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V1: Vote Overview

I. Vote Mission Statement

Promote and Protect Uganda's national interests in Algeria , Tunisia, Lybia, Morocco and Mauritania, and support gender and equity mainstreaming in all mission activities.

II. Strategic Objective

- a. Promoting Commercial and Economic Diplomacy
- b. Mobilizing the diaspora and resources for development
- c. Promoting Uganda's Public Diplomacy and Enhancing her image
- d. Promoting of Regional and International Peace and Security
- e. Strengthening Institutional Capacity
- f. Provision of diplomatic, protocol and Consular Services in Algeria and area of accreditation
- g. Promoting International Law and Conventions/Obligations

III. Major Achievements in 2020/21

- Reviewed and updated the Agreement for the Creation of the Ugandan-Algerian Joint Commission of Cooperation which expired in November 1996 (after 10 years)
- Coordinated Uganda response to 8draft MoUs and Agreements proposed by Algeria and submitted responses:
 - a) Draft MoU of Cooperation between the diplomatic Institutes;
 - b) Draft Agreement on Trade;
 - c) Draft MoU between the Chambers of Commerce of the two Countries;
 - d) Draft MoU between the Police Forces of the two Countries;
 - e) Draft MoU in the field of Plant Protection and Vegetal Quaratine (Phytosanitary);
 - f) Draft MoU in the field of Professional and Technical trainings;
 - g) Draft Agreement in the field of Environment and sustainable Development; and
 - h) Draft Agreement on Cultural Cooperation
- 10 distressed Ugandans from Algeria, Morocco, The Saharawi and Libya were repatriated. Worked on their travel documents, scheduling repatriation flights in COVID-19 pandemic period. Ugandans stranded in Benghazi were facilitated and evacuated back to Uganda via Sudan
- Undertook visits to students and Ugandans in areas locked down of the Wilayas of Bourmedes, TiziOuzou, Bejaia, Tlemcen and Sidi Bel Abes and provided documentation and other necessities required.
- Continuous Embassy Website Upgrade 49 Application files and Papers for continuing students (Masters Program) processed, and submitted to Ministry of Higher Education and scientific research.
- 38 Passports were renewed; where applications were prepared and various consular services offered to Ugandans. Processed Passport renewal applications for Ugandan students.
- Milk project follow up especially on the samples that were submitted, solicited for sample transportation, price quotation with the Airlines (Emirates and Qatar) and courier companies (DHL).
- Secured market for Uganda coffee in Algeria - Initiated negotiations for export of coffee to other companies in Uganda and the Shipping of coffee from Uganda to Algeirs by two companies Fast Export and Eurl Jazan import Export is ongoing.

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- Solicited for different prices and transportation quotation for coffee shipment into Algiers (Maersk, Oceanfreight, Bollare, MSC,)
- Follow up on coffee traders of two companies; Fast Export and Eurl Jazan import Export that visited Uganda in March 2020.
- Reaching out to coffee companies that could pattern with Algerian coffee traders and soliciting for price quotation from Kyagalanyi coffee, Olam, Great lakes, Ankole Coffee development, Mbale coffee exporters.
- Solicited for different transportation price quotation for coffee shipping lines into Algiers (Maersk, Ocean freight, Bollare, MSC) for companies that are interested in coffee.
- Coordinated UCDA for Diplomatic coffee packages into Algiers
- Export of Powdered Milk into Algiers was followed up through stake holders.
- Financial documents and Reports prepared, relevant copies made and filed in proper order.
- Monthly payrolls and Pay slips prepared
- Quarter 1 performance reports,
- Procurement report submitted and
- Quarter 1 Financial documents prepared
- Cleaning and Gardening supervised
- Quarterly Procurement reports prepared
- Budget framework paper prepared for FY 2021/2022
- Draft strategic plan prepared for the Mission five -year plan 2021/2025

IV. Medium Term Plans

- 02 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on bilateral cooperation signed
- 07 cooperation frameworks negotiated. Credentials presented to Algeria and other Accredited Countries (Mauritania Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic and Morocco)
- 07 MoUs signed during bilateral engagements
- 02 peace and security pacts/ protocols, and agreements signed
- Agreement on exemption of visas for citizens Concluded
- 600 visas and travel documents issued
- 03 repatriation agreements for convicted offenders from Algeria and countries of accreditation negotiated
- Consular support provided to distressed students and handle their return to Uganda
- 600 distressed Ugandans cleared out to safety
- Staff trained in consular services
- 3500 tourists attracted from Algeria and Maghreb region
- 06 Ugandan micro and small enterprises to operate in Maghreb region attracted
- FDI of \$10Million from the Maghreb region attracted
- 02 legal instruments for mutual promotion and protection of investments with each country of accreditation Concluded

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02 MoUs in tourism cooperation concluded

USD 526 Million from the Maghreb regional markets

02 education institutions Linked between Uganda and Algeria and other countries of accreditation

04 trade, business and investment foras.

Organized and participated in 80 scholarships Sourced from Algeria and Countries of accreditation

03 staff trained in economic and commercial diplomacy

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V. Snapshot Of Medium Term Budget Allocations

Table 5.1: Overview of Vote Expenditures (US\$ 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 | 0.645 | 0.645 | 0.323 | 0.645 | 0.645 | 0.645 | 0.645 | 0.645 |
| Non Wage | 2.972 | 2.972 | 1.486 | 2.972 | 2.972 | 2.972 | 2.972 | 2.972 |
| Devt. | | | | | | | | |
| GoU | 0.277 | 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 | 0.000 |
| GoU Total | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF) | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| Arrears | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Total Budget | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| A.I.A Total | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Grand Total | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |

Table 5.2: Budget Allocation by Programme (US\$ Billion)

| <i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i> | 2021/22 Draft Estimates | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | GoU | Ext. Fin | Total |
| Governance and Security | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |
| Grand Total : | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |
| Total excluding Arrears | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |

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 | 3.617 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |
| 211 Wages and Salaries | 1.705 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.705 | 1.801 | 0.000 | 1.801 |
| 212 Social Contributions | 0.078 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.078 | 0.131 | 0.000 | 0.131 |
| 213 Other Employee Costs | 0.040 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.040 | 0.070 | 0.000 | 0.070 |
| 221 General Expenses | 0.075 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.075 | 0.077 | 0.000 | 0.077 |
| 222 Communications | 0.019 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.019 | 0.016 | 0.000 | 0.016 |
| 223 Utility and Property Expenses | 1.401 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1.401 | 1.269 | 0.000 | 1.269 |
| 226 Insurances and Licenses | 0.004 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.004 | 0.008 | 0.000 | 0.008 |

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| 227 Travel and Transport | 0.293 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.293 | 0.243 | 0.000 | 0.243 |
| 228 Maintenance | 0.003 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.003 | 0.003 | 0.000 | 0.003 |
| Grand Total : | 3.617 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |
| Total excluding Arrears | 3.617 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 0.000 | 3.617 |

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 | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| 01 Headquarters Algiers | 3.617 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| 0991 Strengthening of Mission in Algeria | 0.277 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Total for the Vote | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |
| Total Excluding Arrears | 3.894 | 3.617 | 1.809 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 | 3.617 |

VIII. Sub-SubProgramme Performance and Medium Term Plans

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

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|---|--|--|----------------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Sub-SubProgramme : 52 Overseas Mission Services | | | | | | | |
| Objective : | | | | | | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promotion of Regional and International Peace and Security. 2. Promotion of Economic/Commercial Diplomacy 3. Promotion of African Integration 4. Promotion of Uganda's Public Diplomacy and Enhancement of her image 5. Mobilization of Resources and Empowerment of Uganda nationals for development. 6. Strengthen the capacity of the Mission to deliver on its mandate 7. Provision of Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular services and countries of accreditation. 8. To promote gender and equity programs targeting the marginalized groups especially women, the elderly, girl child education, disabled and youth in employment. | | | | | | | |
| Responsible Officer: Benon Kayemba, Accounting Officer | | | | | | | |
| Outcome: Enhanced national security development, the country's image abroad and well being of Ugandans | | | | | | | |
| 1. Improved regional and International Relations | | | | | | | |
| 2. Strengthened Policy Management across Government | | | | | | | |
| 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 | 10 | 2020 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| • Percentage change of foreign exchange inflows | 10% | 2020 | 10% | 10% | 10% |
| • Rating of Uganda's image abroad | Good | 2020 | Good | Good | Good |
| N/A | | | | | |

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

- i. Uneasy relations between Algeria/Saharawi on one side and Morocco on the other side, ongoing conflict in Libya and its effect on the Maghreb region, terror attacks in Tunisia and Insecurity cases in Uganda including those involving foreigners cause panic among potential tourists.
- ii. Algeria was not considered for commercial diplomacy in 2016/17 budget, yet the Maghreb region is one of the biggest importers of Ugandan coffee and tea.
- iii. Low response of Ugandans to trade fares due to past political instabilities and high cost of participation.
- iv. Lack of harmonized trade policy frameworks.
- v. Inadequate funding for most mission activities as approximately 80% of the funds released from the Treasury are spent on fixed costs such as rent and salaries therefore leaving very limited resources to fund planned activities.
- vi. Fixed budget ceilings every year despite the ever-increasing dollar rate against the Uganda Shilling eating into the mission budget. The Mission also suffers from high inflation rates in Algeria.
- vii. Lack of a direct flights between Uganda and Algeria and countries of accreditation
- viii. Inadequate physical, financial and human resources to cover 05 countries of accreditation.
- ix. Lack of a chancery or official residence built in Algeria, which has resulted into a lot of resources being spent on rent.
- x. Inadequate Foreign Service Allowance and Education Allowance of children of Foreign Service officers rendering officers unable to cope up with the rising cost of living in the Algeria and countries of accreditation.
- xi. Tariff and non-tariff barriers against Uganda's exports in Algeria and countries of accreditation.
- xii. Low numbers of working Ugandan diaspora.
- xiii. Refusal by Morocco to accredit the Ambassador designate and the Mission with residence in Algeria due to political differences between Morocco and Algeria hinders Mission work
- xiv.
- xv. Continued war in Libya as well as continued Stamata on the Western Sahara Question further limit the Mission activities.
- xvi.
- xvii. Continued human trafficking of Ugandans who end up in Libya with limited access to Mission services
- xviii. Multiplicity of official and national languages in countries of accreditation namely arabic and french with inadequate ceiling for wages to hire translators/interpreters limits Mission capacity to penetrate the markets
- xix. weakening Uganda Shilling against the Euro/Dollar which the currency the Mission budgets in continue to erode or reduce the actual foreign currency received year after yet priorities do reduce but increase since most fixed costs and entitlements are issued in foreign currency but the budgeting in done in UGX.

Plans to improve Vote Performance

1. Engage stakeholders for support of the programs
2. Carryout market research and gather information
3. Continue to lobby for increased offers of training Ugandans in specialized fields for National Development
4. Create, develop and update a Database of Ugandans in Algeria.

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5. Identify opportunities of Joint Ventures and Public Private Partnerships
6. Develop a Communication Strategy and help improve the image of Uganda in the countries of accreditation
7. Strengthen bilateral relations

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

Issue Type: HIV/AIDS

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| Objective : | Scale up HIV/AIDS prevention activities |
| Issue of Concern : | High HIV prevalence rates among the youth and women |
| Planned Interventions : | -Support culture of living a responsible life -AIDS committee established at the Mission -Provide medical care to staff affected, offer counseling services -Lobby for officers on posting to stay with families |
| Budget Allocation (Billion) : | 0.030 |
| Performance Indicators: | No. of HIV/AIDS control initiatives participated in |

Issue Type: Gender

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| Objective : | Gender and equity initiatives |
| Issue of Concern : | Youth unemployment, single mothers, girl child education and prompting equality for disabled and care for the elderly. |
| Planned Interventions : | To engage Non-governmental organizations and civil society on gender issues including Women, Youth and the Elderly -Ensure Chancery has access for PWDs -Provide for separate places of convenience for women and men |
| Budget Allocation (Billion) : | 0.030 |
| Performance Indicators: | -No. of Gender and equity initiatives participated in -Rating (%) by Equal Opportunities Commission on gender and equity budget responsiveness - Number of Female students admitted on scholarships - Regional balance reflected in the intake |

Issue Type: Environment

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Objective : | Defend environmental issues in Algeria and countries of accreditation |
| Issue of Concern : | High levels of environmental degradation and global warming |
| Planned Interventions : | -Advocate for a paperless working environment - lobby for training courses and programmes on climate change and environment - Plant trees to conserve environment |

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| Budget Allocation (Billion) : 0.050 |
| Performance Indicators: Number of initiatives defending environmental issues participated in |

XIII. Personnel Information**Table 13.1 Staff Establishment Analysis**

N/A

Table 13.2 Staff Recruitment Plan

N/A