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GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 1920

**THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA
SPECIAL SITTING OF PARLIAMENT**

NOTICE is given that, pursuant to Article 132 (1) (b) and (c) (i) and (iii) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, shall address a special sitting of Parliament on Thursday, 27th March, 2014, at 2.30 p.m., in the National Assembly Chamber, Main Parliament Buildings.

Dated the 20th March, 2014.

JUSTIN B. N. MUTURI,
Speaker of the National Assembly.

GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 1921

**THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA
THE SENATE STANDING ORDERS
SPECIAL SITTING OF PARLIAMENT**

NOTICE is given to all Senators that pursuant to Article 132 (1) (b) and (c) (i) and (ii) of the Constitution and Standing Order 22 (1) and (2) of the Senate Standing Orders, a Special Sitting of Parliament shall be held at the National Assembly Chamber, Main Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, on Thursday, 27th March, 2014, at 2.30 p.m.

At the sitting, His Excellency, Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, C.G.H., President and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, shall deliver the State of the Nation Address and shall also submit status reports on—

- (a) the implementation of Kenya's International obligations;
- (b) the implementation of national values and ethics; and
- (c) the state of national security.

Dated the 20th March, 2014.

EKWEE ETHURO,
Speaker of the Senate.

GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 1922

**THE COMPETITION ACT
(No.12 of 2010)**

**MARKET INQUIRY/SECTOR STUDY ON THE KENYAN BANKING SECTOR
BY COMPETITION AUTHORITY OF KENYA**

IT IS notified for the general information of the public that pursuant to section 18 (1) (a) of the Competition Act, 2010, the Competition Authority intends to carry out a market inquiry in the banking sector after receiving support from the Financial Sector Deepening Programme (FSDP).

The Authority has identified Genesis Analytics as the consultant to carry out the inquiry as follows—

1. The consultant will undertake a two-phase market inquiry.
2. The first phase of the inquiry will be to carry out a preliminary competition and consumer protection assessment of the banking sector to determine specific markets and competition and consumer protection concerns facing them.
3. Based on the findings from the first phase, second phase will focus on the specific concerns identified in first phase namely—
 - (a) to assess the market structure in the banking industry in Kenya;
 - (b) identify barriers to competition in the banking sector, if any and the consumer protection concerns that may be present in the sector;
 - (c) engage the National Treasury, Central Bank of Kenya, Commercial Banks, Deposit Taking Micro Finance Institutions, Kenya Bankers Association and Association of Microfinance Institutions in order to appreciate the conditions affecting competition and consumer protection in the sector;
 - (d) make recommendation on how to promote transparency and competition in the banking sector;
 - (e) recommend alternative ways to address competition issues in the banking sector based on international best practice;
 - (f) make recommendations to the Authority on any matter that requires legislative and Regulatory intervention in order to increase competition and consumer protection in the banking sector;
 - (g) study and determine overall compliance level by the banking

sector with the provisions of the Competition Act.

4. In the performance of its functions, the Consultant—

(a) Shall hold such number of meetings in such places and at such times as it shall, in consultation with the Authority, consider necessary for the proper discharge of its functions;

(b) May use official reports of any previous investigations, policies and legislation relevant to this study

(c) Shall receive views from members of the public and receive oral and written submissions from any person with relevant information.

5. Members of the public are hereby invited to make submissions within twenty-one (21) days of this notice through:

- E-mail address: binquiry@cak.go.ke.

- Drop-point: Kenya Railways Headquarters Block "D", 1st Floor.

- Post- Office Box 36265-00200

- Telephone: 020-2628233

6. For oral submissions, the Consultant shall be based at the Authority's offices located at Kenya Railways Staff Retirement Benefit Scheme Block "D", 1st Floor, Haile Selassie Avenue P.O. Box 36265-00200, Nairobi.

Dated the 3rd March, 2014.

WANG'OMBE KARIUKI,
Director-General.