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EXTRAORDINARY

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA ANNOUNCES A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, HAS ISSUED ON JANUARY 19, 2016 THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, HEREIN UNDER

BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT

B. ELIAS SHONIYIN

ACTING MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
MONROVIA, LIBERIA  
JANUARY 19, 2016





**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**ON**

**POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS**

**BETWEEN**

**THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**AND**

**THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS & INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the Republic of Kenya and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Liberia (hereinafter referred to as "Parties").

**COGNIZANT** of the existing cordial relations between the two countries and the necessity to promote cooperation between the two countries in various fields of common interest for sustainable development;

**CONSCIOUS** of the need to develop and strengthen bilateral relations of cooperation in foreign affairs and mutual understanding between the two countries, in conformity with the principles of United Nations Charter, to promote their political, economic, trade, cultural relations, and in other fields, as well as to further issues of common interest;

**ACKNOWLEDGING** the benefits of cooperation, consultations and exchange of views at different levels of bilateral relations and international affairs of common interest;

**AIMING AT** establishing a practical and efficient mechanism of political and mechanism of political consultations:

**HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

**Article 1  
Objectives**

1. The Parties hereby establish a framework and procedure for bilateral





consultations and cooperation to carry out regular consultations on bilateral relations between the two countries, to exchange points of view about bilateral and international issues and to coordinate their positions on subjects of mutual interest.

2. Consultations shall cover all important issues of political, economic, commercial, scientific, technical and cultural aspects affecting the interests of both Parties at bilateral level and those issues of mutual interest to the Parties at international level.
3. The Parties shall encourage contacts between their diplomatic and consular Missions in Third countries to exchange views on matters of common interests.
4. Within the framework of their relevant competence, the Parties will collaborate to stimulate relations between governmental institutions from their countries.

### **Article 2 Consultations**

1. The Parties shall carry out consultations either in Nairobi, Monrovia or their respective diplomatic Missions on issues relating to the development of mutual relations, as well as on international and regional issues of mutual interest.
2. The Parties shall endeavor to coordinate their positions regarding the subjects brought for discussions at the regular and emergency international meetings or conferences by conducting consultations related to these subjects.

### **Article 3 Amendments**

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties through diplomatic channels.





**Article 4  
Dispute Settlement**

Any difference or dispute between the Parties which may arise during the implementation and/or in the arbitration of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through mutual consultations and negotiations.

**Article 5  
Communication**

All Communications between the Parties shall be through the established diplomatic channels.

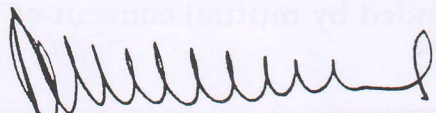
**Article 6  
Entry into Force, Duration and Termination**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force for a period of five years, and thereafter shall be automatically renewed for similar periods, unless the Parties agree otherwise.
2. Either Party may notify the other of its intention to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving a six months' notice, through diplomatic channels.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding in duplicate in English language, both texts being equally authentic.

**SIGNED** at *Nairobi* on this *12<sup>th</sup>* day of *DECEMBER*..... 2015.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

  
**AMB.(DR.) AMINA C. MOHAMED, CAV, CBS  
CABINET SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS & INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
LIBERIA**

  
**H.E. B. ELIAS SHONIIN  
ACTING MINISTER OF  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS**