



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT– (THIRD SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

_____ (No. 008 of 2024) _____

ON

**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO A MEDIATION COMMITTEE
ON THE EMPLOYMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS
NO. 10 OF 2022)**

Honourable Members,

1. You may recall that on Tuesday 5th March 2024, the House **rejected** a Motion for the Second Reading of the Employment (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 10 of 2022). The National Assembly's rejection of the said Bill essentially remitted the Bill to a mediation committee in line with Standing Order 149(1)(b).
2. **Honourable Members,** Article 113 of the Constitution contemplates that whenever a Bill is referred to a mediation committee, the Speakers of the Houses of Parliament shall appoint an equal number of Members from both Houses to attempt to develop a version of the Bill for consideration by the Houses of Parliament.
3. In this regard, having consulted with the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, I have appointed the following Members to represent the National Assembly in the Mediation Committee to consider the Bill–

- (i) **The Hon. Eric Muchangi, MP – Co-Chairperson**
- (ii) The Hon. Gitonga Murugara, CBS, MP;
- (iii) The Hon. Mary Emaase, MP;
- (iv) The Hon. Lilian Siyoi, MP;
- (v) The Hon. (Dr.) Wilberforce Oundo, MP;
- (vi) The Hon. Irene Mayaka, MP; and
- (vii) The Hon. Ruth Odinga, MP.

4. For clarity, **Honourable Members**, the Mediation Committee will be fully constituted upon appointment of Senators to the Committee. Once I receive a Message from the Senate to that effect, I will convey the same to the House.
5. Thereafter, the Mediation Committee will embark on an attempt to develop a mediated version of the Bill in accordance to Article 113 of the Constitution for consideration by the Houses of Parliament.
6. The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!


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

Thursday, 7th March 2024