

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

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GUIDANCE ON THE NEWLY ELECTED CHAIRPERSONS AND VICE-CHAIRPERSONS OF COMMITTEES

Honourable Members,

- 1. This guide relates to the Statement that has just been issued by the Chairperson of the Liaison Committee, who is also the Deputy Speaker, notifying the House of the duly elected Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of Committees following the recent reconstitution of Committees. At the outset, I wish to congratulate the newly elected leaders. As I do that, I take this opportunity to remind the new Committee's leadership of the additional responsibility that has been bestowed on them. The success of the respective Committees, and by extension, that of the House, will largely depend on their approach to the call of duty.
- 2. Moreover, Honourable Members, I call upon the new Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons to rise to the occasion and seek to steer the Committees to effectively and efficiently undertake their mandate. In doing so, I encourage them to embrace collegiality, integrity, equity and fairness in the carrying out the affairs of Committees.
- 3. Additionally, the new leadership is reminded of the great duty of oversight that is bestowed to the House by the Constitution, and delegated to Committees.
- **4.** The success of the fulfilment of this role will depend to a large extent on the efficiency of these Committees. Only then will the 'welfare of society and the just government of the people' be guaranteed.

- 5. Having said that, Honourable Members, the Clerk is hereby directed to immediately make arrangements to facilitate the new committee leadership in line with the Constitution, statute, and the applicable Parliamentary Service Commission Resolutions. This will include provision of suitable office spaces for the Chairpersons as well as other administrative support as necessary.
- 6. Evidently, Honourable Members, there are going to be adjustments in the occupancy of offices within the precincts. In this regard, Members who had been provided with office spaces on account of their leadership positions in Committees and who have since ceased being Chairpersons or Vice-Chairpersons are required to relinquish the said offices not later than Wednesday, 19th March 2025 as we seek to settle the new leadership.
- 7. Finally, **Honourable Members**, on behalf of the Leadership of the House, and indeed on my own behalf, I take this opportunity to assure the new Committee leadership of our joint support as they embark on undertaking the mandate of their committees. As leadership, we hope that the Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons will take a keen interest in processing of House business and be present in the House to prosecute matters under their docket.
- 8. The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!

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

Friday, 14th March 2025