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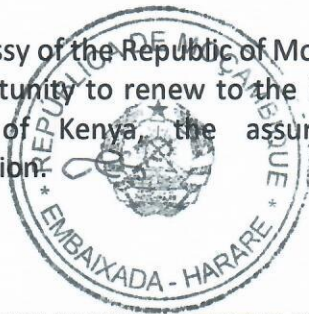
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The Embassy of the Republic of Mozambique presents its compliments to the High Commission of the Republic of Kenya to the Republic of Mozambique based in Harare, and in reference to the latter Note N° 28/2021, dated 20th May 2021, has the honour to forward herewith, a Letter from **H. E. Filipe Jacinto Nyusi**, President of the Republic of Mozambique, addressed to **H. E. Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta**, President of the Republic of Kenya.

In this regard, the esteemed High Commission is kindly requested to transmit the aforementioned Letter to its highest destination.

The Embassy of the Republic of Mozambique avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the High Commission of the Republic of Kenya, the assurances of its highest consideration.



TO:
THE HIGH COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA
HARARE

Maputo, 26th July 2021

HE Mr Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta

*President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the
Armed Forces*

State House

P.O.Box 40530

Nairobi, Kenya

Dear My Brother Uhuru,

*Re: Invitation to Endorse the Political Declaration and Call to Action
on Domestic Financing for Education*

*I am honoured to accept the above invitation conveyed to me through
your letter of 5th May 2021. This is to confirm my full endorsement of
the proposed political statement and call to action on domestic
financing for Education to be issued as part of the Global Partnership
for Education (GPE) Financing Summit this July.*

*In recent years my country has made good progress in the education
sector. The number of children in primary education doubled between
2004 and 2018. There has been an increase in the number of students
at the secondary level. Gender equity is improving. At the lower primary
school level, 48% of the pupils are girls. The same is true regarding
teacher training and employment. Further, in 2018 we introduced
legislation increasing the duration of free and compulsory schooling
from seven to nine years.*

Our commitment to investment in education will not waiver. In recent years, we have regularly allocated between 18 and 22% of public spending to the education sector, which is broadly in line with the target set by the Dakar Framework for Action.

Yet, despite the effort, our education system continues to face many challenges. We have almost two million primary-school-age children not attending school. More than one-third of the pupils drop out before Grade 3. At the upper primary level, gender disparities are more pronounced, as more girls abandon school prematurely.

The COVID-19 pandemic has put extra strain on the system and there is a real risk that progress might be reversed.

We therefore support the call to action to all our partners to continue prioritising the financing of education now and after the pandemic.

Mozambique welcomes the 2021 GPE London Summit and looks forward to tangible results for the sake of our children and our countries' development.

Please accept, my dear brother, my wishes for good health and the assurances of my highest consideration.



Filipe Jacinto Nyusi

President of the Republic of Mozambique