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APPOINTMENT OF THINK TANK ON UNIVERSITY EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Kenyan Universities are in a financial crisis and cannot effectively meet their financial obligations. The crisis is not temporary instability. It is a permanent phenomenon that requires government mitigation. There is need for developing and implementing a new framework if Kenyan public universities have to survive.

In this regard, I hereby appoint the following as members of a **Think Tank** on University Education and Research:

Chairman

Professor Egara Kabaji (Former DVC)-Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST)

Members

- i. Prof. Karuti Kanyinga- Director, Institute of Developmental Studies, UoN
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- vi. Prof. Esther Magiri-DVC, Dedan Kimathi university of Technology (DeKUT)
- vii. Dr. Joyce Kiplimo-Dean, University of Kabianga (UOK)
- viii. Prof. Guyo Sarr Huka-Director of Research and Innovation, Meru University
- ix. Dr. Florence Kyalo- Chairman of Dept., JKUAT
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- i. Dr. Joseph Gichini Gatama - Deputy Director of Research, DRST, MoE
- ii. Dr. Kioko Nzuki Mwanja - Assistant Director of Research, DRST, MoE

The Think Tank will address the following Terms of Reference (ToR):

1. To help determine the debt burden of the Universities and how it morphed to that level
2. To help categorize Universities in terms of the degree of their debt burden and develop a framework for stabilizing the universities as per each category
3. To help provide a Framework for sourcing of university funding outside the exchequer support and provide practical steps of realizing this
4. To help establish a Network of professional educational advisers and education information centers that promotes Kenyan higher education worldwide and offer international students information on the application process, admissions requirements, potential scholarship funding, visas, and everyday living in Kenya.

In undertaking the tasks, the Think Tank will amongst others; refer to available GoK Laws, Policies and Regulations including the Ministerial Policy Brief on Sustainable university financing.

The Think Tank will take thirty (30); from 20th April 2021 to 19th July 2021 and thereafter submit a report to the appointing Authority within two weeks after the lapse of the period.



Amb. Simon Nabukwesi, CBS

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