Statement on Cabinet Decisions of 19/02/2016

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On Friday, 19th February 2016, an extraordinary Cabinet Meeting chaired by His Excellency the President of the Republic, Paul KAGAME, convened in Village URUGWIRO.

The Cabinet Meeting welcomed the good organization of local government authorities elections held on 8th February 2016 and called upon Rwandans to also take part in the elections for the general members of the District Councils and Women Candidates to be held on 22nd February 2016.

1. The Cabinet Meeting approved minutes of previous meeting of 18th January 2016.

2. The Cabinet Meeting was briefed about the progress of preparations for the 13th National Leadership Retreat.

3. The Cabinet Meeting approved the Aircraft Accident Investigation Policies and Procedures Manual.

4. The Cabinet Meeting was briefed about the 22nd Commemoration of the Genocide against Tutsi and provided guidance thereof.

5. The Cabinet Meeting approved the Doing Business Action Plan 2017.

6. The Cabinet Meeting approved the following Draft Laws:

- Draft Law approving the loan Agreement signed in Khartoum, Sudan on 24 November 2015, between the Republic of Rwanda and the ARAB Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA), relating to the loan of Fifteen Million American Dollars (USD 15,000,000) for the Nyagatare-Rukomo-Byumba-Base Road Project, Lot 1: Nyagatare-Rukomo.
- Draft Law approving the loan Agreement n°929 signed in Kigali, Rwanda on 09 December 2015, between the Republic of Rwanda and Kuwait Fund for ARAB Economic Development, relating to the loan of Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Kuwait Dinars (K.D 4,500,000) for the Nyagatare-Rukomo Road Project.
- Draft Law approving the loan Agreement n°11/649 signed in Kigali, Rwanda on 29 December 2015, between the Republic of Rwanda and Saudi Fund for Development, relating to the loan of Fifty Six Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Saudi Riyals (SAD 56,250,000) for the construction of NyagatareByumba-Base Road Project.

- Draft Law approving the financing Agreement n°5754-RW signed in Kigali, Rwanda on 31 December 2015, between the Republic of Rwanda and the International Development Association (IDA), relating to the credit of sixty seven million, seven hundred thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 67,700,000) for the Rwanda Electricity Sector Strengthening Project.
- Draft Law approving the cooperation Agreement on the transfer of sentenced prisoners/offenders between Northern Corridor Integration Projects' Country Members, signed in Bugesera, Rwanda on 20/11/2015.
- Draft Law approving the cooperation Agreement combating terrorism, transnational crimes and violent extremism between Northern Corridor Integration Projects' Country Members, signed in Nairobi, Kenya on 06/10/2015.
- Draft Law approving the Protocol on the free movement of persons, labour services and right of establishment and residence within the COMESA member Countries signed by Rwanda, in Kampala, Uganda on 8/6/2004.
- Draft Law modifying and complementing the Law No 53/2011 of 14/12/2011 establishing Rwanda Civil Aviation Authority (RCAA), and determining its mission, organization and functioning.

7. The Cabinet Meeting approved the following Orders:

- Prime Minister's Order appointing Prosecutors at Primary Level.

- 1. Ms MWIZERWA Frola;
- 2. Mrs UWINEZA Marguerite;
- 3. Mrs MUKESHIMANA Jacqueline;
- 4. Mrs UWAMAHORO Chantal;
- 5. Mrs INGABIRE Liliane.

- Prime Minister's Order appointing Prosecutors at Intermediate Level.

- 1. Mr ILIMUBUHANGA Jean de Dieu;
- 2. Mr MUHIRE Felix;
- 3. Mr UWAYEZU Jean de Dieu.

- Prime Minister's Order dismissing Mr. GAKUBA ZIREZE Olivier, who was a Prosecutor at Primary Level.

- Prime Minister's Order dismissing Mr. NYIRINGANGO Josué, who was a Prosecutor at Intermediate Level.

- Prime Minister 's Order granting voluntary resignation to Mr. NKUSI Augustin, who was a Prosecutor at National Level.

- Prime Minister 's Order granting voluntary resignation to Mr. KABANO Jacques, who was a Prosecutor at Primary Level.

- Prime Minister's Order granting a leave of absence for non-specific period to Mrs. SABA Mary, who was a Director of Abandoned Property Management Unit in MINIJUST.

- Prime Minister's Order granting a leave of absence for non-specific period to Mr. KARUHANGA, who was a Contract Drafting Analyst/ Senior State Attorney in MINIJUST.

- Ministerial Order appointing Attorneys of the Special Guarantee Fund (SGF).

- 1. Mr NIYIBIZI Aloys.
- 2. Mrs NIBAKURE Florence
- 3. Mrs REKAMUHINKA Jeanne d'Arc

- Ministerial Regulations related to unmanned Civil Aircraft system (Drones).

8. The Cabinet Meeting made the following appointments:

* IN MINISANTE

• Dr. NYEMAZI Jean Pierre: Permanent Secretary

* In Rwanda Biomedical Center (RBC)

• Dr. CONDO UMUTESI Jeanine: Director General

* In Rwanda Social Security Board (RSSB)

• Dr. HAKIBA ITULINDE Solange: Deputy Director General in charge of Pension and Benefits

* In MINISPOC

• Lt. Col. RUGAMBWA Patrice: Permanent Secretary

* In National Unity and Reconciliation Commission (NURC)

• Mr. NDAYISABA Fidèle: Executive Secretary

* In Rwanda Elders Advisory Forum

• Ambassador Gaspard Nyilinkindi: Member

* In MINECOFIN

• Mr. RWAMUGANZA Caleb: Permanent Secretary

* In MINIJUST

1. Legal Litigation Service

- Ms. KABIBI Specioza: Division Manager
- Mr. HABUMUREMYI Prosper: Senior State Attorney
- 2. Legal Advisory Service (LAS):
 - Mr. NTWALI Emile: Division Manager
 - Ms. KAGOYIRE Alice: Senior State Attorney
 - Ms. INGABIRE Mackline: Senior State Attorney

* In Rwanda Law Reform Commission

• Mr. DUSHIMIMANA Lambert: Head of Legislative Drafting and Translation Department

* In MINEAC

• Mr. KAYIHURA MUGANGA Didas: Rwanda Commissioner of the East African Competition Authority

* In MINIRENA

1. Rwanda Natural Resources Authority (RNRA) :

• Ms. NISHIMWE Grace: Head of Lands and Mapping Department

Deputy Registrar of Land Titles

- Mr. MUYOMBANO Sylvain: Southern Province
- Ms. MUKAMANA Esperance: City of Kigali
- Mr. MUKUNZI Emmanuel: Northern Province
- Mr. MUNYANGAJU Damascene: Western Province
- Mr. MUVARA Pothin: Eastern Province
- Mr. RUGEMA MILINDI Didier: Technical Land Operations Division Manager
- Mr. KAGABO Joseph: Technical Mining Operations Division Manager
- Mr. MUTAGANDA Amini: Head of Department of Forestry and Nature Conservation
- Mr. MUGABO Jean Pierre: Director of Forest Seed Unit

2. In Rwanda Meteorology Agency (RMA)

• Mr. SEMAFARA NTAGANDA John: Director General

* In Rwanda Transport Development Agency (RTDA)

- Mr. BIZUMUREMYI Jean Damascene: Head of Transport Planning & Operations Department
- Ms. RUTERA Rose: Public Transport Division Manager
- Mr. BARISANGA Fabrice: Planning & Research Division Manager
- Mr. TWAGIRUMUKIZA Léonard: Development & Maintenance Operations Division Manager
- Mr. Jérémie MUSHAKA: Corporate Service Division Manager

* Members of Board of Directors

- In NAEB

- 1. Dr. NGABITSINZE Chrysostome, Chairperson
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- 4. Ms. NTABANA SHERI Alphonsine,
- 5. Mr. RWINKOKO Patrick,
- 6. Ms. KAYITESI Regina,
- 7. Mr. RUTUKU Richard.

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- 5. Mr. NINGABIRE Yves Bernard,
- 6. Ms. MUMUKUNDE Josephine,
- 7. Ms. MUKESHIMANA Beata.

- In Military Medical Insurance (MMI)

- 1. Brig. Gen. Emmanuel NDAHIRO
- 2. Dr. Nathalie UMUTONI
- In Rwanda Meteorology Agency(RMA)
 - 1. Dr. Desire KAGABO, Chairperson
 - 2. Ms. TUSHABE Rachael, Vice Chairperson
 - 3. Capt. GAKOMATI Justin,
 - 4. Mr. Mike HUGHES,
 - 5. Mr. Jean Baptiste NSENGIYUMVA,
 - 6. Dr. MUCYO Sylvie,
 - 7. Ms. Laetitia NDUWIMANA.
- In Real Property Valuers in Rwanda

Members of the Regulatory Council:

- 1. Ms. BUTARE NYAKURAMA Rhona, Chairperson
- 2. Eng. KYAZZE Edward, Vice Chairperson
- 3. Ms. MUGWANEZA Jacqueline,
- 4. Mr. NKUBANA Dismas,
- 5. Mr. KALAMAGYE John,
- 6. Ms. KAYIRABA Josephine,
- 7. Ms. KAGOYIRE Françoise.
- In Rwanda Inter-Link Transport Company Limited (RITCO)
 - 1. Mr. GATERA Jean d'Amour, Chairperson
 - 2. Mr. MUHIZI Robert,
 - 3. Ms. UWASE Patricie,
 - 4. Ms. UWINEZA RUREMESHA Clementine.

* In the Office of the Prime Minister

- Ms. SAYINZOGA Kampeta: Director of Cabinet
- Ms. MIREMBE Alphonsine: Permanent Secretariat/Cabinet affairs

* In Rwanda Cooperative Agency /RCA

• Ms. BATAMURIZA Esther: Director of Administration and Finance Unit.

* In Rwanda Standards Board/RSB

- Mr. WICLEF KAGISHA Theogene: Director of Chemical Laboratories Unit.
- Mr. BAJENEZA Jean Pierre: Director of Food Products Certification Unit.

9. In AOB:

a) The Minister of Natural Resources informed the Cabinet Meeting that Rwanda's application to host Future Earth Africa Regional Office in Kigali was successful. Future Earth is a major International Research Platform that brings together a global network of scientific projects working across the natural and social sciences on critical global change and sustainability issues.

b) The Minister of Education informed the Cabinet Meeting that the 6th Summit of the Inter-Country Quality Node on Teaching and Learning (ICQN TL) was launched in Kigali on 18/02/2016 in Hotel des Mille Collines. The summit focused on three major educational areas, namely: a) addressing issues of quality teaching and learning and learning materials, b) integration of ICT in teaching and learning and c) promoting appropriate learner assessment mechanisms to monitor the teaching and learning outcomes and processes.

c) The Minister of Sports and Culture informed the Cabinet Meeting that:

- The Orange Africa Nations Championship commonly referred to as CHAN that was held in Rwanda from January 16th to February 7th, 2016 was successfully organized. The organisation of CHAN was greatly appreciated by nationals and foreigners who took part in it.
- The International Mother Language Day (Umunsi Mpuzamahanga w'Ururimi Kavukire) shall be celebrated for the 13th time on 21/02/2016 in Kigali, at "Petit Stade" of Remera. This year's theme is "Ikinyarwanda kinoze, ishingiro ry'uburere n'ubumenyi". A 2 week campaign has been running whereby exhibitions and conferences related to the promotion of Kinyarwanda were held countrywide.

d) The Minister of Health informed the Cabinet Meeting that Rwanda will host the Africa Network for Influenza Surveillance and Epidemiology (ANISE) meeting from 7th -11th March 2016 at Serena Hotel.

e) The Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources in charge of Agriculture informed the Cabinet Meeting that the cropping season 2016A started with mobilization and launching campaigns on using inputs, Twigire Muhinzi extension model and addressing agricultural productivity challenges. Despite challenges due to poor rainfall and disasters in some parts of the country, in many other Districts harvest was satisfactory and measures were put in place to ensure access to market and minimize post-harvest losses. For the season 2016B, efforts for the success of the agricultural season will be mainly directed towards timely availability of quality seeds and fertilizers through agro-dealership network.

This Statement was signed By

Stella Ford MUGABO

The Minister in Charge of Cabinet Affairs