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CREDIBLE. PEACEFUL. FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS



## NATIONAL DIALOGUE CONFERENCE ON ELECTORAL JUSTICE IN KENYA

**“Demanding Integrity Accountability and Transparency in  
the Electoral Processes”**

**24 June 2021, Villa Rosa Kempinski Hotel, Nairobi**

### Communique

#### Preamble:

Guided by the following Constitutional provisions on elections provided in Articles 3, 10, 81 and all other enabling principles, the Elections Observation Group (ELOG) and the Kenya Human Rights Commission (KHRC), in partnership with 15 civil society partners,<sup>1</sup> convened the National Dialogue Conference in Nairobi on Electoral Justice in Kenya on 23 June 2021 to demand integrity, accountability, and transparency in Kenya's electoral processes. The conference brought together 374 participants.<sup>2</sup>

Inspired and guided by the understanding that for Electoral Justice to prevail in Kenya, we must look at electoral realities, features of Kenya's electoral system and electoral oversight issues as the bedrock for a peaceful, free and fair 2022 General Elections.

<sup>1</sup> Defenders Coalition, CRAWN TRUST, Constitution and Reform Education Consortium, Kenya Correspondence Association, Kenya Editors Guild, FAWA 254, URAIA, Pombazuka Foundation, ICJ-Kenya, INKBA, Katiba Institute, InformAction, Mwalendo Trust, Centre for Multiparty Democracy and Transparency International Kenya

<sup>2</sup> Centre for Multiparty Democracy (CMD), the Law Society of Kenya (LSK), the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA), trade unions (through the Kenyan Women Teachers Association), the Media Owners Association/Editors Guild, the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC), the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), the Political Parties Dispute Tribunal, the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR), and the Judiciary (through the Judiciary Committee on Elections (JCE) and the Kenya Magistrates and Judges Association-KMJJA). Notably, the country's political leadership was represented by Hon. Dijiya Wandayi (as a representative of Rt. Hon. Raila Odinga and the ODM party), Hon. Susan Kihiko (as a representative of H.E. the Deputy President



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In this regard, our enduring ideals for free, open societies and democracies, and our commitment to adhere and comply with the Constitution, we:

1. **INSIST** that elections must be held on 9th August 2022. To this end we demand that IEBC must make the necessary preparations to enable the management and administration of the elections and desist from issuing conflicting signals and excuses on its preparedness;
2. **DEMAND** that IEBC, ORPP, Judiciary, PPDT and other electoral management bodies be adequately resourced to effectively deliver on their mandate. In addition, we call upon IEBC to facilitate an inclusive, timely, voter education, voter registration and verification exercise. The ongoing recruitment of IEBC Commissioners must be concluded urgently through a process that inspires public confidence;
3. **DEMAND** that civil registration bureau move with speed to facilitate the issuance and collection of IDs to all eligible citizens to facilitate voter registration;
4. **DEMAND** that ORPP, Political Parties, IEBC and Office of the Data Commissioner take urgent measures to uphold data privacy of citizens participating in the electoral processes. We will institute PIL against any institution, including corporates that violate citizen's data privacy rights;
5. **DEMAND** that Parliament swiftly enacts the pending electoral related legislations necessary for a credible, peaceful, free and inclusive elections;
6. **CALL UPON** the Judiciary to uphold the constitutional dispensation in their election related jurisprudence;
7. **DEMAND** that the President abides by the rule of law to ensure an enabling environment for the , Judiciary, Constitutional Commissions and independent offices by ensuring appointment relevant commissioners and adequate resourcing;
8. **URGE** citizens to be vigilant and actively engage in every stage of the electoral process; and
9. **DEMAND** that the Inspector General of Police, IEBC and all other relevant agencies to establish and make public an election security plan for the purposes of electoral accountability.

Signed by:

All convening partners

