Court of Kenya is admitted to practise as an Advocate of the High Court and is entitled to practise in the Courts Subordinate thereto, as from the 26th day of April, 20⁰¹

Given under my hand and the Seal of the High Court of Kenya at Nairobi
this twenty-sixth day of April
in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and One


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Chief Justice
High Court of Kenya

Certified that the name of the said CLARIS AWUOR OGANGAH
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Dated this 26th day of April, 20⁰¹


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Dated this 1st Day of January 2018

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Given under my hand and the Seal of the Court this 13th day of December 2004, at Nairobi.


CHIEF JUSTICE
HIGH COURT OF KENYA

MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY

No. 4964



STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF MARKS OBTAINED

By *D. J. Jangale* *Amuse classis*
 in each head of passing at the B. Com. First Year of the Three Year Degree Course Examination
 held in April-May / October-November 1993

| Serial No. | HEADS OF PASSING | | | | | | Grand Total | REMARKS |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---|-------------|-------------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| | English Comp | Second Language <i>Marathi</i> Hindi | Accountancy | Industrial Organisation | Business Economics, Including Economic Development | Rural Economy & Co-operation | | |
| 18153 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 600 | Passed |
| Maximum Marks | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 600 | |
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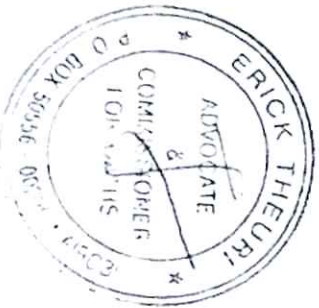
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STATEMENT OF MARKS FOR B.COM. II Year Examination APRIL/MAY 1994.

SEAT NO 24898

NAME OGANGAH AWJOR CLARIS

| ABBRI | MAXIMUM MARKS | MINIMUM MARKS | MARKS OBTAINED |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| COMPULSORY: ENGC2 | 100 | 35 | 61 |
| Second Language: ENG-2 | 100 | 35 | 53 |
| ACC-2 | 100 | 35 | 73 |
| BMS | 100 | 35 | 51 |
| PM | 100 | 35 | 57 |
| CLSP | 100 | 35 | 56 |
| IT | 100 | 35 | 61 |
| *** TOTAL | 700 | 245 | 412 *** |
| *** I YEAR TOTAL | 600 | 210 | 324 *** |
| *** GRAND TOTAL | 1300 | 455 | 736 *** |

RESULT : PASSED

DATE : 24/07/94

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DEPUTY REGISTRAR
(EXAMINATIONS)





DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY, AURANGABAD - 431 004 SR. NO. B 0104496

STATEMENT OF MARKS FOR B.COM.III Year Examination APRIL, 1995.

SEAT NO CC004011

NAME OGANGAH AMUOR CLARIS

| SUBJECTS | MAXIMUM MARKS | MINIMUM MARKS | MARKS OBTAINED |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| BC | 100 | 35 | 50 |
| MAT | 100 | 35 | 79 |
| CA | 100 | 35 | 57 |
| MIL | 100 | 35 | 53 |
| PI | 100 | 35 | 63 |
| AAS | 100 | 35 | 60 |
| AUD3 | 100 | 35 | 56 |
| *** TOTAL | 700 | 245 | 418 *** |
| *** 1&11 YEAR TOTAL | 1300 | 455 | 736 *** |
| *** GRAND TOTAL | 2000 | 700 | 1154 *** |

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Taxpayer Information

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Registered Address

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| Street/Road : MSANDUKU LANE MBAAZI ROAD | City/Town : nairobi |
| County : Nairobi | District : Dagoreti District |
| Tax Area : Dagoretti | Station : South of Nairobi* |
| P. O. Box : 71 | Postal Code : 00200 |

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We,
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Shri. Anwar Ogangah

having been examined and found duly qualified for the
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 the Second Division in April 1998. The Degree of

Bachelor of Laws

has been conferred on her at Aurangabad, on the
sixteenth day of the month of January in the year
one thousand nine hundred and ninety nine.

In Testimony whereof are set the Seal of the said University
 and the signature of the said Chancellor.



Serial No. 2560

Place Aurangabad

Date of issue of this 14/1/1999

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Aurangabad

Chancellor

Dr. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR MARATHWADA UNIVERSITY

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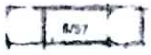
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| SUBJECTS | MAXI. MARKS | MIN MARKS | GET. MARKS |
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| CRIMINAL & CIVIL PROCEDURE & PRACTICES | 100 | 40 | 55 |
| INDIAN EVIDENCE, LIMITATION & ARBITRATION ACT | 100 | 40 | 54 |
| INDIAN LEGAL & CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY | 100 | 40 | 54 |
| CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL ADMINISTRATION | 100 | 40 | 53 |
| TENANCY & LAND LAW | 100 | 40 | 52 |
| DRAFT. OF PLEADING & DOCUM. & RULES OF COURTS | 100 | 40 | 57 |
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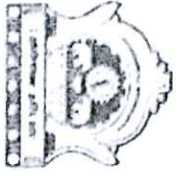
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STATEMENT OF MARKS FOR LL.B. II (Gen.) YEAR EXAMINATION APRIL - 1997.

SEAT NO 2049

NAME CLARIS AMUOR OGANGAH



| SUBJECTS | MAXI. MARKS | MIN MARKS | OBT. MARKS |
|---|-------------|-----------|------------|
| LEGAL THEORY (JURI.) & COMPARATIVE LAW | 100 | 40 | 53 |
| HINDU LAW | 100 | 40 | 51 |
| EQUITY & PROPERTY LAW (TP & IE ACT) | 100 | 40 | 50 |
| PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW | 100 | 40 | 51 |
| LAW OF PART. SALES OF GOODS & NEGO. INST. | 100 | 40 | 52 |
| COMPANY LAW (COMPANIES ACT) | 100 | 40 | 61 |
| TOTAL : | | | 318 |

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SEAT NO 706

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| ENGLISH LAW | 100 | 40 | 71 |
| LAW OF CONTRACTS (ICA) | 100 | 40 | 50 |
| LAW OF TORTS | 100 | 40 | 55 |
| LAW OF CRIME (IPC) | 100 | 40 | 53 |
| INDIAN CONSTITUTIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE LAW | 100 | 40 | 51 |
| AMERICAN LAW & INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT | 100 | 40 | 62 |
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RE: **CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**
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The above subject matter refers.

This Office acknowledges receipt of your letter dated 22nd August 2025 and duly notes the content therein.

According to the records held by this Office as at 22nd August, 2025, **Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah** of Identity card Number **11283621** is not an official nor a member of any registered political party in Kenya.

Yours faithfully,

Sophia Sitati
Ag. Registrar of Political Parties

HRBA TRAINING

What are human rights?

Human rights are universal legal guarantees protecting individuals and groups against actions, which interfere with fundamental freedoms and human dignity.

Human rights law obliges Governments to do some things and prevents them from doing others. Some of the most important characteristics of human rights are the following: Human rights are rights inherent to all human beings, whatever our nationality, place of residence, sex, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, language, or any other status. We are all equally entitled to our human rights without discrimination. These rights are all interrelated, interdependent and indivisible.

Universal human rights are often expressed and guaranteed by law, in the forms of treaties, customary international law, general principles and other sources of international law. International human rights law lays down obligations of Governments to act in certain ways or to refrain from certain acts, in order to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms of individuals or groups.

Human Rights Principles

The UN Human Rights Conventions and the Bill of rights in the Kenyan Constitution lay down fundamental principles of human rights. It is in these principles that guidance can be found for the application of a rights-based approach to development programming.

- Universality, Indivisibility and Inalienability,
- Equality and Non-discrimination
- Participation and Inclusion
- Inter-dependence and Inter-relatedness
- Accountability and Rule of Law

1. Universality and indivisibility of human rights

Every person is entitled to enjoy her or his human rights simply by virtue of being human. The principle of universality requires that no particular group, such as geographically remote communities or women and children, be left out of the reach of development assistance programmes. Indivisibility means that human rights are inter-related and depend on each other.

For example, enjoyment of the right to health requires enjoyment of the rights to information and education. An educated person is able to read prescriptions and to take care of him/her self while this is only possible if such a person gets information (knows) the existing health providers. All human rights - civil, cultural, economic, political and social – should be treated with the same priority.

Policies and programmes should not therefore be aimed at implementing one particular right alone, but in combination with all other rights. However, the principle of indivisibility of human rights does not preclude priority setting in programming support. The scarcity of resources and institutional constraints often require us to establish priorities, for instance favoring food, and basic education and health to other rights in a given situation.

2. Equality and non-discrimination

Human rights are for everyone, as much for people living in poverty and social isolation as for the visible and articulate. The principle of non-discrimination prohibits discrimination in the enjoyment of human rights on any ground, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.

Equality requires that all persons within a society enjoy equal access to the available goods and services that are necessary to fulfill basic human needs. Equality before the law prohibits discrimination in law or in practice in any field regulated and protected by public authorities. Thus, the principle of non-discrimination applies to all state policies and practices, including those concerning healthcare, education, access to services, travel regulations, entry requirements and immigration.

3. Participation and Inclusion

The principles of participation and inclusion mean that all people are entitled to participate in society to the maximum of their potential. This in turn necessitates provision of a supportive environment to enable people to develop and express their full potential and creativity.

4. Inter-dependence and Inter-relatedness

The Vienna Declaration and Platform of Action on Human Rights have stressed that all “human rights are universal, indivisible and interdependent and interrelated. The quality of enjoyment of one human right is dependent on the presence or absence of enjoyment of another human right. The principle of interdependence also entails a trust to realize human rights. In human rights, social interdependence and cooperation are required.

5. Accountability and the Rule of Law

The principle of accountability ensures that states are open in their actions. The state has a duty to plan for its population and to inform them of state plans to development. Accountability means the state should be open to criticism and should accept wrongs they have done and work towards improving them.

Accountability is essential for securing an enabling environment for development. It provides for the most obvious value-added flowing from a human rights-based approach as compared to traditional development programming. Human rights do not simply define the needs of the people, but also recognize people as active subjects and claim-holders, thus establishing the duties and obligations of those responsible for ensuring that needs are met. Duty holder identification will have to become an integral part of programme development.

What kind of human rights obligations does a State have?

By becoming parties to international human rights treaties, States assume the obligations to respect, to protect and to fulfill human rights.

1. **To respect** means States must not interfere with people's human rights (e.g., in the case of the right to water, not to disconnect water supply without due process).
2. **To protect** means States must ensure that third parties such as private actors do not interfere with people's human rights. This is achieved primarily through the enactment of laws and the establishment of redress procedures, e.g., by ensuring pro-poor price regulation when water supplies are privatized.
3. **To fulfill** means States must take pro-active steps. This includes the facilitation of the realization of human rights by strengthening people's abilities to meet their own needs, e.g., by implementing technical and vocational education plans to facilitate access to employment. Only in exceptional cases, when people are unable, for reasons beyond their control, to realize that right themselves, are States obliged to provide people with goods, facilities or services (e.g., shelter or food in the case of a humanitarian disaster).

HUMAN RIGHTS LEGAL PROTECTIONS MECHANISMS

1. International mechanisms

Charter-based bodies include all UN organs established by or derived from the UN Charter that either directly or indirectly play a role in the protection and promotion of human rights, such as the General Assembly, Security Council, ECOSOC, etc. Among them, the **Human Rights Council (HRC)** deals exclusively with human rights. Its main purpose is to identify human rights issues worldwide and make recommendations. Two of its most relevant functions are: **Universal Periodical Review (UPR)**—a peer review process in which member States review the overall human rights situation three times a year ('troikas') and produce recommendations. By way of this process, each State is reviewed every four years.

Treaty-based bodies are committees composed of independent experts who monitor the implementation of the nine core human rights treaties:

- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)
- International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD)

- Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)
- Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CAT)
- Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)
- International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (ICRMW)
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)
- International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (ICCPED)

2. Regional (African) human rights instruments:

- African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (African Charter – ACHPR, 1986).
- African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (African Child Charter – ACRWC, 1999).
- Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa (African Women's Protocol - ACRWA, 2005).
- African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption (2006).
- African Union Convention for Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala Convention – adopted in 2009).
- African Youth Charter (AYC, 2009)

3. National human rights mechanisms

The State always has the duty of domesticating international laws within its territory.

- a) The new Constitution of Kenya explicitly recognises the role of international law in several Articles.

In **Chapter 1 (Sovereignty of the People and Supremacy of the Constitution) Articles 2(5) and 2(6)** recognise the role of international law in domestic Kenyan law as follows:

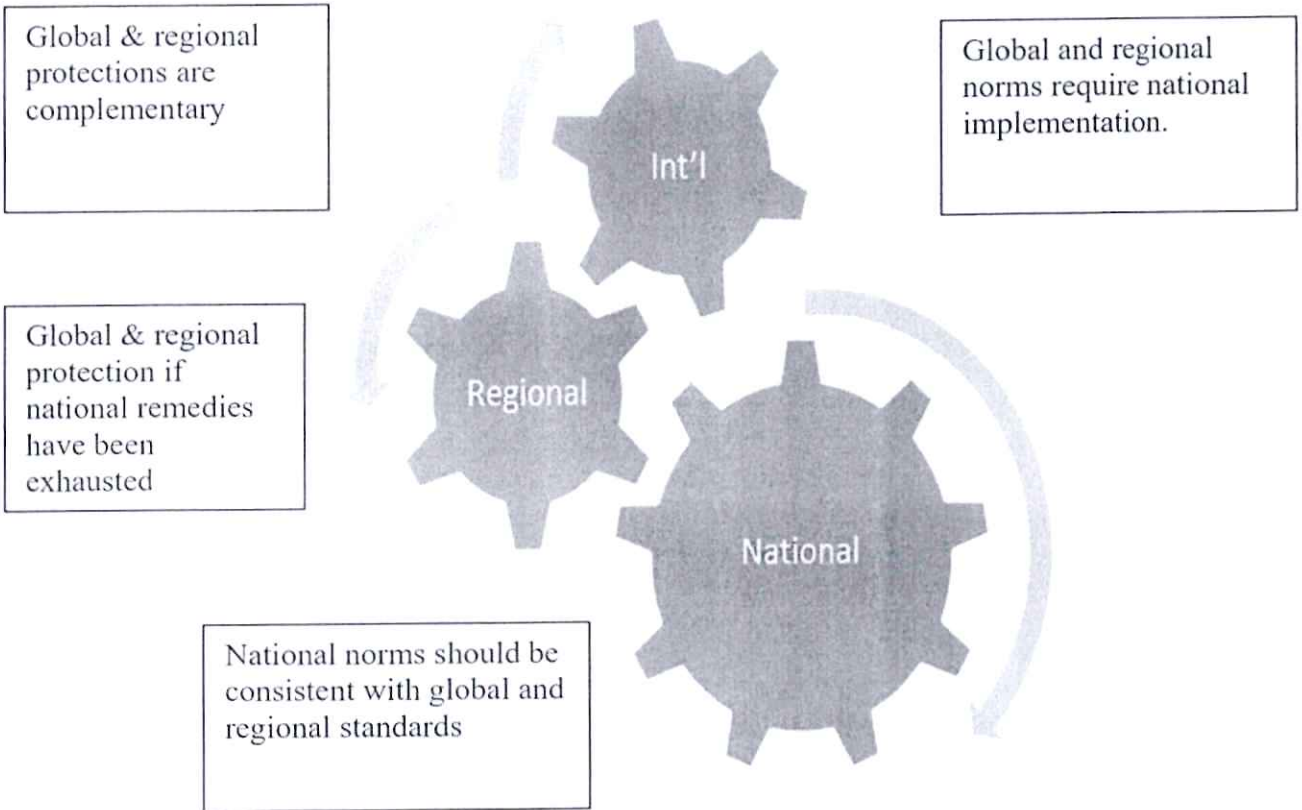
1. **Article 2(5):** The general rules of international law shall form part of the law of Kenya.
2. **Article 2(6):** Any treaty or convention ratified by Kenya shall form part of the law of Kenya.
3. With regards to human rights and fundamental freedoms, **Chapter 4 (Bill of Rights), Article 21(4)** states:

Article 21 (4): The State shall enact and implement legislation to fulfill its international Obligations in respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

The Articles above set the stage for monitoring the application of international human rights norms in Kenya and the subsequent change in both policy and practice.

- b) The judiciary
- c) Commissions

Links between international, regional and national mechanisms



WHAT IS HRBA

It is an approach that integrates the norms, principles and standards and goals of the international human rights system into governance and development. It is characterized by methods and activities that link the international human rights system with, its notion of power and struggle, to service delivery.

The human rights-based approach (HRBA) puts the people at the centre of development and governance and seeks to bring out the underlying problems that prevent people from exercising their rights. It examines the roles of both duty bearers in fulfilling their obligations and rights holders in claiming their rights. The focus on human rights in development and governance brings to the fore two important values: a framework for policy and interventions and an emphasis on enhancing the capacity of the poor and vulnerable members of the society to demand accountability).

HRBA is both a process and an outcome and

- Human Rights standards must drive formulation, evaluation and other steps of policy cycle.
- Human Rights principles cut across all parts of the policy cycle. HR principles of Non-discrimination, Equality; Participation, Accountability and Rule of law guide the process of policy formulation and implementation.

The entire policy cycle must be designed and implemented using human rights principles and standards. Human rights principles guide the process of development of public policy and are based on PANTHER principles, i.e.:

- Participation,
- Accountability,
- Non-discrimination and equality,
- Transparency,
- Human dignity,
- Empowerment
- Rule of Law

MAINSTREAMING HUMAN RIGHTS BASED APPROACH

Human rights standards are particularly useful for guiding the formulation of desired **outcomes**, while **human rights principles** can especially guide the **processes** of policy and programme design and implementation.

Human Rights in Relation to Development

Sustainable human development means looking at development in an integrated, multi-disciplinary way. Human rights are central to this concept of development. It is people-centered, participatory, and environmentally sound. It stresses not just economic growth, but equitable distribution, enhancement of people's capabilities and enlargement of their choices. It gives highest priority to poverty elimination, integration of women in the development process, self-reliance and self-determination of people and governments, including the rights of indigenous peoples.

This complements the definition of development provided by the Declaration on the Right to Development, in which development is seen as "a comprehensive economic, social, cultural and

political process, which aims at the constant improvement of the well-being of the entire population and of all individuals on the basis of their active, free and meaningful participation in development and in the fair distribution of benefits resulting there from." For the United Nations, this vision of development is a statement of both a moral obligation and an operational mission. But it is also something else: **the articulation of a fundamental human right.**

Is development a right?

The right to development is a fundamental human right. Its elements are rooted in the provisions of the United Nations Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the two principal human rights Covenants.

The essential link between human rights and development has been a constant feature of the Organization's discussions and deliberations for more than a half century. The Declaration on the Right to Development¹ made the right explicit, helped to reaffirm its import, and clarified its content. It subsequently found express reference in the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action, and the General Assembly mandate establishing the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

What is the content of the right to development?

The Declaration on the Right to Development confirmed that the right to development belongs to every human person. By virtue of this right, everyone has the right to participate in, contribute to, and enjoy economic, social, cultural and political development. This right includes permanent sovereignty over natural resources; self-determination; popular participation; equality of opportunity; and the advancement of adequate conditions for the enjoyment of other civil, cultural, economic, political and social rights. The beneficiaries of the right to development are clearly defined as well. As with all human rights, the human person is the subject. The right to development is claimable both by individuals, and collectively, by peoples. Importantly, the right obliges both individual states, (in their ensuring of equal and adequate access to essential resources), and the international community, (in its duty to promote fair development policies and effective international cooperation).

THE THREE STEP ANALYSIS

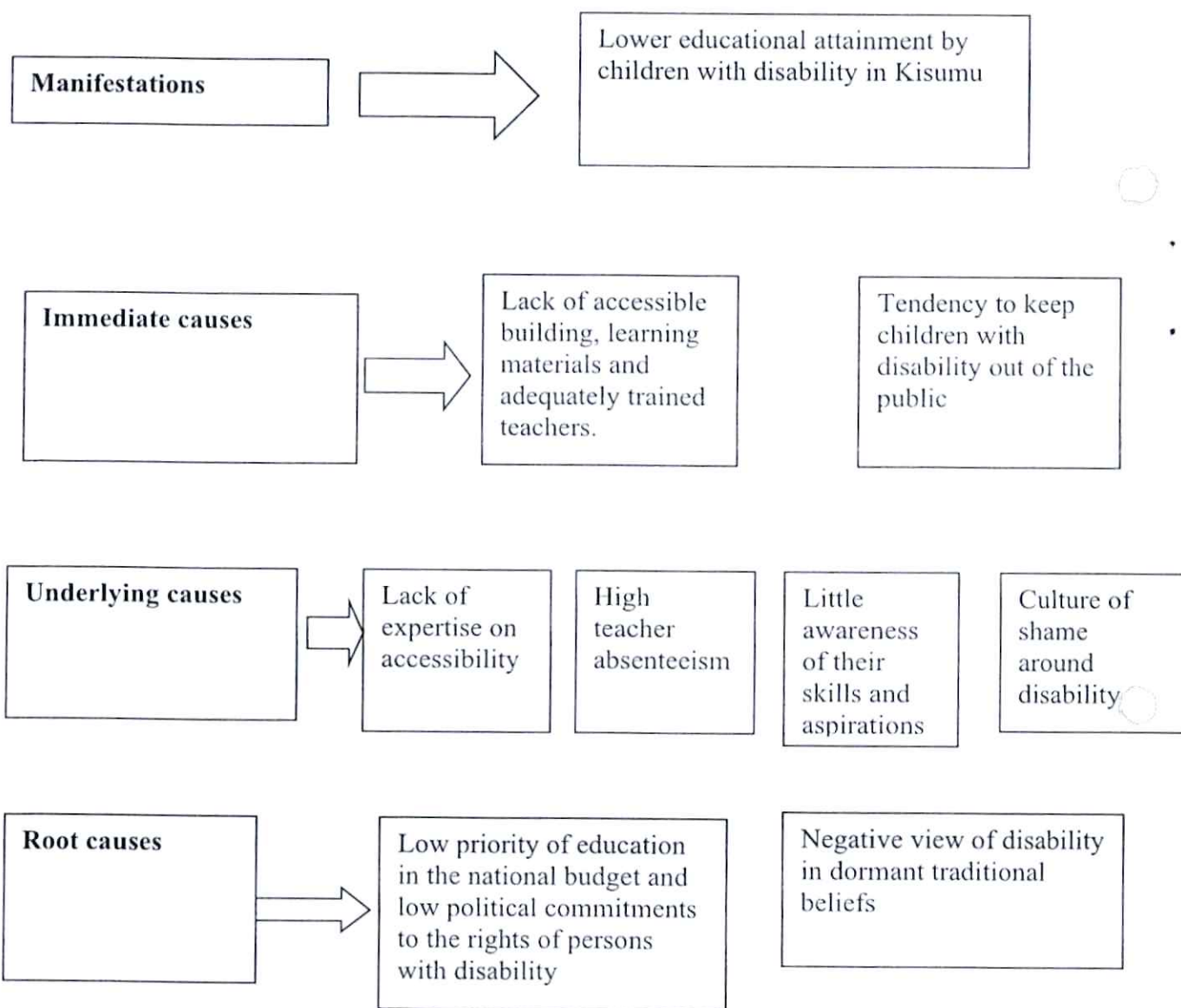
The three steps that will allow you to develop a program that will address the developmental challenge one wishes to have addressed.

| Analysis | Who, what, why | Stakeholders |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Causal analysis | i. <u>Who</u> has been left behind and <u>why</u> ? ii. <u>What</u> rights are they entitled to? | Who are the stakeholders |
| 2. Role analysis | i. <u>Who</u> has to do something about it (duty bearers) | Who are the stakeholders |
| 3. Capacity gap analysis | i. <u>What</u> capacities do duty bearers and rights holders need to take action | Who are the stakeholders |

STEP 1: Causal Analysis

This step helps understand multiple and interrelated causes of the identified development issue. This analysis helps to identify the immediate, underlying causes of the development challenge and assists in the policy formulation by involving and identifying citizen aspiration and making them the primary agenda of national planning and development.

Problem tree



STEP 2: Role Analysis

This step helps identify what those affected by the development challenge are entitled to (as rights-holders) and who has to do something about it (as duty-bearers).

STEP 3: Capacity Gap Analysis

This step helps understand what capacities rights-holders need to claim their rights and what capacities duty-bearers need to fulfill their obligations. The capacity needs include :-

- a) **Levels:** individual (e.g. skills, knowledge, experience), organizational (e.g. internal policies, procedures, frameworks), and enabling environment (e.g. legislation, policies, power relations).
- b) **Type:** functional (e.g. engage stakeholders, assess situation and define vision, formulate policies and strategies, budget, manage and implement, monitor and evaluate) or technical (e.g. expertise).
- c) **Issues:** institutional arrangements (e.g. coordination mechanisms, roles and responsibilities, incentive mechanisms), leadership (e.g. leadership development, succession planning), knowledge (e.g. knowledge sharing tools and mechanisms, brain gain strategies), and accountability (e.g. participatory planning and feedback mechanisms, audit systems)

Role and capacity gap matrix example

| Rights Holder: | Claim: | Capacity Gap: |
|---|--|--|
| Children with disabilities in Kisumu (how many girls and how many boys and their ages) | Access to quality education on equal basis with others | Needs: Limited channels for children with disabilities to voice issues Assets: Active civil society participation |
| Duty-bearer (1) Local School Administrations | Obligation: Ensure accessible classrooms & teacher attendance. | Capacity Gap: Needs: low planning and management capacity |
| Duty-bearer (2) Provincial Education Director | Obligation: Ensure implementation of inclusive(taking care of both girls and boys) education policy | Capacity Gap: Assets: Mandate to carry out school inspections and address complaints Needs: Lack of clear standards and audit processes |
| Duty Bearer (3) Ministry of Education | Obligation: Allocate budget to implement inclusive education policy, incl. for teacher training | Capacity Gap: Assets: Inclusive education (IE) policy adopted, expertise on IE Needs: Low expertise & leadership on IE |

How to use the results:

The results of the Three-Step Analysis directly feed into programme/ project planning:

- Situation Analysis: Step 1 (Causal Analysis) helps clarify the issues and the reasons for the existing development conditions, and Step 2 (Role Analysis) and Step 3 (Capacity Gap Analysis) help further reveal the actors and factors contributing to the situation.

- **Strategy:** The results of Step 3 (Capacity Gap Analysis) and Step 2 (Role Analysis) will help identify what areas and whose capacities need strengthening. Step 2 will also inform the Partnership Strategy.
- **Results & Resources Framework:** The results of Step 2 (Role Analysis) and Step 3 (Capacity Gap Analysis) will help in the formulation of outputs that specify whose capacity will have improved and in what way, as well as activities to be undertaken by whom.
 - Situation analysis and policy formulation must be a participative process in which citizens and other Non-State stakeholders are actively engaged with due consideration to the views of minority and marginalized groups.
 - During situation analysis, an implementing body clearly identify the rights to which it is contributing or how it will contribute to the realization of these rights. .le water.
 - The inputs of citizens and non-state stakeholders will inform policy decisions. Policy decisions should be subjected to reasonable level of public validation to ensure that they are aligned to citizen aspirations. (Article 10 provides for participation as a national value).

THE CLIMATE CRISIS, JUST TRANSITIONS, AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN AFRICA

understanding the intersections for a sustainable and equitable future

Right here right now Climate summit- June 2025

Claris Ogangah

OHCHR-Kenya

Introduction

- Africa is on the frontline of the climate crisis.
- The continent contributes the least to global emissions (~3.8%) but suffers disproportionately.
- A just transition is essential to address climate, development, and rights challenges holistically.

The Climate Crisis in Africa

- **Rising Temperatures:** Africa warming faster than the global average.
- **Extreme Weather:** Droughts, floods, cyclones, and desertification intensifying.
- **Impact on Livelihoods:** Agriculture, water access, food security, and health are under threat.
- **Displacement:** Millions at risk of climate-induced migration and conflict.

Who is Most Affected?

- **Marginalized Communities:** Women, youth, Indigenous peoples, and rural farmers.
- **Children:** More vulnerable to malnutrition, disease, and education disruptions.
- **Urban Poor:** Live in informal settlements prone to flooding and lacking infrastructure.

Human Rights Implications

- **Right to Life and Health:** Threatened by climate-related disasters and disease.
- **Right to Food and Water:** Droughts and changing rain patterns undermine access.
- **Right to Housing:** Displacement and destruction of homes.
- **Climate Justice:** Calls for historical emitters to bear greater responsibility.

What is Just Transition?

- A framework that ensures the shift to a low-carbon economy is fair, inclusive, and equitable, Protects workers, communities, and the environment and balances climate action with social and economic justice.

Principles of a Just Transition

- **Participation:** Inclusive decision-making for affected groups.
- **Equity:** Address historical and structural inequalities.
- **Decent Work:** Creation of sustainable green jobs.

- **Social Protection:** Support for displaced or affected workers and communities.
- **Environmental Sustainability:** Ensure long-term ecological health.

Barriers to a Just Transition

- **Lack of Finance:** Climate finance commitments often unmet.
- **Weak Governance:** Corruption and limited institutional capacity.
- **Inadequate Legal Frameworks:** Weak environmental and labor protections.
- **Exclusion:** Marginalized voices often sidelined.

Human Rights-Based Climate Action

- **Ensure policies:**
 - Are inclusive and non-discriminatory.
 - Uphold international human rights standards.
 - Include accountability mechanisms.
- **Strengthening civil society and community-led initiatives.**

Recommendations

- **For Governments:**
 - Embed human rights in climate laws and policies.
 - Increase public participation and transparency.
- **For Civil Society:**
 - Mobilize grassroots movements.
 - Advocate for inclusive and equitable climate strategies.
- **For Global Actors:**
 - Provide climate finance and technology.
 - Respect and support African leadership.

Conclusion

- A just transition is not optional — it's essential.
- Justice, dignity, and resilience must be at the heart of climate action.

Ensuring no one is left behind: A human rights-based approach to data

Why are averages not enough?

Official statistics have traditionally focussed on national averages, whether in the field of economics or to aid policymaking on the provision of healthcare, education or social services. However, averages by their very nature mask disparities and are inadequate as a sole measure of progress. If our aim is genuinely to leave no one behind, we must learn the lessons of the MDGs and ensure that the indicators chosen to measure progress towards the SDGs include a clear focus on the most marginalized and vulnerable members of society. This means that SDG data collection should capture not only national averages or aggregate statistics, but also the situation of the most disadvantaged or deprived, as well as the inequalities among social groups.

What groups do we need data for?

Current censuses and household surveys all too often exclude the most vulnerable or marginalised. This may be due to design limitations, for example when surveys conducted at a person's home exclude the homeless or when the person conducting the survey cannot communicate with a member of a linguistic minority. But it can also be due to fear and stigmatisation of identifying as a member of a particular minority, or mistrust as to the purposes for which personal data may be accessed or used. A true data revolution must therefore include innovative approaches to reaching the marginalised groups who are currently invisible in official statistics.

Relevant data should be disaggregated by all grounds of discrimination prohibited by international human rights law, as enshrined in the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and subsequently elaborated upon by international human rights mechanisms. Such grounds include ethnicity, sex, age, income, geographic location, disability, religion, migratory or displacement status, civil status, sexual orientation and gender identity. While some disaggregation should be common to all countries and follow standard definitions, such as that on sex, age or disability, the precise categories to be included under grounds such as ethnicity, geographic location and religion will vary according to national circumstances. However, differences in the make-up of populations cannot be used as a justification not to measure the progress of the most marginalised towards the SDGs.

The categories by which data should be disaggregated should be determined in an inclusive, participatory process at the national and sub-national levels, with the direct involvement of minority groups themselves. The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) has made clear that identification as a member of a particular ethnic group "shall, if no justification exists to the contrary, be based upon self-identification by the individual concerned." This principle should apply across the SDGs. Groups themselves should determine how they are identified on any list of options, and it should be possible for individuals to choose not to identify as a member of any group, or to enter their own choice of identity. In some cases, proxy indicators such as language spoken at home may be more appropriate than direct questions about group identity if these are likely to reinforce divisions, but such choices must be made with the full participation of groups themselves.

Is disaggregation always the best way to detect inequalities?

No, sometimes other types of data collection will be more appropriate. Inequalities may be detected, for example, through disaggregation of data, by calculating the share of public expenditure spent on public services for each group, or through targeted surveys.

Where the size of a group is very small compared to the size of the whole population, too few members of the group would be captured by a general survey to allow for general conclusions about the group to be drawn. This may be overcome by weighting the survey with the aim to increase representation of specific groups, or by conducting a separate survey for the targeted group, which can then be compared to the national survey.

Where a group is victim of on-going or historical, direct or indirect discrimination by authorities or even other members of society, members of the group may not be willing to identify as such. This risk may be reduced by ensuring clear and transparent safeguards on data storage to protect the privacy of data subjects. However, even this may not be enough, and collection of data through civil society organisations or service providers that enjoy the trust of the most marginalised groups may produce more reliable results. This will require new partnerships between National Statistics Offices (NSOs) and civil society organisations (CSOs), and capacity strengthening within both CSOs and NSOs.

What is the role of big data in ensuring no one is left behind?

In addition to more 'traditional' data sources such as socioeconomic statistics, administrative records, household surveys and expert opinion, new potential sources include social media, online or mobile-based crowdsourcing, automated content analysis of a large quantity of online media, satellite data, and even data on spikes in mobile telephone usage. Such data do not in general suffer from the time-lag of traditional data sources, where there is often a long gap between collection and publication, and so can provide vital information in crisis situations. However, their usefulness in on-going monitoring is unclear, and it is telling that none of the currently proposed indicators for the SDGs involve "big data."

While big data can be useful, it is vital to ensure representation of all members of society in measuring progress towards the SDGs. Many new data sources rely on literacy and access to an internet connection or mobile telephone, and so may exclude the most marginalised groups. In collecting such data, it is generally impossible to determine or ensure coverage of the total population. Such sources should therefore be used with caution, and only in tandem with other data sources that have adequate safeguards in place to ensure representation of all members of society.

What kind of data revolution do we need?

Member States have indicated on numerous occasions, including in the Open Working Group deliberations and final report, that no target should be considered achieved unless met for all population sub-groups so that no one is left behind. There is a need for a 'data revolution' for data disaggregation and targeted data collection to capture the situation of the most disadvantaged groups and the groups affected by discrimination, including multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination. This revolution must involve not only experts from the statistical community but also civil society organisations, national human rights institutions, service providers and, most importantly, marginalised populations themselves.



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Commission for University Education

Recognition and Equation of Qualifications

CUE/10/9/1/Vol. 690

30th May, 2025

Claris Awuor Ogangah
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NAIROBI

RE: INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITATION

Thank you for your application dated 23rd May, 2025 in which you requested the Commission for University Education to ascertain the accreditation status of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University in India from where you obtained your **Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws** qualifications.

It is hereby confirmed that Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University is a recognized institution in India. The qualifications awarded by the said institution are also recognized in India and by convention in Kenya.

Kindly note, that in addition to this recognition, you may be required to meet other requirements set by Kenyan professional organizations.

MERCY MWEREREKU
FOR: COMMISSION SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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NB:

- *The Commission is not accountable for the authenticity of the certificate or the identity of the certificate holder presented for recognition and/or equation.*
- *The Commission retains the right to revoke recognition of the award in the event that it establishes any reason that makes the award in question ineligible for recognition and/or equation.*

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Annexure **9**

Memoranda in support of the nominee



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27 August 2025

The Chairperson
Legal and Judicial Affairs Committee
Kenya National Assembly
Parliament Buildings
Nairobi, Kenya

RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR MS. CLARIS AWUOR ONGANGA – NOMINEE FOR
CHAIRPERSON, KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Dear Chairperson and Honourable Members of the Committee,

I am honoured to submit this letter of recommendation in support of Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga, who has been nominated for appointment as Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR). As the immediate former Chairperson of the Commission, I have had the privilege of working closely with Ms. Onganga since 2014, when I assumed office.

Throughout this period, I came to know Ms. Onganga as a highly skilled and dedicated professional in the field of human rights, both in Kenya and internationally. She has consistently demonstrated deep knowledge of human rights law, policy, and practice, as well as the ability to navigate complex institutional and societal challenges with sound judgment and integrity.

Ms. Onganga is a capable and visionary leader whose commitment to justice and human dignity is beyond question. She possesses exceptional communication skills

and is an eloquent speaker, able to engage effectively with diverse stakeholders—from grassroots communities to high-level state and international actors. These qualities, coupled with her proven experience in leadership, make her well-suited to guide the Commission in fulfilling its constitutional mandate.

In view of the above, I have no hesitation in affirming my full support for Ms. Onganga's nomination. I am confident that, under her stewardship, the KNCHR will be further strengthened in its role as a defender and promoter of the rights and freedoms of all Kenyans.

I respectfully urge this Honourable Committee to favourably consider her appointment.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Kagwiria Mbogori
Immediate Former Chairperson
Kenya National Commission on Human Rights

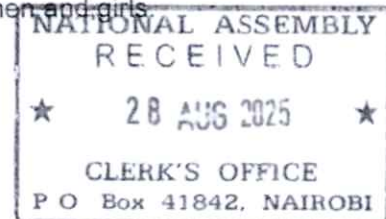
REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE MATTER OF OATHS AND STATUTORY DECLARATIONS ACT, CAP 15

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSON
NOMINATED TO THE POSITION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF CLARIS AWOUR
OGANGA AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION OF
HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN
RIGHTS ACT, 2011

I, **IRUNGU HOUGHTON**, of P.O. Box 1527-00606, Nairobi, being a Kenyan citizen of sound mind and lawful age do make oath and state as follows:-

1. **THAT** I am the Executive Director of Amnesty International Kenya, a duly registered Public Benefits Organisation under the Public Benefits Organisations Act, 2013 and therefore competent to swear this Affidavit on behalf of the organisation.
2. **THAT** Amnesty International Kenya is a bold and principled human rights organization, governed by a national board elected by its members across 35 counties, and works to defend dignity, justice, and freedom through research, campaigning, human rights education, and public interest litigation.
3. **THAT** this affidavit is sworn in support of the appointment of Ms. Claris Awour Oganga as Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR).
4. **THAT** pursuant to Article 59(4) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, and Section 11 of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act, 2011, the President is mandated to nominate, and the National Assembly to approve, the Chairperson of the Commission, following a competitive selection process.
5. **THAT** in accordance with Kenya Gazette Notice No. 4651 of 11th April 2025, a Selection Panel was constituted and duly recommended Ms. Oganga, whereupon the President, through a communiqué issued by the State House Spokesperson on 15th August 2025, forwarded her name to Parliament for vetting and approval.
6. **THAT** I have had the privilege of personally observing Ms. Oganga's professional journey and outstanding contribution to the promotion, protection, and realization of human rights in Kenya and internationally, and I affirm that her nomination is well merited, founded on a distinguished record of service and unwavering commitment to justice and human dignity.
7. **THAT** Ms. Oganga holds a Master of Laws in Democracy and Governance from the University of Nairobi and has served in several high-impact leadership roles, including Human Rights Specialist at the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Nairobi. Here she led initiatives on transitional justice, civic space protection, and treaty body engagement.
8. **THAT** Deputy Executive Director and Head of Programs at the Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA Kenya). While at FIDA, she championed gender justice, legal aid, and policy reform for vulnerable women and girls.



9. **THAT** Human Rights Specialist at OHCHR in Tbilisi, Georgia. This international experience saw her contribute to international human rights monitoring and capacity building in post conflict settings.
10. **THAT** her record demonstrates practical achievements, including successful advocacy for the domestication of international human rights treaties in Kenya, the coordination of multi-agency interventions to protect human rights defenders and journalists under threat, and the spearheading of legal empowerment programmes that have benefited thousands of marginalized citizens.
11. **THAT** she is widely respected within the human rights sector for her legal acumen, strategic leadership, and ethical integrity. I believe she possesses the independence, tact and fairness necessary lead KNCHR in line with its statutory mandate under Section 8 of the KNCHR Act, 2011.
12. **THAT** I strongly believe Ms. Oganga's nomination is merited, and that her appointment will advance the Commission's role as an independent national human rights institution, in line with Article 59 of the 2010 Constitution of Kenya and Paris Principles on the Status of National Human Rights Institutions (UNGA Res. 48/134).
13. **THAT** I make this statement truthfully and voluntarily in support of her appointment being fully aware of the legal implications of providing false information under oath under the Oaths and Statutory Declarations Act (Cap. 15 Laws of Kenya).

SWORN at NAIROBI by the said
Irungu Houghton

This... 27 day of August 2025

BEFORE ME



COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS

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Ahmed Salim
Pls sign
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Abenayo Wasike
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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT, CAP 7F

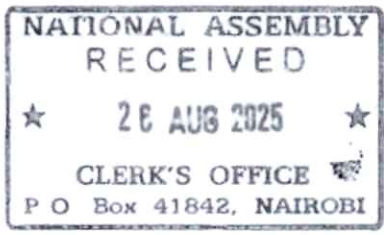
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IN THE MATTER OF THE NOMINATION OF MS. CLARIS AWUOR OGANGAH FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINEE

I, PHYLLIS OMIDO, of P.O Box Number 630 - 80108, Kilifi in the Republic of Kenya, make oath and state as follows:

1. THAT I am an adult female of sound mind, a Kenyan citizen, and the Executive Director of Center for Justice Governance and Environmental Action (CJGEA), a civil society organization engaged in promoting environmental justice, human rights, and good governance in Kenya, and therefore competent to swear this affidavit.
2. THAT I have read and understood the public notice issued by the Clerk of the National Assembly inviting representations from the public pursuant to Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya and Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F).
3. THAT I am well-acquainted with Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah, having worked and interacted with her in various human rights and governance activities over the past several years.



4. **THAT** in my professional opinion and based on my interactions with her, Ms. Claris Ogangah possesses outstanding qualifications, integrity, impartiality, and experience required for the position of **Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR)**.
5. **THAT** she has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights, constitutionalism, and the rule of law, both in her professional and personal undertakings.
6. **THAT** she has been instrumental in frontline human rights defending work, including her role in the Owino Uhuru community case, where the Owino Uhuru community was exposed to toxic pollution from a lead smelting factory. Her support and collaboration with the community and other stakeholders contributed significantly to highlighting the plight of victims and pursuing environmental justice and accountability.
7. **THAT** Ms. Ogangah has also played a pivotal role in uniting Land and Environmental Defenders (LEDs) from across Kenya, providing platforms for collaboration, protection, and advocacy, especially in contexts where defenders face threats, criminalization, and marginalization.
8. **THAT** she has also provided critical platforms for enhancing community voices on land and environmental protection, particularly in the Coastal communities where such advocacy is greatly underrepresented.
9. **THAT** she upholds the principles of transparency, accountability, and independence, values which are fundamental to the effective leadership of a national human rights institution.

10. THAT her leadership style is inclusive and participatory, fostering collaboration with civil society, marginalized groups, and government institutions alike.
11. THAT Ms. Ogangah's appointment will be a positive step towards strengthening the institutional credibility and operational effectiveness of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.
12. THAT over the years, I have been honored with several awards in recognition of my environmental justice work, including:
- ✓ The 2015 Goldman Environmental Prize, the world's most prestigious award for grassroots environmental activists
 - ✓ The Mombasa County Environment Champion award in 2018
 - ✓ Recognition as Woman of Courage and Honorary Member of the Italian Bar Association in 2018
 - ✓ The Ethecon Blue Planet Award in 2020
 - ✓ BBC's Top 100 Women of 2020
 - ✓ Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World (2021)
 - ✓ The Right Livelihood Award in 2023, also known as the "Alternative Nobel Prize"
13. THAT I am not aware of any disqualifying information, misconduct, or ethical concerns that would render her unsuitable for the position to which she has been nominated.
14. THAT this affidavit is made in good faith and in full support of her nomination, with the hope that the National Assembly will consider her appointment favorably.
15. THAT what is deponed to herein is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

SWORN at Kisumu

by the said PHYLLIS OMIDO

this __26__ day of August, 2025

PHYLLIS OMIDO



DEPONENT

BEFORE ME



GIDEON ODONGO
ADVOCATE FOR OMBUDSMAN
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Mr. Salim Ahmed
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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF MS. CLARIS AWUOR
OGANGAH AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON
HUMAN RIGHTS (KNCHR)

SUBMITTED TO

THE CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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SUBMITTED BY:

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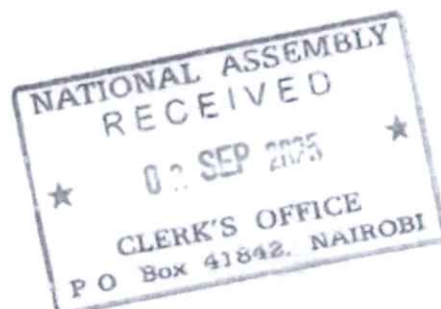
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ON

25th AUGUST 2025



Introduction

The Federation of Women Lawyers in Kenya (FIDA-Kenya) is a non-profit, non-partisan membership organization established in 1985 whose vision is a society that upholds and respects the rights of women. FIDA-Kenya's mission is to promote women's individual and collective power to claim their rights in all spheres of life. To realize its vision and mission, FIDA Kenya provides legal aid to indigent women and girls and engages in human rights advocacy in accordance with both national and international law.

FIDA-Kenya takes note of the notification by the Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly dated 20th August 2025, inviting members of the public, pursuant to Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap 7F), to submit views regarding the vetting of **Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah**, nominated for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR).

As an institution committed to the promotion and protection of human rights, FIDA-Kenya respectfully submits this memorandum in strong support of Ms. Ogangah's nomination.

SUBMISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. CLARIS AWUOR OGANGAH

a. The Role and Mandate of KNCHR

Article 59 of the Constitution establishes the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights with the mandate to:

- Promote respect for human rights and develop a culture of human rights;
- Monitor, investigate, and report on the observance of human rights in all spheres;
- Secure redress for violations of human rights; and
- Advise on policy, legislation, and administrative frameworks consistent with the promotion and protection of fundamental freedoms.

Given the centrality of KNCHR to Kenya's governance and human rights architecture, the nominee to the position of Chairperson must demonstrate unimpeachable integrity, a strong track record in rights advocacy, and proven leadership in governance and accountability.

b. Professional Competence and Integrity of Ms. Ogangah

- 1. Leadership at FIDA-Kenya:** Ms. Ogangah served as Deputy Executive Director and Head of Programs at FIDA-Kenya in 2011. In this capacity, she provided strategic leadership in the implementation of programs advancing women's access to justice, elimination of gender-based violence, and strengthening of democratic governance. She is credited with ensuring a vibrant and responsive access to justice programme at FIDA-Kenya. She executed her role with professionalism, empathy and dedication to ensuring the rights of women and girls are upheld always. She was a selfless champion for their equality and dignity.
- 2. Commitment to Women's Rights and Social Justice:** Her tenure at FIDA-Kenya demonstrated not only technical expertise but also a passion for elevating women's voices, safeguarding children's rights, and advocating for systemic reforms to dismantle structural inequalities. As a Head of Programmes, she ensured that FIDA-Kenya was able to align with like minded partners in collaborations that secured and enhanced the rights of women and girls.
- 3. Visionary Leadership:** Ms. Ogangah has consistently exhibited qualities of a firm, principled, and visionary leader. As a life member of FIDA-Kenya, her continued engagement affirms her lifelong commitment to advancing human rights and social justice. Upon leaving the Secretariat she returned to the organization as a member of the Governing Council. As the Board Secretary, she undertook her duties with focus and professionalism and met the expectations and needs of FIDA-Kenya Members and Stakeholders without fail. Additionally, Ms. Ogangah is a member of the FIDA-Kenya House Project that has been working tirelessly to achieve the sustainability goal of the organization of securing a premise. As part of the committee, she has continued to offer her selfless counsel on a voluntary basis.
- 4. Alignment with KNCHR Mandate:** Her experience uniquely positions her to lead KNCHR in fulfilling its constitutional and statutory mandate, particularly in strengthening accountability frameworks, addressing human rights violations, and enhancing institutional credibility.

c. Leadership and Integrity

FIDA-Kenya affirms that Ms. Ogangah meets the constitutional threshold of Chapter Six on leadership and integrity. She has consistently upheld values of transparency, accountability, and inclusivity in her professional and civic engagements. Her track record reflects the qualities necessary to restore public trust and enhance the effectiveness of KNCHR.

Conclusion

In light of the above, FIDA-Kenya unequivocally supports the appointment of **Ms. Claris Awuor Ogangah** as Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights. Her nomination represents an opportunity to strengthen Kenya's human rights framework, entrench constitutionalism, and uphold the dignity and rights of all persons.

We therefore urge the National Assembly, through the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs, to approve her appointment.

SUBMITTED BY:



Anne W. Ileri

Executive Director, Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA-Kenya)

Annexure **10**

Adoption Schedule and Minutes



DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE APPROVAL HEARING (VETTING) OF A PERSON NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (K.N.C.H.R.)

We, the Members of the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs have, pursuant to Standing Order 199, adopted this Report of the Committee on the Approval Hearing (Vetting) of a Person Nominated for Appointment to the Position of Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights, and affixed our signatures to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity:

1. Hon. Murugara George Gitonga, CBS, MP - Chairperson

2. Hon. Mutuse Eckomas Mwengi, OGW, MP - Vice Chair

3. Hon. Gladys Boss, MGH, MP

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4. Hon. Farah Maalim, EGH, MP

5. Hon. Silvanus Osoro Onyiego, CBS, MP

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6. Hon. Tom Joseph Francis Kajwang', CBS, MP

7. Hon. Muchangi Karemba, CBS, MP

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8. Hon. Timothy Wanyonyi Wetangula, CBS, MP

9. Hon. (Dr.) Otiende Amollo, SC, EBS, MP

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10. Hon. Michael Mwangi Muchira, MP

11. Hon. Aden Daud, EBS, MP

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12. Hon. John Okwisia Makali, MP

13. Hon. Stephen M. Mogaka, MP

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14. Hon. Amina Udgoon Siyad, MP

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15. Hon. CPA Suleka Hulbale Harun, MP



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

**MINUTES OF THE 73RD SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS HELD IN BARAZA TWO CONFERENCE
ROOM, SAROVA WHITESANDS BEACH RESORT ON FRIDAY 5TH
SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 9:00 AM**

PRESENT

1. Hon. Murugara George Gitonga, MP - *Chairperson*
2. Hon. Mutuse Eckomas Mwangi, OGW, MP - *Vice Chairperson*
3. Hon. Maalim Farah, EGH, MP
4. Hon. Onyiengo Silvanus Osoro, CBS, MP
5. Hon. Francis Kajwang' Tom Joseph, CBS, MP
6. Hon. (Dr.) Otiende Amollo, SC, EBS, MP
7. Hon. Muchira Michael Mwangi, MP
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9. Hon. Aden Daud, EBS, MP
10. Hon. Makali John Okwisia, MP
11. Hon. Mogaka Stephen M. MP
12. Hon. CPA. Sulekha Hulbale Harun, MP

ABSENT WITH APOLOGIES

1. Hon. Gladys Boss, MGH, MP
2. Hon. Tim Wanyonyi, MP
3. Hon. Siyad Amina Udgoon, MP

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AGENDA

1. Prayers
2. Preliminaries
3. Confirmation of Minutes of previous sittings
4. Matters arising
5. Consideration and Adoption of the Report on the Approval Hearing (Vetting) of the Nominee for Appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR)
6. Any Other Business
7. Adjournment / Date of the Next Meeting

MIN. NO. DDC/JLAC/337/2025: PRELIMINARIES

The meeting was called to order at twenty-five minutes past nine o'clock by the Chairperson followed by a word of prayer from the Chairperson and thereafter Members of the Committee introduced themselves. The agenda was adopted, having been proposed by Hon. Francis Kajwang' Tom Joseph, CBS, MP and seconded by Hon. Aden Daud, EBS, MP.

MIN. NO. DDC/JLAC/338/2025: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SITTING

The agenda was deferred.

MIN. NO. DDC/JLAC/339/2025: CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE APPROVAL HEARING (VETTING) OF THE NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (KNCHR)

The Committee considered the draft Report on the Approval Hearing of Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah, the nominee for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights, pursuant to sections 6(7) and (8) and 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

The Committee observed that:

- (1) The nominee was selected in accordance with the provisions of Article 250(2) of the Constitution as read with section 11(4), (5) and (6) of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71.
- (2) The nominee has satisfied all the constitutional and statutory requirements including those on citizenship; leadership, ethics and integrity; tax compliance; and higher education loan repayments.
- (3) The nominee has met the integrity threshold, demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues of the position to which she has been nominated, and has the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be approved for appointment as Chairperson of the KNCHR.
- (4) The nominee has demonstrated deep understanding of the affairs of the KNCHR and the roles of Chairperson of the Commission. She possesses the requisite abilities for inter-governmental coordination and cooperation and strong leadership skills, including strategic vision, effective decision-making and stakeholder engagement, all of

which are instrumental for a person nominated to serve as Chairperson of the KNCHR.

- (5) The nominee exhibited a passion for human rights, invaluable knowledge and experience in human rights issues with a particular focus on development critical in addressing the contemporary challenges affecting Kenyans. She demonstrated an awareness of the difficulties faced by the KNCHR and practical solutions to these challenges.
- (6) The nominee has a wide network of key stakeholders in the human rights space having previously served as a Human Rights Specialist in UN-OHCHR and interacted with various State and non-state actors in the sector. This would be significant in strengthening the operations of the KNCHR, particularly, through collaboration with development partners for resource mobilization for the Commission in the current financially-austere government.

Committee Recommendation


The Committee considered the nominee pursuant to Article 250(2) of the Constitution, section 10 of the KNCHR Act, Cap. 71 and sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, and resolved to recommend to the National Assembly to approve the appointment of Ms. Claris Awour Ogangah to the Office of Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights.

Adoption of the Report

The Committee adopted its report having been proposed by Hon. (Dr.) Otiende Amollo, SC, EBS, MP and seconded by Hon. Stephen M. Mogaka, MP

MIN. NO. DDC/JLAC/340/2025: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at forty minutes past eleven o'clock. The next meeting will be held on notice.

SIGNED:.....DATE: 23.9.2025.....
(CHAIRPERSON HON. MURUGARA GEORGE GITONGA, CBS, MP)

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