



TALKING NOTES BY TWALIB MBARAK, CBS SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DURING THE HANDING-OVER CEREMONY OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DONATED BY UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (UNDP) HELD ON 3RD JULY, 2020 FROM 10:00 A.M. AT INTEGRITY CENTRE

1. Salutations

- **Mr. Walid Badawi** - UNDP Resident Representative to Kenya,
- **Ms. Mandisa Mashologu** - UNDP Deputy Resident Representative,
- Our Chairperson, Archbishop (Rtd) Eliud Wabukala, EBS,
- Commissioners present,
- Distinguished guests from UNDP,
- Members of Staff.

Good Morning!

2. Welcoming Remarks

- I take this opportunity to welcome the UNDP delegation led by **Mr. Walid Badawi** the UNDP Resident Representative to Kenya.
- Today, we are gathered here to receive a consignment of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), which is a donation from your esteemed organization, UNDP.
- This support is anchored on the partnership framework between UNDP and EACC in strengthening **Public Sector Accountability**. I am pleased to note that UNDP has committed approximately **Kshs. 85 Million** toward this noble Programme.
- Under the Programme, the other areas of collaborations, a part from Health and Safety will include:
 - i) Media outreach to sensitize citizens and empower them to proactively participate in governance processes; and
 - ii) Strengthening policy and legal frameworks for combating and preventing corruption.

- I am pleased to confirm that today, the Commission has received the first consignment of Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) worth approximately **Kshs. 9 Million**. I am also aware that acquisition of ICT related items is at an advanced stage. I hope that we will have a similar occasion soon.
- The PPE that we are receiving today, include; hand sanitizers, face shields, disposable surgical face masks, re-usable face masks, digital thermo- guns and hand gloves.
- All these items are critical to safeguard the health, safety and well-being of our approx. 750 employees and hundreds of clients who visit EACC offices and Huduma Service Desks across the Country.
- The Equipment will facilitate business continuity as we re-align our programs to meet the current need by supporting the health sector and county governments to promote accountability particularly during the COVID – 19 period.

3. Appreciation

- **Mr. Badawi**, kindly accept our sincere gratitude for the genuine support you have extended to this Commission. I also wish to thank your team for the expeditious processing of our request and the timely delivery of the consignment. All this has been achieved within **one** month.
- In particular, allow me to appreciate your officer, **Ms. Joan Vwamu** who has been in constant communication with our team that was led by **Mr. Jackson Mue**, Ag. Director, Field Services to actualize the partnership. *Asante*, Joan and the team for your commitment and dedication in making this partnership a reality.

4. Conclusion

- We look forward to more positive engagements with the UNDP as you consider our proposals focusing on media outreach programmes and strengthening of policy and legal framework.
- **It is now my honor to invite our Chairperson, Archbishop (Rtd) Eliud Wabukala, EBS to make his remarks.**

Dated this Friday, 3rd day of July 2020.

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Secretary/Chief Executive Officer