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**Comm. Winfred Lichuma, EBS**  
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**RE: ELECTIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS FOR THE SEATS BECOMING VACANT ON 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

Reference is made to the above subject matter.


I have received communication from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights informing State parties of the international Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, on the upcoming election of members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for seats becoming vacant on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018.

The Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights is composed of 18 independent experts- persons of high moral character and recognized competence in the field of human rights. Members are elected for a period of four years by the Economic Social Council Member states.

The total number of seats allocated to the group of state parties belonging to the African Group is four. Of those, the term of two seats will expire on the 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2018. Kenya being a state party has been invited to nominate a preferred candidate by 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2017 latest. The election for those seats will take place in April, 2018 in New York (ECOSOC).

I write this letter to inform you of the vacancy and invite all interested candidates to apply for nomination for membership to the Committee. All candidates should forward to my Office all relevant biographical information/academic testimonials in accordance with subparagraph (c) (vi) of Council resolution 1985/17, on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Our address is **Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice, Sheria House, Harambee Avenue, Haille Sellasie Avenue, P.O. Box 40112-00200, Nairobi, Kenya.**

General Assembly resolution 68/268 of April 2014 encourages State parties to nominate experts with particular competence in the field covered by the relevant treaty.

  
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**ATTORNEY GENERAL**