



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**TWELFTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)**  
**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

*(No. 46 of 2020)*

**ON**  
**LEADERSHIP VACANCIES OCCURRING IN RECONSTITUTED**  
**COMMITTEES**

**Honourable Members**, as you are aware, during the morning Special Sitting of today, July 15, 2020, the House approved appointment of Members to various Committees. As indicated by the Chairperson of the Committee on Selection, the reorganization of various Committees, occasion several vacancies in the positions of Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of a number of Committees as follows-

	<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>VACANCY</b>
<b>1.</b>	Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security	Vice-Chairperson
<b>2.</b>	Departmental Committee on Agriculture and Livestock	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
<b>3.</b>	Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation	Vice-Chairperson
<b>4.</b>	Departmental Committee on Education and Research	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
<b>5.</b>	Departmental Committee on Energy	Vice-Chairperson
<b>6.</b>	Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning	Chairperson
<b>7.</b>	Departmental Committee on Health	Vice-Chairperson
<b>8.</b>	Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson

9.	Departmental Committee on Labour and Social Welfare	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
10.	Departmental Committee on Lands	Vice-Chairperson
11.	Departmental Committee on Sports, Culture and Tourism	Chairperson
12.	Departmental Committee on Trade, Industry and Cooperatives	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
13.	Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing	Vice-Chairperson
14.	Budget and Appropriations Committee	Chairperson
15.	Committee on Delegated Legislation	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
16.	Committee on Regional Integration	Chairperson
17.	Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund	Chairperson
18.	Select Committee on Constitutional Implementation Oversight Committee	Vice-Chairperson
19.	Committee on National Cohesion and Equal Opportunity	Vice-Chairperson
20.	Committee on Parliamentary Broadcasting and Library	Chairperson, and Vice-Chairperson
21.	Committee on Members' Services and Facilities	Vice-Chairperson

**Honourable Members**, you may also recall that the House on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 extended the timeline for Committees to elect their Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons by an additional thirty (30) days from Tuesday, June 23, 2020. The thirty days will expire on July 25, 2020. Given the need to adhere to the said resolution and the health and safety measures on fumigation and decontamination of the precincts of Parliament which will commence on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, **I hereby direct all the affected Committees to conclude the necessary elections by end of day on Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

Having said that **Honourable Members**, I wish to bring your attention the provision of Standing Order 179(3) which provides that, and I quote-

***" 179(3) A candidate for election as Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of a Committee shall submit his or her nomination paper, in writing, to the Clerk by 5.00 pm on the day before the election".***

To facilitate the elections to be held tomorrow, Thursday, July 16, 2020 and others to be held on Friday, July 17, 2020, the Clerk has made necessary arrangements and has circulated a **schedule** showing the date and respective times appointed for election of Chairpersons or Vice-Chairpersons of the twenty one (21) Committees. In this regard-

- (i) Nomination forms are to be collected from the office of the Director of Committee Services on the 4th Floor, Room 401, Continental House, Parliament Buildings;
- (ii) For elections that are scheduled to be held tomorrow, Thursday, July 16, 2020, candidates should make arrangements to pick the forms and return them **today by 5.00 pm** in the same office; on the other hand, in respect of the elections to be held on Friday, July 17, 2020, the nomination forms should be returned to the same office by 5.00 pm **tomorrow, Thursday, July 16, 2020.**

**Honourable Members**, I also wish to guide that the reconstitution of the Committees does not affect the usual tenure of the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund as provided for under Standing Orders 207(4) and Section 50(3) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, 2015.

The said provisions stipulate that, once constituted at the beginning of a parliamentary term, the two Committees are to serve for a period of three calendar years and are then reconstituted for the remainder of the parliamentary term. **For the avoidance of doubt, the initial three years will lapse at the end of the current Fourth Session.**

The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you.



**THE HON. JUSTIN B. MUTURI, E.G.H., MP**  
**SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

*Plans*  
Approved.  
*Jehalai*  
*CSJ*

SCHEDULE FOR ELECTIONS OF CHAIRPERSONS & VICE-CHAIRPERSONS OF COMMITTEES

15/7/20

A THURSDAY, 16 <sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2020				
No.	COMMITTEE	POSITION	VENUE	TIME
1.	DC-Agriculture and Livestock	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
2.	DC-Education and Research	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
3.	DC-Justice & Legal Affairs	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
4.	DC-Labour & Social Welfare	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 7, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
5.	DC-Trade, Industry & Cooperatives	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 9, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
6.	Delegated Legislation	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	Main Chamber, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
7.	Parliamentary Broadcasting & Library	Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson	Mini-Chamber, County Hall, Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
B FRIDAY, 17 <sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2020				
8.	Budget & Appropriations	Chairperson	Mini-Chamber, County Hall, Parliament Buildings	10.00 am
9.	DC-Finance & National Planning	Chairperson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	10.00 am
10.	DC-Sports, Tourism & Culture	Chairperson	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	10.00 am
11.	National Government Constituencies Development Fund	Chairperson	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	10.00 am
12.	DC-Communication, Information & Innovation	Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 7, Main Parliament Buildings	10.00 am
13.	DC-Health	Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 9, Main Parliament Buildings	10.00 am
14.	DC-Energy	Vice-Chairperson	Main Chamber, Main Parliament Buildings	10.00 am
15.	DC-Lands	Vice-Chairperson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
16.	Regional Integration	Vice-Chairperson	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
17.	DC- Administration & National Security	Vice-Chairperson	5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room, Continental House	2.00 pm
18.	DC- Transport, Public Works & Housing	Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 7, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
19.	Members Services & Facilities	Vice-Chairperson	Committee Room 9, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
20.	Constitutional Implementation Oversight Committee	Vice-Chairperson	Main Chamber, Main Parliament Buildings	2.00 pm
21.	National Cohesion & Equal Opportunity	Vice-Chairperson	Mini-Chamber, County Hall	2.00 pm

