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REPORT ON THE APPROVAL HEARINGS OF:

- 1. DR. CHRISTOPHER KIPROTICH KIPTOO, NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, THE NATIONAL TREASURY; AND
- 2. MR. JAMES MUHATI BUYEKANE, NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

H.E. His Excellency KRA Kenya Revenue Authority **EACC** Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission DCI Directorate of Criminal Investigations **HELB** Higher Education Loans Board **ORPP** Office of the Registrar of Political Parties **CBS** Chief of the Burning Spear **UDA** United Democratic Alliance ODM Orange Democratic Movement PAPAA Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act 2011 **WDM** Wiper Democratic Movement

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

This report contains proceedings of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning during the approval hearings of Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, the National Treasury and Mr. James Muhati Buyekane, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Economic Planning as requested by H.E. the President and communicated to the House by the Speaker on Thursday, 3rd November 2022.

Pursuant to Article 155(3) (b) of the Constitution, Section 5 of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (No. 33 of 2011 and Standing Order 45(1), H.E. the President notified the National Assembly of the nomination of fifty-one (51) Principal Secretaries to various State Departments vide a letter dated 2nd November 2022. The Hon Speaker vide a communication made on Thursday, 3rd November 2022 conveyed to the House the Message from H.E. the President and subsequently referred names of the nominees, curricula vitae, and the report of the Selection Panel on their recruitment to Departmental Committees for approval hearings. While referring the matter to the Committees, the Speaker directed that the Committees undertake the vetting exercise within twenty-eight (28) days pursuant to Section 8 of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (No. 33 of 2011). The Speaker further directed the Clerk of the National Assembly to notify the nominees and the general public by placing adverts in two newspapers of nationwide circulation and the Parliamentary Website of the time and place of holding the approval hearings by Friday, 4th November 2022.

In compliance with Article 118 (b) of the Constitution and section 6 (4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011), the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media on Friday, 4th November 2022 informing the public of the nomination, date, time and place of the approval hearing. He also invited the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (affidavit) on the suitability of the nominees in conformity with section 6 (9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011). The memoranda were to be received on or before Friday, 11th November 2022 at 5.00 p.m. (East African Time). At the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had not received any memorandum for or against the nominee's suitability.

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

The nominees appeared before the Committee on Monday, 14th November 2022 for vetting. The Committee examined their suitability based on the criteria set out in Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011). In addition, the Committee examined their academic credentials, relevant experience, knowledge of sector issues and on leadership and integrity. The Committee paid due regard to the procedure used to arrive at the nominees; any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question and the suitability of the nominees for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominees' abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the State Departments.

However on 15th November, 2022 the Employment and Labour relations Court in Constitutional Petition No E186 of 2022 granted ex-parte conservatory orders temporarily staying the vetting process with respect to nominees for appointment as Principal Secretary pending hearing and

determination of Petitioner's application. However, on 29th November, 2022 the Court vacated the stay. Consequently, the Speaker issued a Communication no 023/22 dated 29th November, 2022 directing the Committees to resume the vetting process.

The Committee observed that, Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, the National Treasury holds a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Finance (International Macroeconomics Finance Specialization) and a career life spanning 29 years in public service that includes stints at the Central Bank of Kenya in different capacities, the Capital Market Authority, the Office of the Prime Minister including working as Director Economic Policy Coordination Unit/Advisor, Principal Secretary State Department of Trade and the Principal Secretary of the State Department of Environment and Forestry.

Regarding Mr. James Muhati Buyekane, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Economic Planning, the Committee observed that the nominee holds a Master of Science (MSC), in Information Systems from the University of Nairobi and a career life spanning thirty-one (31) years, this has been majorly in Information Technology field of expertise as opposed to Economic planning as is the main requirement of the position. However, the Committee noted that the nominee had background knowledge in Statistics which is a key requirement for the Job holder in the State Department in Economic Planning. Further, having served as the Head of Information Systems Operations Delivery at Kenya Airways, ICT Director at the IEBC, and currently as the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary Huduma Kenya, the nominee has demonstrated the requisite managerial skills required to guide staff at the State Department effectively.

Committee Recommendation

The Committee held approval hearings of the nominees regarding their suitability and observed that due process was followed on the recruitment process as provided for under Article 155(3) (b) of the Constitution and the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval Act) (No. 33 of 2011). In the foregoing, the Committee recommends that the National Assembly APPROVES, the nomination of Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo for appointment as Principal Secretary, the National Treasury and Mr. James Muhati Buyekane, for appointment as Principal Secretary, the State Department for Economic Planning.

Acknowledgments

The Committee registers its appreciation to the Offices of the Speaker, Office of the Clerk of the National Assembly, Office of the Director, Departmental Committees and the Committee Secretariat for the logistical support extended during the vetting process.

In addition, the Committee thanks the nominees for their cooperation during the vetting process. Finally, the Committee appreciates KRA, EACC, DCI, HELB and ORPP for providing references and background checks relating to the suitability of the nominees.

I acknowledge and appreciate Members of the Committee for their patience, sacrifice and commitment which enabled the Committee to complete the task within the required timelines.

On behalf of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning, and pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011) and provisions of Standing Orders 45(4) and 199(6), it is my pleasant duty to present the Report of the Committee on the approval hearings of Dr. Christopher Kiptoo, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary for the National Treasury and Mr. James Muhati, nominee for

appointment as Principal Secretary for the State Department of Economic Planning for debate and adoption by the House.

Hon. (CPA.) Hon. Kimani, Francis Kuria, MP . Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning.

CHAPTER ONE

1. PREFACE

1.1 Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

- 1. The Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning is one of the fifteen Departmental Committees of the National Assembly established under **Standing Order 216** whose mandates pursuant to the **Standing Order 216** (5) are as follows:
 - i. To investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned ministries and departments;
 - ii. To study the programme and policy objectives of ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
 - iii. on a quarterly basis, monitor and report on the implementation of the national budget in respect of its mandate;
 - iv. To study and review all legislation referred to it;
 - v. To study, assess and analyse the relative success of the ministries and departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
 - vi. To investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned ministries and departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the House;
 - vii. To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the National Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 204 (Committee on Appointments);
 - viii. To examine treaties, agreements and conventions;
 - ix. To make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation;
 - x. To consider reports of Commissions and Independent Offices submitted to the House pursuant to the provisions of Article 254 of the Constitution; and
 - xi. To examine any questions raised by Members on a matter within its mandate.

1.2 Subjects under the Committee

- 2. In accordance with the Second Schedule of the Standing Orders, the Committee is mandated to consider, Public finance, public audit policies, monetary policies, financial institutions (excluding those in securities exchange), economy, investment policies, competition, banking, insurance, national statistics, population, revenue policies including taxation, national planning and development, digital finance, including digital currency.
- 3. The Committee oversights the Ministry of National Treasury and Planning, Commission on Revenue Allocation, Office of the Controller of Budget and Salaries and Remuneration Commission

1.3 Committee Membership

4. The Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning was constituted by the House on 27th October 2022 and comprised the following Members:

Chairperson

Hon. (CPA.) Kimani, Francis Kuria, MP Molo Constituency

UDA Party

Vice-Chairperson

Hon. (Amb.) Langat Benjamin Kipkirui, MP Ainamoi Constituency

UDA Party

Members

Hon. Kipkoros, Joseph Makilap, MP Baringo North Constituency UDA Party

Hon. (CPA.) Rutto Julius Kipletting, MP Kesses Constituency **UDA Party**

Hon. Biego Paul Kibichiy, MP Chesumei Constituency UDA Party

Hon. Sunkuiya, George Risa, MP Kajiado West Constituency **UDA Party**

Hon. Joseph Kamau Munyoro, MP Kigumo Constituency UDA Party

Hon. Sheikh Umul Ker Kassim, MP Mandera County UDM Party

Hon. Ithinji Shadrack Mwiti, MP South Imenti Constituency Jubilee Party Hon. Oyula, Joseph H. Maero, MP Butula Constituency **ODM Party**

Hon. Okuome Adipo Andrew, MP Karachuonyo Constituency <u>ODM Party</u>

Hon. Mboni, David Mwalika, MP Kitui Rural Constituency WDM Party

Hon. Dr. Ariko John Namoit, MP Turkana South Constituency **ODM Party**

Hon. Keynan, Wehliye Adan,MP Eldas Constituency Jubilee Party

Hon. Machele Mohamed Soud, MP Mvita Constituency ODM Party

1.4 Committee Secretariat

5. The Committee is facilitated by the following staff:

Mr. Benjamin Magut Senior Clerk Assistant /Head of Secretariat

Mr. Joshua Ondari Clerk Assistant II Mr. Benson Kamande Clerk Assistant III

Mr. Salem Lorot Legal Counsel I Mr. Josephat Motonu Senior Fiscal Analyst

Mr. George Ndenjeshe Fiscal Analyst III Ms. Terry Ondiko Fiscal Analyst III

Mr. Andrew Jumanne Shangarai Principal Serjeant-At-Arms Mr. Simon Odhiambo Ouko Assistant Serjeant-At-Arms

Ms. Shamsa A. Abdi Research Officer III Ms. Nelly W.N Ondieki Research Officer III

CHAPTER TWO

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Establishment of the office of Principal Secretary

6. Article 155(1) and (2) of the Constitution provides for the establishment of the office of the Principal Secretary, which is an office in the public service. It further provides that each State department shall be under the administration of a Principal Secretary.

2.2 Nomination of Principal Secretaries

7. Article 132(2)(d) of the Constitution confers upon the President the power to nominate, and subject to approval by the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries. It provides that:

"The President shall nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint and may dismiss Principal Secretaries in accordance with Article 155".

- 8. Article 155 of the Constitution provides that:
 - 155. (1) There is established the office of the Principal Secretary, which is an office in the public service.

(2) Each State department shall be under the administration of a Principal Secretary.

- (3) The President shall—
 - (a) nominate a person for appointment as Principal Secretary from among persons recommended by the Public Service Commission; and
 - (b) with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint Principal Secretaries.
- (4) The President may re-assign a Principal Secretary.
- (5) A Principal Secretary may resign from office by giving notice, in writing, to the President.

2.3 Notification of nomination

- 9. In light of this, H.E. the President nominated fifty-one (51) persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries to various State Departments. The President nominated the following persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries for The National Treasury and State Department for Economic Planning:
 - i. Mr. Christopher K. Kiptoo: Nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, The National Planning; and
 - ii. Mr.James Muhati: Nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department of Economic Planning.
- 10. The Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning has been assigned the role of conducting the vetting of the aforesaid nominees.

2.4 Message from H.E. the President

11. In accordance with the provisions of Article 132(2)(e) of the Constitution and Section 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, H.E. the President vide a letter dated 2nd November 2022, ref OP/CAB.26/4A VOL.1/(49) (Annexure) forwarded to the National Assembly, for consideration and approval, the notification of nomination of fifty-one (51) persons for

appointment as Principal Secretaries to various State Departments. The President nominated the following persons for appointment as Principal Secretaries for The National Treasury and State Department for Economic Planning:

	Nominee	State Department
1.	Dr. Christopher K.Kiptoo	The National Treasury
2.	Mr. James Muhati Buyekane	Economic Planning

2.5 Speaker's Communication and Committal to the Committee

- 12. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 42, the Speaker of the National Assembly on **Thursday, 3rd November 2022** communicated to the House the message from H.E. the President regarding the nominees for appointment as Principal Secretaries for various State Departments. The Speaker informed the House that H.E. the President was seeking approval of the National Assembly on the said nominations before the nominees' appointment.
- 13. In accordance with Standing Order 45(1), the Speaker read the Message from H.E. the President and referred the relevant names of the nominees, their curricula vitae and the report of the Selection Panel on the recruitment process to the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning to conduct approval hearings.
- 14. While referring the matter to the Committee, the Speaker directed that the Committee undertakes the vetting exercise within twenty-eight (28) days pursuant to Section 8 of the Public Appointments Parliamentary Approval Act (No. 33 of 2011). The Speaker further directed the Clerk of the National Assembly to notify the nominees and the general public by placing adverts in two newspapers of nationwide circulation and the Parliamentary Website of the time and place of holding the approval hearings by Friday, 4th November 2022.
- 15. In addition, the Speaker directed that approval hearings should commence on Monday, 14th November 2022 and end on Friday, 18th November 2022. Thereafter, the reports should be tabled in the House not later than Tuesday, 22nd November 2022 to enable the House to consider the reports within the statutory timelines.
- 16. However on 15th November, 2022 the Employment and Labour relations Court in Constitutional Petition No E186 of 2022 granted ex-parte conservatory orders temporarily staying the vetting process with respect to nominees for appointment as Principal Secretary pending hearing and determination of Petitioner's application. However, on 29th November, 2022 the Court vacated the stay. Consequently, the Speaker issued a Communication no 023/22 dated 29th November, 2022 directing the Committees to resume the vetting process.

2.6 Notification to the Public

17. Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011), 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".

18. The Clerk of the National Assembly on Friday, 4th November 2022 placed an advertisement in the print media informing the general public of the intention of the Committee to conduct approval hearings, as provided for by Article 118 (1) (a) (b) and (2) of the Constitution and Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011), which allows public participation in committee proceedings. The advertisement invited the public to submit memoranda, by way of written statements on oath (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominees in conformity with Section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011. The advertisement indicated that the submissions were to be received by Friday, 11th November 2022 at 5.00 pm (East African Time) (Annexure). At the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had not received any memorandum for or against the suitability of the nominees.

2.7 Notification to the Nominee

19. The Clerk of the National Assembly vides an advertisement placed in the print media on Friday, 4th November 2022 and letters Ref. NA/DDC/F&NP/VETT/2022/001 and Ref. NA/DDC/F&NP/VETT/2022/002 informed the nominees of the nomination by H.E. the President and requested them to appear for vetting by the Departmental Committee at County Hall, Mini Chamber. The Clerk of the National Assembly further requested the nominees to bring with them their clearance certificates from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP).

2.8 Clearance Requirements

20. On 7th November, 2022 the Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) and Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) requesting for tax, education loans, integrity, affiliation to political parties and criminal record status of the nominees. The following institutions wrote back to the National Assembly clearing the nominees: KRA (letter Ref. KRA/5/1002/5(8179) dated 14th November 2022); DCI (letter Ref. DCI/CRO/SEC/6/7/2/A/VOL.XI/208 dated 10th November 2022); EACC (letter Ref. EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXI (70) dated 11th November 2022); HELB (letter Ref. HELB/RR/112009/190 dated 10th November 2022); and ORPP (letter Ref. RPP/ORG/34 VOL. VI (41) dated 10th November 2022.

2.9 Report of the Selection Panel on the Nomination of Principal Secretaries

- 21. Pursuant to Article 155 (3) (a) of the Constitution, the Public Service Commission invited applications from suitably qualified persons for the position of Principal Secretary. The advertisement was published in the print media, Kenya Gazette No. 10536 and on the Commission's Website on 7th September 2022 with a closing date of 20th October 2022.
- 22. On 20th September 2022, the Commission extended the advertisement period by seven (7) days. The advertisement period lapsed on 27th September 2022 with a total of nine thousand one hundred and fifty-four (9,154) persons submitting applications for consideration.
- 23. Four hundred and seventy-seven (477) candidates were shortlisted from 3rd to 6th October 2022 and a further review was done on 7th October 2022 to bring the shortlist to five hundred and eighty-five (585) candidates to cater for gender, marginalised/minority groups and PWDs

- pursuant to Article 232 (1) (h) of the Constitution. Interviews for the shortlisted persons were conducted from 12th to 22nd October 2022.
- 24. The Public Service Commission adhered to all provisions of the Constitution in the process of advertising, shortlisting and interviewing the candidates including, merit, gender, ethnic and regional balance.

2.10 Committee proceedings

- 25. The Committee having received the names of the nominees was obligated to conduct approval hearings and make a determination of the nominees' suitability or otherwise within twenty-eight (28) days as provided for in section 8 (1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011).
- 26. The Committee held four (4) sittings during which it examined and reviewed the nominees' certificates and testimonials as well as conducted approval hearings.

2.11 Constitutional and statutory requirements in parliamentary approval of public appointments

- 27. The Constitution and various statutes provide a clear framework for the conduct of parliamentary approval of public appointments. They are listed below:
 - (a) The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011);
 - (b) Chapter 6 of the Constitution (leadership and integrity); Article 10 of the Constitution (national values and principles of governance); Article 124(4) of the Constitution (parliamentary approval of public appointments); Article 118 of the Constitution (public access and participation); Article 232 of the Constitution (values and principles of public service);
 - (c) The Leadership and Integrity Act (Cap. 182);
 - (d) The Public Service Commission Act (No. 10 of 2017);
 - (e) The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act (No. 1A of 2015)
 - (f) The Public Officer Ethics Act (Cap. 183)

2.12 The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011)

- 28. Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act provides for issues that the National Assembly is supposed to consider in relation to any nomination. These are:
 - (a) the procedure used to arrive at the nominee;
 - (b) any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and
 - (c) the suitability of the nominee for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominee's abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is being made.
- 29. Section 6 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act provides direction on the conduct of approval hearings. These are:

- (a) An approval hearing shall focus on a candidate's academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background (section 6(7));
- (b) The criteria specified in the Schedule shall be used by a Committee during an approval hearing for the purposes of vetting a candidate (section 6(8)):
- (c) 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 (section 6(9));
- (d) A candidate may, at any time, by notice in writing addressed to the Clerk, withdraw from the approval process and the candidate's nomination shall end (section 6(10)).
- 30. The period for consideration of nomination is spelled out in the Act. Section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act provides that the Committee shall consider the nomination and table its report to the House for debate and decision within twenty-eight (28) days from the date on which the notification of nomination was given. Section 9 of the Act stipulates that where the House does not meet the prescribed timelines, the nominee shall be deemed to have been approved.
- 31. Pursuant to section 6(8) of the Act, the criteria for vetting is comprehensively contained in the Questionnaire in the Schedule to the Act. The Questionnaire allows Committees to obtain information on, among other thing-
 - (a) Name of the nominee—to enable the Committee to ascertain the regional background and ethnicity of the nominee.
 - (b) Gender of the nominee —to enable the Committee to ascertain the gender of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 27(8) which requires the State to take measures to ensure that not more than two-thirds of members of appointive bodies shall be of the same gender;
 - (c) Age of the nominee —to enable the Committee to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Article 55 of the Constitution on the inclusion of the youth in public appointments;
 - (d) Nationality of the nominee—to enable the Committee to ascertain the nationality of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 78 of the Constitution which requires certain State officers to be Kenyan Citizens;
 - (e) Educational background of the nominee;
 - (f) Employment record of the nominee;
 - (g) Honours or awards given to the nominees;
 - (h) Membership of the nominee to professional bodies;
 - (i) Public office and political affiliations held by the nominee —to enable the Committee to ascertain whether the nominee holds office in a political party. This is to ensure compliance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution which precludes appointed State officers from holding office in a political party;
 - (j) Information on whether the nominee has been removed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution which prohibits a State Officer who has been removed from office under Article 75 (3) of the Constitution from holding any other State Office;
 - (k) Nominee's finances;
 - (l) Outside commitments that the nominee intends to undertake while in office (if appointed). Article 77(1) of the Constitution prohibits a full-time State Officer from participating in any other gainful employment;
 - (m) The tax compliance status of the nominee;
 - (n) Potential conflict of interest—Article 75(1) of the Constitution bars State officers from engagements or associations that may give rise to conflict between official or public duties and personal interests;
 - (o) Whether a nominee has been charged in a court of law in the past three years; and

- (p) Whether a nominee has been adversely mentioned in a report of Parliament or a Commission of inquiry in the past three years.
- 32. The Questionnaire is largely formulated based on Constitutional and statutory requirements for State Officers and other considerations that are of importance to determine the suitability of a nominee.

2.13 Chapter Six on Leadership and Integrity

- 33. The Committee, in determining the suitability of the nominees, took into consideration the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined under Chapter Six of the Constitution. In particular, the Committee took cognizance of the following provisions
 - i. Article 73(2) of the Constitution provides that the guiding principles of leadership and integrity include-

(a) selection based on 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, favoritism, 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 to service to the people.

ii. Article 75(1) 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 and Article 75(3) of the Constitution prohibits a State Officer who has been removed from office under that Article from holding any other State Office.

iii. Article 77(1) of the Constitution prohibits a full-time State officer from participating in any other gainful employment.

- iv. Article 77(2) of the Constitution prohibits an appointed State officer from holding office in a political party.
- v. Article 78 (1) of the Constitution disqualifies persons who are not Kenyan citizens and persons holding dual citizenship from appointment as State Officers.
- 34. Article 10(2) of the Constitution provides for the national values and principles of governance which include patriotism, national unity, sharing and devolution of power, the rule of law, democracy and participation of the people; human dignity, equity, social justice, inclusiveness, equality, human rights, non-discrimination and protection of the marginalised; good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability; and sustainable development.
- 35. Article 118 of the Constitution obligates Parliament to conduct its business openly, and that its sittings and those of its committees shall be in public; and that Parliament shall facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its committees. It also provides that Parliament may not exclude the public, or any media, from any sitting unless in exceptional circumstances the relevant Speaker has determined that there are justifiable reasons for the exclusion.

2.14Article 124(4) of the Constitution on parliamentary approval of public appointments

36. Article 124(4) 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; the committee's recommendation shall be tabled in the House for approval. The committee and the House proceedings shall be in public.

2.15 Article 232 of the Constitution on Values and Principles of Public Service

37. Article 232 of the Constitution provides for the values and principles of public service which include high standards of professional ethics; efficient, effective and economic use of resources; responsive, prompt, effective, impartial and equitable provision of services; involvement of the people in the process of policy-making; accountability for administrative acts; transparency and provision to the public of timely, accurate information; fair competition and merit as the basis of appointments and promotions; representation of Kenya's diverse communities; and affording adequate and equal opportunities for appointment, training and advancement, at all levels of the public service of men and women; the members of all ethnic groups; and persons with disabilities.

2.16The Leadership and Integrity Act

- 38. The Leadership and Integrity Act provides a number of obligations to a State officer. These are, among others: to respect and abide by the Constitution and the law, public trust, performance of duties in an honest and accountable manner, professionalism, financial integrity, not to engage in activities that amount to an abuse of office, not to misuse public resources, accepting gifts that may compromise the officer's duties, wrongful or unlawful acquisition of property, and conflict of interest.
- 39. In addition, section 10 of the Leadership and Integrity Act, 2012 in particular provides that a State officer shall, to the best of their ability—
 - (a) carry out the duties of the office efficiently and honestly;
 - (b) carry out the duties in a transparent and accountable manner;
 - (c) keep accurate records and documents relating to the functions of the office; and
 - (d) report truthfully on all matters of the organization which they represent.

2.17 The Public Service Commission Act (No. 10 of 2017)

- 40. Section 46 and section 47 of the Public Service Commission Act, 2017 guide the Public Service Commission generally in nominating or recommending persons for appointment to public office; and specifically, with regard to recommending the appointment of Principal Secretaries, respectively. Section 46(1) requires the Public Service Commission when nominating or recommending public appointments, to—
 - (a) abide by the Constitutional requirement of fair competition and merit as a basis of appointment; and
 - (b) ensure that the appointment facilitates the achievement of a representative public service.
- 41. With regard to recommending the appointment of Principal Secretaries, Section 47(2), (3) and (4) of the Public Service Commission Act provide as follows—
 - (2) A person is eligible for appointment as a Principal Secretary if the person—

- (i) is a citizen of Kenya;
- (ii) holds a degree from a university recognized in Kenya;
- (iii) has at least ten years of relevant professional experience, five years of which should have been in a leadership position or at a top management level in the public service or private sector;
- (iv) possesses general knowledge of the organization and functions of Government;
- (v) demonstrates an understanding of the goals, policies and developmental objectives of the nation;
- (vi) has demonstrable leadership and management capacity including knowledge of financial management and strategic people management; and
- (vii) meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.
- (3) The Commission shall, in making the recommendations under this section, submit to the President a list of nominees for an appointment, paying attention to inclusiveness in terms of gender, Kenya's diverse communities, persons with disabilities and the youth.
- (4) In case of a rejection of a nominee or nominees by the President, the Commission shall recommend a fresh list of nominees from those interviewed by the Commission.

2.18 The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act

42. Section 5 of the Public Service (Values and Principles) Act provides that a public officer shall maintain high standards of professional ethics, including, being honest; displaying high standards of integrity, transparency, accountability, respect to others, objectivity, patriotism, and observance of rule of law.

2.19 The Public Officer Ethics Act

43. The Public Officer Ethics Act provides for obligations to be carried out by a public officer. These include professionalism, carrying out duties in accordance with the law, prohibition from unjust enrichment, avoiding conflict of interest, not using the office as a venue for soliciting or collecting harambees; not acting for foreigners; care of the property; political neutrality, not practicing nepotism or favoritism, giving impartial advice, conducting private affairs in a way that maintains public confidence, bar from sexual harassment, and submission of the declaration of income, assets and liabilities once every two years.

CHAPTER THREE

3. APPROVAL HEARINGS

- 44. The Committee conducted approval hearings for the nominees on Monday, 14th November 2022. In conducting the vetting exercise, the Committee was guided by, among other documents, the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011), the Public Service Act and the Standing Orders.
- 45. The Committee examined the nominees using the criteria in the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011). The Committee also considered the following in vetting the nominees:
 - a. Academic qualifications
 - b. Employment record and work experience
 - c. Professional association
 - d. Public office, political activities and affiliations
 - e. Potential conflict of interest
 - f. Suitability to the position
 - g. Tax compliance
 - h. Vision and leadership
 - i. Integrity
 - j. Expectations and Key priorities

3.1 Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo

46. Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo was orally interviewed by the Committee and responded to questions during vetting as follows:

3.1.1 Personal Background

47. He is a Kenyan citizen with identity card number 9958087 and was born in Elgeyo Marakwet County in 1967.

3.1.2 Educational Background

- 48. The nominee holds a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Finance (International Macroeconomics Finance Specialization) he attended the University of Nairobi in 2007 and a Master of Science (MSc) Degree (Ag. Economics) from Egerton University.
- 49. He sat for his 'A' level examinations at St. Patricks Boys High School in 1988 and his 'O' level examinations at Kapsabet Boys High School School in 1996.

3.1.3 Work experience/career progression

- 50. The nominee has worked in the public sector all his career life in the following capacities:
 - i) From 1993 1996 he was employed by the National Cereal and Produce Board to work as an Economist in the Forward and Planning Department;

- ii) From 1997 to July 2000, he was employed by the Central Bank of Kenya to work as Assistant Superintendent/ Bank Officer I in Research Department;
- iii) From August 2000 to November 2001, he was seconded by the Central Bank of Kenya to IMF Kenyan Office to work as Research/Administrative Assistant;
- iv) Between December 2001 to November 2008, he rose ranks from an Assistant Manager/Economist in Research Department to the position of Senior Manager, Balance of Payments and Regional Integration Division Research Department at the Central Bank of Kenya where;
- v) From January 2008 to November 2008, he assumed the position of a Senior Advisor to the CEO and manager, Special Projects in the Capital Market Authority;
- vi) Between January 2009 to March 2010, he served as Deputy Advisor to the Prime Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister;
- vii) From March 2009 to March 2010, he served as Director Economic Policy Coordination Unit/Advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister;
- viii) From December 2012 to November 2015, he served as Country Director of Kenya in the Trademark East Africa;
- ix) From December 2015 to January 2020, he served as Principal Secretary State Department of Trade;
- x) Since February 2020 to date, he has served as the Principal Secretary of the State Department of Environment and Forestry.

3.1.4 Professional Associations & Affiliations

51. The nominee is professionally affiliated with the Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI), Harare, Zimbabwe and Kenya Institute of Bankers (KIB).

3.1.5 Honors and Awards

52. The nominee has received several awards including Best Partner of the year, Best Trade Negotiator, Chief of the Burning Spear (CBS), Graduate Fellow in Macroeconomics Management, Associate of Kenya Institute of Bankers and Best All-Round Student.

3.1.6 Clearance Requirements

53. The Committee confirmed that the nominee had been cleared by KRA. ORPP, DCI, EACC and HELB, having obtained clearance certificates to that effect.

3.1.7 Other issues under consideration

To examine the suitability or otherwise of the nominee, the Committee posed questions to the nominee in the following thematic areas:

a) Regarding the high cost of living, the nominee informed the Committee that the high cost of living had been brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic, the war between Russia and Ukraine, and climate change. These three factors had affected the supply chain of goods. He informed the Committee that if appointed, he would address the issue by ensuring an increase in agriculture

production by giving farmers agricultural inputs such as fertilizer and seeds at a subsidized price. He will also ensure that Kenya transitions from fossil energy to renewable energy.

- b) On increasing the tax base without affecting the people, the nominee informed the Committee that if appointed, he would come up with a structured way in which KRA would engage stakeholders and ensure that businesses are supported instead of closing them down, reduce revenue leakages, finding the optimal rate of taxation, streamlining the procurement of goods and service to ensure that that there is value for money.
- c) On wealth tax, the nominee informed the Committee that if approved, he would focus on increasing capital gain tax from the current 5% to 15%.
- d) On austerity measures to curb government spending, the nominee informed the Committee that he would ensure a reduction of unnecessary expenditure on non-essential items. He also said he would champion for review of procurement laws to ensure the prudent use of government resources. These were to be short-term measures.
- e) On the balance of payment and forex reserves, the nominee informed the Committee that he would ensure that the National Cereal Produce Board is well financed so that it would stock enough food to be utilized during the food crisis. He would also ensure the complete implantation of the export strategy.
- f) On National Tax Policy, the nominee regretted that the country had taken too long to implement a national tax policy. He noted that putting in place the stated policy will be one of his immediate actions, including modernizing the Income Tax Act.
- g) On the National Government Constituency Development Fund (NG-CDF), the nominee appreciated the impact the NG-CDF has had in the country. He noted that the CDF Act of 2013 was nullified and not the NG-CDF Act of 2015. He promised that he would continue following up on the matter with the Attorney General's Office.
- h) On pending bills, the nominee informed the Committee that many government departments were facing challenges of pending bills because most of them were either not requesting funds on time or were requesting funds when they were unavailable. He stated that he would work with all government departments to ensure proper and timely planning.
- i) On public debt and bilateral and multi-lateral financial relations, the nominee said he would work with other State Departments to ensure prioritisation of locally found goods before importing. He would also engage the financial partners on the rescheduling of repayment of debts.
- j) On the Public Private Partnership (PPP), the nominee said that he supported the arrangement; however, he would look into some of the loss-making government parastatals and recommend their privatization.
- k) On the operationalization of the Equalisation Fund, the nominee said he was not privy to the non-operationalisation of the Fund and, as a matter of urgency, if approved and appointed, he would look into the issue once he assumes office.

- 1) On leadership and integrity, the nominee informed the Committee that since he was appointed to serve in public office, he had always brought honour to all positions he held. He reiterated that he would continue to conduct himself with integrity and comply with all constitutional and statutory provisions governing State officers.
- m) On the management of Financial Management Systems and Standards (IFMIS), the nominee informed the Committee that he interacted with the system, but he had no history of when it started and its maintenance costs. He promised that he would acquaint himself with its operations to ensure full compliance and value for money.
- n) On the Existence of the Government Contract Act, he said that he was aware of the Act but had not read it. He said he was unaware of any Government assets that had been used as collateral against any loan advanced to the Government. He pledged to adhere to the principles of the Constitution by being open and transparent.
- o) On financial and human resource mobilisation, the nominee informed the Committee that he would ensure that staff is supported and motivated for them to perform.
- p) On the National Government Constituencies Development Fund, the nominee indicated that he was aware that a legal opinion had been sought with the Office of the Attorney-General and that if appointed, he would follow up on the matter.
- q) On interest rates, he said there was a need for the interest rates to be lowered, and the matter should be addressed more extensively by restricting local borrowing. He said that if approved, he would engage the Central Bank of Kenya and ensure that the issues of high-interest rates are addressed; and
- r) On the Hustler Fund, the nominee said that he knew the regulations governing the fund were published and would engage relevant institutions to devise ways of administering the funds.

3.2 Mr. James Muhati Buyekane

Mr. James Muhati Buyekane was orally interviewed by the Committee and responded to questions during vetting as follows:

3.2.1 Personal Background

54. Mr. James Muhati Buyekane is a Kenyan citizen with identity card number 9217763 and was born in Kakamega County in 1967.

3.2.2 Educational Background

- 55. The nominee holds a Master of Science (MSC), in Information Systems from the University of Nairobi (2007) and a Bachelor of Science degree (BSc) from Kenyatta University (1990).
- 56. He sat for his 'A' level examinations at Kakamega High School in 1986, his 'O' level examinations at Mukumu Boys High School in 1984 and his Certificate of Primary Education at Matende Primary School in 1980.

3.2.3 Work experience/career progression

- 57. The nominee is currently serving as the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary of Huduma Kenya.
- 58. The nominee has also worked in the following capacities:
 - i) From June 2015 to March 2020, he was the Director, of ICT at the IEBC.
 - ii) From July 2009 to May 2015, he served as the Head of IS Operations Delivery at Kenya Airways.
 - iii) From 2003 to 2009, he was the Area IT Manager, at East Africa, Chevron (Caltex).
 - iv) From 2002 to 2003, he was the Kenya IT Country Coordinator, Caltex Oil Kenya LTD (Chevron Texaco).
 - v) From 1998 to 2002, he was Assistant Manager of Information Technology at Caltex Oil Kenya Ltd.
 - vi) From July to December 2000, he served as the Information Technology Manager at Caltex Oil Mauritius, Mauritius.
 - vii) From 1995 to 1998 he was employed as the Senior Systems Analyst/ Assistant Computer Manager at the Co-operative Insurance Company of Kenya Ltd (CIC)
 - viii) From 1991 to 1994 he was employed as a Systems Analyst/ Programmer, at the Ministry of Finance (Treasury), Microcomputer Information Systems Department.

3.2.4 Professional Associations & Affiliations

59. The nominee is affiliated with the professional association of the Computer Society of Kenya and the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA).

3.2.5 Honors and Awards

60. Mr. James Muhati Buyekane has not been awarded any honor.

3.2.6 Clearance Requirements

61. The Committee confirmed that the nominee had been cleared by KRA, ORPP, DCI, EACC and HELB, having obtained clearance certificates to that effect.

3.2.7 Other issues under consideration

- 62. To examine the suitability or otherwise of the nominee, the Committee posed questions to the nominee in the following thematic areas:
 - a) On how he will handle economic planning, the nominee informed the Committee that if appointed, he would use the knowledge he gained on economics and statistics while studying at the University.
 - b) On the National Census and Housing Surveys, the nominee informed the Committee that data collection in the Country was labor-intensive and required advanced technology. He would

put measures in place to ensure that quality data is collected and would seek more funding from Parliament to promote data quality.

- c) On Population Policy Management, he said he was aware of Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2012 developed by then Minister for National Planning, Hon. Wycliffe Oparanya. He said that if approved, he would put mechanisms in place to fund TVETs to develop a skilled workforce for export.
- d) On NG-CDF, the nominee informed the Committee that the fund came in as an equalizer. He noted a need for an increase in the funds allocated to the Constituencies. He also promised to continue following up on the matter with the Office of the Attorney General.
- e) On leadership and integrity, he said that he would be a role model in the department that he would be heading and would ensure that all the staff was compliant with the law.
- f) On National and Sectoral Development Planning, he said that he would come up with a multi-sectoral approach and create a forum where they would prioritise essential issues. He also promised to support the counties ensuring each county had a trained economist to increase their number from 18 to 47.
- g) Regarding the allegations that he was appointed as the CEO of Huduma Kenya under unclear circumstances, he stated that the allegations were untrue and that he was duly appointed to that position.

CHAPTER FOUR

4. OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS

- 4.1 The suitability of Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo to serve as Principal Secretary, the National Treasury
- 63. The Committee having considered the nominee's filled Questionnaire pursuant to Section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act and the requirements of Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, the nominee's curriculum vitae, and having heard his oral submission during the approval hearing, made the following observations on his suitability for appointment to the position of Principal Secretary for the National Treasury, THAT-
 - (a) in accordance with Article 78(1) (2) of the Constitution, he is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship;
 - (b) he holds a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Finance (International Macroeconomics Finance Specialization). He attended the University of Nairobi in 2007 and a holds Master of Science (MSc) Degree (Ag. Economics) from Egerton University.
 - (c) the nominee has worked in the public sector in his career life spanning 29 years and has had stints at the Central Bank of Kenya in different capacities, the Capital Market Authority, the Office of the Prime Minister including working as Director of Economic Policy Coordination Unit/Advisor, Principal Secretary State Department of Trade and the Principal Secretary of the State Department of Environment and Forestry;
 - (d) the nominee satisfies the requirements of section 47(2) of the Public Service Commission Act (No. 10 of 2017);
 - (e) the nominee presented his academic credentials and professional certificates and demonstrated his experience in accordance with the provisions of Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011);
 - (f) the nominee satisfies the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity;
 - (g) he has never been charged in a Court of Law in the last three years;
 - (h) as stipulated in Article 75(1) of the Constitution, he has no potential conflict of interest;
 - (i) the nominee satisfies the requirements of Article 77(1) of the Constitution in that he does not intend to participate in any other gainful employment;
 - (j) the nominee does not hold office in any political party hence satisfies the provisions of Article 77(2) of the Constitution;
 - (k) he has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1) (conflict of interest), 76(financial probity), 77 (restriction of State Officers) and 78(2) (dual citizenship) of the Constitution;
 - (l) by the deadline of receipt of memoranda from members of the public, the Clerk of the National Assembly had received no memorandum contesting the suitability of the nominee.
- 4.2 The suitability of James Muhati Buyekane to serve as Principal Secretary for the State Department for Economic Planning
- 64. The Committee having considered the nominee's filled Questionnaire pursuant to Section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act and the requirements of Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, the nominee's curriculum vitae, and having

heard his oral submission during the approval hearing, made the following observations on his suitability for appointment to the position of Principal Secretary for the State Department for Economic Planning, THAT-

(a) in accordance with Article 78(1) (2) of the Constitution, he is a Kenyan citizen and does not hold dual citizenship;

(b) the nominee holds a Master of Science (MSC), Information Systems from the University of Nairobi obtained in 2007 and a Bachelor of Science degree (BSc) from Kenyatta University obtained in 1990:

(c) the nominee's career life spans 31 years that includes serving as Information Technology Manager at Caltex Oil Mauritius in Mauritius, Assistant Manager of information technology at Caltex Oil Kenya Ltd, Kenya IT Country Coordinator at Caltex Oil Kenya LTD (Chevron Texaco), Area IT Manager at East Africa, Chevron (Caltex), Head of Information Systems Operations Delivery at Kenya Airways, ICT Director at the IEBC, and currently as the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary Huduma Kenya. From 1991 to 1994 he was employed as a Systems Analyst/ Programmer at the Ministry of Finance (Treasury) in the Microcomputer Information Systems Department.

(d) the nominee satisfies the requirements of section 47(2) of the Public Service Commission Act (No. 10 of 2017);

(e) the nominee presented his academic credentials and professional certificates and demonstrated his experience in accordance with the provisions of Section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act No. 33 of 2011;

(f) the nominee satisfies the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity;

(g) he has never been charged in a Court of Law in the last three years;

(h) as stipulated in Article 75(1) of the Constitution, he has no potential conflict of interest;

(i) the nominee satisfies the requirements of Article 77(1) of the Constitution in that he does not intend to participate in any other gainful employment;

(j) the nominee does not hold office in any political party hence satisfies the provisions of Article 77(2) of the Constitution;

(k) he has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1) (conflict of interest), 76(financial probity), 77 (restriction of State Officers) and 78(2) (dual citizenship) of the Constitution;

(l) by the deadline of receipt of memoranda from members of the public, the Clerk of the National Assembly had received no memorandum contesting the suitability of the nominee.

CHAPTER FIVE

5. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- 65. Having considered the suitability, capacity and integrity of the nominees, and pursuant to Article 132(2)(d) and Article 155(3) (b) of the Constitution, Sections 3 and 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011) and Standing Order 216(5)(f), the Committee recommends that the National Assembly APPROVES the nomination and subsequent appointment by His Excellency the President, of:
 - (a) Dr. Christopher K. Kiptoo to the position of Principal Secretary, the National Treasury; and
 - (b) Mr. James Muhati Buyekane to the position of Principal Secretary, State Department for Economic Planning.

SIGNED ..

.. DATE. 30 11 1222

HON. (CPA.) KIMANI, FRANCIS KURIA, MP

CHAIRPERSON

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND NATIONAL PLANNING



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY 13TH PARLIAMENT - FIRST SESSION (2022) COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & NATIONAL PLANNING

	ATTENDANCE REGISTER				
Date:	30/11/2022	Venue: Weston Hotel, Naimbi			
Time Started: 11.26 KM		Time Ended: 12.41 PM			
AGENDA: ABOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE VETTING OF DR. CHRU KI KIPTOD, NOMINGE FOR APPOINTMENT AS I NATIONAL TREASURY SMR. JAMES MUHATI, NOMINGE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PS FOR ECONOMIC PRANNING					
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MINUTES OF THE 9TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND NATIONAL PLANNING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER 2022 AT 11.00 A.M. IN WESTON HOTEL, NAIROBI.

PRESENT

- 1. Hon. (CPA.) Francis Kuria Kimani, MP
- 2. Hon. (Amb.) Benjamin Kipkirui Langat, MP
- 3. Hon. George Sunkuiya Risa, MP
- 4. Hon. Andrew Adipo Okuome, MP
- 5. Hon. Dr. Shadrack Mwiti Ithinji, MP
- 6. Hon. Francis Kamau Munyoro, MP
- 7. Hon. Joseph Makilap Kipkoros, MP
- 8. Hon. David Mwalika Mboni, MP
- 9. Hon. Julius Kipletting Rutto, MP
- 10. Hon. Umul Ker Sheikh Kassim, MP
- 11. Hon. Joseph Maero Oyula, MP
- 12. Hon. (Dr.) John Ariko Namoit, MP
- 13. Hon. Mohamed Soud Machele, MP
- 14. Hon. Paul Kibichy Biego, MP

- Chairperson

-- Vice-Chairperson

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

1. Hon. Dr. Adan Keynan Wehliye, MP

IN-ATTENDANCE

SECRETARIAT

Mr. Joshua Ondari – Clerk Assistant II
 Mr. Benson Kamande – Clerk Assistant III
 Mr. Salem Lorot – Legal Counsel I

4. Ms. Shamsa A. Abdi – Research officer III

MIN. NO. 37/2022: PRELIMINARIES

The meeting was called to order at twenty-six past eleven o'clock with a word of prayer by the Chairperson.

MIN No. 38/2022:-

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT ON THE VETTING OF DR. CHRISTOPHER K. KIPTOO. **NOMINEE** FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, NATIONAL TREASURY & MR. JAMES MUHATI BUYEKANE, **NOMINEE** FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ECONOMIC **PLANNING**

The report was adopted after being proposed and seconded by Hon. David Mwalika Mboni, MP and Hon. (Dr.) John Ariko Namoit, MP respectively.

MIN. NO. 39/2022:

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at forty-one minutes past noon. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 1st December 2022.

Signed. Chairperson

Date 80/11/2022