



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (SECOND SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

_____ (No. 004 of 2023) _____

**ON THE ELECTION OF THE 6TH SPEAKER OF THE EAST AFRICAN
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**


Honourable Members,

1. The East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) is one of the organs of the East African Community and is established under Article 9 of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community.
2. **Honourable Members**, you will recall that the Parliament of Kenya held the election of Kenya's representatives to the East African Legislative Assembly on 17th November 2022 pursuant to Rule 15(1) of the East African Legislative Assembly Elections (Election of Members of the Assembly) Rules, 2017. The Members were subsequently sworn in on 19th December 2022 during the inauguration of the 5th East African Legislative Assembly, whose term will terminate in December 2027.
3. **Honourable Members**, I have since received information that on 20th December 2022, the Members of the 5th EALA elected the **Rt. Hon. Joseph Ntakirutimana** from the Republic of Burundi as the 6th Speaker of the Assembly.

4. Noting the critical role that the Assembly plays in the furtherance of the East African Community objectives, we look forward to working with the new leadership at EALA to ensure fulfilment of mutual goals within the region.

5. **Honourable Members**, allow me, on behalf of the National Assembly and indeed on my own behalf, to convey our congratulations to the **Rt. Hon. Joseph Ntakirutimana** on his election as the Speaker of the Assembly and wish him a successful term in office.

I thank you!


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

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