



**EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY**

**COMMUNIQUE ON THE SIGNING OF THE TREATY  
OF ACCESSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC  
OF CONGO TO THE TREATY FOR THE  
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COMMUNITY**

**STATE HOUSE, NAIROBI, KENYA**

**8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022**

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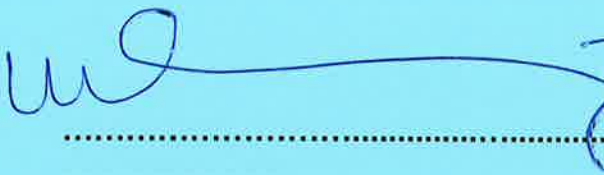
- 1. THEIR EXCELLENCIES PRESIDENT UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEADS OF STATE SUMMIT AND PRESIDENT FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO, OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO HAVE THIS FRIDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2022, SIGNED THE TREATY OF ACCESSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO TO THE TREATY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY.**
- 2. IN ATTENDANCE AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY AT STATE HOUSE, NAIROBI, WERE THEIR EXCELLENCIES PRESIDENT YOWERI KAGUTA MUSEVENI OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA, PRESIDENT PAUL KAGAME OF THE REPUBLIC OF RWANDA, DELEGATES FROM THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY PARTNER STATES, DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS, REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. THE HEADS OF STATE MET AND SIGNED THE TREATY OF ACCESSION IN A WARM AND CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE.**

- 3. THEIR EXCELENCIES RECALLED THAT THE 19<sup>TH</sup> EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SUMMIT OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY HEADS OF STATE HELD ON 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2022 DESIGNATED H.E. PRESIDENT UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA TO SIGN THE TREATY OF ACCESSION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO TO THE TREATY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY ON BEHALF OF THE SUMMIT.**
- 4. HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA CONGRATULATED HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO AND THE PEOPLE OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, FOR ADMISSION INTO THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY.**
- 5. THEIR EXCELENCIES THE HEADS OF STATE NOTED THAT THE ENTRY OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO INTO THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY WAS BENEFICIAL TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO AND THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY.**
- 6. HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO APPRECIATED THE DECISION OF THE SUMMIT TO ADMIT THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO INTO THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY.**
- 7. HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO OBSERVED THAT THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO'S ADMISSION INTO THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY WAS THE FULFILMENT OF DREAMS HELD BY THE COUNTRY'S ANCESTORS MORE THAN SIXTY YEARS AGO, ADDING THAT IT MARKED A DECISIVE SHIFT IN THE COUNTRY'S FOREIGN AND ECONOMIC POLICY.**

8. HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA REITERATED THE DIRECTIVE OF THE SUMMIT TO THE COUNCIL TO EXPEDITIOUSLY DEVELOP A ROADMAP FOR THE INTEGRATION OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO INTO THE ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS OF THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY.

9. HIS EXCELLENCY, PRESIDENT FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI TSHILOMBO OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO THANKED HIS HOST, HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT UHURU MUIGAI KENYATTA OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA FOR THE WARM AND CORDIAL HOSPITALITY EXTENDED TO HIM AND HIS DELEGATION DURING THEIR STAY IN NAIROBI, KENYA.

DONE AT STATE HOUSE, NAIROBI THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022.



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UHURU KENYATTA

PRESIDENT OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF KENYA AND  
CHAIRPERSON OF THE EAST  
AFRICAN COMMUNITY SUMMIT OF  
HEADS OF STATE



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FÉLIX-ANTOINE TSHISEKEDI  
TSHILOMBO

PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC  
REPUBLIC OF CONGO