

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (SECOND SESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

_____ (No. 011 of 2023) ____

SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF PERSONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF THE JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

Honourable Members,

- **1.** Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42, I wish to convey the following Message from His Excellency the President regarding the nomination of persons for appointment as members of the Judicial Service Commission.
- 2. In the Message, Honourable Members, His Excellency the President conveys that, in exercise of powers conferred on him by Article 171(2)(h) of the Constitution and sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approvals) Act, 2011, he has nominated Ms. Caroline Nzilani King'oku-Ajuoga and Hon. Isaac Kiprono Rutto as members of the Judicial Service Commission (JSC).
- **3. Honourable Members**, Article 171(2) of the Constitution requires that the Judicial Service Commission comprise of, among others-
 - "(h) One woman and one man to represent the public, not being lawyers, appointed by the President with the approval of the National Assembly."
- **4. Honourable Members**, His Excellency the President now seeks the approval of the nominees by this House.

- 5. Honourable Members, Standing Order 45 provides that, upon receipt of notification of a nomination for appointment, such nomination shall stand committed to the relevant Departmental Committee for consideration. In this regard, I hereby refer the Message from H.E. the President, the certificate of Presidential nomination, together with the Curriculum Vitae and other testimonials of the nominees to the Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs for consideration.
- 6. Honourable Members, whereas section 15 of the Judicial Service Act, 2011 requires the National Assembly to consider the nominees and either approve or reject them within seven (7) days, section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2012 requires the National Assembly to undertake the exercise within twenty-eight (28) days.
- 7. In this regard, Honourable Members, the Committee is expected to immediately commence the approval process, notify the nominees and the general public of the time and place for holding the approval hearings, and thereafter, table its report to enable the House to consider the matter within the statutory timelines.

I thank you!

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

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