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## REPORT ON THE APPROVAL HEARINGS OF:

- (1) MR. IDRIS SALIM DOKOTA FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ASALS & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT; AND
- (2) MS. TERESIA MBAIKA MALOKWE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DEVOLUTION

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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

_	His Excellency
-	Arid & Semi-Arid Lands
_	Kenya Revenue Authority
_	Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
_	Directorate of Criminal Investigations
_	Higher Education Loans Board
_	Office of the Registrar of Political Parties
_	United Democratic Alliance
_	Orange Democratic Movement
_	Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act
-	Pamoja African Alliance
_	Democratic Action Party - Kenya

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### CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

This report contains the proceedings of the Departmental Committee on Regional Development during the approval hearings of Mr. Idris Salim Dokota, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development and Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe, nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution as requested by H.E. the President and communicated to the House by the Speaker on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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) as Principal Secretaries to various State Departments vide a letter dated Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022. The Hon Speaker vide a communication made on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 conveyed to the House the Message from H.E. the President and subsequently referred the 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 for nationwide circulation and in the Parliamentary Website of the time and place of holding the approval hearings by Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.

In compliance with Article 118 (1) (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, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 informing the public of the nomination, date, time and place of the approval hearings. 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, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at 5.00 p.m. (East African Time) and at the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had not received any memorandum for or against the nominees' 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 agencies reported back with negative results on the nominees.

The nominees were set to appear before the Committee on Thursday 17th November, 2022 for approval hearings/vetting, but the same was suspended via a communication from the Speaker dated 6th November 2022 following a Constitutional Petition No.E186 OF 2022 (*Dr. Magare Gikenyi versus the President of the Republic of Kenya and 55 others*) and in Constitutional petition No. E192 of 2022 (*Law Society of Kenya versus the National Assembly and 4 others*) where conservatory orders temporarily staying the vetting process pending inter-parte hearings were granted

The court on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 dismissed the consolidated petitions for being prematurely before the Court and upheld the argument by the respondent in their preliminary objection that there was need for the petitioners to exhaust all statutory mechanisms and that the doctrine of separation of powers should have been considered. Consequently the Hon. Speaker in a communication dated on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 directed all Departmental the Committees to revert to the vetting process from Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, and conclude the process as soon as possible.

The nominees appeared before the Committee on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, 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 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.

### Committee Recommendation

The Committee having held approval hearings/vetting of the nominees regarding their suitability, 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). The Committee therefore, recommends that the National Assembly APPROVES the nomination of Mr. Idris Salim Dokota for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development and Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution.

Acknowledgements

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 Regional Development, and pursuant to Article 155(3)(b) of the Constitution, 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 Mr. Idris Salim Dokota for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development and Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution for debate and adoption by the House.

Hon. Lochakapong Peter, MP.

<u>Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Regional Development</u>

### CHAPTER ONE

### 1. PREFACE

### 1.1 Mandate of the Committee

- 1) The Departmental Committee on Regional Development is one of the twenty (20) Departmental Committees of the National Assembly established under **Standing Order 216** whose mandate pursuant to the **Standing Order 216** (5) is as follows: -
  - (a) investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned ministries and departments;
  - (b) study the programme and policy objectives of ministries and departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
  - (c) on a quarterly basis, monitor and report on the implementation of the national budget in respect of its mandate;
  - (d) study and review all legislation referred to it;
  - (e) study, assess and analyze the relative success of the ministries and departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
  - (f) 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 Appointment)
  - (g) examine treaties, agreements and conventions;
  - (h) consider reports of Commissions and Independent Offices submitted to the House pursuant to the provisions of Article 254 of the Constitution; and
  - (i) examine any questions raised by Members on a matter within its mandate.

### 1.2 Subjects under the Committee

- 2) The Second Schedule of the Standing Orders on Departmental Committees further outlines the Subjects of the Committee, as follows
  - (a) Regional development, including regional development authorities;
  - (b) Refugee affairs;
  - (c) Devolution;
  - (d) Inclusive growth;
  - (e) Arid and semi-arid areas;
  - (f) Disaster risk management;
  - (g) Drought, famine and disaster response; and
  - (h) Post- disaster recovery and rehabilitation.
- 3) The Committee in executing its mandate oversights the State Department for the ASALS and Regional Development and the State Department for Devolution

### 1.3 Committee Membership

4) The Committee was constituted by the House on Thursday 27th October, 2022 and comprises the following Members:

### Chairperson

Hon Lochakapong Peter, M.P.
Sigor Constituency
United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Vice Chairperson

Hon Njoroge Mary Wamaua Waithira, M.P

Maragwa Constituency

United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Hon. Kombe Harrison Garama, M.P. Magarini Constituency Orange Democratic Movement (ODM)

Hon. Kalasinga Joseph Majimbo, M.P. Kabuchai Constituency **FORD-Kenya Party** 

Hon. Hon. Siyad Amina Udgoon, M.P. Garissa County Jubilee Party

Hon. Maina Mwago Amos, M.P. Starehe Constituency **Jubilee Party** 

Hon. Tungule Charo Kazungu, M.P. Ganze Constituency
Pamoja African Alliance (PAA)

Hon. Cherorot Joseph Kimutai, M.P. Kipkelion East Constituency United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Hon. Kahugu Eric Mwangi, M.P. Mathira Constituency

United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Hon. Mawathe Julius Musili, M.P. Embakasi South Constituency Wiper Democratic Movement-Kenya

Hon. Hon. Nabulindo Peter Oscar, M.P Matunga Constituency Orange Democratic Movement (ODM)

Hon. Letipila Dominic Eli, M.P. Samburu North Constituency United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Hon. Abdi Khamis Chome, M.P. Voi Constituency <u>Wiper Democratic Movement-Kenya</u>

Hon. Yakub Farah Salah, M.P Fafi Constituency United Democratic Alliance (UDA)

Hon. Salasya, Peter Kalerwa, M.P Mumias East Constituency Democratic Action Party-Kenya (DAP-K)

### 1.4 Committee Secretariats

5) The Committee is facilitated by the following staff:

### Ms. Halima Hussein Clerk Assistant II/Head of Secretariat

Mr. Ellam Omuhinda Clerk Assistant III

Mr. James Muguna Research Officer II

Mr. Luka Mutua Sergeant-at-Arms II

Ms. Priscilla Wangu <u>Fiscal Analyst III</u>

Ms. Rose Tabuke Research Officer III Mr. Salem Lorot Legal Counsel I

Mr. Joseph Okong'o Media Relation Officer I

Mr. Isaac Wanyama Nabiswa Legal Counsel II

Mr. Edwin Gathongo Gichane Research Officer III

Ms. Maureen Kweyu Audio Officer

### CHAPTER TWO

### 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### 2.1 Legal Framework

- 6) Article 155 of the Constitution provides that:
  - 155. (1) There is established the office of 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.
- 7) 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, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development and State Department for Devolution;
  - (a) Mr. Idris Salim Dokota for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development; and
  - (b) Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe: Nominee for appointment as Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution.
- 8) The Departmental Committee on Regional Development had been assigned the role of conducting the vetting of the aforesaid nominees.
- 9) The following Articles of the Constitution and statutes/provisions were paramount to the Committee as it executes this mandate:
  - (a) Article 10 of the Constitution on the national values and principles of governance;
  - (b) Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity;
  - (c) Article 75 of the Constitution on the conduct of State Officers;
  - (d) Article 77 of the Constitution on restriction on activities of State Officers;
  - (e) Article 78 of the Constitution on dual citizenship;
  - (f) Article 118 of the Constitution on public participation;
  - (g) Article 232 of the Constitution on values and principles of public service;
  - (h) The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011);
  - (i) The Public Service Commission Act (No. 10 of 2017) on recommendation for appointment of Principal Secretaries;
  - (i) The Leadership and Integrity Act (Cap. 182);
  - (k) The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act (No. 1A of 2015); and
  - (1) The Public Officer Ethics Act (Cap. 183).

Article 10(2) of the Constitution on national values and principles of governance

10) 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 marginalized; good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability; and sustainable development.

Chapter 6 of the Constitution (Leadership and Integrity)

11) The Committee, in determining the suitability of the nominee, was guided by the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined under Chapter Six of the Constitution. In particular, Article 73 (2) of the Constitution provides that the guiding principles of leadership and integrity include; the guiding principles of leadership and integrity are listed as selection based on personal integrity, competence and suitability, objectivity and impartiality in decision making, selfless service based solely on the public interest, accountability and discipline and commitment in service to the people.

Article 77 of the Constitution (Restriction on activities of State officers)

12) Article 77 of the Constitution provides that a full-time State officer shall not participate in any other gainful employment and that any appointed State officer shall not hold office in a political party.

Article 78 of the Constitution on citizenship and leadership

13) Article 78 of the Constitution states that a person is not eligible for election or appointment to a State office unless the person is a citizen of Kenya. It also provides that a State officer or a member of the defence forces shall not hold dual citizenship.

### Article 118 of the Constitution on public access and participation

- 14) Article 118 (1) of the Constitution provides that:
  - (a) Parliament shall:
    - (i) conduct its business in an open manner, and its sittings and those of its committees shall be in public; and
    - (ii) facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its committees.
  - (b) 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.

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

15) 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.

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

- 16) Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011), provides for issues which the relevant House of Parliament (in this case, the National Assembly) is supposed to consider in relation to any nomination. These issues include:
  - (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 nomination is being made.
- 17) During the approval hearing, section 6 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011) provides important points, viz:

(a) An approval hearing shall focus on a candidate's academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background (section 6(7), PAPAA);

(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), PAPAA);

(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), PAPAA); and

(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), PAPAA).

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

18) 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 achievement of a representative public service.
- 19) 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 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 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.

The Leadership and Integrity Act (Cap. 182)

20) 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 abuse of office, not misuse public resources, accepting gifts that may compromise the officer's duties, wrongful or unlawful acquisition of property, conflict of interest among others.

The Public Service (Values and Principles) Act

21) 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, observance of rule of law. (Applies in future upon appointment)

The Public Officer Ethics Act (Cap. 183)

These include professionalism, carrying out duties in accordance with the law, prohibition from unjust enrichment, avoiding conflict of interest, not using office as a venue for soliciting or collecting harambees; not acting for foreigners; care of 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, submission of declaration of income, assets and liabilities once every two years (section 26). (Applies in future after appointment)

2.2 Qualifications for appointment as Principal Secretary

23) In conducting the approval hearings, the Committee was guided by Article 155 (3) (b) of the Constitution, section 47 (2) of the Public Service Act and the provisions of Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011).

### 2.3 Message from H.E. the President

24) H.E. the President on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022 communicated the names of the nominees for appointment to the positions of Principal Secretaries, State Departments for ASALs & Regional Development and Devolution to the Speaker for approval by the National Assembly pursuant to Article 155 (3). The Speaker in his communication issued on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 and pursuant to Standing Order No. 42 referred the names to the Departmental Committee on Regional Development to conduct approval hearings and report within twenty-eight (28) days. (Annexure 3)

### 2.4 Speaker's Communication and Committal to the Committee

- Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 42, the Speaker of the National Assembly on Thurssday, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. (Annexure 4).
- 26) In accordance with Standing Order 45(1), the Speaker read the Message from H.E. the President and referred the names of the nominees, their curricula vitae and report of the Selection Panel on the recruitment process to the Departmental Committee on Regional Development to conduct approval hearings.

- 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, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.
- 28) In addition, the Speaker directed that approval hearings should commence on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 and end on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Thereafter, the reports should be tabled in the House not later than Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 so as to enable the House to consider the reports within the statutory timelines.
- 29) However, the Speaker via a communication dated on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2022same suspended the approval hearing process following a Constitutional Petition No. E186 OF 2022 (Dr. Magare Gikenyi Verses the President of the Republic of Kenya and 55 others) and in Constitutional petition No. E 192 of 2022 (Law Society of Kenya verses the National Assembly and 4 others) where conservatory orders temporarily staying the vetting process pending inter-parte hearings were granted.
- 30) The court on 29th November, 2022 dismissed the consolidated petitions for being prematurely before the Court and upheld the argument by the respondent in their preliminary objection that there was need for the petitioners to exhaust all statutory mechanisms and that the doctrine of separation of powers should have been considered. Consequently the Hon. Speaker in a communication dated on Tuesday 29th November, 2022 directed all Departmental the Committees to revert to the vetting process from Wednesday 22 November 2022, and conclude the process as soon as possible after

### 2.5 Notification to the Public

- 31) 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".
- 32) The Clerk of the National Assembly on Friday, 4th November 2022 placed a notification 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 notification gave provision for the submission of memoranda, by way of written statements on oath (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominees, by Friday, 11th November, 2022 at 5.00 pm (East African Time). At the close of the submission deadline, the Committee had not received any memorandum for or against the suitability of the nominees. (Annexure 5).

### 2.6 Notification to the Nominee

33) The Clerk of the National Assembly vide an advert placed in the print media on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 and letters Ref. NA/DDC/RD/VETT/2022/001 and Ref. NA/DDC/RD/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 on Regional Development. 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), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) and Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP). (Annexure 6).

### 2.7 Clearance Requirements

The Clerk of the National Assembly wrote to the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), 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 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2022); DCI (letter Ref. DCI/CRO/SEC/6/7/2/A/VOL.XI/208 dated 10<sup>th</sup> NNovember, 2022); EACC (letter Ref. EACC.7/10/5 VOL XXI (70) dated 11<sup>TH</sup> November, 2022); HELB (letter Ref. HELB/RR/112009/190 dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022); and ORPP (letter Ref. RPP/ORG/34-VOL. VI (41) dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022. (Annexure 7)

### 2.8 Criteria for vetting

- 35) Pursuant to section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011, the criterion for vetting is comprehensively contained in the Questionnaire in the Schedule to the Act filled by the nominees. The Questionnaire allows the Committee to obtain information on, among other things:
  - (a) Name- the Committee will be able to ascertain the regional background and ethnicity of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 232 (1) (h) of the Constitution which contemplates a Commission that reflects Kenya's diverse communities;
  - (b) Gender- the Committee will be able to ascertain the gender of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 27(8) of the Constitution and section 10 (9) of the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Act, 2011 that require 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 -the Committee will be able to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Article 55 of the Constitution on the youth;
  - (d) Nationality-the Committee will be able to ascertain the nationality of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 78 of the Constitution that State officers must be Kenyan Citizens. It is worth noting the Article 78 (3) (a) of the Constitution exempts judges and members of commissions from this requirement;
  - (e) Education background;
  - (f) Employment record;
  - (g) Honours or awards given to the nominee;
  - (h) Membership to professional bodies;
  - (i) Public office and political affiliations held- the Committee will be able to ascertain whether the nominee holds office in a political party. This is to ensure compliance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution that proscribes an appointed state officer 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) 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. It is, however, worth noting that section 7 (2) of the EACC Act, 2011 provides that the Chairperson and members of the Commission shall serve on a part-time basis;

(m) Tax compliance status;

(n) Potential conflict of interest -Article 75(1) of the Constitution bars state officers from engagements or association that may give rise to conflict between official/public duties and personal interest;

(o) Whether the nominee has been charged in a court of law in the past three years; and

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

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

- 37) 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.
- 38) On 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2022, the Commission extended the advertisement period by seven (7) days. The advertisement period lapsed on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 with a total of nine thousand one hundred and fifty-four (9,154) persons submitting applications for consideration.
- 39) Four hundred and seventy-seven (477) candidates were shortlisted from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 and a further review done on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 to bring the shortlist to five hundred and eighty-five (585) candidates so as to cater for gender, marginalized/minority groups and PWDs pursuant to Article 232 (1) (h) of the Constitution. Interviews for the shortlisted persons were conducted from 12<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2022.
- 40) 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

- 41) The Committee having received the names of the nominees was obligated to conduct approval hearings and make 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).
- 42) The Committee held three (3) sittings during which it examined and reviewed the nominees' certificates, testimonials as well as conducted approval hearings.

### CHAPTER THREE

### 3. APPROVAL HEARINGS

- 43) The Committee conducted approval hearings for the nominees on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> 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) and the Standing Orders.
- 44) The Committee examined the nominees using the guidelines 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 MR. IDRIS SALIM DOKOTA - NOMINEE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ASALs & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

45) Mr. Idris Dokota, nominee for appointment for Principal Secretary, State Department ASALs & Regional Development appeared before the Committee on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at 10:20am and was vetted under oath pursuant to Article 152(2) of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary approvals) Act, 2011 and the Standing Orders of the National Assembly. The nominee informed the Committee on the following:

### Personal Background

46) He is a Kenyan citizen of identity card number 24707943 born in Tana River County in 1984.

### **Educational Background**

- 47) On his education background, Mr. Idris stated that he holds Master's Degree in World Economics from University of International Business and Economics, Beijing-China (2015 2016); a Bachelor of Commerce, Accounting and Finance from Pwani University (2010 2014) and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in International economics at University of International Business and Economics, Beijing-China. He did his Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) at Gede Secondary School in 2004.
- 48) The nominee stated that he attended Seminars and Courses on the following areas: Sustainable Investment Promotion by United Nations; New Generation Information Technology by Information Technology Cooperation at International Cooperation Conference in 2019 and a certificate course by BRICS Think Tank International Conference, China

Work experience/career progression

49) The nominee stated that he has worked in National Museums of Kenya since 2008 as an Account Clerk and rose to the ranks to his current position of Planning Officer in the Planning and Strategy Department. He added that he has formulated and implemented policies, strategies, and procedures for the institution and that he has done consultancy, research, and training in both public and private sectors.

Clearance Requirements

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

### Income and net worth

51) The nominee estimated his financial net worth at Kshs. 10.2 million comprising of 100 cattle, 1000 goats, plots, rural and vehicles

### **Potential Conflict of Interest**

52) The nominee declared that he did not foresee circumstances that may lead him to have conflict of interest in the performance of his duties if approved as a Principal Secretary.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

53) The nominee stated that he has helped many schools in his village and paid for school and university fees for a number of poor children.

Integrity

54) The nominee informed the committee that he has neither been charged in a court of law nor mentioned in any investigatory report of a Parliamentary Committee or any Commission of Inquiry in the last three (3) years. He added that he has never been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution.

### Other issues under consideration

55) To examine suitability or otherwise of the nominee, the Committee posed questions to the nominee in the following thematic areas: the nominee responded as follows;

### Mitigation interventions on the worsening drought situation in the country especially in the ASAL counties

56) Mr. Dokota, in his response, informed the Committee that if approved he would implement integrated drought-resilience programmes including building capacities of communities to handle droughts through water harvesting and irrigation, fodder production and storage for use during drought season and implementation of climate-smart agriculture.

### Lack of coordination of different players in their intervention measures in ASAL areas

57) Mr. Dokota stated that he would develop collaborative framework for all the partners and players in ASAL areas to ensure a coordinated approach to solve the issues that ASAL areas face.

## Measures to improve equity in Hunger and Safety Net Program that provide cash transfers to counties

58) The nominee stated that currently the Hunger and Safety Net Program was providing cash transfers to four counties (Turkana, Marsabit, Wajir, and Mandera) yet there were eleven (11) counties affected by the ongoing drought. He added that he would seek to mobilize resources both from state and non-state actors. In doing this, he informed the Committee that he will be seeking its support in provision of additional budgetary allocation.

## Conflict between Regional Development Authorities and county governments and the Ministry of Water and Irrigation

59) Mr. Dokota acknowledged the existence of the Regional Development Authorities Bill, 2021 that had not been passed in the previous Parliament. He informed the Committee that he would seek their support to fast-track the passage and enactment of the Bill. The nominee was of the view that the Bill sought to resolve the conflicts and to clarify the roles of the various Regional Development Authorities.

### Stalled projects

60) The nominee stated that stalled projects in the State Department arose due to pending bills and in resolving this; he undertook to be guided by the recommendations of other state agencies such as the Auditor-General's reports and only implement funded projects.

## 3.2 MS. TERESIA MBAIKA MALOKWE- NOMINEE FOR THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DEVOLUTION

61) Ms. Teresia Mbaika the nominee for State Department for Devolution appeared before the Committee on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at 12:00pm and was vetted under oath pursuant to Article 152(2) of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary approvals) Act, 2011 and the Standing Orders of the National Assembly. The nominee informed the Committee on the following;

Personal Background

62) She is a Kenyan citizen of identity card number 24570379 born in Makueni County in 1985.

**Educational Background** 

63) On her education background Ms. Teresia stated that she holds a Master Degree Masters in Science (Health Economics and Policy) from the University of Nairobi (2013 – 2019) and a Bachelor Degree in Science (Environmental Health) from Kenyatta University (2006 – 2011). She did her Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) at Precious Blood, Kilungu in 2004

Work experience/career progression

- 64) The nominee stated that she served as a Board Member at Nuclear Power and Electricity Board (NUPEA) from October 2015 to Feb 2022 and National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) from February 2018 to June 2021 where she headed various technical Committees of the Boards and facilitated the development, review and implementation of technical policies and projects.
- 65) She added that she also served as a Board Member/Secretary at Kaiti National Government Constituency Development Fund (NGCDF) from March 2013 to 2017 where she mainstreamed the youth and women agenda in the fund as enshrined in law.
- 66) She indicated that she worked in the following institutions and served in various capacities including; Relationship manager at Greenlife Agroscience East Africa Ltd, October 2011 to Dec, 2012; Office and Supplies management at Kenya Institute of Social Work and Development Office Assistant, May June 2011: Nairobi City Council, Department of Public Health as an Intern, May July 2009 and May July 2010 and Kaiti Constituency Development Fund (C.D.F) Office Office Assistant, April 2005 August 2006
- 67) The nominee stated that she undertook trainings courses on effective Governance and Leadership by Institute of Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK) (March 2021); on Finance and PFM (Public Finance Management Act 2012) by Institute for Capacity Development (July 2017); on Risk Management for Board of Directors by Kenya Nuclear Electricity Board (KNEB) (May 2017) and on Human Rights, Ethnicity, Gender and Development by Catholic Justice and Peace Commission (K.U Chapter); (26th 27th Feb. 2010)

Clearance Requirements

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

### Income and net worth

69) The nominee estimated her financial net worth to be Kshs. 119 Million with the sources of income being Board Membership Allowances, Company shares and others from fruit farming.

### Potential Conflicts of Interest

70) The nominee declared that she does not have any persons or matter that may cause conflict with regard to the expectations leadership and Integrity of a public officer.

### Pro-bono/Charity Work

71) The nominee stated that she sponsored secondary school fees for over 130 students, persons with disability with assistive devices such as wheel chairs and other inputs for their needs, greening activities such as supporting purchase of seedlings to plant trees and donated to various fundraisers and community initiatives including churches

### Integrity

72) The nominee stated that she has neither been charged in a court of law nor mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliamentary Committee or any Commission of Inquiry in the last three (3) years. She has also never been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution.

### Other issues under consideration

73) To examine suitability or otherwise of the nominee, the Committee posed questions to the nominee in the following thematic areas: the nominee responded as follows:

### Strategy to fight corruption in the State Department

- 74) The nominee stated that in her previous work place she had not been involved in corrupt practices nor behaved in a dishonest manner. She further informed the Committee that if appointed, she would be guided by the Leadership and Integrity code in discharge of her responsibilities and ensures service delivery in compliance with the laid down laws and procedure. She added that she would refrain from engaging in activities that would lead to conflict of interest.
- 75) The nominee informed the Committee that if approved by the National Assembly, she would work with the county governments to enhance automation of systems and build capacities.

### Role of National Assembly in Devolution

76) Ms. Teresia Mbaika stated that the role of National Assembly in Devolution was resource allocation, oversight of resource utilization and representation of the people from various counties through their area MPs.

### Management of public resources (Article 201 of the Constitution on the principles of public finance)

77) The nominee stated that the principles of public finance outline prudent use of public resources through public participation and compliance with the laid down laws and that she would endeavor to adhere to the constitutional and statutory provisions on public finance.

### Key institutions in charge of management of public resources

78) The nominee explained the roles of three key institutions that manage public resources as the National Assembly which provides for resource allocation; the National Treasury which is the custodian of the national resources and Auditor-General who is in charge of financial audit.

### Functions under the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution that are yet to be transferred to Counties

79) The nominee stated that if approved, she would collaborate with stakeholders and the technical committee to catalyze players using dialogue in order to transfer functions and resources to counties. She further added that county staff would require capacity building to enable them handle all the devolved functions.

Delay in funds disbursement from the National government to Counties

80) The nominee informed the Committee that if approved by the National Assembly, she would engage with relevant stakeholders to understand the cause of the delays in the disbursement of funds to counties and arbitrate any outstanding difficulties.

Challenges facing devolution

81) Ms. Teresia in her submission pointed out some of the challenges facing devolution as lack of enough resources to deliver on their mandate and human resources challenges including ghost workers that contribute to huge wage bill. In addition, she stated that there was lack of technical capacity in delivering some of the devolved functions.

Kenya Kwanza manifesto on promoting generation of own source revenue for counties

82) The nominee informed the Committee that she would focus on building capacity to county staff to enable them identify areas they could collect more revenue to reduce dependency on budgetary allocation from the national government.

#### CHAPTER FOUR

### 4. COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS

- 83) The Committee observations were guided by Article 155 of the Constitution, section 47 of the Public Service Commission Act and section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (No. 33 of 2011) in terms of issues for consideration as follows:
  - (a) the procedure used to arrive at the nominee;
  - (b) any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and
  - (c) suitability of the nominees for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominees' abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is made.
- 84) The Committee having considered the nominees' 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 nominees' curricula vitae, and having heard their oral submissions during the approval hearing, made the following observations on their suitability for appointment to the position of Principal Secretaries;-

#### 4.1 Mr. Idris Salim Dokota

- 85) THAT, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is a Kenyan citizen born in Tana River County and holds a Masters' Degree in World Economics from University Of International Business and Economics, Beijing-China (2015 2016; a Bachelor of Commerce, Accounting and Finance from Pwani University (2010 2014)
- 86) THAT, the nominee has over 14 years of experience in public service in Financial Management, research and policy formulation as well as institutionalization of accountable democratic governance
- 87) THAT, the nominee's academic qualifications, professional training and experience comply with the requirements of section 6 (7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, No. 33 of 2011 and he has demonstrated knowledge of topical and technical issues touching on government;
- 88) The nominee meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having obtained clearance from the following statutory bodies; the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) and the Higher Educations Loan Board (HELB).
- 89) THAT the nominee, according to the records and information availed to the Committee, has never been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report or implicated in any issues that may lead to a conclusion of lack of integrity on his part;
- 90) THAT, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office and does not hold dual citizenship;
- 91) The nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1) (conflict of interest), Article 76 (financial probity) and Article 77 (restriction on activities of State Officers);

- 92) THAT, as stipulated in Article 75(1) of the Constitution, the nominee has not shown any actual or potential conflict of interest;
- 93) THAT, the nominee's financial net worth is estimated Ksh. 10.2 Million comprising of 100 cattle, 1000 goats, plots, rural house and vehicles;
- 94) THAT, he satisfies the requirements of Article 77(1) of the Constitution and does not intend to participate in any other gainful employment during his tenure as Principal Secretary;
- 95) THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Article 77(2) of the Constitution, the nominee does not hold office in any political party as confirmed by the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties vide letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022; and
- 96) THAT, 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 Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe

- 97) THAT, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is a Kenyan citizen born in Makueni County and holds a Master Degree Masters in Science (Health Economics and Policy) from the University of Nairobi (2013 2019) and a Bachelor Degree in Science (Environmental Health) from Kenyatta University (2006 2011).
- 98) THAT, the nominee has over 10 years of experience in public and private service in corporate governance, resource mobilization, and compliance in government financial and strategic management
- 99) THAT, her academic qualifications, professional training and experience comply with the requirements of section 6 (7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, No. 33 of 2011 and she has demonstrated knowledge of topical and technical issues touching on government.
- 100) The nominee meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having obtained clearance from the following statutory bodies; the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) and the Higher Educations Loan Board (HELB).
- 101) THAT the nominee, according to the records and information availed to the Committee, has never been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report or implicated in any issues that may lead to a conclusion of lack of integrity on her part
- 102) THAT, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office and does not hold dual citizenship
- 103) The nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of Articles 75(1) (conflict of interest), Article 76 (financial probity) and Article 77 (restriction on activities of State Officers)
- 104) THAT, as stipulated in Article 75(1) of the Constitution, she has not shown any actual or potential conflict of interest
- 105) The nominee's financial net worth was estimated to be Ksh. 119 Million with the sources of income being Board Membership Allowances, Company shares and others from fruit farming

- 106) THAT, she satisfies the requirements of Article 77(1) of the Constitution and does not intend to participate in any other gainful employment during her tenure as Principal Secretary
- 107) THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Article 77(2) of the Constitution, the nominee does not hold office in any political party as confirmed by the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties vide letter dated 10th November, 2022
- 108) THAT, 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.

### APTER FIVE

### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 109) 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) Mr. Idris Salim Dokota as Principal Secretary, State Department for ASALs & Regional Development; and
  - (b) Ms. Teresia Mbaika Malokwe as Principal Secretary, State Department for Devolution

SIGNED

HON. LOCHAKAPONG PETER, MP CHAIRPERSON

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT



# 1) ADOPTION LIST



### THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### 13TH PARLIAMENT - FIRST SESSION - 2022

### DIRECTORATE OF DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

### DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ADOPTION LIST FOR THE REPORT ON THE APPROVAL HEARING OF MR. IDRIS SALIM DOKOTA AND MS. TERESIA MBAIKA MALOKWE FOR APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ASALS & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### AND DEVOLUTION

DATE:

30/11/2022

VENUE:

Kalama Conference Room, Pride Inn Hotel, Signature Mall

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9.	Hon. (Eng.) Khamis Chome Abdi, M.P.	Meh.
10.	Hon Letipila Dominic Eli, M.P.	Attended Virtually
11.	Hon. Maina Mwago Amos, M.P.	
12.	Hon. Salasya Peter Kalerwa, M.P.	Addended virtually
13.	Hon. Siyad Amina Udgoon, M.P.	of male
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15.	Hon Yakub Farah Salah, M.P.	

# 2) MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE 5TH SITTING OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 2022 AT 6:30 PM IN KALAMA HILL, CONFERENCE, PRIDE INN HOTEL, SIGNATURE MALL

### PRESENT

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- 2) Hon. Kombe, Harrison Garama, MP
- 3) Hon. Cherorot, Joseph Kimutai, MP
- attended Virtually 4) Hon. Mawathe, Julius Musili, MP
- 5) Hon. Nabulindo, Peter Oscar, MP
- attended virtually 6) Hon. Kahugu, Eric Mwangi, MP
- 7) Hon. (Eng.) Khamis, Abdi Chome, MP
- 8) Hon. Letipila, Dominic Eli, MP attended virtually attended virtually 9) Hon. Salasya, Peter Kalerwa, MP
- 10) Hon. Siyad, Amina Udgoon, MP
- 11) Hon. Tungule, Charo Kazungu, MP

### **APOLOGIES**

- Vice Chairperson 1) Hon. Njoroge, Mary Wamaua Waithira, MP
- 2) Hon. Maina, Amos Mwago, MP
- 3) Hon. Yakub, Farah Salah, MP
- 4) Hon. Kalasinga, Joseph Majimbo, MP

#### IN ATTENDANCE

#### COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT

- Clerk Assistant II 1) Mr. Halima Hassan Clerk Assistant III 2) Mr. Ellam Omuhinda 3) Mr. Salem Lorot Legal Counsel I 4) Mr. Isaac Nabiswa Legal Counsel II Research Officer II 5) Mr. James Muguna 6) Ms. Priscilla Wangu Fiscal Analyst III
- 7) Ms. Rose Tabuke Research Officer III Research Officer III 8) Mr. Edwin Gichane
- Audio Officer
- 9) Mr. Job Owaga

### MIN. NO. NA/DC-RD/2022/017:

#### **PRELIMINARIES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with a word of prayer from the Chairperson and the agenda was adopted as filed having been proposed by Hon. Nabulindo, Peter Oscar and seconded by Hon. Tungule, Charo Kazungu.

MIN. NO. NA/DC-RD/2022/018:

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE VETTING OF MR. IDRIS DOKOTA AND MS. TERESIA MBAIKA FOR THE APPOINTMENT AS PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES, STATE DEPARTMENTS FOR ASALs & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND DEVOLUTION

The Committee considered and unanimously adopted its report on the appointment of Mr. Idris Dokota and Ms. Teresia Mbaika as Principal Secretaries, State Departments for ASALs & Regional Development and Devolution respectively with the recommendation that the House approves the appointment of the two nominees.

The adoption of the report was proposed by Hon. Cherorot, Joseph Kimutai seconded by Hon (Eng.) Khamis, Abdi Chome.

MIN. NO. NA/DC-RD/2022/019:

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

There being no any other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:.20 p.m. The next meeting will be held on notice.

Sign Date ///2/2022

HON. LOCHAKAPONG PETER, MP

CHAIRPERSON DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT