



### MKENYA DAIMA PRESS STATEMENT

MKenya Daima, which brings together the religious, business and other stakeholders in Kenya, has been following the electoral process keenly, mindful that a free, peaceful and credible process that enjoys the confidence of Kenyans is critical for the maintenance of the peace and stability required for Kenya to flourish and advance economically, socially and politically.

We have noted that all available evidence points to voting having been peaceful throughout the country, with few instances of breaches of the peace or of the voting process, the outcome of which is attributable to the timely arrival of voting materials at most polling stations, the exemplary performance of the IEBC officials and of observers, and the discreet but firm security presence. We thank all who played a role in ensuring an overall successful exercise.

We further note that voter turnout has by all accounts been high countrywide, which demonstrates Kenyans' determination to exercise their democratic right to shape their political future.

We commend the IEBC for organizing this enormous logistical exercise in the face of numerous challenges. In

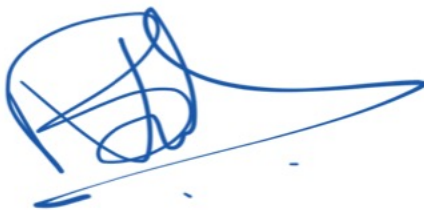
any such large-scale exercise, where new technology is being deployed in a complex environment, a 100% efficiency is not a realistic expectation, but we are satisfied that the process as a whole has been conducted well and allowed the Kenyan people to vote freely.

We note the presence of international and domestic observers, and look forward to their assessments of the process. We note also that candidates for office and their supporters have conducted themselves responsibly, and we encourage them to continue in this manner.

The proceedings of the day suggest that the voting process was free, fair, transparent and credible. We urge the IEBC to complete the tallying process in like manner and to deliver credible and transparent results. To our fellow Kenyans, let us remember that Kenya is bigger than any one of us and that regardless of who wins, we must work together to build our homeland.

Through this process, we trust that we will send a message to a watching world that Kenya is a maturing and responsible democracy that is very much open for business

Signed

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