

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT (FOURTH SESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL TREASURY

____ (No. 02 of 2020) ____

ON THE NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD

Honourable Members, As you are aware, Standing Order 42(2) and (4) of the National Assembly Standing Orders requires the Speaker to cause the transmission of any Message received from a Cabinet Secretary at a time when the House is not in Session to every Member and later report such Message to the House at its next sitting. In this regard, on March 26, 2020, I did notify you of a Message from the Cabinet Secretary for National Treasury which was received in my office during the period of recess regarding his nomination of persons for appointment to the office of the Chief Executive Officer of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) Board.

Honourable Members, pursuant to the provisions of section 20 of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, 2015 and regulation 4 of the NG-CDF Regulations, 2016, the Cabinet Secretary is asking the House to approve the appointment of **Mr. Yusuf Mbuno** for the position of Chief Executive Officer of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) Board.

Honourable Members, section 20(1) of the said Act, provides that there shall be a Chief Executive Officer of the Board who shall be recruited by the Board through a competitive process and recommendations made to the Cabinet Secretary for appointment, with the approval of the National Assembly. Regulation 4(8) of the *NG-CDF Regulations*, 2016 further provides for submission of a fresh nomination if the National Assembly rejects a nominee forwarded for appointment. Members will recall that the House declined to approve the previous nominee to this position on March 17, 2020.

Honourable Members, section 50(5)(d) of the NG-CDF Act stipulates that one of the functions of the National Assembly Select Committee on the National Government Constituencies Development Fund is to consider and report to the House, with recommendations, names of persons requiring approval by the National Assembly pursuant to the Act.

Honourable Members, in this regard, I hereby refer the name of the nominee, including his curriculum vitae, to the Select Committee on the National Government Constituencies Development Fund to undertake the necessary approval hearings. Thereafter, the House shall consider the nominee in accordance with the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011.

Honourable Members, section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011 requires the National Assembly to either approve or reject the nominee **within fourteen days** from the date on which the notification of nomination is given.

Consequently, the Committee should notify the nominee and the general public of the time and place of the approval hearings, in good time. The notification should therefore be made immediately and the Committee may thereafter commence the necessary approval hearings, and submit its report to the House on or before **Wednesday**, **April 29**, **2020**.

Honourable Members, even as Committees continue to undertake their legislative, oversight and representative duties as required by the Constitution and other statutes, it is important to do so in line with the Speaker's guidelines issued on April 2, 2020 and April 11, 2020 regarding conduct of sittings of the House and Committee meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic period.

I thank you!

THE HON. JUSTIN B.N. MUTURI, EGH, MP SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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