

May 28, 2019

BRIEFING TO THE MEDIA ON CABINET DECISIONS TAKEN DURING THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27TH MAY, 2019 AT STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE

Cabinet sat on Monday May 27th 2019 at State House Entebbe, and;

1. Approved the National Intellectual Property Policy 2019 whose objectives are;
 - i. To provide an enabling environment for stimulating innovation and creativity ;
 - ii. To Attract foreign direct investments: A strong IP system it will encourage economic growth due to advancement in technology;
 - iii. To support establishment of comprehensive Public and Private institutional IP frameworks for administration ,protection, commercialization and enforcement of IP rights , thus ensuring delivery of IP services to all stakeholders;
 - iv. To ensure effective IP rights enforcements: this will be achieved through building collaborations and strengthening linkages between different IP administrative and enforcement entities;
 - v. To Promote research and development;
 - vi. To facilitate more active and comprehensive promotion of IP awareness through appropriate short training programs;
 - vii. To generate effective and beneficial linkages between National and International IP systems as well as set a policy direction in Regional and International relations in respect of Intellectual Property.

2. Approved the proposal to borrow up to **EURO 20,622,435** from the Corporate Internationalization Fund of Spain, for the implementation of Project “Airborne Geophysical Survey and Geological mapping of Karamoja”. The project is expected to benefit the country in the following ways;

- i. It will enable Government complete the airborne geophysical map of the country to stablish the mineral resources of the country especially in Karamoja region;
- ii. Improve livelihoods for mining communities as a result of better returns from mining activities;
- iii. Government agencies such as universities will benefit from access to minerals data to facilitate research;
- iv. Improved technologies of artisanal and small scale miners.

3. Approved appointment of the Members of the Board of trustees for Uganda National Cultural Centre for a period of 3 years. The members are,

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| i. Mr. Okello Kello Sam | Chairperson |
| ii. Ms. Cissy Mbabazi | Vice Chairperson |
| iii. Mr. Owere Usher Wilson | Member |
| iv. Ms. Kyobutungi Juliet Jolly | Member |
| v. Mr. Edison Ngirabakunzi | Member |
| vi. Mr. Kiyimba Musisi | Member |
| vii. Ms. Naumo Juliana Akoryo | Member |
| viii. Mr. Fred Mutebi | Member |

4. Approved the review of the Government of Uganda Policy to outsource Garbage collection Services in Kampala city.
- i. Approved that the contracts of Nabugabo Updeal Joint Venture Company, Homeklin (U) Ltd and Kampala Solid Waste Management Consortium be extended for another one year to allow Government to work out a comprehensive mechanism of garbage collection, management and recycling.
 - ii. Approved that KCCA continues with the Policy of outsourcing garbage collection services except in very low income settlements (slums) where KCCA should collect the garbage its self.

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Executive Director