

VOTE: 535 Uganda Embassy in Algeria, Algiers

I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT

Promote and Protect Uganda national interests in Algeria and the countries of accreditation

II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

Increase market access and competitiveness of agricultural products in domestic and international markets
Increase the mobilization, equitable access and utilization of Agricultural Finance
Strengthen budgeting and resource mobilization
Strengthen coordination monitoring and reporting frameworks and systems
Enhance Refugee protection and Migration Management
Promote domestic and inbound tourism
Increase access to regional and international markets
Develop the requisite infrastructure to support manufacturing in line with Ugandas planned growth corridors
Strengthen the role of government in unlocking investment in strategic economic sectors
Strengthen capacity of Security Agencies to address emerging security threats
Increase accountability and transparency in the delivery of services
Strengthen capacity for implementation to ensure a focus on results

III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2021/22

Prepared Issues Paper for Technical meeting on JPC to be held in the year 2022

Participated in the signing of MOU on Trade and Cooperation between Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Algeria and Uganda

Draft MOUs between Uganda, Algeria and Tunisia on Bilateral Air Services Agreement (BASA) submitted

1st Uganda Tunisia Business exhibition hosted at Serena in Uganda

4 cooperation frameworks with Tunisia drafted and exchanged on air services exemption of visas political consultations and chambers of commerce cooperation

One accreditation visit to Tunisia executed

Liaised with MoFA and agreed to initiate talks regarding the signing of JPCs

Agreed to establish implementation mechanisms for the COMESA membership agreement

Attended a one day seminar on terrorism and African Free Trade Zone

One distressed student was repatriated from Oran University to Uganda

Provided consular services to 395 Ugandans

30 Passport renewal applications processed

10 visa applications processed

Disseminated information on online visa application

One bowling event attended in relation to Ugandans participation in the upcoming Bowling tournament competitions in Algeria as well as Premiering a Bowling Association in Uganda by the Union Africaine des sports Boules

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Downing Association in Uganda by the Union Africaine des sports Boules

One summer cultural gala attended in promotion of cultural exchanges by the Ugandan community in the city of Constantine Algeria

Financial reports prepared and submitted in time

Participated in July & September Skikda Economic forum conference of international export and logistics exhibition the drive to promote Uganda
During each exhibition 30 to 40 business contacts were made

Over 12 Milk samples distributed to companies of Tassil Soumman tradebridge Sarl Achir SAGRI Foods Pyramid logistics and FADIPLAIT company in Bourmedes

Over 100 kilograms of coffee samples distributed

Held negotiations with MoFA Algeria to follow through with their commitments to open up the milk powder market for Uganda in Algeria

16 Diaspora meetings held in four different regions in Algeria to discuss how Ugandans can disseminate information on trade and tourism in Uganda

Visited and held fruitful discussions with Groupement Investissement Khawaja Investment an established manufacturing company in Oran and a potential importer of Ugandan milk powder

Distributed 2kgs of milk samples to Soummam and Tassili companies, who are among the major producers of milk by products in Algeria

Visited and held talks with Condia company in Bejaia, Cevital company Algeria, and secured their commitment to import 250 tonnes of powdered milk from Uganda per year and secured their commitment to import soya beans, milk powder juice extracts, cocoa and simsim from Uganda

Attended the signing ceremony of the memorandum of Understanding between the Uganda National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UNCC) and the Algerian Chamber of Commerce and industry (CACI) held virtually through CISCO WEBEX on the 27th July 2021

Visited and held talks with Benetelli company a motor bike assembling plant in Algeria and secured their commitment to set up a production plant in Uganda for boda bodas at affordable prices

Secured commitments from several construction companies to set up plants in Uganda for construction materials such as polythene or Styrofoam for affordable housing

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IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

		MTEF Budget Projections				
		2022/23 Proposed Budget	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
Recurrent	Wage	0.915	0.915	0.915	0.915	0.915
	Non-Wage	3.253	3.253	3.253	3.253	3.253
Dev.	GoU	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GoU Total		4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168
Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)		4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168
Arrears		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total Budget		4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168
Total Vote Budget Excluding		4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168	4.168

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Table 4.2: Budget Allocation by Department for Recurrent and Development (Ushs Billion)

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	Draft Budget Estimates FY 2022/23	
	Recurrent	Development
Programme:01 AGRO-INDUSTRIALIZATION	0.282	0.000
SubProgramme:04 Agricultural Market Access and Competitiveness	0.282	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	0.282	0.000
001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria	0.282	0.000
Programme:16 GOVERNANCE AND SECURITY	3.689	0.000
SubProgramme:01 Institutional Coordination	3.689	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	3.689	0.000
001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria	3.689	0.000
Programme:18 DEVELOPMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION	0.197	0.000
SubProgramme:02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting	0.197	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	0.197	0.000
001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria	0.197	0.000
Total for the Vote	4.168	0.000

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V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS

Table 5.1: Performance Indicators

Programme: 01 AGRO-INDUSTRIALIZATION				
SubProgramme: 04 Agricultural Market Access and Competitiveness				
Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services				
Department: 001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria				
Budget Output: 010031 Access to Regional and International Markets				
PIAP Output: Product markets for Uganda's key products mapped, profiled and market frameworks with countries of export interest negotiated				
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	Performance Targets
				2022/23
Number of product markets developed	Number	2020	14	15
Number of product market frameworks with countries of export negotiated	Number	2020	7	8
PIAP Output: Strategic trade missions established				
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	Performance Targets
				2022/23
Number of new markets secured	Number	2020	16	17
PIAP Output: Product markets for Uganda's key products mapped, profiled and market frameworks with countries of export interest negotiated				
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	Performance Targets
				2022/23
Number of product markets developed	Number	2020	14	15
Number of product market frameworks with countries of export negotiated	Number	2020	7	8
Programme: 18 DEVELOPMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION				
SubProgramme: 02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting				
Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services				
Department: 001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria				
Budget Output: 560009 Cooperation frameworks and Development Assistance				
PIAP Output: Bilateral and multilateral resources for national development sourced				

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Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services				
Department: 001 Embassy in Algiers, Algeria				
Budget Output: 560009 Cooperation frameworks and Development Assistance				
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	Performance Targets
				2022/23
Value (USD Million) of bilateral and multilateral resources for national development	Value	2020	10	11

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VI. VOTE NARRATIVE

Vote Challenges

Uneasy relations between Algeria Saharawi on one side and Morocco on the other side, ongoing conflict in Libya and Insecurity cases in Uganda including those involving foreigners cause panic among potential tourists

Algeria was not considered for commercial diplomacy in the current budget yet the Maghreb region is one of the biggest importers of Ugandan coffee and tea

Low response of Ugandans to trade fares due to past political instabilities and high cost of participation

Lack of harmonized trade policy frameworks

Inadequate funding for most mission activities as approximately 80 percent 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

Budget cuts, despite the ever increasing Mission activities. UGX 714 million which is 33% were cut from Q3&Q4 release incapacitating the Mission to execute planed and approved activities

Lack of a direct flights between Uganda and Algeria and countries of accreditation

Inadequate physical financial and human resources to cover 05 countries of accreditation

Plans to improve Vote Performance

Engage stakeholders for support of the programs

Carryout market research and gather information

Continue to lobby for increased offers of training Ugandans in specialized fields for National Development

Create develop and update a Database of Ugandans in Algeria, Operationalize a website focusing on Algerian Market.

One accreditation visit to Tunisia and Mauritania Lobby Parliament to allocate UGX. 2 billion for Commercial Diplomacy to hold joint trade meetings with 3 countries conclude 18 pending frameworks participate in 14trade fares conclude the milk and coffee export pending issues.

Distribute samples to potential exporters

Attend and showcase Ugandas products during exhibitions across Algerian cities, Tunis, Casablanca, Tripoli and Nouakchott

VII. Off Budget Support

Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department

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VIII. VOTE CROSS CUTTING POLICY AND OTHER BUDGETARY ISSUES

Table 8.1: Cross- Cutting Policy Issues

i) Gender and Equity

OBJECTIVE	Support Single mothers, girl child education and prompting equality for disabled and care for the elderly.
Issue of Concern	Youth unemployment, single mothers, girl child education and prompting equality for disabled and care for the elderly.
Planned Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 - Hold meetings with Ugandan student
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.003
Performance Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proportion of MDAs capacity built in Gender mainstreaming and responsive budgeting - Ensure Chancery has access for PWDs - Meetings held with Ugandan students on reproductive health, jobs and gender biases

ii) HIV/AIDS

OBJECTIVE	Reduce HIV prevalence rate
Issue of Concern	High HIV prevalence rates among the youth and women
Planned Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Support culture of living a responsible life -AIDS committee established at the Mission -Provide medical care to staff affected, offer counseling services - Facilitate the movement of officers families to join officers at posting stations
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.017
Performance Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dissemination of information of prevention and reduction of prevalence rates - Promote positive living - Promote stigma management - Facilitated holiday travel concessions for entitled officers or entitled family members to be together once every year

iii) Environment

OBJECTIVE	Reduce levels of environmental degradation and global warming
Issue of Concern	High levels of environmental degradation and global warming
Planned Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Advocate for a paperless working environment - lobby for training courses and programs on climate change and environment - Plant trees to conserve environment - Pass a policy of reducing on usage of papers by installing printers which print on both side
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.003
Performance Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Functional Integrated identification system - Organized disposal bins - Different garbage cans for Bio biodegrades, recycled plastics and glasses

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iv) Covid

OBJECTIVE	Reduce spread of the deadly COVID-19 disease
Issue of Concern	Rapid Spread of the deadly COVID-19 disease globally
Planned Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Procure Personal Protective gear for staff such as Face masks, Face shields, Sanitizers among others-Sensitize Ugandans in the Diaspora on the Standard Operating Procedures to protect them from contracting the COVID-19-Support repatriation of remains
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.005
Performance Indicators	The extent to which Standard operating procedures (SOPs) are followed.

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IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION

Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis

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Table 9.2: Staff Recruitment Plan

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