

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTHPARLIAMENT - (FIRSTSESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

(No.13 of 2022)	
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POSTPONEMENT OF ELECTIONS OF CHAIRPERSONS AND VICE CHAIRPERSONS OF CERTAIN COMMITTEES

- 1. Honourable Members, I wish to inform the House that yesterday, 1st November 2022, I received two letters relating to the ongoing elections of Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons of Committees. The first letter is from the Leader of the Minority Party, the Hon. Opiyo Wandayi, CBS, MP while the second one is from the Member for Kipipiri, the Hon. Wanjiku Muhia, MP
- 2. In his letter, the Leader of the Minority Party sought postponement of elections of Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons of the Public Investments Committee on Commercial Affairs and the Departmental Committee on Energy from tomorrow, Thursday, 3rd November 2022 to Friday, 10th November 2022. The deferment is informed by the need to re-organize membership of Committees in line with Standing Order 174 in view of vacancies arising from the elections of chairpersons and vice chairpersons of Departmental Committees.
- **3. Honourable Members,** on her part, the Member for Kipipiri, the Hon. Wanjiku Muhia, MP notified that she is a Member of the Select Committee on Regional Integration where she is vying for the position

of Chairperson in the elections scheduled to take place on Friday, 4th November 2022. She was concerned that the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Elections of EALA, which she Co-Chairs would be retreating in Mombasa from Friday, 3rd November 2022 to consider matters with statutory timelines. That would disenfranchise her if the elections proceeded as scheduled.

- **4.** The Member therefore sought my **indulgence to reschedule the elections from Friday 4**th **to Thursday 3**rd **November 2022** in order to enable her to participate in the elections and thereafter proceed to attend meetings of the *Ad Hoc* Committee.
- **5. Honourable Members,** I have since acceded to both requests by the Leader of the Minority Party and the Hon. Wanjiku Muhia. In this regard, the elections of Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons of the affected Committees are rescheduled as follows:
 - (a) The Committee on Regional Integration will hold elections tomorrow, Thursday 3rd November 2022 at 3.30pm;
 - (b) The elections by the Public Investments Committee on Commercial Affairs and the Departmental Committee on Energy stand deferred to Friday, 10th November 2022, in the morning, at 9.00 am.
- **6.** The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!

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

Wednesday, 2nd November, 2022