



## **JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE SECOND SESSION OF UGANDA-KENYA JOINT MINISTERIAL COMMISSION (JMC)**

**KAMPALA**

**14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024**

1. The Second Session of the Joint Ministerial Commission (JMC) between the Republic of Uganda and the Republic of Kenya was held at the Sheraton Hotel, Kampala, Uganda from 12 to 14 May 2024.
2. The delegation of the Republic of Kenya was led by Hon. Dr. Musalia Mudavadi E.G.H., Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs. The delegation of the Republic of Uganda was led by Hon. Gen. Odongo Jeje Abubakhar, Minister of Foreign Affairs.
3. The two Ministers for Foreign Affairs noted that the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic had delayed the convening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> session of JMC which had been scheduled to be held in 2021. They noted with appreciation that officials from both countries had worked tirelessly to ensure that meeting was finally being held.
4. The two Ministers noted that holding a Joint Ministerial Commission meeting closely followed by a State visit by H.E President Yoweri Museveni to Nairobi is a testimony of the warm, cordial and brotherly relations between Kenya and Uganda noting that these relations are based on deep historical economic

and socio-cultural ties that predate the independence of both countries.

5. The two Ministers spearheaded the deliberations that focused on assessing the level of implementation of previous decisions, addressing any outstanding or emerging issues and exploring new areas of cooperation under three broad areas of Foreign Affairs and Security Sector; Economic Sector; and Socio-Cultural Sector.
6. The Ministers hailed the historic and cordial relations that exist between the two countries and underscored the need to continue working together to further deepen political, economic and socio-cultural ties.
7. Hon. Dr. Musalia Mudavadi congratulated Uganda for successfully holding the NAM Summit and G77 summit and assuming the chairmanship of the two important organizations in January 2024.
8. The Ministers exchanged views on regional, continental and global developments and reiterated continued efforts and sustained cooperation between the two countries in the multilateral forums. Accordingly, they underscored the importance of regular consultations on matters of candidatures, environment, regional peace initiatives and the United
9. The Ministers identified the opportunities existing in their two countries that could be exploited for the socio-economic transformation of their respective citizens. They also identified the challenges that have affected the free flow of bilateral and agreed to resolve all the tariff and non-tariff barriers in order to promote mutual growth, development and prosperity. In this regard, they directed their technical officials to meet and consult regularly.
10. Hon. Dr. Musalia Mudavadi expressed his appreciation and deep gratitude to his host Hon. Gen. Odongo Jeje Abubakar and the Government and People of the Republic of Uganda, for the

warm reception and hospitality extended to the Kenyan delegation.

11. The two Ministers reiterated the need for both countries to establish a robust Joint Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanism to ensure expeditious and full implementation of decisions reached during the previous and present sessions of JMC and other bilateral and meetings.
12. The Ministers welcomed the proposal to hold a joint technical committee meeting to address any trade and investment issues that may still be pending
13. Recalling the strong bilateral ties of friendship that the two countries enjoy, the two ministers for Foreign Affairs reiterated their commitment to further deepen the relations between the countries by strengthening cooperation in the various sectors of the economies while ensuring regular consultations to solve any emerging issues.
14. The Ministers agreed that the Republic of Kenya will host the Third Session of the JMC in 2026 at a date and venue to be mutually agreed upon by both parties through diplomatic channels.

DONE AT KAMPALA, UGANDA this **14<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2024.**

For the Republic of Uganda  
Hon. Gen. Odongo Jeje Abubakhar  
**Minister of Foreign Affairs**

For the Republic of Kenya  
Hon. Dr. Musalia Mudavadi  
**Prime Cabinet Secretary and  
Cabinet Secretary for Foreign  
and Diaspora Affairs**