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V1: Vote Overview

I. Vote Mission Statement

To promote and protect Uganda's national interest in Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Fiji Islands

II. Strategic Objective

- a. Promote regional and International peace and security.
- b. Promote commercial and economic Diplomacy.
- c. Promote international law and commitments/obligations.
- d. Provide diplomatic, protocol and consular services.
- e. Mobilize and empower the diaspora for national development.
- f. Promote Uganda's public diplomacy and enhance her image abroad.

III. Major Achievements in 2020/21

1. Attended the Annual Dinner for Women Heads of Missions (WOHOMs) in Australia with Senator The Honourable Marise Payne, Australia Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Minister for Women Affairs hosted by the Dean of Diplomatic Corps, Her Excellency Mrs Nineta Barbulescu, Ambassador of Romania at Romania Embassy.
2. Attended the Australia Africa Chamber of Commerce (AACC) in conjunction with Austrade together with ASOKO Insights entitled: "How to Navigate Africa's Corporate Map" on 2nd September 2020. This virtual meeting was introduced by the President of AACC, Mr Dancun Harris. The Presenters included: Mr Ian Halliday- Austrade - Dubai -Middle East, Africa and Turkey; Thibaut van de Werve -Asoko Insights, Senior Business Development Manager; Alexandria Akena -Asoko Insights - Regional Content and Research Manager, East Africa; Brenda Wabule - Austrade - Country Director, East Africa; Boban Tomic Head of Strategy, AACC. It was a great meeting where the presenters showed us how to create contacts and connections to business opportunities in Africa. It was even more relevant to us as Uganda Dairy Industry was used as one of the Case Studies.
3. Attended Australia Africa Chamber of Commerce (AACC) in conjunction with Austrade Webinar Series entitled: AFRICA CALLING. This was a special two-part series entitled: Meet the Ambassadors and High Commissioners - Part I included their Excellencies: Ms. Gitta Kamath, High Commissioner of Australia to South Africa; Mr. Peter Doyle, Ambassador of Australia to Ethiopia; Alison Chartres, High Commissioner of Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, and Rwanda. The virtual meeting was opened by Mr. Duncan Harris, President of AACC. It was a rich discussion where the Ambassadors presented, among other issues, the trade and other economic relationships between Australia and their host countries.
4. Attended the Dean Talks Series with Ms. Anne Katherine Carnell AO, the Inaugural Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman, a very informative face-to-face meeting hosted by the Dean of Diplomatic Corps, Ambassador Nineta Barbulescu at the Romanian Embassy.
5. Attended a Zoom meeting of Africa Heads of Missions with Dr Casta Tungaraza, Chairperson of Advisory Group on Australia Africa Relations (AGAAR) attended by African Heads, Mr. Bill Ruppert of Paydirt, hosts for Africa Down Under Conference (ADU) in Perth. The annual African Africa week in Perth was discussed and we were informed that the AW will proceed but with only the People in Western Australia as the borders of WA are still closed to non-WA people.
6. Attended a Ceremony to remember World Peace Day -A moment to call for Peace throughout the World hosted by The Rotary Club of Canberra in partnership with United Nations Information Centre for Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific in Canberra.
7. Had a Meeting with DFAT officials on Uganda's Candidature to International Court of Justice (ICJ).
8. Participated in the African Deputy Heads of Mission Zoom Meeting hosted by Kenyan High Commission.
9. Published a tourism article in the Canberra weekly to promote Uganda's tourist attractions.

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10. Engaged Ambassador Jo (Tourism Ambassador) in Brisbane on ways to attract more tourists to Uganda by the time borders open.
11. Actively engaging the website and other social media platforms on matters of tourism and Ugandan cultures.
12. Engaged many Ugandan artistes to get interested in coming to perform in Australia, thus awaring more Australians about Uganda.
13. Attended a zoom meeting with the New Zealand National Commission for UNESCO.
14. Engaged a university in Tasmania for collaborations.
15. Engaged the African students Networking community at the University of Newcastle.
16. Met with students in Sydney to discuss their challenges and progress during the post COVID, to discuss on how to introduce Ugandan cultures to the diaspora children.
17. Interviewed over 30 Ugandans who were renewing their passports.
18. Tourism information provided virtually via Embassy email and website with intending travellers guided and assured of safer Covid-19 procedures to be followed on re-opening of Uganda airport and borders.
19. Embassy website regularly updated.

CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES

20. Provided adequate quantities of medical supplies in terms of Masks, gloves, and disinfectants to mitigate the contraction and spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.
21. Supported staff members in areas of medical and healthy living.

IV. Medium Term Plans

1. Continue to provide Protocol, Consular and Diplomatic services to Ugandans living in Australia and all areas of accreditation including the addressing the needs of distressed Ugandans.
2. Promote Commercial & Economic Diplomacy (promote exports, inward Foreign Direct Investment, Tourism and Technology transfer) for increased foreign exchange earnings and job creation for all Ugandans.
3. Plans to continue implementing workplace HIV/AIDS prevention activities
4. Engage Diaspora in Australia and other countries of accreditation to actively contribute to national development.
5. Continue to engage the Australian government, the private sector, and other institutions to continue awarding scholarships and supporting exchange programs to both students and teaching staff from Uganda including the less privileged persons.

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V. Snapshot Of Medium Term Budget Allocations

Table 5.1: Overview of Vote Expenditures (UShs Billion)

	2019/20 Outturn	2020/21		2021/22	MTEF Budget Projections			
		Approved Budget	Expenditure by End Dec		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Recurrent	Wage	0.929	0.929	0.464	0.929	0.929	0.929	0.929
	Non Wage	3.909	3.689	1.844	3.689	3.689	3.689	3.689
Devt.	GoU	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Ext. Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GoU Total		4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)		4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
Arrears		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total Budget		4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
A.I.A Total		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Grand Total		4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears		4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618

Table 5.2: Budget Allocation by Programme (UShs Billion)

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	2021/22 Draft Estimates		
	GoU	Ext. Fin	Total
Governance and Security	4.618	0.000	4.618
Grand Total :	4.618	0.000	4.618
Total excluding Arrears	4.618	0.000	4.618

VI. Budget By Economic Classification

Table V6.1 2020/21 and 2021/22 Budget Allocations by Item

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	2020/21 Approved Budget				2021/22 Draft Estimates		
	GoU	Ext. Fin	AIA	Total	GoU	Ext. Fin	Total
Output Class : Outputs Provided	4.618	0.000	0.000	4.618	4.618	0.000	4.618
211 Wages and Salaries	2.301	0.000	0.000	2.301	2.301	0.000	2.301
212 Social Contributions	0.071	0.000	0.000	0.071	0.071	0.000	0.071
213 Other Employee Costs	0.245	0.000	0.000	0.245	0.245	0.000	0.245
221 General Expenses	0.237	0.000	0.000	0.237	0.187	0.000	0.187
222 Communications	0.106	0.000	0.000	0.106	0.106	0.000	0.106
223 Utility and Property Expenses	1.190	0.000	0.000	1.190	1.190	0.000	1.190
226 Insurances and Licenses	0.010	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.010	0.000	0.010

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227 Travel and Transport	0.360	0.000	0.000	0.360	0.410	0.000	0.410
228 Maintenance	0.099	0.000	0.000	0.099	0.099	0.000	0.099
Grand Total :	4.618	0.000	0.000	4.618	4.618	0.000	4.618
Total excluding Arrears	4.618	0.000	0.000	4.618	4.618	0.000	4.618

VII. Budget By Sub-Subprogramme , Department And Project

Table V7.1: Past Expenditure Outturns and Medium Term Projections by Sub-SubProgramme,Department and Project

Billion Uganda shillings	FY 2019/20 Outturn	FY 2020/21		2021-22 Proposed Budget	Medium Term Projections			
		Approved Budget	Spent By End Dec		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
52 Overseas Mission Services	4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
01 Headquarters Canberra	4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
Total for the Vote	4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618
Total Excluding Arrears	4.838	4.618	2.309	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618	4.618

VIII. Sub-SubProgramme Performance and Medium Term Plans

Table V8.1: Sub-SubProgramme Outcome and Outcome Indicators

Sub-SubProgramme : 52 Overseas Mission Services							
Objective :							
(i) Promote commercial and economic Diplomacy.							
(ii) Promote international law and commitments/obligations.							
(iii) Provide diplomatic, protocol and consular services.							
(iv) Mobilize and empower the diaspora for national development.							
(v) Promote Uganda's public diplomacy and enhance her image abroad.							
(vi) Strengthen the institutional capacity of the ministry and affiliated institutions.							
Responsible Officer: Patrick Guma Muganda							
Outcome: Enhanced national security development, the country's image abroad and wellbeing of Ugandans							
1. Improved regional and International Relations							
Outcome Indicators			Performance Targets				
					2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
			Baseline	Base year	Target	Projection	Projection

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• Number of cooperation frameworks negotiated, and concluded	2	1	2	2	2
Department: 01 Headquarters Canberra					
Budget Output: 01 Cooperation frameworks					
No. of Multilateral cooperation frameworks negotiated or signed			1	2	2
No. of Bilateral cooperation frameworks negotiated or signed.			1	2	2
Budget Output: 02 Consulars services					
No. of official visits facilitated			5	5	5
Number of Visas issued to foreigners travelling to Uganda.			5,000	5,000	6,000
Number of visas issued by Ugandan missions abroad			100	100	100
No. of official visits facilitated			5	5	5
Budget Output: 04 Promotion of trade, tourism, education, and investment					
No. of foreign Tourism promotion engagements.			4	4	4
No. of scholarships secured.			5	10	15
No. of export markets accessed.			3	5	5

IX. Major Capital Investments And Changes In Resource Allocation

Table 9.1: Major Capital Investment (Capital Purchases outputs over 0.5Billion)

N/A

X. Vote Challenges and Plans To Improve Performance

Vote Challenges

- The Mission lacks an adequate budget to handle all areas of accreditation.
- The mission is yet to be allocated funds for commercial diplomacy.
- The wide geographical distance between the different states in Australia makes it difficult to coordinate some Mission activities.
- The Mission continues to be housed on a rented premise

Plans to improve Vote Performance

1. Engage MoFPED to increase the Mission budget to enable us to fulfil the Mission charter and mandate
2. The Mission requests to be given Commercial Diplomacy funds to be able to fulfil this mandate

XI Off Budget Support

Table 11.1 Off-Budget Support by Project

N/A

XII. Vote Cross Cutting Policy And Other Budgetary Issues

Table 12.1: Cross- Cutting Policy Issues

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Issue Type: HIV/AIDS

Objective :	Implement HIV/AIDS Work place Policy
Issue of Concern :	Implement HIV/AIDS Work place Policy
Planned Interventions :	i) Conduct HIV/AIDS sensitization workshops for staff ii) Support a culture of living a responsible lifestyle iii) Securing methods to prevent mother to child HIV/AIDS transmission
Budget Allocation (Billion) :	0.020
Performance Indicators:	Improved HIV Awareness

Issue Type: Gender

Objective :	Gender Awareness
Issue of Concern :	Gender Awareness
Planned Interventions :	i) Conduct Gender sensitisation workshops for staff. ii) Lobby for scholarships, technological transfer, support for income generating activities and rural development programs
Budget Allocation (Billion) :	0.003
Performance Indicators:	Equal distribution of roles across board

Issue Type: Environment

Objective :	Clean, Safe and Secure Environment
Issue of Concern :	Clean, Safe and Secure Environment
Planned Interventions :	i) Promote a safe and secure working environment. ii) As appropriate, encourage a paperless working environment; re-use, reduce & recycle principle.
Budget Allocation (Billion) :	0.003
Performance Indicators:	Number of reported accidents

XIII. Personnel Information

Table 13.1 Staff Establishment Analysis

N/A

Table 13.2 Staff Recruitment Plan

N/A