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EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY
EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY



**A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY TO BID FAREWELL TO
HON. AMB. DR RICHARD SEZIBERA OUTGOING SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY**

By Hon. AbuBakr Ogle and adopted by the Assembly on 17th March, 2016

WHEREAS Article 67, paragraph 1 of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community provides that the Secretary General shall be appointed by the Summit upon nomination by the relevant Head of State under the principle of rotation;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 3 of the same Article mandates the Secretary General to be the principal executive officer of the Community and as such shall:

- (a) be the head of the Secretariat;
- (b) be the Accounting Officer of the Community;
- (c) be the Secretary of the Summit; and
- (d) carry out such other duties as are conferred upon him by the EAC Treaty or the Council from time to time.

NOTING THAT Hon. Amb. Dr. Richard Sezibera will conclude his fixed 5 years term on 26th April, 2016, a tenure which started on 25th April, 2011;

APPRECIATING that during his tenure he oversaw the implementation of the following programs which have come to be major milestones in the East African Community, namely;

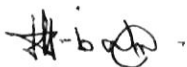
- i. the recent introduction of the International EAC e-Passport as a critical milestone in the integration dispensation;

- ii. the sustained campaigns to ensure realization of the Single Customs Territory (SCT) this has duly paid off;
- iii. the conclusion and ratification of the Monetary Union;
- iv. the implementation of the infrastructure programme which is set to spur development in the region apart from other parts of the continent in terms of competitiveness thus laying the Standard Railway Gauge and making unprecedented advances in investment of energy;
- v. the establishing and sustaining of the quarterly Secretary General's Forum with the Private Sector;
- vi. the spearheading and the granting of financial and administrative autonomy to the EALA and the EACJ thus laying the foundation to commence on various amendments of the Treaty and the relevant EAC Rules and Regulations;

NOW THEREFORE THIS ASSEMBLY DO RESOLVE TO:

Recognize the great and dedicated service than Hon. Amb. Dr. Richard Sezibera rendered the Community while he served as a Secretary General of the East African Community.

Confirmed by:



Mr. Alex Obatre
For: CLERK

17 MARCH 2016

Date: