INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL AND BOUNDARIES COMMISSION



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SUBJECT: OUTCOME OF THE VERIFICATION OF SUPPORTERS OF THE BBI CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020

On 10th December, 2020, the Commission received from the promoters of the Building Bridges Initiative, the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 and details of supporters both in soft and hard copies, the soft copies being scanned pages of the signed hard copy booklets. The Bill proposes to amend the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 through a popular initiative.

In compliance with Article 257 (4) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, the Commission undertook verification exercise to confirm whether the Initiative is supported by at least one million registered voters. An interim report based on 1,715,386 records verified as of 19th January 2021 established that the initiative was supported by 1,140,845 registered voters. This formed the basis of transmission of the draft Bill to each of the forty-seven (47) County Assemblies on 26th January 2021. However, the Commission continued to verify the remaining records of supporters.

At the completion of the exercise on 18th February 2021, the Commission captured all submitted records of supporters totaling 4,352,037, which were subjected to verification. This involved checking completeness and validity of the individual records; elimination of duplicate records; and finally matching the clean records with the register of voters as detailed in the table below:

Final summary report of the supporters' signature verification

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SNO	Description of the Activity/process	Records Count
1	Supporters records captured	4,352,037
2	Supporters records with incomplete details (invalid Names/IDs and Missing ID/Passport numbers)	(31,829)
3	Supporters records appearing more than once	(456,079)
4	Supporters records with no signature	(7,549)
5	Supporters not in the Register of Voters	(668,578)
6	Supporters who Objected	(1)
7	Total verified supporters records in the Register of Voters	3,188,001

The Commission, upon verification of the supporters' records, confirms that the initiative has been supported by a total of 3,188,001 registered voters.

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