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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (FIRST SESSION)

CONVEYANCE OF PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 006 of 2022)

SEEKING COMPENSATION FOR NYANZA-WESTERN KENYA CAUCUS OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

I, the **UNDERSIGNED**, on behalf of the Nyanza-Western Kenya Caucus of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs);

DRAW the attention of the House to the following:

- 1. **THAT**, in the aftermath of the contested 2007 General elections, the country witnessed unprecedented Post-Election Violence (PEV), which, among other effects, caused massive displacement of persons from their settlements;
- 2. **THAT,** prior to setting up IDP Camps by the Government, a number of the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) who survived the PEV atrocities, particularly in hotspots like Naivasha, Eldoret, Kericho, Bahati, Nakuru and Nairobi, fled to their home regions, got hosted by their relatives without compensation and have therefore been living under undignified conditions;
- **3. THAT,** in order to ensure that IDPs revert to normal lives as soon as practicable, the Government rolled out resettlement programme, including the 'Operation Rudi Nyumbani' programme, which was intended to facilitate IDPs to go back to their original homes under State protection;
- 4. **THAT,** it is in public knowledge that IDPs, particularly those who were in designated IDP Camps were compensated monetarily with amounts ranging from Kshs. 400,000 and above, in addition to allocation of land for settlement;

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- **5. THAT,** the Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs comprises of legitimate IDPs who were registered by various humanitarian organizations, including the Kenya Red Cross and the IDP Network;
- **6. THAT**, like other IDPs, the Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs had legitimate hope that they would also benefit by either being resettled or compensated in order to start their lives all over again;
- 7. **THAT**, to their astonishment, the Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDP were neither resettled nor compensated like their counterparts who were in IDPs Camps in other parts of the country, and have inevitably been unable to recover from the psycho-social and economic damages suffered during and after the PEV;
- **8. THAT,** the Government's failure to compensate the Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs has subjected them to untold pain, suffering and disillusionment that has made them to feel forgotten and discriminated, contrary to Article 27 of the Constitution;
- **9. THAT,** since 2008, representatives of the Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs have, on several occasions, forwarded the Petitioners' concerns to the Ministry for Interior and Coordination of National Government on varying dates, the most recent attempts being on 16th September 2019 and on 30th March 2021 but the Government has not taken any tangible steps to address their plight;
- **10. THAT,** any further neglect of the Petitioner's plight amounts to serious violation and derogation of their inalienable right to fair administrative action, particularly with respect to expeditious administrative process;
- **11. THAT,** the issues in respect of which this Petition is raised are not pending before any court of Law, Constitutional or any legal body;

THEREFORE, your humble petitioners pray that the National Assembly through the Public Petitions Committee;

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- (1) expeditiously interrogate the issues raised in this Petition with a view to determining the circumstances under which for close to fifteen years since the occurrence of Post-Election Violence, the Petitioners are yet to be resettled or compensated;
- (2) cause the relevant Government agencies to ensure that the deserving IDPs under Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs are verified and urgently compensated in order to enable them to revert to a dignified life like their counterparts who benefited from Government resettlement or compensation programmes; and
- (3) make any other recommendations deemed fit in addressing the plight of the Petitioners.

And your **PETITIONER** will ever pray.

PRESENTED BY:

THE HON. (DR.) JAMES NYIKAL, MP MEMBER FOR SEME CONSTITUENCY

DATE: VO\N 2022



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PUBLIC PETITION

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I, the UNDERSIGNED, on behalf of the Nyanza-Western Kenya Caucus of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs);

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THEREFORE, your humble Petitioners are seeking the intervention of this House, through the Departmental Committee on Administration and National security to:

SEEKING COMPENSATION FOR NYANZA-WESTERN KENYA CAUCUS OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

- (1) expeditiously interrogate the issues raised in this Petition with a view to determining the circumstances as to why for close to fifteen years since the occurrence of Post-Election Violence, the Petitioners are yet to receive justice;
- (2) cause the relevant Government agencies to ensure that the deserving IDPs under Nyanza-Western Caucus of IDPs are verified and urgently compensated in order to enable them to revert to a dignified life like their counterparts who benefited from Government resettlement or compensation programmes; and
- (3) make any other recommendations deemed fit in addressing the plight of the Petitioners and upholding the rule of law.

And your **PETITIONER** will ever pray.

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