Republic of Rwanda

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Statement on Cabinet Decisions of 14/02/2018

On Wednesday, 14th February 2018, a Cabinet Meeting chaired by His Excellency the President of the Republic, Paul KAGAME, convened in Village URUGWIRO.

The Cabinet Meeting was briefed on the outcome of the trips of His Excellency the President of the Republic Paul KAGAME at Davos, in Switzerland at the World Economic Forum and at Addis Ababa, in Ethiopia at the African Union Summit.

1. The Cabinet Meeting approved Minutes of previous Cabinet Meeting held on 19.01.2018.
2. The Cabinet Meeting was briefed on Preparations for the 15th National Leadership Retreat.
3. The Cabinet Meeting was briefed on the 2017 Report on ILO Conventions (17, 26, 94, 100, 111, and 123) ratified by Rwanda;
4. The Cabinet Meeting approved the following papers:
   - The Revised National Forest Policy (NFP) and its Strategic Plan;
   - The National Tree Reproductive Materials Strategy/NTRS;
   - The Arboretum of Ruhande to be endorsed for Queen's Commonwealth Canopy Project;
   - The UR New Financing Model.
5. The Cabinet Meeting approved the following Draft Laws:

- Draft Organic Law modifying and complementing the Organic Law No 001/2016/OL of 20/04/2016 establishing General Provisions governing Public Institutions;
- Draft Organic Law modifying and complementing Law Organic No 10/2013/OL of 11/07/2013 governing Political Organizations and Politicians;
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Military Hospital (RMH);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Defense Force and Rwanda National Police Shop (AFOS);
- Draft Law establishing the University Teaching Hospital Centre of Kigali (CHUK);
- Draft Law establishing the University Teaching Hospital Centre of Butare (CHUB);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Cooperative Agency (RCA);
- Draft Law governing Road Maintenance Fund (RMF);
- Draft Law governing National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Transport Development Agency (RTDA);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Housing Authority (RHA);
- Draft Law governing the National Industrial Research and Development Agency (NIRDA);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Standards Board (RSB);
- Draft Law governing the National Identification Agency (NIDA);
- Draft Law establishing Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Public Procurement Authority (RPPA);
- Draft Law governing Local Development Agency for Decentralised Administrative Entities (LODA);
- Draft Law governing Rwanda Meteorology Agency (METEO RWANDA);
- Draft Law regulating the Fund for support and assistance to the neediest Survivors of the Genocide against the Tutsi committed between 01 October 1990 to 31 December 1994 (FARG);
- Draft Law repealing Law n° 91 bis/2013 of 22/01/2014 establishing the University Teaching Hospital (CHU) and determining its mission, organization and functioning;
- Draft Law on fighting against Corruption;
- Draft Law modifying and complementing Law n° 13/2014 of 20/05/2014 on mining and quarry operations;
- Draft Law modifying and complementing Law N° 01/2011 of 10/02/2011 regulating Capital Market in Rwanda (CMA);
- Draft Law modifying and complementing Law N° 03/2010 of 26/02/2010 concerning payment system;
- Draft Law Regulating Labour in Rwanda;
- Draft Law Governing University of Rwanda;
- Draft Law approving the ratification of the Framework Agreement on the International Solar Alliance (ISA), signed in Marrakech, Morocco, on 15 November, 2016.

6. The Cabinet Meeting approved the following Orders:

- Presidential Order fixing Polling Days and electoral campaign period for Deputies;
- Presidential Orders establishing IWAWA, GITAGATA and NYAMAGABE Rehabilitation Centres;
- Presidential Order dismissing 35 Police Officers from Rwanda National Police;
- Presidential Order fixing the adjustment on amount of Pension and Occupational Hazards benefits provided by Rwanda Social Security Board (RSSB);
- Prime Minister’s Order determining the Administrator of the Long-term Saving Scheme;
- Prime Minister's Order granting retirement to Mr. SINDIKUBWABO Emmanuel who was a Legislative Drafting Analyst in Rwanda Law Reform Commission (RLRC);
- Prime Minister's Order granting leave of Absence for a non-specified period to Mr. RUBANGO KAYIHURA Epimacus who was a Civil Litigation Analyst/Senior State Attorney in the Ministry of Justice (MINIJUST);
- Prime Minister's Order expelling Mr. GASHAYIJA Nathan who was a Director General in the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MINICOM);
- Ministerial Order dismissing 154 Non-Commissioned Officers and Police Constables from Rwanda National Police;
- Ministerial Order determining responsibilities, organization and functioning of Transit Centres;
- Ministerial Order determining modalities for making a concession agreement for investment in tourism in protected areas.
7. The Cabinet Meeting made the following appointments:

- **In Rwanda Education Board /REB:**
  - Dr. NDAYAMBAJE Irenée, Director General;
  - Ms. TUSIIME Angelique, Deputy Director General;
  - Dr. NIYIZAMWIYITIRA Christine: Head of ICT in Education Department;
  - Mr. MUJIJI Peter: Corporate Services Division Manager.

- **In National Fund for Environment (FONERWA): Board of Directors**
  - Mr. NTAGANDA Etienne, Chairperson;
  - Mr. UWAMBAJE Laurence, Deputy Chairperson;
  - Dr. SEKOMO Christian;
  - Ms. KAGOYIRE Alice;
  - Ms. UMUBYEYI Naila;
  - Ms. MUTAVU Sheila;
  - Dr. NYIRAMANA Aisha;
  - Mr. RUTAGARAMA Eugene;
  - Mr. MUTAJOGIRE Jean Claude.

- **In National Itorero Commission/NIC**
  
  **Mr. KAZASOMAKO Evode:** Secretary General.

- **In National Commission for UNESCO**
  
  **Mr. MUTESA Albert:** Secretary General.
In National Rehabilitation Services/NRS

ACP GUMIRA RWAMPUNGU Gilbert: Deputy Director General.

In the Ministry of Local Government/MINALOC

Mr. SEMWAGA Angelo: Inspector General.

In Rwanda Governance Board/RGB

- Ms. KAYITARE Jackline: Registration Division Manager;
- Mr. MUNYAMPARA Janvier: Monitoring & Evaluation Division Manager;
- Mr. NZAMWITA Innocent: Principal Researcher in Global Governance Research and E-Governance Pool.

In Higher Education Council/HEC

Dr. NDIKUBWIMANA Theoneste: Head of Academic Quality, Accreditation, Standards and Qualifications Framework Department.

In Rwanda Polytechnic/RP

- Dr. GASHUMBA James: Vice Chancellor;
- Eng. MULINDAHABI Diogene: Principal, IPRC - Kigali;
- Eng. MUSONERA Ephrem: Principal, IPRC - Ngoma;
- Eng. GATABAZI Pascal: Principal, IPRC - Karongi;
- Eng. MUTABAZI Rita Clemence: Principal, IPRC - Tumba;
- Eng. ABAYISENGA Emile: Principal, IPRC - Musanze;
- Mr. NASASIRA Richard: Principal, IPRC – Kitabi.
In the Ministry of Trade and Industry/MINICOM

- **Mr. KARANGWA Cassien**: Director of the Domestic Trade Unit.
- **Mr. MUGWIZA Telephore**: Director of the Industrial Development Unit.
- **Mrs. HAKUZIMANA Domina**: Director of Entrepreneurship Development Unit.

In the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning/MINECOFIN

- **Mr. IYAKAREMYE Zachée**: Director of Budget Policy Formulation Reforms Unit.

8. **In AoBs**:

a) The Minister of Education informed the Cabinet Meeting that Rwanda will host the Next Einstein Forum Global gathering 2018 from 26th -28th March 2018 at the Kigali Convention Center. The NEF Global Gathering 2018 will be organized under the theme **“Connecting Science to Humanity.”**

b) The Minister of Trade and Industry informed the Cabinet Meeting that Rwanda will host the up-coming Extra-Ordinary Summit of the African Union Heads of States and Governments dedicated session to the signing and launch of the Agreement establishing the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on **21st March 2018**.

c) The Minister of Gender and Family Promotion informed the Cabinet Meeting that the forthcoming International Women’s Day is scheduled to take place on 8th March 2018, under the theme: "**Munyarwandakazi, komeza umurava mu iterambere twubake u Rwanda twifuza**". This year’s International Women’s Day celebrations will be officially launched in Muhanga District, Kiyumba sector, Remera Cell, Nyanza Village.

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

   - The 24th Commemoration of the Genocide against the Tutsi will take place from 7th April 2018 under the theme: **Remember- Unite-Renew “KWIBUKA TWIYUBAKA”**. During the Commemoration period, various activities including the lighting of the Flame of Hope at the Gisozi Genocidal Memorial, walk to Remember, Remembrance of Politicians who stood against the genocidal ideology against the Tutsi will be conducted. Discussions will take place at village level.
- The African Continental Road Cycling Championship is taking place in Rwanda from 13\textsuperscript{th} to 18\textsuperscript{th} February 2018. Participants have come from 22 CAC member countries.

- The Senior Men’s National Basketball Team will compete with Mali, Nigeria and Uganda in the Group B for the FIBA Basketball World Cup Qualifiers 2018. The qualifier games shall be held in Bamako, Mali from 23\textsuperscript{rd} to 25\textsuperscript{th} February 2018.

\textit{This Statement was signed}

\textit{By}

\textit{Marie Solange KAYISIRE}

\textit{The Minister in Charge of Cabinet Affairs}