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**Parliamentary Forum at the Second High Level Meeting of the  
Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation**

Dear Madam President/Speaker,  
Dear Mr. President/Speaker,

We are pleased to invite your parliament to participate in the second High-level Meeting (HLM) of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC) in Nairobi, Kenya, from 28 November to 1 December 2016.

As a major multi-stakeholder event bringing together ministers, parliamentarians, and representatives of civil society organizations, foundations, and the private sector, among others, the HLM2 will review progress on key commitments of development cooperation from all sources, public and private, financial and non-financial, as defined in the landmark 2011 Busan Declaration and the outcome of its first follow-up HLM in 2014. It will be an opportunity to chart the course of development cooperation as we enter the age of the Sustainable Development Goals. For more information about the HLM2, please refer to <http://effectivecooperation.org/events/2016-high-level-meeting/>.

To strengthen the voice of parliaments at the HLM2, the Parliament of Kenya, IPU and AWEPA will organize a **Parliamentary Forum** on 29 November. It will adopt a parliamentary statement to the HLM2 that will build on the conclusions of a similar forum at the first HLM (more background at <http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/mexico14.htm>). You will receive the draft programme of this meeting in early October.

The Parliamentary Forum will take place at the same venue as the HLM2, the Kenyatta International Convention Center, and will be conducted with interpretation in English, French and Spanish. We recommend that parliamentary delegations be limited to a total of four members (including staff). To register for the Parliamentary Forum and the HLM2, participants are requested kindly to return the enclosed **registration form** to [ny-office@ipu.org](mailto:ny-office@ipu.org) by 10 November.

A dedicated space for the Parliamentary Forum will be available on the **IPU website** at [www.ipu.org](http://www.ipu.org) (under Future Meetings) by the end of August. Logistical details for participants, background documents, the draft programme of the meeting, and other information will be posted on this page as they become available.

The Steering Committee of the GPEDC, of which the IPU is a member, is responsible for the finalization of the **outcome document** of the HLM2. We are pleased to enclose the first draft of this document, which includes language on the prominent role of parliaments (paras 21 and 22) with respect to key processes such as the national development cooperation policy, and calls for a solid commitment to strengthen the capacities of parliaments to oversee development cooperation in both source and recipient countries.

We encourage you to review this first draft together with colleagues in your parliament and send us any comment you may have by 10 September 2016. We would appreciate it if your feedback could be sent to [ny-office@ipu.org](mailto:ny-office@ipu.org).

We look forward to your parliament's participation in this important process..

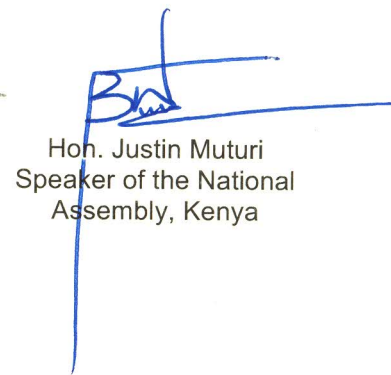
Yours sincerely,



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