



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI
THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY
THIRD ASSEMBLY- (FIRST SESSION)
COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

NO.15 OF 2022

**COMMUNICATION AS RELATES TO THE VETTING PROCESS FOR
PERSONS NOMINATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS COUNTY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

Honourable Members,

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 197 (2)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 as read together with Section 30 (2)(d) of the County Governments Act, 2012 and Section 6 (1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act 2017, this house was notified of the receipt from H.E. the Governor, the list of Nominees for the County Executive Committee Members.

Honourable Members,

As you are aware that on 16th November, 2022 the list of the nominees was committed to the Committee on Appointments pursuant to Section 14 (3) (a) of the County Government Act as read

together with Section 7 (1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act 2017.

Honourable Members,

The Committee on Appointments Pursuant to the provisions of Article 197 (2)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 as read together with Section 35 of the County Governments Act, 2012 and Section 5 to 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act 2017 and the Kitui County Assembly Standing Orders 184 (4) placed a Notice of approval hearing in the dailies of 17th November, 2022 inviting nominees and members of the public for approval hearing scheduled from Thursday 24th – Friday 25th November, 2022 at the County Assembly precincts.

Honourable Members,

Its worth noting that on 18th November, 2022 my office received a letter from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) referenced EACC 7/10/5 Vol. XXI (90) dated 17th November 2022 directing Assemblies **NOT** to approve nominees for appointment without being cleared by the Commission through the integrity vetting procedure.

Subsequently, on 21st November 2022 I did submit the names of the nominee to the Commission for the same in addition to writing to the respective Universities seeking authenticity of the nominees' degree certificates.

Honourable Members,

As at Yesterday Tuesday 22nd November, 2022 my office had not received the above reports from EACC and Universities respectively.

Owing to the above, I therefore direct postponement of the approval hearing for Persons nominated for appointment As County Executive Committee Members until further notice and direct the Clerk of the Assembly to communicate this decision to the respective nominees and members of the public in the most effective way.

THANK YOU.

HON KEVIN KINENGO KATISYA

SPEAKER OF KITUI COUNTY ASSEMBLY

23RD NOVEMBER, 2022.