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ABBREVIATIONS

WSPU	World Scout Parliamentary Union
GA	General Assembly
NSPAs	National Scout Parliamentary Associations
NSOs	National Scout Organizations
WOSM	World Organization of the Scout Movement
WAA	WSPU Africa Assembly
CAF	County Assemblies Forum
CoG	Council of Governors
NYC	National Youth Council

1.1. PREFACE

Hon. Speaker,

The request to form the World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) Kenya Caucus was acceded to in 2014 pursuant to Standing Order 259A of the National Assembly.

The World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) Kenya chapter is an independent Association of Members of the National Assembly and the Senate, Members of County Assemblies (MCA's) as well as youth functioning in accordance with the fundamentals of scout principles as expressed in the Constitution of World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).

WSPU Kenya is an affiliate of the World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) which exists in 106 countries across the world. The WSPU headquarters is based in the National Assembly of South Korea.

Composition of the Caucus

Hon. Speaker, the WSPU Kenya Caucus comprises of the following Members -

1. **Hon. John Kiarie, MP - President WSPU Kenya & 3rd WSPU Vice President**
2. Hon. Jessica Mbalu, MP
3. Hon. Florence Mutua, MP
4. Hon. Richard Tongi, MP
5. Hon. Kanini Kega, MP
6. Hon. T.J. Kajwang, MP
7. Hon. Gideon Keter, MP

8. Hon. Ngunjiri Wambugu, MP
9. Hon. Stanley Muthama, MP
10. Hon. Badi Twalib, MP
11. Hon. Shakeel Sabbir, MP
12. Hon. Irene Kasalu, MP
13. Sen. Johnson Sakaja, MP
14. Sen, Petronilla Were, MP
15. Sen. Isaac Ngugi, MP
16. Sen. Abshiro Halake, MP

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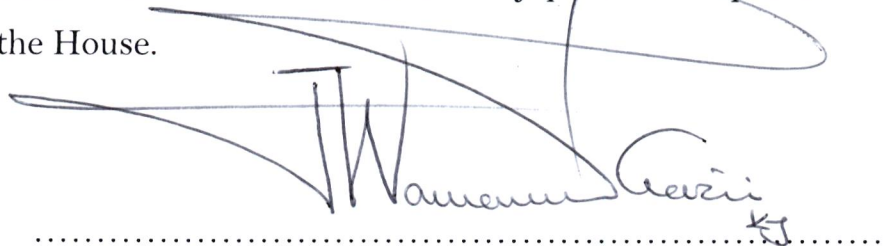
1. Ms. Getrude Chebet - Caucus Clerk; and
2. Mr. Poppins Misoï - WSPU Kenya Executive Director.

Honourable Speaker,

This Report seeks to highlight the key activities that the Caucus undertook during the term of the Twelfth Parliament which include, *inter alia* –

1. Attendance of the 9th WSPU General Assembly in October 2018 - Bangkok, Thailand;
2. Attendance of the 24th World Scouts Jamboree in July, 2019 - West Virginia, USA;
3. Attendance of 22nd International Adventure programme in February 2020 - Parchmarhi, India;
4. Participation in the (virtual) 2021 Annual General Meeting, November 2021;
5. Hosting of WSPU Thailand and WSPU South Korea in Kenya;
6. Plans to host the First Africa WSPU Assembly in Kenya; and
7. WSPU Kenya Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Nyeri County.

On behalf of the WSPU Caucus, I wish to thank the office of the Speaker and that of the Clerk of the National Assembly for the support accorded to the Caucus in carrying out its activities. It is therefore my pleasure to present this Report for noting by the House.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Kiarie Waweru', with a large flourish above it. Below the signature is a dotted line.

**Hon. John Kiarie Waweru, MP,
President WSPU Kenya & 3rd WSPU Vice President**

Thursday, 9th June 2022

1.2. CAUCUS ACTIVITIES IN THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT

The World Scout Parliamentary Union Kenya Caucus carried out various activities during the term of the Twelfth Parliament both locally and internationally.

The activities entailed working with other National Assemblies, County Assemblies, Youth organizations, like-minded institutions and Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

1.3. WSPU General Assembly - Thailand

WSPU Kenya was invited to attend the 9th WSPU General Assembly in Bangkok, Thailand from the 12th to 15th October 2018.

During the General Assembly, Kenya was elected to sit in the Executive Committee for the period 2018/2022 represented by Hon. John Kiarie, MP, WSPU Kenya President, as the 3rd Vice President globally. The President hails from Thailand, the 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents hail from Korea and Oman respectively.

The WSPU Kenya delegation was composed of the following Members –

1. Hon. John Kiarie, MP
2. Hon Florence Mutua, MP
3. H.E. Sospeter Ojaamong, Governor Busia;
4. Hon. Zaituna Mohamed, MCA, Nakuru County Assembly; and
5. Mr. Geoffrey Wafula - Asst. Hansard Editor, National Assembly

The General Assembly brings together Parliamentarians from the one hundred and six (106) Member Countries to interact and share best practices in the world of scouting.

The General Assembly is held every three years. The 9th General Assembly of WSPU was themed, *'Roles of Parliament in supporting Scout Movement towards SDGs Achievement'*.

1.4. World Scout Jamboree, West Virginia, USA

WSPU Kenya took part in the 24th World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia, USA in 2019. The event brought together about 45,000 participants from all over the world.

During the visit, the WSPU Kenya delegation met with the Kenyan Scouts Association contingent to the Jamboree as well as other officials.

The team also took part in the World Scout Parliamentary Union Executive Committee meeting in which the team also reaffirmed their commitment in supporting Kenya to host the WSPU Assembly. The delegation comprised of WSPU Kenya Members from Parliament and Members from the Nyeri County Assembly. The delegation from Parliament included –

1. Hon John Kiarie, MP
2. Hon. T.J. Kajwang, MP
3. Hon, Sen. Petronilla Were, MP
4. WSPU Kenya Caucus clerk

The delegation also had an opportunity on the sidelines of the Jamboree to benchmark with their counterparts from at the West Virginia Legislature.



WSPU Kenya delegation at the West Virginia Legislature

1.5. **22nd International Adventure programme in Parchmarhi, India**

The Members of WSPU Kenya attended the 22nd International Adventure programme at Parchmarhi, India in February 2020. The team had an opportunity to present a progress report on the hosting of the First WSPU Africa Assembly in Kenya and invite Bharat Scouts and Guides Association.

WSPU Kenya plans to set up a challenge course similar to the one by Bharat Scouts and Guides in Nyeri. This will be one of the income generating activities for WSPU Kenya and the proceeds will be used by both Scouts and non-Scouts for adventure, training and recreation.

1.6. 2021 Annual General Meeting of (WSPU) Executive Committee (virtual)

The World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) Executive Committee held its 2021 annual general meeting on 26th November 2021. Due to the travel disruptions and other socioeconomic effects resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic, the meeting was held virtually via Zoom. The main purpose of the meeting was to review the progress of the implementation of WSPU Action Plan 2019-2022.

The meeting deliberated on the strategies of expanding WSPU membership and mobilization of resources for the organization. Other items on the agenda were in respect to enhancing the cooperation with the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), the National Scout Parliamentary Associations and the National Scout Organizations. The meeting further explored ways in which the organizations under the Scouts Movement can accelerate the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals.

The meeting was chaired by Hon. Dr. Thamrong Dasananjali, the WSPU President and attended by other members including –

1. The Hon. John Kiarie MP, *the 3rd Vice President and WSPU Kenya President*
2. Jacky Deromedi – France,
3. Yong Tak CHO - Korea, WSPU Secretary General,
4. Sennie OH, WSPU Headquarters,
5. Gen. Worapong Sagnanetra - Member of the Senate of Thailand Chairperson of Thai National Parliamentary Association,

6. Ms. Djuna Bernard Member of the Chamber of Deputies of Luxemburg
7. Mr. Poppins Misoi - WSPU Kenya Executive Director.

1.7. Hosting of other WSPU Chapters

WSPU Kenya hosted Members from WSPU Thailand and WSPU Korea during the term of the Twelfth Parliament.

1.7.1. Visit to Kenya by WSPU Thailand

In February 2019, Kenya hosted a delegation of WSPU Members from the Thailand National Legislative Assembly. The delegation which comprised of ten (10) Members was led by –

1. Prof. Pornpetch Wichitcholchai - Speaker of the Thailand Senate;
and
2. Mr. Thamrong Dasananjali - Thailand WSPU President.

The delegation visited the Country on the invitation of WSPU Kenya to peer review various scouts' programs across the country, and to commemorate the scouts' Founder's Day with their Kenyan counterparts.

During the visit, the team paid a courtesy call to the Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon. Moses Cheboi, CBS, and also held a meeting with the Kenya WSPU Caucus.



Members of WSPU Thailand with the Hon. John Kiarie, MP during their visit to Kenya.

1.7.2. Visit to Kenya by WSPU Korea

The delegation from WSPU Korea led by the Deputy Speaker of Korean Assembly and the 1st Vice President of WSPU Kim Ju Yong visited Kenya with a team of five (5) Members of the Korea National Assembly and the Secretary General of WSPU.

The objective of the visit was to meet with the Speaker of the National Assembly and the Speaker of the Senate to seek consent and support for the First WSPU Assembly in Kenya 2020. The delegation held bilateral talks with the WSPU Kenya Members at Parliament Buildings where several issues were discussed and agreed among them development of a Baden Powell Leadership Centre (BPLC) in Nyeri.

The team also visited the proposed WSPU Africa Assembly venue in Nyeri and met the Governor of Nyeri H.E. Mutahi Kahiga who also assured them of the County Government of Nyeri's support.



Members of the WSPU Korea with the Governor of Nyeri County H.E. Mutahi Kahiga



Members of WSPU Korea with the Speaker of the Senate, Hon. Kenneth Lusaka, EGH, MP, Sen. Petronilla Were and Sen. Ltumbesi Lelegwe.

1.8. Hosting the First Africa WSPU Assembly 2020

During the 9th WSPU General Assembly, the newly elected Executive Committee, Kenya was granted the opportunity to host the First World Scout Parliamentary Union Assembly in 2020. It had been proposed that the Assembly be held in Nyeri County in honour of the Founder of Scouting, Lord Baden Powell. However, due to the challenges related to travel and the holding of in-person meetings that were brought about by the Covid 19 Pandemic, the Assembly had to be postponed indefinitely. It is expected that the Africa Assembly will be held in the year 2023.

1.9. WSPU Africa Assembly planning committee

WSPU Kenya put together a team of members of Parliament and other stakeholders to form the WSPU Africa Assembly Planning Committee. Organizations and Institution were identified and requested to each appoint representatives to the planning Committee.

The organizations that were part of the planning committee included the National Assembly, Ministry of Devolution and ASALS, Ministry of ICT, Innovation and youth Affairs, National Youth Council (NYC), County Government of Nyeri, County Assembly of Nyeri, County Assembly of Kiambu, County Assemblies Forum (CAF), Kenya Scouts Association (KSA), World Scout Bureau –Africa Region, Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA), Kenya National Commission for UNESCO (KNATCOM), United Nations Volunteer Programme (UNV), President’s Award Scheme (PAS), Centre for Multiparty Democracy (CMD), The Junior Achievement (JA), National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC) and the Youth Enterprise Development Fund (YEDF)

1.10. WSPU Kenya Induction Training

WSPU Kenya conducted induction trainings for Members of the Caucus and the stakeholders. The Induction was held in Mombasa County in December 2020 and December 2021.

The induction was attended by Members of Parliament, Members of County Assemblies, and County executive Committee members in Charge of Youth. During the Induction members were briefed on the WSPU programmes and plans for the following year.



WSPU Induction in Mombasa in 2020 with the Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, Hon. Moses Cheboi, CBS

1.11. Local high level meetings

WSPU Kenya conducted several high level meetings with the various key stakeholders to enhance the WSPU Kenya programmes.

1.11.1. Visit to State House

The Caucus took part in the annual Patron's day at State House Nairobi in 2018. The team led by Hon. John Kiarie MP had a chance of briefing H.E. the President on WSPU Kenya.

The annual Scout Patron's day event brings together Scouts from all over the Country. The President is the Patron of the Kenya Scouts Association, the largest youth movement in the country.

As per the Constitution of the Kenya Scouts Association which is an act of Parliament, the President of the country automatically becomes the patron of the Association.



Members of WSPU Kenya with H.E. President Uhuru Kenyatta, CGH during their visit to State House

1.12. MOU with the County Government of Nyeri

WSPU Kenya developed and signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the County Government of Nyeri. The partnership will help in enhancing Scouting in Nyeri by developing it to a Scout City of the World and supporting WSPU Activities in Nyeri.

The MOU was signed in February 2021 in Nyeri County. WSPU Kenya has plans of setting up the Baden Powell Centre of Excellence and the County Government will provide the required land to set up this joint project.



Members of WSPU Kenya and Nyeri County Governor during the MOU signing

1.13. Courtesy call on the Council of Governors Chairman

The WSPU Kenya team met with the Chairman of the Council of Governors (CoG) H.E. Wycliffe Ambesa Oparanya at the Council of

Governor's offices. The members had gone to brief him on the operations of WSPU Kenya and the upcoming WSPU Africa Assembly and invite County Executive Committee Members in Charge of Youth members to be part of it. The WSPU Kenya members also requested that county to support some Youth to attend the WSPU Africa Youth Assembly side event. The members who visited the Council of Governors included –

1. Hon. John Kiarie, MP
2. Hon. Shakeel Shabir, MP
3. Hon. Jared K'Opiyo
4. Youth CEC County Government of Nyeri
5. WSPU Kenya Executive Director

1.14. The Annual Scout Founders Day Celebrations

Annually Scouts globally celebrate the birth of the Founder of Scouting Lord Baden Powell on 22nd February. In Kenya the event is conducted in the counties a week before the main event which is hosted in Nyeri where the Founder of Scouting was laid to rest. Members of WSPU took time to support and celebrate with the Scouts in their constituencies and counties as chief Guests during the term of the Twelfth Parliament.

1.15. WSPU Kenya Youth Convention

WSPU Kenya organized a Pre-Assembly conference dubbed WSPU Youth Convention in Nyeri in 2020. The forum brought together Scouts and other youth from youth groups in Nyeri. The forum had partners who came to share with the youth various issues with respect to youth empowerment.

The partners included -

1. County Government of Nyeri;
2. The Kenya Scouts Association;
3. National Cohesion and Integration commission (NCIC);
4. County Assemblies Forum (CAF);
5. Youth Enterprise Development Fund (YEDF);
6. Kenya Young Members of the County Assemblies;
7. National Youth Council;
8. Access to Government procurement opportunities (AGPO);
9. Bunge Mashinani.

The Youth Convention ended with a debate conducted by Bunge Mashinani, the debate was on *Opportunities for Youth in Leadership and the Role of Youth in Legislation*.

1.16. First WSPU Kenya Executive Introductory Training Course

WSPU Kenya in conjunction with the Kenya Scouts Association organized the very first Executive Introductory Training Course (ITC) for adult Scouts, the members were drawn from various institutions and included non-scouts.

It was envisaged that the training would help the team members to understand basic scouting in preparation for WSPU Africa Assembly.

The members who were trained are part of the planning team for the WSPU Africa Assembly. The training took place in Nanyuki from the 26th to 29th February 2020.

The training was attended by the following;

- i. Members for the Tourism Committee , Nyeri County Assembly;
- ii. The National Youth Council members;
- iii. The County Executive Committee Members (CEC);
- iv. The Chief officers;
- v. County Directors;
- vi. County Governance Watch (CGW) members;
- vii. The Sub County Director of Education, Makueni;



Members of WSPU at the Kenya Scouts Association during the inaugural meeting of the Caucus