



# **22<sup>ND</sup> EXTRA-ORDINARY SUMMIT OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEADS OF STATE**

**THEME:** *Deepening Integration, Widening Cooperation*

**5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023**

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1. THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEADS OF STATE, THEIR EXCELLENCIES EVARISTE NDAYISHIMIYE, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI; H.E. SALVA KIIR MAYARDIT, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN, DR. WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA; PAUL KAGAME, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA; SAMIA SULUHU HASSAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA; HON. JEAN MICHEL SAMA LUKONDE, PRIME MINISTER, REPRESENTING H.E FELIX TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO, PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO; RT. HON. REBECCA ALITWALA KADAGA, 1<sup>ST</sup> DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, REPRESENTING H.E. PRESIDENT YOWERI KAGUTA MUSEVENI, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA; HELD THE 22<sup>ND</sup> EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING

OF THE EAC HEADS OF STATE ON 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023 IN NAIROBI IN THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA. THE HEADS OF STATE, MET IN A CORDIAL AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE.

2. THE HEADS OF STATE:

- i. TOOK NOTE OF THE OPERATIONAL MILESTONES ACHIEVED BY THE EAC REGIONAL FORCE TOWARDS RESTORATION OF SECURITY IN THE EASTERN DRC, PURSUANT TO PREVIOUS DIRECTIVES OF THE SUMMIT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EAC-LED NAIROBI PROCESS.
- ii. NOTED THAT THE CURRENT MANDATE OF THE EACRF WILL BE EXPIRING ON 8<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023.
- iii. TOOK NOTE WITH APPRECIATION THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION BY THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION OF USD 2 MILLION TOWARDS THE EACRF.

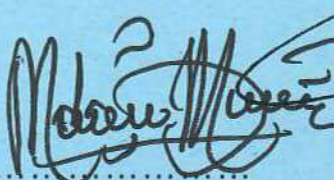
3. THE HEADS OF STATE AGREED TO EXTEND THE DURATION OF THE MANDATE OF THE EACRF AND THE STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS AS FROM 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023, PENDING AN EVALUATION REPORT FROM THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

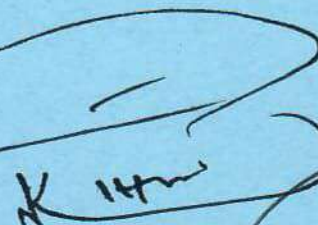
4. THE HEADS OF STATE, WHILE APPLAUDING H.E. PRESIDENT FELIX TSHISEKEDI FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO RESTORATION OF PEACE IN EASTERN DRC, THANKED H.E. EVARISTE NDAYISHIMIYE, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE SUMMIT OF THE EAC HEADS OF STATE FOR HIS CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT AND


COMMITMENT TOWARDS SUPPORTING THE PEOPLE OF DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO IN THEIR PURSUIT FOR SUSTAINABLE PEACE AND SECURITY.

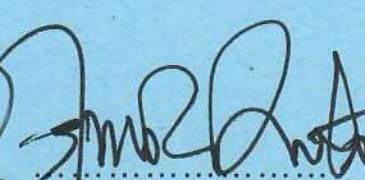
5. THE HEADS OF STATE THANKED PRESIDENT WILLIAM RUTO OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA FOR THE WARM AND CORDIAL HOSPITALITY ACCORDED TO THEM AND THEIR DELEGATIONS DURING THEIR STAY IN NAIROBI.

DONE IN NAIROBI, ON THIS 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.

  
EVARISTE NDAYISHIMIYE

  
SALVA KIIR MAYARDIT

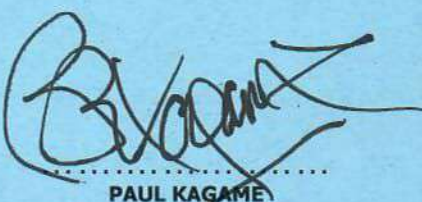
  
RT. HON. MICHEL JEAN SAMA LUKONDE

  
DR. WILLIAM S. RUTO

PRESIDENT                      PRESIDENT                      PRIME MINISTER                      PRESIDENT


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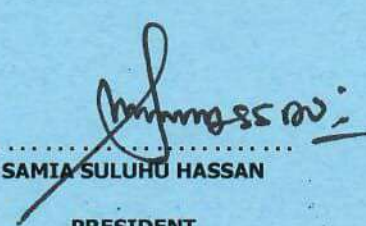
  
PAUL KAGAME

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