

**RETREAT OF THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
THE NATIONAL RESISTANCE MOVEMENT**

Chobe Safari Lodge, 15th to 20th February, 2019.

RETREAT RESOLUTIONS.

WE, Members of the Central Executive Committee of the National Resistance Movement;

ASSEMBLED in a Retreat at Chobe Safari Lodge in Nwoya District of Uganda, from 15th to 20th February 2019, under theme:

“BUILDING ON SOLID ACHIEVEMENTS: CONSOLIDATING THE UNITY OF THE NATIONAL RESISTANCE MOVEMENT AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF *WANANCHI*, TOWARDS ACHIEVING VISION 2040”.

HAVING, under the stewardship and guidance of the National NRM Chairperson His Excellency Yoweri K. Museveni, agreed to consider and discuss the following thematic areas with the view of reaching consensus on each thematic area;

- **Ideology and Strategy;**
- **Patriotism;**
- **The Economy;**
- **Environmental Conservation;**
- **Constitutional Amendments;**
- **Resource Mobilization; and**
- **Corruption;**

DEEPLY MINDFUL of our revolutionary duty to Members of the Movement, to the Ugandan and African People;

CONSCIOUS of our great responsibility to ceaselessly and vigorously work for the fundamental and all-round well-being of the Ugandans, and to secure the future of the Africans in the World Community of Peoples;

NOTING with serious concern the subsisting bottlenecks to the fundamental socio-economic transformation of our people;

HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. IDEOLOGY AND STRATEGY:

a). That NRM Cadres need to appreciate, participate, become grounded and remain steadfast regarding the following critical elements:

i). Science and Technology as the Primer of all Socio-economic Change.

In recognition, appreciation and support of our Ugandan scientists and their vital and central role in the transformation of our country;

ii). The four NRM ideological principles, namely:

- **Patriotism**
- **Pan Africanism**
- **Socio-economic Transformation**
- **Democracy**

iii). Understanding the ten strategic bottlenecks that have bedeviled our growth and transformation, namely:

- **Ideological Disorientation**
- **Weak State**
- **Underdevelopment of the Human Resource**
- **Poor Infrastructure**
- **Lack of Industrialization/Export of Raw Materials**
- **Fragmented African Market**
- **Underdeveloped Services Sector**
- **Underdeveloped Agriculture**
- **Mistake of Fighting the Private Sector**
- **Suppression of Democracy**

- b). That NRM Cadres need to appreciate and internalize the need for appropriate Strategy and Tactics at every phase of the struggle for the fundamental socio-economic transformation of Uganda and Africa;**
- c). That NRM shall invest massively in the development, consolidation and dissemination of its ideology, as well as the systematic mentorship of its cadreship;**
- d). To sensitize and mobilize the Ugandan people to work together for the political and economic integration of East Africa, as well as the consolidation of an African Common Market;**
- e). To warmly acknowledge and applaud the National Chairperson His Excellency Yoweri K. Museveni as the theoretician and principal strategist of the Movement in the fundamental liberation struggles and successes of our people over the last 50 years;**
- f). To emphatically recommend to the membership of the Movement and its organs, that His Excellency Yoweri K. Museveni our leader and General of the African Resistance, continues leading the Movement and State in 2021 and beyond - as we eliminate the bottlenecks to transformation.**

2. PATRIOTISM:

- a). To warmly appreciate the Patriotism Secretariat, in collaboration with the teachers and the students generally, for a job well done in promoting Patriotism in the secondary schools in Uganda and encouraging setting up of discussion groups in universities and tertiary institutions and finally, keeping track of those that have undertaken patriotism courses.**
- b). To direct the Government to expeditiously ensure the instruction in Patriotism, from Nursery to University and other Tertiary institutions;**

- c) **To encourage the closest collaboration in promotion of patriotism between the Patriotism Secretariat and Ministries, Departments, Authorities, and other stake holders.**
- d) **To direct Government to enhance budgetary support to for the promotion of patriotism in Uganda.**

3. THE ECONOMY:

- a). **To acknowledge that subsequent to the turmoil of the 1970s and 1980s, the country under the leadership of the NRM has achieved significant recovery and reconstruction; which include the following:**
 - i) **Booming population resulting from investment in holistic immunization programmes;**
 - ii) **Huge educated population resulting from investment in Universal Primary Education and Universal Secondary Education respectively and the liberalized education policy that has given rise to mushrooming of universities and tertiary institutions that have absorbed graduates of secondary schools.**
 - iii) **Favourable investment climate resulting from deliberate and sustained peace stability and security leading to boom in the construction industry and growth in urbanization.**
 - iv) **Government investment in major infrastructure projects including roads, electricity,**
 - v) **Democracy through regular, free and fair elections from the grassroots level to the top most position in the land**
- b) **To acknowledge in the same breath, that the above mentioned successes of have inexplicitly generated new challenges for which the National Resistance Movement is now poised to tackle. These include the following:**
 - vi) **The surge in population now dictates that Government must increase investment in service delivery; including generating and creating wealth amongst the population, especially at the rural house hold levels.**
 - vii) **The huge numbers of graduates from Universities and tertiary institutions now calls for commensurate job creation mechanisms; including skilling and vocationalization, to address the question of job creators instead of the current curricular that turns out job seekers.**
 - viii) **The good road network of roads coupled with high purchase power of the population has generated the numerous traffic jams especially in urban areas especially in the Kampala Metropolitan areas.**
 - ix) **Too much competition for elective population over time, has led to commercialization of politics which threatens the gains of peoples' representation and good governance practices, not only within the National Resistance Movement but also among the other political parties.**

- c). That the above notwithstanding, the National Resistance Movement recognizes that the country is still faced with a fundamental and major challenge in the form of lifting 68% of our population from production for subsistence to commercialized and monetized production;**
- e). That the national leadership and Government must lead the population in the process of transformation of the countryside, since some work has been piloted at that level;**
- f). That Parish shall be the focal point for the country wide transformation of the country;**
- g). That in this transformative effort, a number of vital elements and activities shall be located at the Parish:**
 - i). Administration by the Parish Chief to co-ordinate the effort;**
 - ii). The Store, comprising infrastructure for collection, storage/preservation, marketing, etc - of produce;**
 - iii). Technical Services;**
 - iv). Irrigation Efforts; and**
 - v). Fertilizer Distribution;**
- h) That for purposes of management of the above mentioned focal points at the parish level, it is proposed as follows:**
 - i) Administrators and Technical Officers shall be Diploma Holders, at the minimum;**
 - ii) The extension workers at the Sub County shall be Degree Holders, qualified in appropriate and relevant fields;**
 - iii) Banking and Financial Services centers shall be located at the District, and made available at the Parish;**
 - iv) Credit shall be focused initially on identified enterprises;**
- i) That Government should experiment with various forms of funding and credit; including mobilization of target producer Groups and actors (akin to the Guilds systems in England) around specific or clustered activity;**
- i). That there is clear domestic demand for the increased supply of vegetables such as tomatoes, dodo, carrots, etc. and that Government should however, study the global and regional markets for each product as a guarantee for increased production that caters for markets beyond the local demand;**
- j). That in launching the new transformative effort, the leadership and Government shall study all successful models for rural transformation - including that championed by President Yoweri Museveni in the mid-1960s in the areas of present day Kiruhura District; the wider cattle corridor, and the areas of greater Masaka, Ibanda and Bundibugyo Districts to draw practical lessons beneficial for the rest of the country;**

- k). That the Central Executive Committee hereby directs the Government to expeditiously study the exigencies of operationalizing the envisaged Parish Model, and proceed with implementation without delay;**
- l). That the Central Executive Committee hereby also directs the Government to significantly re-capitalize the Uganda Development Bank in the new Financial Year, to enable the bank to play a more vigorous and central role in providing affordable credit for the transformative effort;**

The re-capitalization process of the UDB shall include relocating the Agriculture Credit Facility at the Bank of Uganda to the UDB, and ensuring that interest rates for Agriculture, Manufacturing, Tourism and Hotel Industry are affordable;

- m). The Party hereby directs the Government to urgently revisit the reform of the land legal regime, which currently creates unacceptable obstacles to national development - as for example, compounding and encumbering expeditious settling of compensation related to implementation of major infrastructure projects, and to create a common utility corridor once and for all;**

4. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION:

- a) That the Central Executive Committee hereby directs that the Government urgently revisits the legal and administrative regime for environmental conservation, as part of a fundamental push to roll back and mitigate the effects of climate change.**
- b) That the National Resistance Movement, the Government of the Republic of Uganda and all other stakeholders shall be mobilized to ensure mass sensitization and mobilization of the population to protect and conserve the environment.**

5. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS:

- a). To recommend and commend to the National Executive Council and National Conference, amendment of the NRM Constitution to providing for lining up as the mode of all internal elections.**

This is in the interests of transparency, maintaining cohesion, as well as being cost effective;

- b). Other Constitutional Amendments shall be dealt with at the next CEC Session;**

6. RESOURCE MOBILIZATION:

- a). That the NRM should of necessity, urgently enhance and strengthen its resource mobilization capacities and capabilities.**
- b). To establish a Sub-Committee to study the challenge in all its ramifications, and report back in one month;**

7. CORRUPTION:

- a). That the Central Executive Committee noted that the despicable vice is deeply injurious to the entire development process, and to the national moral fabric.**
- b). To consider an ongoing internal study on the vice, at its next Session, and shall not flinch from taking all appropriate decisions.**

8. FUTURE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSIONS:

- a). That future Central Executive Committee Sessions shall be rotated throughout the 18 NRM Operational Zones;**
- b). That the Members of the Central Executive Committee shall during these rotational sessions, visit Government and private projects, within the Zones hosting the Session;**
- c). That the Central Executive Committee shall meet NRM leaders and some of the cadres in the Zone hosting the CEC Session;**
- d). That the Central Executive Committee shall conduct activities that promote protection and conservation of the environment such as, but not limited to tree planting exercises at these venues.**

NATIONAL RESISTANCE MOVEMENT CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Retreat Session, Chobe Safari Lodge, Friday 15th to Wednesday 20th February, 2019.

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01	H E Gen Yoweri Kaguta Museveni National Chairman	
02	Rt. Hon. Al Hajji Moses Kigongo 1 st National Chairman	
03	Rt.Hon. Rebecca Alitwala Kadaga 2 nd National Chairman	
04	Amb. Maj. Gen. Matayo Kyaligonza Vice Chairman (Western Region)	
05	Hon. Ft. Capt. Mike Mukula Vice Chairman (Eastern Region)	
06	Hon. Al Haji Abdul Naduli Vice Chairman (Central Region)	
07	Hon. Sam Engola Vice Chairman (Northern Region)	
08	Mr. Godfey Nyakana Vice Chairman (Kampala Region)	
09	Hon. Simon Aleper Vice Chairman (Karamoja Region)	
10	Rt.Hon. Al Haji Kirunda Kivejinja Chairperson, Historical Leaders' Forum	
11	Hon. Maj. Gen. Jim Muhwezi Chairperson, Veteran's League	
12	Hon. Lydia Wanyoto Mutende Chairperson, Women's League	
13	Mr. James Tweheyo Chairperson, Worker's League	
14	Mr. Gabriel Kato Chairperson, Persons With Disabilities	
15	Dr. Robert Rukaari Chairperson, Entrepreneur's League	
16	Mzee Dominic Gidudu Chairperson, Elder's League	
17	Mr. Nasur Gadafi Chairperson, Youth League	
18	Hon. Ruth Nankabirwa Chairperson, NRM Parliamentary Caucus	

No.	Names	Signature
19	Rt.Hon. Kasule Lumumba Justine Secretary General	
20	Hon. Rose Namayanja National Treasurer	
21	Hon. Richard Todwong Deputy Secretary General	
22	Hon. Dr. Kenneth Omona Olusegun Deputy National Treasurer	
23	Dr. Tanga Odoi Chairperson, Electoral Commission	
24	Rt. Hon. Ruhakana Rugunda Special Guest	
25	Hon. Maj.Gen. Kahinda Otafire Special Guest	
26	Hon. Huda Oleru Special Guest	