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HIGH COMMISSIONER TO OTTAWA, CANADA



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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ANC	Amani National Congress
Cap	Chapter (of the Laws of Kenya)
CBS	Chief of the Burning Spear
CRB	Credit Reference Bureau
CUE	Commission for University Education
DCI	Directorate of Criminal Investigations
EACC	Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
H.E.	His Excellency
HELB	Higher Education Loans Board
KRA	Kenya Revenue Authority
MDAs	Ministries, Departments and Agencies
M.P.	Member of Parliament
NIS	National Intelligence Service
ODM	Orange Democratic Movement
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	United Nations
WDM-K	Wiper Democratic Movement of Kenya

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

This Report presents the proceedings and findings of the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations on the approval hearing of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, who was nominated by His Excellency the President for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada. The purpose of the approval hearing was to ascertain the suitability of the nominee to discharge the responsibilities of the office to which he had been nominated.

The Committee is established pursuant to Article 124(1) of the Constitution and Standing Order 216 of the National Assembly. Standing Order 216 mandates Departmental Committees to, among other functions, vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires approval by the National Assembly, except those falling under the mandate of the Committee on Appointments. Further, the Second Schedule to the Standing Orders mandates the Committee to oversee matters relating to foreign relations, diplomatic and consular services, and international relations.

Pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, Sections 20(2) and 22(2)(a) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, and Sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, His Excellency the President transmitted to the National Assembly the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada. The Speaker of the National Assembly subsequently referred the nomination to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration and reporting to the House within the statutory timelines.

In undertaking this assignment, the Committee was guided by the Constitution, the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, and the National Assembly Standing Orders. The Committee conducted the approval hearing on Thursday, 14th May 2026, during which it examined the nominee's academic qualifications, professional experience, integrity, leadership record, vision for strengthening Kenya-Canada relations, and overall suitability for appointment as High Commissioner.

The Committee further facilitated public participation in accordance with Article 118 of the Constitution by inviting members of the public to submit memoranda on the nominee's suitability prior to the approval hearing. However, concerns were raised regarding the nominee's request for rescheduling of the approval hearing on account of an ongoing handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority, which occasioned additional public expenditure arising from the need to undertake a second public advertisement.

The Committee sought clearance reports from relevant statutory institutions, including the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), all of which confirmed the nominee's compliance with statutory and integrity requirements.

The Committee noted that the nominee possesses extensive experience in public finance management, taxation, investment advisory, and institutional leadership, having previously served

as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority and Vice-Chairperson of the Commission on Revenue Allocation. The nominee also demonstrated an understanding of the strategic importance of Kenya-Canada relations, particularly in trade, investment, innovation, education, and technology partnerships.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Members of the Committee for their diligence and valuable contributions during the approval hearing and preparation of this Report. The Committee also acknowledges the Office of the Speaker and the Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly for the administrative and technical support extended to the Committee during the exercise

Having considered the nominee's academic and professional qualifications, work experience, integrity records, and responses during the approval hearing, the Committee was satisfied that the nominee meets the constitutional and statutory requirements for appointment. Accordingly, and pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, Section 20(2) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap. 185E, and Standing Order 216(5)(f), **the Committee recommends that the House APPROVES the appointment of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo, EBS Wattanga as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.**

SIGNED:  DATE: 26/05/26

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CHAIRPERSON, DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE
AND FOREIGN RELATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution mandates the President to nominate, and with the approval of the National Assembly appoint, Ambassadors, High Commissioners, and diplomatic representatives. Article 124(4)(a) further requires that such appointments be considered by a Committee of the relevant House.

Pursuant to these provisions and in accordance with Sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, His Excellency the President transmitted to the Speaker of the National Assembly the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada. The Speaker subsequently conveyed the Message to the House and referred the nomination to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for vetting and reporting within the statutory timelines.

In compliance with Article 118 of the Constitution and Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the Clerk of the National Assembly notified the public of the intended approval hearing and invited members of the public to submit memoranda regarding the suitability of the nominee. Following the nominee's request for rescheduling of the hearing to allow completion of an ongoing handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), a second advertisement was undertaken to notify the public of the revised hearing date. By the deadline for receipt of memoranda, no submissions contesting the suitability of the nominee had been received.

The Clerk also sought clearance from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), all of which confirmed the nominee's compliance with statutory and integrity requirements.

The Committee conducted the approval hearing on Thursday, 14th May 2026 guided by the Constitution, the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, and the National Assembly Standing Orders. During the hearing, the Committee examined the nominee's academic qualifications, professional background, leadership experience, integrity, and vision for strengthening Kenya's diplomatic, trade, investment, and bilateral relations with Canada.

During the hearing, the nominee outlined his experience in public finance management, investment advisory, and revenue administration, including his service as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority and Vice-Chairperson of the Commission on Revenue Allocation. He further highlighted his plans to address the trade imbalance between Kenya and Canada through promotion of value-added exports, attraction of Canadian investment, and leveraging Kenya's strategic position under the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

The Committee nevertheless raised concerns regarding the nominee's request for rescheduling of the approval hearing on account of an ongoing handover process at KRA, noting that the request occasioned additional public expenditure and was unusual for a presidential nominee.

Having considered the nominee's academic credentials, professional qualifications, integrity clearance reports, oral submissions, and responses during the approval hearing, the Committee found that the nominee meets the constitutional and statutory requirements for appointment to State Office, including compliance with Chapter Six of the Constitution on Leadership and Integrity.

Consequently, and pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, Section 20(2) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, and Standing Order 216(5)(f) of the National Assembly, **the Committee recommends that the House APPROVES the appointment of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.**

1.0 PREFACE

1.1 Introduction

1. Pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution as read with sections 20(2) and 22(2) (a) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, His Excellency the President, through the Head of the Public Service and via the transmittal letter dated 14th April, 2026, transmitted to the Speaker of the National Assembly the name of one (1) person nominated for approval by the House for appointment as High Commissioner.
2. Article 124(4)(a) of the Constitution provides that when a House of Parliament considers any appointment for which its approval is required under the Constitution or an Act of Parliament, the appointment shall be considered by a Committee of the relevant House.
3. This report details the proceedings of the Committee during the approval hearing of the nominee for appointment as Ambassador. The purpose of the approval hearing was to ascertain the suitability of the nominee to discharge the responsibilities of the office of the High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada

1.2 Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

4. The Departmental Committee on Defence Intelligence and Foreign Relations is one of the Departmental Committees of the National Assembly established under Standing Order 216 whose mandates, pursuant to the Standing Order 216 (5) includes, among others, *to vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any other law requires the National Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 204 (Committee on Appointments).*

1.3 Committee Subjects

5. The subject matter of the Committee is stated in the Second Schedule of the National Assembly Standing Orders and includes, among others, *foreign relations, diplomatic and consular services, and international relations.*

In executing its mandate, the Committee oversees the following government Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs):

- (a) The Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs;
- (b) The Ministry of Defence;
- (c) The State Department for East African Community Affairs (EAC); and
- (d) The National Intelligence Service (NIS).

1.4 Committee Membership

6. The Committee was constituted by the House on 27th October 2022 and subsequently reconstituted on 6th March 2025, and comprises the following Members:

Chairperson

Hon. Nelson Koech, CBS, M.P.

Belgut Constituency

UDA Party

Vice-Chairperson

Hon. Maj. (Rtd.) Sheikh Abdullahi Bashir, CBS, M.P.

Mandera North Constituency

UDM Party

Members

Hon. Wanjira Martha Wangari, CBS, M.P.

Gilgil Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Joshua Kandie, M.P.

Baringo Central Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Odhiambo Millie G. Akoth, CBS, M.P.

Suba North Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Kwenya Thuku Zachary, M.P.

Kinangop Constituency

Jubilee Party

Hon. Yusuf Hassan Abdi, CBS, M.P.

Kamukunji Constituency

Jubilee Party

Hon. Logova Sloya Clement, M.P.

Sabatia Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Kanchory Elijah Memusi, M.P.

Kajiado Central Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Ikana Fredrick Lusuli, M.P.

Shinyalu Constituency

ANC Party

Hon. (Dr.) Kasalu Irene Muthoni, MP

Kitui County

WDM-K

Hon. Mohamed A. Hussein, M.P.

Lagdera Constituency

ODM Party

Hon. Kirima Moses Nguchine, M.P.

Central Imenti Constituency

UDA Party

Hon. Anne Muratha, M.P.

Kiambu County

UDA Party

Hon. Luyai Caleb Amisi, M.P.

Saboti Constituency

ODM Party

1.5 Committee Secretariat

7. The Committee Secretariat comprises the following technical staff:

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Clerk Assistant III

Mr. Lenny Muchangi
Legal Counsel II

Mr. Martin Sigei
Research Officer III

Mr. Edwin Machuki
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Mr. Alex Amwata
Hansard Reporter II

Ms. Frida Ngari
Media Relations Officer III

Mr. Mark Mbuthia
Audio Recording Officer III

Ms. Maryan Gabow
Public Communications Officer III

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 The Office of High Commissioner

8. The Office of High Commissioner is an office under the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, according to Executive Order No. 2 of 2025.
9. The duties of the office (Head of a Mission), pursuant to Section 21 of the Foreign Service Act Cap 185E, are to:
 - (a) actively pursue the foreign policy objectives of the Republic in the host country;
 - (b) act as the personal representative of the Head of State in the host country;
 - (c) act as an official representative of the Republic at official functions in the host country;
 - (d) be responsible for the management and administration of the Mission and all members of the Foreign Service located at the Mission, including the locally engaged staff of the Mission; and
 - (e) be accountable for any expenditure of the Mission and ensure that the budget of the Mission is administered in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act, Cap 412A and all other applicable laws and regulations.
10. On appointment, Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution provides that *the President shall nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint and may dismiss high commissioners, ambassadors and diplomatic and consular representatives*. Section 20 of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, reaffirms these constitutional provisions, designating the Office of a high commissioner, ambassador, diplomatic, or consular representative as a State office as per Article 260 of the Constitution.
11. Additionally, Section 20(2) of the Act provides that in accordance with Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, the President shall nominate and, subject to approval by the National Assembly, appoint high commissioners, ambassadors, and diplomatic or consular representatives. Furthermore, Section 20(3) of the Act mandates that a nomination under subsection (2) should ensure a fair balance between career diplomats and other appointees, as well as represent the gender, regional, and other diversities of the Kenyan populace. Any individual nominated for appointment under subsection (2) must be a Kenyan citizen and possess reputable character and standing.

2.2 Notification of the Nomination

12. Pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution as read with Sections 20(2) and 22(2)(e) of the Foreign Service Act Cap 185E, and Sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, His Excellency the President, through the Head of the Public Service, transmitted to the Speaker of the National Assembly vide the transmittal letter dated **14th April, 2026**, referenced **EOP/CAB.26/4A VOL.VIII/(8)** (*Annexure 1*), the name and curriculum vitae together with other testimonials of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga nominated for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.

2.3 Notification to the House and Referral to the Committee

13. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42(2) of the National Assembly, the Speaker, through a Communication dated Thursday, **16th April 2026**, informed Members of the President's Message (*Annexure 2*) on nomination of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga nominated for appointment as High Commissioner Ottawa, Canada.
14. Pursuant to Section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F and Standing Order 216(5)(f) as read with the Second Schedule of the National Assembly Standing Orders, the name and curriculum vitae and other testimonials of Mr. Humphrey Wattanga nominated for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada were referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for approval hearing as required under Article 124(4)(a) of the Constitution, and reporting to the House within twenty-eight (28) days.
15. The nominee wrote to the Speaker of the National Assembly seeking a rescheduling of the approval hearing, citing the ongoing handover process in his current office as the reason for the request. Following the approval of the request, the hearing was rescheduled for Thursday, **14th May 2026**, thereby allowing the nominee sufficient time to conclude the ongoing handover process.
16. The nominee wrote to the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly seeking a rescheduling of the approval hearing, citing the ongoing handover process in his current office. Following consideration and approval of the request, the hearing was rescheduled to Thursday, 14th May 2026, thereby granting the nominee adequate time to finalize the handover process.
17. The nominee wrote to the Speaker of the National Assembly seeking the rescheduling of the approval hearing, citing the ongoing handover process in his current office as the reason for the request. The request was considered by the Committee and subsequently by the National Assembly, which, through a resolution passed on 23rd April 2026, approved the extension of the vetting period and rescheduled the hearing to Thursday, 14th May 2026.

2.4 Notification to the Public

15. 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. Further, Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F provides that the Clerk shall notify the public of the time and place for holding approval hearings at least seven days prior to the hearings.
16. Further, Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F provides that *any person may, prior to the approval hearings 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.*
17. Pursuant to Article 118 of the Constitution as read with Section 6(9) of Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media on **17th April 2026** (*Annexure 3*) inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statement on oath (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee on or before **24th April 2026** at **5.00 pm**.
18. Following the request by the nominee to reschedule the approval hearing, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed the second advertisement in the print media on **6th May 2026**

(Annexure 4) inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statement on oath (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee on or before **13th May 2026 at 5.00 pm.**

19. Further, through the same advertisement and pursuant to Article 118 of the Constitution, Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F and Standing Order 45(3) of the National Assembly, the Clerk of the National Assembly notified the general public that the approval hearing of the nominee would be conducted on **Thursday 14th May 2026 at the Bunge Tower, Room 18/19, 3rd Floor, Parliament Buildings at 10.00 am.**

2.5 Notification to the Nominee

20. The Clerk of the National Assembly invited the nominee through letter dated **6th May 2026** (Annexure 4) and through an advertisement in the print media on **6th May 2026** (Annexure 4), 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

21. On **Friday, 17th April 2026**, the Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the EACC, KRA, DCI, HELB, ORPP and ODPP requesting for reports with respect to the nominee on ethics and integrity, tax compliance, criminal records, higher education loans repayments and political party affiliations.
22. The EACC, through a letter **Ref. No. EACC.7/10/5 VOL. XXXVI (121)** dated **22nd April 2026**, confirmed that it had not undertaken any investigation nor has it recommended prosecution of the nominee.
23. The KRA, through a letter **Ref. No. KRA/5/1002/5(13895)**, dated **24th April, 2026**, confirmed that the nominee was tax compliant.
24. The DCI, through a letter **Ref. No. PCC-WWS7DD4VM** dated **13th May 2026**, provided forensic fingerprint analysis of the nominee had been conducted in the criminal database and found that he had no previous criminal record.
25. The HELB, through a letter **Ref. No. HELB/RR/112009/V/504** dated **22nd April 2026**, indicated that the nominee was compliant.
26. The ORPP, through a letter **Ref. No. ORPP/ORG/34/VOL. X (13)** dated **20th April 2026** confirmed that the nominee was not an official of any registered political party.
27. The ODPP, through a letter **Ref. No. ODPP/CONF/5/50A** dated **24th April 2026** confirmed that there were no active criminal proceedings or previous charges recorded against the nominee.

2.7 Issues for Consideration during the Approval Hearings

28. In conducting the approval hearings, the Committee was guided by Section 6(7) and (8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F which 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.*

29. 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 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.*

(a) Procedure for Nomination

30. Article 132 (2)(e) of the Constitution confers upon the President the power to nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint high commissioners, ambassadors and diplomatic and consular representatives.

31. Section 5(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, further requires the appointing authority, upon nominating a person for appointment, to notify the relevant House of Parliament.

32. In this regard, pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution and Section 5(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the President notified the National Assembly of the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.

(b) Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

33. In addition, the Constitution and various statutes guide the appointment of persons to public office. In determining the suitability of the nominees, the Committee was guided by the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined in Chapter Six of the Constitution. 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.

34. Furthermore, 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. It further prohibits a State Officer who has been dismissed or otherwise removed from office from holding any other State Office.

35. Regarding the activities of State Officers, Article 77 of the Constitution prohibits a full-time State Officer from participating in any other gainful employment or holding office in a political party.

36. Further, Article 78 of the Constitution disqualifies persons who are not Kenyan citizens from appointment as State Officers. Equally, a State Officer is barred from holding dual citizenship.

37. In addition, the Committee considered Section 10 of the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap 185C 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.*

38. Further, Section 20 of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E provides that:

- (1) The Office of a high commissioner, ambassador, diplomatic or consular representative shall be a State office for purposes of Article 260 of the Constitution.*
- (2) Pursuant to Article 132 (2) (e) of the Constitution, the President shall nominate and, subject to the approval of the National Assembly, appoint high commissioners, ambassadors and diplomatic or consular representatives.*
- (3) A nomination under sub section (2) shall reflect—*
 - (a) a fair balance between career diplomats and other appointees; and*
 - (b) the gender, regional and other diversities of the people of Kenya.*
- (4) A person nominated for appointment under subsection (2) shall be—*
 - (a) a citizen of Kenya; and*
 - (b) of a reputable character and standing.*
 - (c) Suitability of the nominees for the proposed appointments having regard to whether the nominees' abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is being made.*

39. The nominee's suitability to hold the office of High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada was assessed through a scrutiny of his academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, background, as well as his performance during the approval hearings conducted on **Thursday, 14th May 2026**.

2.8 Memoranda from Members of the Public in respect of the Nominee

- 40. The Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media on **6th May 2026** (*Annexure 4*) inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee in conformity with Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F.
- 41. In this regard, by **13th May 2026 at 5.00 pm**, the Committee had not received any submissions either by written statement on oath (affidavit) or via email from members of the public regarding the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner Ottawa, Canada.

3.0 APPROVAL HEARING OF MR. HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA AS HIGH COMMISSIONER TO OTTAWA, CANADA.

42. Mr. Humphrey Wattanga appeared before the Committee on Thursday 14th May 2026, at 10.00 am and was vetted under oath pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E and the National Assembly Standing Orders. The Committee noted as follows:

3.1 Questions from the General Questionnaire

Citizenship, Date and Place of Birth

43. The nominee is a Kenyan citizen born on 25th June 1971 in Starehe, Nairobi County, within the Republic of Kenya. He confirmed that he is a citizen by birth and does not hold dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

44. The nominee holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, awarded in May 2000. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biochemical Sciences (cum laude) from Harvard University, awarded in June 1996.

Employment Record and Work Experience

45. The nominee most recently served as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) from August 2023 to April 2026. Prior to this appointment, he served as Managing Director of Meghraj Capital Ltd., Vice-Chairperson and Commissioner at the Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA), and Senior Partner at AFCORP Investments in South Africa. He also serves as Director of Nordic Impact Fund in Denmark and has been a member of the Investment Committee of Kenya Climate Ventures since 2019.

Honours and awards

46. The nominee has received several honours and awards in recognition of academic excellence and public service. These include the Elder of the Burning Spear (EBS) award conferred in 2025, the Nelson Mandela Hope Worldwide Scholarship, the Kaiser Family Foundation Scholarship, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Research Award, the Harvard Faculty Scholarship, and the Dr. Ouko Award for Academic Excellence.

Professional Association and Memberships

47. The nominee is a Platinum Member of the Kenya Bankers Association (KBA) Institute. He is also a member of several social and professional clubs, including the Capital Club, Karen Club, and Royal Nairobi Golf Club.

Published Writings

48. The nominee's published articles include "KRA's Ambitious Digital Transformation Will Boost Efficiency & Trust" published in The Standard on 5th September 2025 and "Reimagining Tax Administration in the Digital Age" published in The Star on 15th September 2025. He also contributed to a Brookings Institution publication titled "Perspectives on Impact Bonds: Working around legal barriers to impact bonds in Kenya to facilitate non-state investment and results-based financing of non-state ECD providers" published in December 2015.

Public Office, Political Activities and Affiliations

49. The nominee has held several public offices, including serving as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority and as Vice-Chairperson and Commissioner of the Commission on Revenue Allocation. He stated that he has not held any office in a political party, nor participated in political activities.

Income and Net Worth

50. The nominee declared an estimated net worth of approximately KES 500 million.

Potential Conflict of Interest

51. The nominee declared that he does not have any persons, litigation, financial arrangement, matter or issue that would present a potential conflict of interest should he assume the position of High Commissioner. The nominee stated that, should a conflict of interest arise during the discharge of his duties, he would declare the interest in writing to the appointing authority in accordance with the law.

Pro-Bono, Charity Work or Donation to Charity

52. The nominee stated that he has continuously engaged in charitable and community support initiatives, including payment of school fees for needy students, settlement of hospital bills, support to bereaved families, sponsorship of community social and sporting events, and participation in environmental conservation activities such as tree planting.

Integrity

53. The nominee stated that he has neither been charged in a court of law nor adversely mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliament or any Commission of Inquiry in the last three years. The nominee has never been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution.

3.2 General and Mission-Specific Questions to the Nominee

54. To assess the nominee's overall suitability for the position, the Committee posed questions to the nominee on his suitability for appointment as the High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada. The nominee responded as follows:

On request for extension of the approval hearing

55. The nominee explained that his request for rescheduling of the approval hearing was necessitated by the need to conclude an orderly handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), where he had been serving as Commissioner General. He stated that the transition involved critical institutional responsibilities and the transfer of ongoing reforms and administrative functions to the Acting Commissioner General. The nominee acknowledged concerns raised by Members regarding the unprecedented nature of the request and the additional public expenditure occasioned by the second advertisement but maintained that the structured handover was necessary to ensure continuity and stability within the institution.

On his multidisciplinary educational and professional background

56. The nominee highlighted his multidisciplinary academic and professional background, noting that he holds Bachelor of Arts in Biochemical Sciences from Harvard University and an MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He further outlined his extensive experience in medical research, corporate finance, impact investment, public finance

management, and revenue administration, including service at the Commission on Revenue Allocation and the Kenya Revenue Authority.

Short tenure in previous institutions

57. The nominee explained that some transitions were occasioned by educational advancement opportunities and mutual agreements with employers, while others resulted from movement into public service roles. He stated that his career trajectory reflected progression into more demanding leadership responsibilities rather than instability or inability to sustain long-term institutional commitments.

On performance and reforms at the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)

58. The nominee stated that during his tenure as Commissioner General, KRA recorded significant growth in revenue collection despite difficult economic conditions and global geopolitical challenges. He informed the Committee that revenue collection grew from approximately KES 2.166 trillion in the Financial Year 2022/2023 to approximately KES 2.572 trillion in the Financial Year 2024/2025. The revenue target for the 2025/26 fiscal year is set at 2.97 trillion KES, with projections indicating collections could surpass 2.8 trillion KES, demonstrating sustained positive momentum.
59. He further highlighted institutional reforms undertaken during his tenure, including digital transformation initiatives, expansion of data analytics capabilities, introduction of pre-filled tax returns, and technology-driven compliance systems such as WhatsApp tax filing services.
60. Mr. Watanga acknowledged the challenges of expanding the tax base but stressed the importance of broadening participation to reduce the burden on existing taxpayers

On concerns regarding his departure from KRA

61. The nominee explained that the commencement of terminal leave prior to expiry of contract was provided for under the terms of his employment contract and was therefore procedural and lawful. He further clarified that his departure did not interrupt institutional operations because a formal handover process had been undertaken.

On the Nominee's lack of formal diplomatic experience

62. The nominee stated that his extensive engagement in corporate finance, international consultancy, bilateral negotiations, public finance management, and cross-border investment initiatives had exposed him to diplomatic-type engagements involving negotiation, strategic communication, consensus building, and management of international partnerships. He undertook to rapidly acquire additional diplomatic and protocol skills necessary for effective discharge of the responsibilities of High Commissioner.

On the current trade imbalance between Kenya and Canada

63. The nominee informed the Committee that there exists a significant trade imbalance between Kenya and Canada, with Canada exporting substantially more goods to Kenya than Kenya exports to Canada. He stated that his priority would be to promote value addition in Kenyan exports, particularly in sectors such as macadamia, avocado oil, tea, coffee, and horticulture products. He further proposed leveraging Kenya's strategic geographical position and the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) framework to position Kenya as a gateway for Canadian investment into East Africa and the wider African market.

On the opportunities for cooperation between Kenya and Canada

64. The nominee identified several potential areas of cooperation between Kenya and Canada, including technology, healthcare, innovation, climate-smart investments, higher education, skills development, and digital economy partnerships. He emphasized the need to create opportunities for Kenyan youth through educational exchange programmes, vocational training partnerships, and participation in Canada's technology and innovation ecosystem. He further noted that Canada's advanced expertise in healthcare, precision medicine, and genomics presented opportunities for collaboration with Kenya's growing scientific and medical sectors.

On his commitment to the diplomatic posting to Ottawa, Canada

65. The nominee stated that he considered the appointment an honour and a major responsibility entrusted to him by His Excellency the President. He emphasized that Canada, as a G7 economy and an important global partner, presents significant strategic opportunities for Kenya in trade, education, investment, technology, and international cooperation. He assured the Committee of his commitment to represent Kenya diligently and effectively while advancing the country's economic and diplomatic interests.

3.3 Committee's Observations on the Suitability of the Nominee

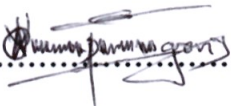
66. The Committee, having reviewed the nominee's completed questionnaire, curriculum vitae and oral submission, made the following observations regarding his suitability for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada:
- (1) **THAT**, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since he is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship.
 - (2) **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six (6) of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having obtained clearances from EACC, KRA, DCI, ODPP, ORPP and HELB.
 - (3) **THAT**, the nominee has not been charged in a court of law.
 - (4) **THAT**, the nominee does not hold office in any political party, a requirement under Article 77(2) of the Constitution and the Schedule of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Cap 7F.
 - (5) **THAT**, the nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1), Article 76, Article 77 and Article 78(2) of the Constitution.

4.0 COMMITTEE'S GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

67. The Committee, having considered the nominee's academic credentials and professional qualifications, work and professional experience, personal integrity, as well as his performance during the approval hearing, made the following general observations:
- 1) The nominee is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship in conformity with Article 78 of the Constitution.
 - 2) The nominee committed not to participate in any other gainful employment while serving as a State Officer as required by Article 77(1) of the Constitution.
 - 3) In accordance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution and the Schedule of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the nominee does not hold office in any political party.
 - 4) The nominee indicated compliance with Articles 75 and 76 of the Constitution on the conduct and financial probity of State Officers. He indicated the nonexistence of a potential conflict of interest and committed to declare any should it arise.
 - 5) By the set deadline of receipt of memoranda from members of the public, the Committee did not receive any submissions either by written statement on oath (affidavit) or via email from members of the public regarding the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada.
 - 6) The nominee presented his academic and professional credentials, made oral submissions during the approval hearing, demonstrating his suitability for appointment in accordance with the provisions of Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F.
 - 7) The nominee possesses strong academic credentials, having studied at internationally recognized institutions including Harvard University and the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and demonstrated extensive experience in public finance management, corporate finance, investment advisory, and revenue administration.
 - 8) The nominee demonstrated substantial experience in public administration and institutional leadership through his service at the Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA) and as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), where he oversaw significant revenue growth and implementation of various digital reforms.
 - 9) The Committee noted the explanation advanced by the nominee in support of the request to reschedule the approval hearing, on account of an ongoing handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority, to be unsatisfactory. The Committee further noted that the request was unusual for a presidential nominee.
 - 10) The nominee would require structured orientation and adequate support in diplomatic practice, foreign policy implementation, and protocol affairs in order to effectively discharge the responsibilities of the office of High Commissioner.

5.0 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

68. Having conducted the approval hearing pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution; Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F; Section 20 (2) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E and Standing Order 216(5)(f) of the National Assembly, **the Committee recommends that the House APPROVES the appointment of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga as High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada.**

SIGNED:  DATE: 26/05/26

THE HON. NELSON KOECH, CBS, MP
CHAIRPERSON, DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE
AND FOREIGN RELATIONS

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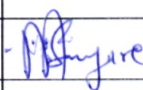
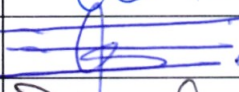
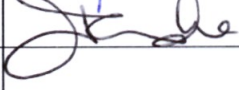
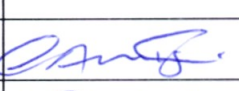
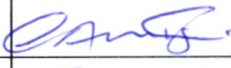
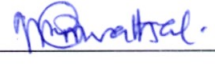


REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
13TH PARLIAMENT - FIFTH SESSION - 2026
DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

REPORT ADOPTION LIST

REPORT ON APPROVAL HEARING OF MR. HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA, EBS, AS HIGH COMMISSIONER TO OTTAWA, CANADA

We, Members of the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence, and Foreign Relations, have pursuant to Standing Order 199, adopted this Report and affix our signatures to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity today, **Tuesday 26th May 2026.**

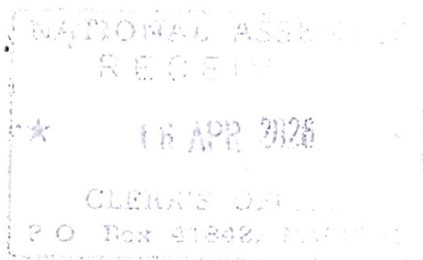
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ANNEXURE 1:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM H.E. THE PRESIDENT REGARDING
PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL OF THE NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT
TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE



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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
CHIEF OF STAFF AND HEAD OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE

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14th April, 2026

Ref. No. **EOP/CAB.26/4A/VOL.III/(8)**
and date

Hon. Moses F. M. Wetangula, EGH
Speaker
The National Assembly
Parliament of Kenya
Parliament Building
NAIROBI

Dear *Speaker*

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL OF THE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE

It is notified that **His Excellency Hon. William Samoei Ruto, Ph.D., C.G.H., President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces** has exercised the constitutional prerogative vested in the Head of State and Government and caused nomination of a High Commissioner and an Ambassador within the Foreign Service.

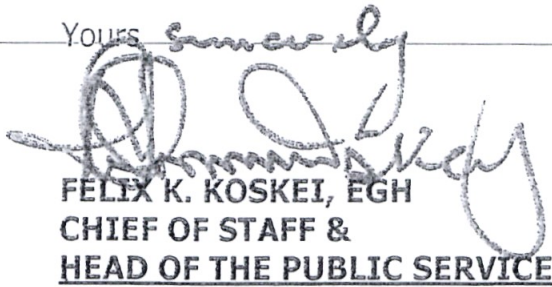
In that regard, and pursuant to **Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution** as read together with **Section 20(2) and 22(2)(a) of the Foreign Service Act, 195E**; we transmit herewith the Presidential Nominees for appointment as High Commissioner and Ambassador for the consideration by the National Assembly, as follows:

CLUSTER	STATION	NAME
High Commissioner	Ottawa, Canada	Mr. Humphrey Wattanga
Ambassador	Vatican, The Holy See	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe

To aid the August House in its consideration and approval processes, kindly be pleased to receive the Certificate of Presidential Nomination No. 5 of 2026, and the Curriculum Vitae and Testimonials for each of the Nominee.

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

Yours



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

Encls.

Copy to: **Hon. Kimani Ichung'wah, MP, EGH**
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ANNEXURE 2:

MESSAGE FROM THE HON. SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
TO THE HOUSE REGARDING NOMINATION OF ONE (1) PERSON FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (FIFTH SESSION)
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

____ (No. 004 of 2026) ____

**ON THE NOMINATION OF PERSONS TO VARIOUS DIPLOMATIC AND
STATE OFFICES**

Honourable Members,

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42, I wish to report to the House that I have received **two (2) Messages** from His Excellency the President, seeking approval of persons nominated for appointment to various diplomatic and State offices.
2. In the First Message, His Excellency the President conveys that, in his exercise of the powers conferred to him by the provisions of Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, he has nominated **two (2)** persons for appointment as High Commissioner and Ambassador as follows—

S/NO	NAME	STATION
1.	Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	Ottawa, Canada
2.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	Vatican, The Holy See

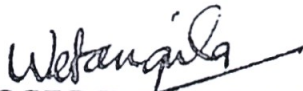
Honourable Members, in the Second Message, His Excellency the President conveys that, in exercise of powers conferred by section 17(1) of the National Cohesion and Integration Act, Cap 7N, he has nominated the following persons for appointment to the respective offices in the National Cohesion and Integration Commission—

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| 1. Dr. Kepha Nyamweya Omae | - | Chairperson; |
| 2. Ms. Josphine Kirion Eragae | - | Member; |
| 3. Mr. Joseph K. Nguyo | - | Member; |
| 4. Mr. Jackson Swadi Kedogo | - | Member; |
| 5. Dr. Samuel Mwachiro Mwawasi | - | Member; |
| 6. Ms. Irene Chepoisho Tulel, HSC | - | Member; |
| 7. Mr. Hassan Billow Ahmed | - | Member; and |
| 8. Ms. Jerusah Mwaathime Michael | - | Member. |

- 3. Honourable Members,** the President now seeks the approval, by the National Assembly, of the aforementioned nominees to the respective offices.
- 4. Honourable Members,** Standing Order 45 provides that, upon receipt of notification of nomination for appointment, such nomination shall stand committed to the relevant departmental committee for consideration.
- 5.** In this regard, with respect to the nominees proposed for appointment as High Commissioner and Ambassador, I hereby refer the Message from His Excellency the President, together with the *Curriculum Vitae* of the nominees to the **Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations** for consideration.
- 6.** With respect to nominees for appointment as Chairperson and Members of the National Cohesion and Integration Commission, the names of the nominees, together with *Curriculum Vitae* and other testimonials, are hereby referred to the **Select Committee on National Cohesion and Equal Opportunity** for consideration.
- 7. Honourable Members,** with regard to nominees for appointment to the National Cohesion and Integration Commission, paragraph 9 of the First Schedule to the National Cohesion and Integration Act, Cap 7N, requires the National Assembly to consider the nominees to the respective positions **within twenty-one (21) days.**

8. On the other hand, the Foreign Service Act, Cap. 185E does not prescribe the period for parliamentary approval of nominees to diplomatic offices. In such cases, section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F provides that, unless otherwise provided in law, the Committee to which such nomination is referred shall consider the matter and table a report in the House within **twenty-eight (28) days**. The twenty-eight days with respect to the aforementioned nominations will lapse on Thursday, 14th May 2026.
9. However, **Honourable Members**, conscious of the fact that the House will be proceeding on a long recess from 1st May 2026, I direct the Committees to which the nominees have been referred to conclude the approval hearings and table their respective reports by **Wednesday, 29th April 2026** to allow consideration before proceeding on recess. To this end, the Committees are encouraged to immediately notify the nominees and the general public of the time and place for holding the approval hearings. The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!


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

Thursday, 16th April 2026

ANNEXURE 3:

**ADVERTISEMENT NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC OF THE APPROVAL
HEARING AND SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA**



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – FIFTH SESSION (2026)

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(b) & 132(2)(e) OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 20 OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE ACT, CAP.185E
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT, CAP. 7F
AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF A NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS HIGH COMMISSIONER TO
OTTAWA, CANADA

NOTIFICATION OF
APPROVAL HEARING AND EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR
SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA

ADDENDUM

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, Section 20 of the Foreign Service Act, Cap.185E, H.E. the President is empowered to nominate and with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint High Commissioners, Ambassadors and Diplomatic and Consular Representatives;

WHEREAS, in exercise of the said powers, H.E. the President nominated Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS for appointment as High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada;

WHEREAS, following receipt of the nominations from H.E. the President, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Notification made on **Thursday, 16th April, 2026** conveyed the Message to the Members of the National Assembly and referred the name and *curricula vitae* of the nominee to the **Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations** for consideration and reporting to the House;

AND WHEREAS the National Assembly by resolution made on 23rd April 2026 extended the period of vetting by fourteen (14) days;

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 Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations** shall conduct Approval Hearing (Vetting) of the nominee on **Thursday 14th May, 2026 at 10:00 am in the Mini Chamber, County Hall, Parliament Buildings.**

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 notifies members of the public of the extension for submission of 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 he 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, 13th May, 2026 by 5.00 p.m.**

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominee is required to—

- (1)** Appear for the approval hearing with his 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;
 - (f)** The Commission for University Education; and
 - (g)** A Credit Reference Bureau.

S. NJOROGE, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Wednesday, 6th May 2026

“For the Welfare of Society and the just Government of the People”



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

13TH PARLIAMENT – FIFTH SESSION – 2026

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(b), 132(2), 233(2) AND 250(2)(c) OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 20 OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE ACT, CAP.185E
AND
IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 17(1) OF NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION ACT, CAP. 7N
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT, CAP. 7F

AND
IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR, HIGH COMMISSIONER, AND CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR, HIGH COMMISSIONER, AND CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION. NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARINGS AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Articles 132(2)(a), 233(2) and 250(2) of the Constitution, section 20 of the Foreign Service Act, Cap.185E, and section 17(1) of the National Cohesion and Integration Act, Cap. 7N, His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint High Commissioners, Ambassadors and Diplomatic and Consular Representatives; and the Chairperson and Members of the National Cohesion and Integration Commission, respectively.

In exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President has nominated the following persons for appointment as Ambassador to the Vatican, The Holy See; High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada; and as Chairperson and Members of the National Cohesion and Integration Commission—

FOREIGN SERVICE – AMBASSADOR/HIGH COMMISSIONER		
NOMINEE	POSITION	STATION
1. Dr. Julius Muriu Mbijwe	Ambassador	Vatican, The Holy See
2. Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	High Commissioner	Ottawa, Canada

NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION	
NOMINEE	POSITION
1. Dr. Kapha Nyamweya Omas	Chairperson
2. Ms. Josephine Kirion Eragae	Member
3. Mr. Joseph K. Nguyo	Member
4. Mr. Jackson Swadi Kedogo	Member
5. Dr. Samuel Mwachiro Mwawasi	Member
6. Ms. Irene Chepoisho Tulal, HSC	Member
7. Mr. Hassan Billow Ahmad	Member
8. Ms. Jerusa Mwazithine Michael	Member

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nominations from H. E the President, the Rt. Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Notification made on **Thursday, 16th April 2026** conveyed the Message to the Members of the National Assembly and referred the names and curricula vitae of the nominees to the **Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations and the Select Committee on National Cohesion and Equal Opportunity**, respectively, 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 Committees shall conduct Approval Hearings (Vetting) of the nominees as indicated below—

FOREIGN SERVICE – AMBASSADOR/HIGH COMMISSIONER					
NOMINEE	POSITION	STATION	DATE	VENUE	TIME
1. Dr. Julius Muriu Mbijwe	Ambassador	Vatican, The Holy See	27 th April 2026	Bunge Tower, Room 18/19, 3 rd Floor	10.00 a.m.
2. Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	High Commissioner	Ottawa, Canada			11.30 a.m.

NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION				
NOMINEE	POSITION	DATE	VENUE	TIME
1. Dr. Kapha N. Omas	Chairperson	25 th April 2026	Mini Chamber, County Hall 1 st Floor	9.00 a.m.
2. Ms. Josephine K. Eragae	Member			10.30 a.m.
3. Mr. Joseph K. Nguyo	Member			12.00 noon
4. Mr. Jackson S. Kadogo	Member			2.00 p.m
5. Dr. Samuel M. Mwawasi	Member	27 th April 2026		9.00 a.m.
6. Ms. Irene C. Tulaf, HSC	Member			10.30 a.m.
7. Mr. Hassan B. Ahmed	Member			12.00 noon
8. Ms. Jerusa M. Michael	Member			2.00 p.m.

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 offices they have been nominated to.

The memoranda may be forwarded to the **Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi**; hand-delivered to the **Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi**; or emailed to cms@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before **Friday, 24th April 2026 by 5.00 p.m.**

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominees are required to—

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

S. NJOROGEA, CBS
CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
Friday, 17th April 2026

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ANNEXURE 4:

**LETTERS FROM THE CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY INVITING
THE NOMINEE FOR THE APPROVAL HEARING**



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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (062)

7th May 2026

Mr. Humphrey Wattanga, EBS
Kuja Lane, Karen
NAIROBI

Dear *Mr. Wattanga*

**RE: INVITATION FOR VETTING BY THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE
ON DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS**

Following your nomination by His Excellency the President for appointment as a High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada, the Departmental Committee on Defence, intelligence and Foreign Relations hereby invite you for vetting pursuant to provisions of Section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP 7F) on **Thursday, 14th May 2026** in the **Mini Chamber, County Hall, Parliament Buildings** at **10:00 a.m.**

Fill out the attached questionnaire as required by the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CA 7F) and attach copies of your national identity card, academic and professional certificates, and any other testimonials. The completed questionnaire together with the accompanying attachments should be submitted on or before **Wednesday, 13th May, 2026**.

Further, you are required to bring along originals of the above-mentioned documents and letters/certificates of clearance/compliance from the following institutions:

1. Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
2. Kenya Revenue Authority;
3. Higher Education Loans Board;
4. Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
5. Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions;
6. Office of the Registrar of Political Parties;
7. The Commission for University Education; and
8. A Credit Reference Bureau

The Committee's liaison officers for this subject are **Mr. Abenayo Wasike (H.O.D, Governance Sector)**, who may be contacted on Tel. no. 0721352053 or email: abenayo.makokha@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Muyodi Emmanuel, Committee Clerk**, Tel. no. 0725247240 or email: emmanuel.muyodi@parliament.go.ke.

Yours

JEREMIAH NDOMBI, MBS
FOR: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY



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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (043)

17th April 2026

Mr. Humphrey Wattanga, EBS
NAIROBI

Dear *Srs*,

**RE: INVITATION FOR VETTING BY THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS**

Following your nomination by His Excellency the President for appointment as a High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada, the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations, hereby invites you for vetting pursuant to provisions of Section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP 7F) on **Monday, 27th April 2026** in Bunge Tower, **Committee Room 18/19, 3rd Floor, Parliament Buildings** at **11:30 a.m.**

Kindly fill out the attached questionnaire as required by the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CA 7F) and attach copies of your national identity card, academic and professional certificates, and any other testimonials. The questionnaire and the said attachments should be returned on or before **Friday, 24th April 2026**.

Further, you are required to bring along originals of the above documents and letters/certificates of clearance/compliance from the following institutions:

1. Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
2. Kenya Revenue Authority;
3. Higher Education Loans Board;
4. Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
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Yours *sincerely*,

SERAH KIOKO, MBS

For: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Encl:

ANNEXURE 5:

LETTERS FROM THE CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO EACC,
KRA, DCI, ODPP, ORPP AND HELB REQUESTING INFORMATION ON THE
NOMINEE



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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (048)

17th April 2026

Mr. Abdi A. Mohamud, EBS, MBS

Secretary/Chief Executive Officer
Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)
Integrity Centre, Milimani/Valley Road Junction

NAIROBI

Dear 

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

The National Assembly received a notification of nomination of two (2) persons for Appointment as Ambassador and High Commissioner by H.E the President.

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

Further, the National Assembly is required to approve the nominees for appointment as Ambassadors and High Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Article 132 (2) (e) of the Constitution and the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP.7F).

Additionally, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP 7F), Committees are mandated to consider whether the nominee meets all Constitutional and Statutory requirements relating to the office in question.

In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. As a constitutional body mandated to oversee the implementation of the provisions of Chapter Six of the Constitution, the Committee requests that you provide any information in the possession of the Commission relating to the integrity of the nominees. This information will assist the Committee in effectively undertaking its mandate.

The nominees are as follows:

No.	Name	Identity Card Number
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	12405857
2.	Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	11281007

We will appreciate if the information is received by **Friday, 24th April 2026**.

The Committee's liaison officers for this subject are **Mr. Abenayo Wasike (H.O.D, Governance Sector)**, who may be contacted on Tel. no. 0721352053 or email: abenayo.makokha@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Muyodi Emmanuel, Committee Clerk**, Tel. no. 0725247240 or email: emmanuel.muyodi@parliament.go.ke.

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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (049)

17th April 2026

Dr. Lilian Nyawanda

Ag. Commissioner General, Kenya Revenue Authority
Times Towers, 30th Floor
Haile Selassie Avenue
NAIROBI

Dear *Madam,*

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

The National Assembly received a notification of nomination of two (2) persons for Appointment as Ambassador and High Commissioner by H.E the President.

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

Further, the National Assembly is required to approve the nominees for appointment as Ambassadors and High Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Article 132 (2) (e) of the Constitution and the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP.7F).

Additionally, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP 7F), Committees are mandated to consider whether the nominee meets all Constitutional and Statutory requirements relating to the office in question.

In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests that

you provide a report on the tax compliance status of the nominees. This information will assist the Committee in effectively undertaking its mandate.

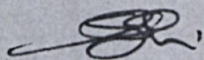
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The Committee's liaison officers for this subject are **Mr. Abenayo Wasike (H.O.D, Governance Sector)**, who may be contacted on Tel. no. 0721352053 or email: abenayo.makokha@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Muyodi Emmanuel, Committee Clerk**, Tel. no. 0725247240 or email: emmanuel.muyodi@parliament.go.ke.

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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (047)

17th April 2026

Mr. Amin Mohamed Ibrahim, EBS, MBS, OGW

Director, Directorate of Criminal Investigations
Mazingira House, Kiambu Road

NAIROBI

Dear *Sir*

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

The National Assembly received a notification of nomination of two (2) persons for Appointment as Ambassador and High Commissioner by H.E the President.

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

Further, the National Assembly is required to approve nominees for appointment as Ambassadors AND High Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Article 132 (2) (e) of the Constitution and the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP.7F).

Additionally, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP 7F), Committees are mandated to consider whether the nominee meets all Constitutional and Statutory requirements relating to the office in question.

In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests that you provide information on whether the nominees have been adversely mentioned in any

investigations conducted by the Directorate of Criminal Investigations in the course of discharging its mandate. This information will assist the Committee in effectively undertaking its mandate.

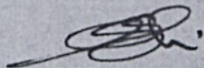
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The Committee's liaison officers for this subject are **Mr. Abenayo Wasike (H.O.D, Governance Sector)**, who may be contacted on Tel. no. 0721352053 or email: abenayo.makokha@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Muyodi Emmanuel, Committee Clerk**, Tel. no. 0725247240 or email: emmanuel.muyodi@parliament.go.ke.

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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (045)

17th April 2026

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

Dear *Sir*

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
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Further, the National Assembly is required to approve nominees for appointment as ambassadors and High Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Article 132 (2) (e) of the Constitution and the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act (CAP.7F).

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

In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests that

you provide information on whether there are any ongoing criminal proceedings against the nominees or any prior charges. This information will assist the Committee in effectively carrying out its mandate.

The nominees are as follows:

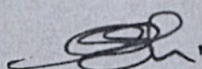
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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (046)

17th April 2026

Mr. John Cox Lorionokou
Registrar of Political Parties/CEO
Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP)
Lions Place, Waiyaki Way
P.O BOX 1131-00600
NAIROBI

Dear *Sir*

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

In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. Taking into account Article 77(2) of the Constitution, which prohibits an appointed State officer from holding office in a political party, the Committee requests that you provide information on whether the nominees hold any positions in political parties in Kenya. This information will assist the Committee in effectively undertaking its mandate.

The nominees are as follows:

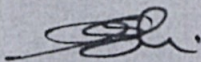
No.	Name	Identity Card Number
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	12405857
2.	Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	11281007

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The Committee's liaison officers for this subject are **Mr. Abenayo Wasike (H.O.D, Governance Sector)**, who may be contacted on Tel. no. 0721352053 or email: abenayo.makokha@parliament.go.ke and **Mr. Muyodi Emmanuel, Committee Clerk**, Tel. no. 0725247240 or email: emmanuel.muyodi@parliament.go.ke.

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Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (050)

17th April 2026

Mr. Geoffrey Monari

Chief Executive Officer, Higher Education Loans Board
Anniversary Towers, University Way

NAIROBI

Dear 

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

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In this regard, the nominees have been referred to the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations for consideration. Consequently, the Committee requests that you provide a report on the repayment status of any loans that may have been advanced to the nominees by the Board. This information will assist the Committee in effectively undertaking its mandate.

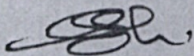
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Yours *sincerely,*



SERAH M. KIOKO, MBS

FOR: CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ANNEXURE 6:

**LETTERS OF CLEARANCE FROM EACC, KRA, DCI, ODPP, ORPP AND
HELB**

Muyodi
Pls TNA
Awasi
27/4/26



D/DC
Please deal
24/04/26

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Our Ref: EACC.7/10/5 VOL. XXXVI (121)

22nd April, 2026

The Clerk

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

Attn: Serah M. Kioko, MBS

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

Your letter referenced NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (048) dated 17th April 2026, on the above subject matter refers.

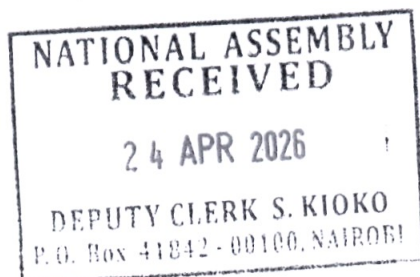
Please note that the Commission has not undertaken any investigations pursuant to its mandate against the under listed nor has it recommended prosecution of any of them.

S/No	Name	ID Number
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbiyiwe	12405857
2.	Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	11281007

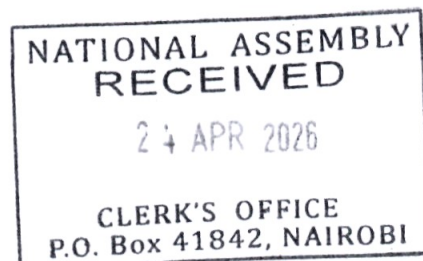
The information provided herein is based on records available as at **22nd April 2026**.

Yours *Sincerely*

Abdi A. Mohamud, EBS, MBS
SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Tuagamize Ufisadi, Tuijenge Kenya





KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

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Office of the Commissioner General

(1) DDC
30/4/26

KRA/5/1002/5(13895)

24th April 2026

Mr. Samuel Njoroge, EBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
P. O. Box 41842-00100
Main Parliament Buildings
Nairobi

(2) Aberayo Wasike, HOD
Place before the Dept. Committee on
Defence for consideration during the approval
hearing. Done 4/5/26

Dear Clerk,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER

Reference is made to your letter Ref: NA/DDC/DIFR/2026 (049) dated 17th April 2026 requesting for tax compliance report for two (2) nominated candidates for the appointment as Ambassador and High Commissioner.

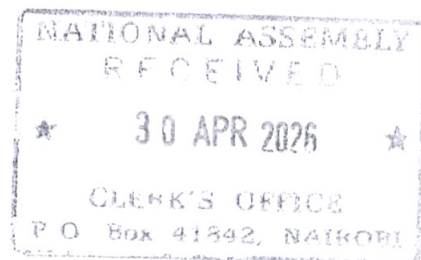
Please see below the tax compliance status of the nominees:

No.	Name	ID No.	PIN	Status
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	12405857	A002860080T	Compliant
2.	Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	11281007	A006684094J	Compliant

This is submitted for your further action.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Lilian Nyawanda
AG. COMMISSIONER GENERAL



(3) Emmanuel Mwangi
pls. facilitate.
ck/kei
04/05/2026



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**DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**

DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS HEADQUARTERS

P.O.Box 30036-00100 GPO

NAIROBI, KENYA

Ref. No. **PCC-
WWS7DD4VM**Date **13 May 2026****POLICE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the fingerprints recorded from

HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGAholder of ID No. **11281007** have been searched in Criminal RecordsOffice's database with/without previous record. The validity of the
information on this certificate is as of the date of issue.**REMARKS IN CASE OF PREVIOUS RECORD****OFFENCE(S): NIL****RESULTS OF TRIAL: NIL****DATE: NIL*****This Certificate has been issued without any alteration or any
erasure*****(W.N KIRAI)****For: Director, Directorate of Criminal Investigations
(P.T.O)****NOTE:** This is a computer generated certificate, to verify the authenticity of this document,
scan the QR Code or use the link <https://dci.citizen.go.ke/verify>,
send DCI to 21546 Then Dial *512# and select "Police Clearance"

REMARKS

2.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

3.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

4.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

5.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

7.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**



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Ref: ODPP/CONF/5/50A

Date: 24th April, 2026

Mr. Samuel Njoroge, CBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
Main Parliament Buildings
P.O. Box 41842 - 00100
NAIROBI

Dear Mr. Njoroge,

**RE: INFORMATION ON PERSONS NOMINATED FOR
APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH
COMMISSIONER**

Reference is made to the subject above-mentioned and your letter **Ref. NA/DDC/DIFR/2026(045)** dated **17th April 2026**, requesting a report on whether the nominees for appointment as Ambassador and High Commissioner, as nominated by His Excellency the President, are subject to active criminal proceedings or any previous charges.

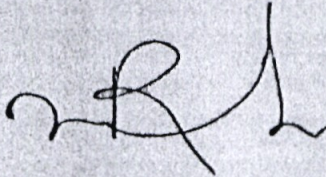
Please find the information as follows: -

S/No	Name	Gender	ID NO.	Whether there are Ongoing Proceedings
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	Male	12405857	None
2.	Mr. Humprey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS	Male	11281007	None

We trust this information will be useful to the National Assembly in the discharge of its mandate.

Thank you for your continuous support and cooperation.

Yours *sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Ingonga', with a stylized, cursive script.

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



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Sarit Centre, Nairobi.

Ref: RPP/ORG/34/ VOL. X (13)

Date: 20th April 2026

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

Abenayo Wasike, HOD

*to facilitate consideration
by the DC on Defence*

*DDC
22/4/26*

Attn: Serah M. Kioko, MBS

23/4/26

Dear Sir,

**RE: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS
AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER**

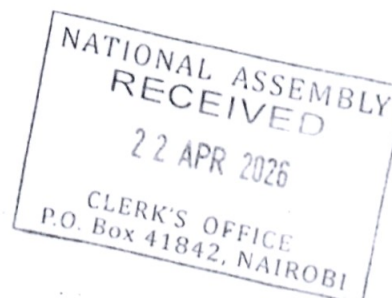
Reference is made to a letter Ref: NA/DDC/DIFR/2026(046) dated 17th April 2026 on the above subject matter.

Pursuant to the Article 77(2) of the constitution and according to the records held by this office as at 20th April 2026, the nominee tabulated herein are not officials of any registered political parties in Kenya.

S/No.	Nominee	ID No	Remarks
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	12405857	Not an Official
2.	Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga. EBS	11281007	Not an Official

Yours faithfully

J. C. Lorionokou
Registrar of Political Parties/CEO





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22nd April 2026

HELB/RR/112009/V/504

Mr. Samuel J. Njoroge, CBS
Clerk of the National Assembly
Parliament Buildings,
P.O Box 41842-00100
NAIROBI

Dear *Sec,*

CLEARANCE OF NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR AND HIGH COMMISSIONER

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated **17th April 2026**, with reference number **NA/DDC/DIFR/2026/050**, regarding the background verification of HELB loan repayment status for candidates nominated for appointments to the position of **Ambassador and High Commissioner**.

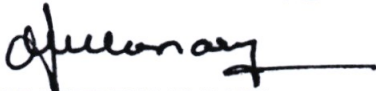
HELB is committed to assisting the National Assembly in the comprehensive evaluation of candidates, including their financial responsibilities and obligations. We have utilized the necessary procedures to conduct background checks on the candidates listed in the attached schedule.

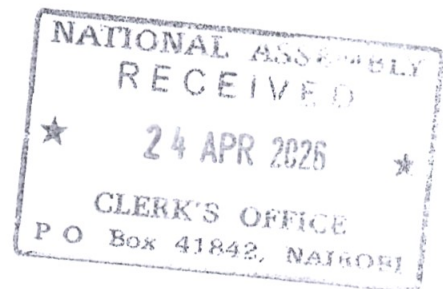
Our team has diligently reviewed the HELB loan repayment status of each candidate, ensuring accuracy and compliance with the information provided. We understand the importance of this inquiry in the overall assessment process.

Please find below their status.

S/No.	Name of Nominee	ID No.	Status	Year of Clearance
1.	Dr. Julius Murori Mbijiwe	12405857	Not a loanee	N/A
2.	Mr. Humprey Mulongo Wattanga	11281007	Cert No. 44248	24 th January 2013

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
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



ISO 9001:2015 Certified.

ANNEXURE 7:

**NOMINEE'S CLEARANCE CERTIFICATES FROM EACC, KRA, DCI, ORPP,
HELB AND CRB**

LEADERSHIP AND INTEGRITY ACT, 2012/ *KIFUNGU CHA SHERIA CHA UONGOZI NA UADILIFU, 2012*

FIRST SCHEDULE (S.13)/ *TARATIBU YA KWANZA (S.13)*

SELF DECLARATION FORM/ *FOMU YA KUJITANGAZA*

1. GENERAL INFORMATION/ TAARIFA YA JUMLA			
Title Cheo	Surname Jina la ukoo	First Name Jina la kwanza	Other Names Majina Mengine
Mr.	Humphrey	Mulongo	Wattanga
ID Card No. Nambari ya Kitambulisho	Passport No Nambari ya Pasipoti	Expiry date of passport Tarehe ya muda wa pasipoti kuisha	PIN No Nambari ya PIN
11281007	AKO353202	24 April, 2029	A006684094J
Gender Jinsia	Occupation Kazi	Email Barua pepe	Mobile No Nambari ya simu
Male	Public Servant	mulongowattanga@gmail.com	254727726805
Postal Address Auwani ya posta	Postal Code Msimbo	Residential Address Auwani ya makaazi	Additional Phone Rununu nyingine
4326	00100	Karen Nairobi	
Residence Makaazi			
Country Nchi	County Kaunti	District Wilaya	Town/ City Mji
KENYA	NAIROBI	NA	Nairobi
Estate Kijiji			
Karen			

2. BIRTH INFORMATION

Date of BirthTarehe ya kuzaliwa	Country of BirthNchi	County of birth Kaunti	District / Sub County Wilaya
25 June, 1971	KENYA	NAIROBI	NA
Place of Birth Mahali	State state		
Pumwani	NA		

3. NATIONALITY/ UTAIFA

Nationality 1. KENYA

4. MARITAL STATUS - married**Spouses**

Surname	First Name	Other Name	ID Number
Wattanga	Maximiller		21788017

5. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION KUFUZU KWA KIELIMU

Masters	MBA	Wharton School	2000
Degree	Bachelors in Biochemical Sciences	Harvard	1996

6. LANGUAGE SPOKEN/ LUGHA UNAZOZUNGUMZA

English	Swahili
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**7. MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION(S) UANACHAMA WA SHIRIKA(MA)
YA KITAALAMU**

Name of Organization Jina la Shirika	Date of Admission Tarehe ya Kuandikishiwa	Membership No. Na. ya Uanachama
kenya insitute of bankers		

8. REASON(S) FOR DECLARATION/ SABABU ZA KUJITANGAZA

Purpose for which declaration is required Kusudio la kuhitajika kwa kujitangaza	Employment
State office for which the declaration is being submitted Ofisi ya serikali ambayo kujitangaza huku kunawasilishwa	High Commissioner to Canada

9. MORAL AND ETHICS QUESTIONS/ MASWALI YA NIDHAMU NA KIMAADILI

1	Have you ever engaged in any form of dishonesty in the conduct of public affairs?	No
2	Have you ever abused a public office?	No
3	Have you ever misrepresented information to the public?	No
4	Have you ever engaged in wrongful conduct whilst in the furtherance of personal benefit?	No
5	Have you ever misused public resources?	No
6	Have you ever discriminated against anyone of any grounds other than as provided for under the Constitution or any other law?	No
7	Have you ever falsified official or personal records?	No
8	Have you ever been debarred or removed from the Register of Members of your professional organization?	No
9	Have you ever had any occupational or vocational license revoked and/or otherwise subjected to any other disciplinary action for cause in Kenya or any other country?	No
10	Have you ever been dismissed from employment on account of lack of integrity?	No
11	If you have been a public officer, have you ever failed to declare your Income, Assets and Liabilities as required under the Public Officer Ethics Act, 2003?	No
12	Have you ever been the subject of disciplinary or criminal proceedings for breach of the Public Officer Ethics Act, 2003 or a Code prescribed thereunder?	No
13	Have you ever been convicted of any offence and sentenced to serve imprisonment for a period of at least six months?	No
14	Have you ever had an application for a Certificate of Clearance or a Certificate of Good Conduct or for a visa or other document authorizing work in a public office denied and/or rejected for cause in Kenya or any other country?	No

10. EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION TAARIFA YA KUAJIRIWA

NAME OF EMPLOYER JINA LA MWAJIRI	POSITION/ RANK CHEO/WADHIFA	DATE OF FIRST APPOINTMENT TAREHE YA KUAJIRIWA KWA KWANZA	DATE OF PRESENT APPOINTMENT TAREHE YA KUAJIRIWA KWA SASA
Kenya Revenue Authority	Commissioner General	22 Aug 2023	17 Apr 2026
Meghraj Capital	Managing Director	01 Mar 2023	22 Aug 2023
Commission on Revenue Allocation	Commissioner	02 Jan 2017	31 Dec 2023

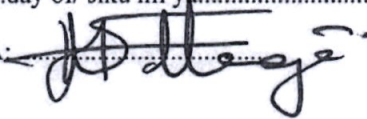
OATH AND AFFIRMATION/ (KIAPO NA UTHIBITISHWAJI)

I **Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga** solemnly swear (or affirm) and certify, under penalty of false declaration under the oaths and Statutory Declarations Act (Cap 15 of the Laws of Kenya), that all the foregoing statements in this declaration are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

(Ninaapa ya kwamba (ninathibitisha) na kuidinisha, katika adhabu ya kujitangaza kwa uongo chini ya kifungu cha sheria cha Viapo na Kujitangaza Kisheria (Ibara 15 ya Sheria za Kenya), kwamba kauli zote zilizotajwa katika kujitangaza huku ni za kweli na sahihi kwa kadri ninavyojua.)

Dated at/ Mnamo tarehe 12/5/26, this/ kwenyeday of/ siku hii ya.....

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT/ SAINI YA ANAYEJITANGAZA:



SWORN/ DECLARED BEFORE ME/ ALIYELISHWA KIAPO/ TANGAZA MBELE YANGU

This/ Mnamo 12th day of/ siku hii ya May, 2026, at/ katika mahali hapa
NAIROBI

COMMISSIONER FOR OATH/ MAGISTRATE KAMISHNA WA KIAPO/ HAKIMU



www.kra.go.ke**Taxpayer PIN :** A006684094J**Certificate Date:** 25/04/2026**Name and Address :**Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga
EDEN SQUARE, NAIROBI CITY (EAST), Nairobi East District,
PO Box:10713,
Postal Code:00100**Certificate Number:**

KRANON1545536026



**This is to confirm that Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga,
Personal Identification Number A006684094J
has filed relevant tax returns and
paid taxes due as provided by Law.**

**This Certificate will be valid for
twelve (12) months up to 24/04/2027.**

Caveat: This certificate is issued on the basis of information available with the authority as at the certificate date mentioned above. The Authority reserves the right to withdraw the certificate if new evidence materially alters the tax compliance status of the recipient.

Disclaimer : This certificate is system Generated and therefore does not require signature. You may confirm validity of this certificate on the iTax Portal by using the TCC Checker. This certificate confirms your compliance status for a period of five years preceding the date of issue. The certificate may however be withdrawn on grounds of outstanding debt affecting periods prior to this.

NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE



DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

DIRECTORATE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS HEADQUARTERS

P.O.Box 30036-00100 GPO

NAIROBI, KENYA

Ref. No. PCC-
WWS7DD4VM

Date. 13 May 2026

POLICE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the fingerprints recorded from

HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA

holder of ID No. **11281007** have been searched in Criminal Records
Office's database with/without previous record. The validity of the
information on this certificate is as of the date of issue.

REMARKS IN CASE OF PREVIOUS RECORD

OFFENCE(S): NIL

RESULTS OF TRIAL: NIL

DATE: NIL

***This Certificate has been issued without any alteration or any
erasure***



(W.N KIRAI)

For: Director, Directorate of Criminal Investigations
(P.T.O)

NOTE: This is a computer generated certificate, to verify the authenticity of this document,
scan the QR Code or use the link <https://dci.ecitizen.go.ke/verify>,
send DCI to 21546 Then Dial *512# and select "Police Clearance"

REMARKS

2.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

3.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

4.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

5.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

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RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**

7.

OFFENCE(S): **NIL**

RESULTS OF TRIAL: **NIL**

DATE: **NIL**



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Sarit Centre, Nairobi.

Ref: RPP/FRP/3/2/ VOL. XXIII (46)

Date: 12th May 2026

Humprey Mulongo Wattanga
ID No. 11281007

Dear Sir,

RE: CLEARANCE LETTER
HUMPREY MULUNGO WATTANGA ID NO. 11281007

The above subject matter refers.

This Office acknowledges receipt of your letter dated 12th May 2026, and duly notes the content therein.

According to the records held by this Office as at 12th May 2026, **Humprey Mulongo Wattanga, Identity Number 11281007** is **NOT** an official of any registered political party.

Yours faithfully,

J. C. Lorionokou
Registrar of Political Parties/CEO



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Certificate Serial No. 542496

HIGHER EDUCATION LOANS BOARD



Compliance Certificate

This is to confirm that;
HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA

Holder of National IDNO. **11281007** is a beneficiary and has fulfilled his/her obligation towards the University Loans scheme as provided by law

Chief Executive Officer

Chief Operations Officer

Caveat

- a) This certificate is issued on the basis of information available to the Board as at the date shown above. The Board reserves the right to withdraw the certificate if new evidence materially alters the compliance status of the recipient.
- b) This is a system generated certificate. To confirm genuineness and validity of this certificate use the HELB checker available at : <https://studentportal.helb.co.ke> or contact our office.

Date of Issue: 13-07-2023

Valid until: 13-07-2024

MCRB/C271168



Metropol Credit Reference Bureau Ltd

CRB Certificate

HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA

National ID Number: 11281007

We hereby confirm that the above named person has a credit report with the status:

☐ With Default

☒ With No Default

as at May 12, 2026



To verify this certificate visit <https://www.metropol.co.ke/verification>

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ANNEXURE 8:
NOMINEE'S CURRICULUM VITAE

HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA, EBS

Telephone: +254 72 772 6805, Email: humphrey.mulongo@kenyaembassy.com

Nationality: Kenyan

I am a seasoned Kenyan executive with deep leadership experience spanning public finance, investment banking, institutional transformation, digital modernization, capital mobilization, and cross-border strategic partnerships. My extensive background aligns strongly with the requirements for diplomatic representation and advancing Kenya's foreign policy objectives.

Over the past two decades, I have held senior leadership roles across government, investment advisory, multi-national corporate development, and international institutions. I possess a demonstrated ability to lead large-scale reforms, unlock economic growth opportunities, structure complex cross-border transactions, and build high-impact partnerships across Africa, North America, Europe, and Asia.

My multidisciplinary background uniquely positions me to represent Kenya's interests abroad, particularly in areas of economic diplomacy, trade facilitation, and strategic partnerships. I bring proven expertise in:

- **Public Finance Leadership:** Managing national revenue systems and fiscal governance.
- **Economic Diplomacy:** Facilitating cross-border investment and capital structuring.
- **Institutional Modernization:** Leading digital systems transformation and innovation.
- **International Stakeholder Engagement:** Negotiating and building strategic partnerships globally.

My particular interest lies in operationalizing transformative opportunities at the intersection of digital infrastructure, AI-enabled systems, fiscal modernization, health innovation, and strategic market expansion which are key pillars of Kenya's modern economic diplomacy.

➤ **Commissioner General, Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Nairobi, Kenya: August 2023 – April 2026**

Led Kenya's principal revenue authority through a period of institutional transformation, modernization, and revenue growth. Directed one of Africa's most strategic public finance

institutions, overseeing revenue administration, customs and border management, tax system modernization, institutional governance, and strategic stakeholder engagements.

Key Achievements

- **Sustained Revenue Growth:** Delivered revenue growth of 11.1% in Financial Year (FY) 2023/24, 6.8% in FY 2024/25, and 11.4% (July 2025 – March 2026) FY 2025/26, directly supporting the national exchequer.
- **Digital Modernization:** Led major digital initiatives, including the Gava Connect API Platform, eRITS, eTIMS re-engineering, Konza Disaster Recovery Centre, WhatsApp for Business integration, Shuru AI Chabot, Customs Body Worn Cameras, and USSD tax access platform.
- **Institutional Restructuring:** Expanded organizational architecture from a 10-tier to a 14-tier model, creating progression pathways and reintroducing the Graduate Trainee Programme to rebuild technical capability.
- **Strategic Planning & Collaboration:** Led the development and rollout of the KRA 9th Corporate Plan, strengthened multi-agency and international institutional collaboration, and advanced compliance modernization.
- **Resource Management:** Oversaw the prudent management of institutional financial and physical assets in strict adherence to public finance management laws.

➤ **Managing Director, Meghraj Capital Limited, Nairobi, Kenya:** **March 2023 – July 2023**

Led investment banking advisory mandates focused on mergers and acquisitions, equity raising, debt structuring, joint ventures, and cross-border strategic partnerships. Primary market focus included East Africa, India, and Japan, advising clients on strategic transactions and capital deployment—skills directly applicable to attracting Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) to Kenya.

➤ **Commissioner & Vice Chairman, Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA), Nairobi, Kenya: 2017 – 2022**

Served in constitutional fiscal governance leadership with responsibilities for revenue-sharing frameworks, national and county fiscal equity design, and revenue enhancement strategies. Contributed significantly to shaping the key fiscal architecture of intergovernmental finance in Kenya.

➤ **Senior Partner, AFCORP Investments, Johannesburg, South Africa: 2004 – 2017**

Advised African corporates and financial institutions on growth strategy, transaction structuring, capital raising, and expansion execution. Worked extensively across African markets in strategic finance and investment advisory.

➤ **Product Marketing & Business Development Manager, AT&T, Austin, Texas, USA: 2001 – 2002**

Led strategic partnerships and product development initiatives within the finance and health verticals. Negotiated commercial agreements with major global brands, including Citibank, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, MTV, and Intuit. Built a broadband growth strategy and negotiated national access partnerships.

➤ **Marketing Strategy & Business Development Manager, Agillion Inc,**
Austin, Texas, USA: 2000 – 2001

Led market strategy and strategic technology partnerships, successfully negotiating with major entities such as FedEx and Verizon.

➤ **Finance Consultant, World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva,**
Switzerland: 1999

Designed financing evaluation frameworks for maternal and child health systems in developing countries. Supported partnership design across United Nations (UN) and Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) ecosystems.

➤ **Cancer Research Laboratory Technician, Beth Israel Deaconess**
Medical Center / Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA: 1996 – 1997

Conducted molecular and cellular laboratory work, including RNA/DNA purification, PCR, immunohistochemistry, chromatin immunoprecipitation, and drug viability assays. This scientific foundation strengthens my positioning for biotech, genomics, health AI, and precision medicine leadership opportunities.

EDUCATION & ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

▪ **Master of Business Administration (MBA):** *Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA: 1998 – 2000*

- **Major:** Information Systems Strategy & Economics
- **Scholarships:** Nelson Mandela Hope Worldwide Scholarship;
Kaiser Family Foundation Scholarship

▪ **Bachelor of Arts in Biochemical Sciences (cum laude):** *Harvard University, Cambridge, USA: 1992 – 1996*

- **Senior Honors Thesis:** Cloning and characterization of PREIBF: putative regulator of embryonic beta-like globin gene expression.
- **Awards:** Harvard Faculty Scholarship; Howard Hughes Medical Institute Awards

▪ **Secondary Education:** *Alliance High School, Kikuyu, Kenya: 1987 – 1990*

- **Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE),** Ranked 1st nationally in year 1990.
- **Awards:** Recipient of the Dr. Ouko Award for Academic Excellence.

4. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AWARDS

- **Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear (EBS):** Awarded by the President of the Republic of Kenya for distinguished service to the nation.
- **Kenya Institute of Bankers:** Platinum Member (2023 – Present).

ANNEXURE 9:
MINUTES OF THE SITTINGS OF THE COMMITTEE



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
13TH PARLIAMENT - FIFTH SESSION - 2026
DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES
DC - DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS

MINUTES OF THE 28th SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS HELD ON THURSDAY, 14TH MAY 2026, AT 10:00 AM, IN COMMITTEE ROOM 18/19, 3RD FLOOR, BUNGE TOWER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

PRESENT

- | | | |
|--|---|------------------|
| 1. The Hon. Koech Nelson, CBS, M.P. | - | Chairperson |
| 2. The Hon. Maj. (Rtd.) Sheikh Abdullahi Bashir, CBS, M.P. | - | Vice Chairperson |
| 3. The Hon. Yusuf Hassan Abdi, CBS, M.P. | | |
| 4. The Hon. Wanjira Martha Wangari, CBS, M.P. | | |
| 5. The Hon. Luyai Caleb Amisi, M.P. | | |
| 6. The Hon. Mohamed Abdikadir Hussein, M.P. | | |
| 7. The Hon. Kandie Joshua Chepyegon, M.P. | | |
| 8. The Hon. Muratha Anne Wanjiku, M.P. | | |

APOLOGIES

1. The Hon. Odhiambo Millie Grace Akoth, CBS, M.P.
2. The Hon. Kanchory Elijah Memusi, M.P.
3. The Hon. Kirima Moses Nguchine, M.P.
4. The Hon. Kwenya Thuku Zachary, M.P.
5. The Hon. (Dr.) Kasalu Irene Muthoni, M.P.
6. The Hon. Ikana Fredrick Lusuli, M.P.
7. The Hon. Logova Sloya Clement, M.P.

IN ATTENDANCE

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

- | | | |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Mr. Emmanuel Muyodi | - | Clerk Assistant I |
| 2. Mr. Martin Sigei | - | Research Officer III |
| 3. Mr. Lenny Muchangi | - | Legal Counsel II |
| 4. Mr. Salat Abdi | - | Principal Serjeant at-Arms II |
| 5. Ms. Frida Ngari | - | Media Relations Officer III |
| 6. Ms. Maryan Gabow | - | Public Communications Officer III |

AGENDA

1. Preliminaries – Prayers, Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Communication from the Chair.
3. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting.
4. **Approval hearing of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, nominated for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.**
5. Any other Business.
6. Adjournment/Date of the next Sitting.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/136/2026:

PRELIMINARIES

The meeting was called to order at 10.05 a.m., prayer was said and a round of introductions was made. The agenda above was unanimously adopted, having been proposed by Hon. Kandie Joshua Chepyegon, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Wanjira Martha Wangari, CBS, M.P.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/137/2026:

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting was deferred to a later date.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/138/2026:

APPROVAL HEARING OF MR. HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA, EBS, NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS HIGH COMMISSIONER OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA TO OTTAWA, CANADA

Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, appeared before the Committee on Thursday, 14th May 2026, at 10.00 am and was vetted under oath pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E, and the National Assembly Standing Orders.

OBSERVATIONS

The Committee, having considered the nominee's academic credentials and professional qualifications, work and professional experience, personal integrity, as well as his performance during the approval hearing, made the following general observations:

- 1) The nominee is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship in conformity with Article 78 of the Constitution.
- 2) The nominee committed not to participate in any other gainful employment while serving as a State Officer as required by Article 77(1) of the Constitution.
- 3) In accordance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution and the Schedule of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the nominee does not hold office in any political party.

- 4) The nominee indicated compliance with Articles 75 and 76 of the Constitution on the conduct and financial probity of State Officers. He indicated the nonexistence of a potential conflict of interest and committed to declare any should it arise.
- 5) By the set deadline of receipt of memoranda from members of the public, the Committee did not receive any submissions either by written statement on oath (affidavit) or via email from members of the public regarding the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada.
- 6) The nominee presented his academic and professional credentials, made oral submissions during the approval hearing, demonstrating his suitability for appointment in accordance with the provisions of Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F.
- 7) The nominee possesses strong academic credentials, having studied at internationally recognized institutions including Harvard University and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and demonstrated extensive experience in public finance management, corporate finance, investment advisory, and revenue administration.
- 8) The nominee demonstrated substantial experience in public administration and institutional leadership through his service at the Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA) and as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), where he oversaw significant revenue growth and implementation of various digital reforms.
- 9) The Committee found the explanation advanced by the nominee in support of the request to reschedule the approval hearing, on account of an ongoing handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority, to be unsatisfactory. The Committee further noted that the request was unusual for a presidential nominee.
- 10) The nominee would require structured orientation and adequate support in diplomatic practice, foreign policy implementation, and protocol affairs in order to effectively discharge the responsibilities of the office of High Commissioner.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/I39/2026

**ADJOURNMENT AND DATE OF
THE NEXT MEETING**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:49 a.m. The next meeting will be held on notice.

SIGNED: 

DATE: 26/05/26

**THE HON. NELSON KOECH, CBS, M.P.
CHAIRPERSON, DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE,
INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS.**



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
13TH PARLIAMENT - FIFTH SESSION - 2026
DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES
DC - DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS

**MINUTES OF THE 29TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS HELD ON TUESDAY,
26TH MAY 2026, AT 10:00 AM, IN COMMITTEE ROOM 14, 2ND FLOOR, BUNGE
TOWER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

PRESENT

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| 1. The Hon. Koech Nelson, CBS, M.P. | - Chairperson |
| 2. The Hon. Wanjira Martha Wangari, CBS, M.P. | |
| 3. The Hon. Kanchory Elijah Memusi, M.P. | |
| 4. The Hon. (Dr.) Kasalu Irene Muthoni, M.P. | |
| 5. The Hon. Kirima Moses Nguchine, M.P. | |
| 6. The Hon. Kandie Joshua Chepyegon, M.P. | |
| 7. The Hon. Luyai Caleb Amisi, M.P. | |
| 8. The Hon. Muratha Anne Wanjiku, M.P. | |

APOLOGIES

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| 1. The Hon. Maj. (Rtd.) Sheikh Abdullahi Bashir, CBS, M.P. | - Vice Chairperson |
| 2. The Hon. Odhiambo Millie Grace Akoth, CBS, M.P. | |
| 3. The Hon. Yusuf Hassan Abdi, CBS, M.P. | |
| 4. The Hon. Kwenya Thuku Zachary, M.P. | |
| 5. The Hon. Ikana Fredrick Lusuli, M.P. | |
| 6. The Hon. Mohamed Abdikadir Hussein, M.P. | |
| 7. The Hon. Logova Sloya Clement, M.P. | |

IN ATTENDANCE

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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| 1. Mr. Emmanuel Muyodi | - Clerk Assistant I |
| 2. Mr. Bernard Njeru | - Clerk Assistant III |
| 3. Mr. Martin Sigei | - Research Officer III |
| 4. Mr. Salat Abdi | - Principal Serjeant at Arms II |
| 5. Ms. Frida Ngari | - Media Relations Officer III |

AGENDA

1. Preliminaries – Prayers, Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Communication from the Chair.
3. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting.
4. **Consideration and Adoption of a Report on Approval Hearing of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga, EBS, nominated for appointment as High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Ottawa, Canada.**
5. Any other Business.
6. Adjournment/Date of the next Sitting.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/I 40/2026:

PRELIMINARIES

The meeting was called to order at 10.25 a.m., prayer was said and a round of introductions was made. The agenda above was unanimously adopted, having been proposed by Hon. Luyai Caleb Amisi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Kandie Joshua Chepyegon, M.P.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/I 41/2026:

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting was deferred to a later date.

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/I 42/2026:

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A REPORT ON APPROVAL HEARING OF MR. HUMPHREY MULONGO WATTANGA, EBS, NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS HIGH COMMISSIONER OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA TO OTTAWA, CANADA

The Committee having considered the report on the vetting of the nominee, unanimously adopted the report with the following observations and recommendations having been proposed by Hon. Luyai Caleb Amisi, M.P. and seconded by Hon. Kandie Joshua Chepyegon, M.P.

OBSERVATIONS

The Committee, having considered the nominee's academic credentials and professional qualifications, work and professional experience, personal integrity, as well as his performance during the approval hearing, made the following general observations:

- 1) The nominee is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship in conformity with Article 78 of the Constitution.
- 2) The nominee committed not to participate in any other gainful employment while serving as a State Officer as required by Article 77(1) of the Constitution.
- 3) In accordance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution and the Schedule of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F, the nominee does not hold office in any political party.
- 4) The nominee indicated compliance with Articles 75 and 76 of the Constitution on the conduct and financial probity of State Officers. He indicated the nonexistence of a potential conflict of interest and committed to declare any should it arise.

- 5) By the set deadline of receipt of memoranda from members of the public, the Committee did not receive any submissions either by written statement on oath (affidavit) or via email from members of the public regarding the nomination of Mr. Humphrey Wattanga for appointment as High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada.
- 6) The nominee presented his academic and professional credentials, made oral submissions during the approval hearing, demonstrating his suitability for appointment in accordance with the provisions of Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F.
- 7) The nominee possesses strong academic credentials, having studied at internationally recognized institutions including Harvard University and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and demonstrated extensive experience in public finance management, corporate finance, investment advisory, and revenue administration.
- 8) The nominee demonstrated substantial experience in public administration and institutional leadership through his service at the Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA) and as Commissioner General of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), where he oversaw significant revenue growth and implementation of various digital reforms.
- 9) The Committee noted the explanation advanced by the nominee in support of the request to reschedule the approval hearing, on account of an ongoing handover process at the Kenya Revenue Authority, to be unsatisfactory. The Committee further noted that the request was unusual for a presidential nominee.
- 10) The nominee would require structured orientation and adequate support in diplomatic practice, foreign policy implementation, and protocol affairs in order to effectively discharge the responsibilities of the office of High Commissioner.

RECOMMENDATION

Having conducted the approval hearing pursuant to Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution; Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap 7F; Section 20 (2) of the Foreign Service Act, Cap 185E and Standing Order 216(5)(f) of the National Assembly, **the Committee recommends that the House APPROVES the appointment of Mr. Humphrey Mulongo Wattanga as the High Commissioner to Ottawa, Canada.**

MIN.NO.DDC/DIFR/143/2026

**ADJOURNMENT AND DATE OF
THE NEXT MEETING**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting will be held on notice.

SIGNED: 

DATE: 26/05/26

**THE HON. NELSON KOECH, CBS, M.P.
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ANNEXURE 10:
COMMITTEE'S REPORT ADOPTION SCHEDULE