

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - FOURTH SESSION (2025)

IN THE MATTER OF ARTICLES 118(1)(B) AND 250(2) OF THE CONSTITUTION

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL) ACT (CAP. 7F)

AND

IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 11 OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS ACT (CAP. 71)

AND

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF A PERSON NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE KENYA NATIONAL COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL HEARING AND INVITATION TO SUBMIT MEMORANDA

WHEREAS, in accordance with provisions of Article 250(2) of the Constitution and Section 11 of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights Act (Cap. 7I), His Excellency the President is empowered to nominate and, with the approval of the National Assembly, appoint the Chairperson and Members of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights. In exercise of the said powers, His Excellency the President has nominated **Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga** for appointment as the **Chairperson of the Commission**;

AND WHEREAS, following receipt of the nomination from H.E. the President, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly vide a Communication made on **Tuesday**, **19th August**, **2025** conveyed the Message to the National Assembly and referred the name and curriculum vitae of the nominee to the **Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs** for consideration and reporting to the House;

IT IS NOTIFIED to the general public that pursuant to Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs shall conduct the Approval Hearing (Vetting) of Ms. Claris Awuor Onganga for appointment as the Chairperson of the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights on Thursday, 28th August, 2025 in Committee Room 26, 5th Floor, Bunge Tower at 10:00 am.

AND WHEREAS, section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F) 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";

IN COMPLIANCE with Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act (Cap. 7F), the Clerk of the National Assembly hereby invites members of the public to submit any representations they may have, by way of **written statements on oath (affidavits) with supporting evidence contesting the suitability of the candidate** for appointment to the office she has been nominated to.

The memoranda may be forwarded to the Clerk of the National Assembly, P.O. Box 41842-00100, Nairobi; hand-delivered to the Office of the Clerk, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi; or emailed to cna@parliament.go.ke to be received on or before Wednesday, 27th August, 2025 by 5.00 p.m.

IT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT the nominee is required to-

- (1) Appear for the approval hearing with her original identity card, academic and professional certificates and other relevant testimonials; and
- (2) Obtain letters/certificates of compliance from the following institutions—
 - (a) The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
 - (b) The Kenya Revenue Authority;
 - (c) The Higher Education Loans Board;
 - (d) The Directorate of Criminal Investigations;
 - (e) The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties; and
 - (f) A Credit Reference Bureau.

S. NJOROGE, CBS CLERK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 20th August, 2025