

VOTE: 502 Uganda High Commission in the United Kingdom

I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT

Contributing to the realisation of economic, commercial diplomacy, regional and international peace and security and the well being of our people

II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To promote commercial and economic diplomacy

To mobilize the diaspora for development through remittances, investments, Public-Private partnerships, skills, transfers etc.

To promote regional and international peace and security, lobby United Kingdom & Ireland for financial and technical support for peace overtures particularly in the Great Lakes region, South Sudan and Somalia

To provide diplomatic functions, protocol and consular services

III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2022/23

-Participated in the Africa Ireland Economic Forum at RDS.AIEF 2022 also saw moderated panel discussions take a detailed look at topics including regional trade, green growth in the agriculture, food and energy sectors, womens economic empowerment, and how technology, innovation, and entrepreneurship are being leveraged for Africas growth. Subsequently, the Mission held a roundtable meeting with the potential Irish Investors where viable bankable investment opportunities available in

Uganda were showcased.Potential investors were identified and invited to Uganda for the UMA trade expo organised by Uganda Manufacturers Association. Meeting agreed that an Irish trade delegation should visit Uganda in February 2023 to identify areas of interest to invest in and engage potential partners.

-Participated in the 10th Commonwealth Sports Ministers Meeting (10CSMM) led by Hon. Hamson Obua, Minister of State for Education and Sports, Ministers addressed the contribution sport can make to the SDGs, with an emphasis on proactively responding to sports human rights and equality issues as nations build back following the Covid-19 pandemic.

-Participated in the Education Sector Day at the Commonwealth Games UK House

-Attended the Annual Midlands - Africa Business Forum 2022 hosted by African Business Chamber (AfBC) in Birmingham

-Coordinated the 12th Uganda UK Trade Summit 2022

-Coordinated the fundraising by Spotlight on Africa and the UK House of Commons for Nick Maughan, a Morden Maternal and New-born Centre in Mbale city.

-Visited Spitalfields Fresh food Market in London

-Attracted and introduced to KIIRA MOTORS a UK Company FUSION BLU that would like to have some components of its carbon reduction hydrogen technology produced in Uganda.

-Follow up on Uganda Airlines re-submission of application to UK CAA for direct flights between Entebbe and London Heathrow

-Participated in the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham where Ugandas image was enhanced in the different sports categories.

-Participated in the burial of HRH Queen Elizabeth II

-Mission coordinated with Rotary club of Great Britain and Ireland organised an investment and tourism Exhibition at Uganda House with the Lord Mayor of Westminster as the Chief Guest. The Lord Mayor of Westminster Councillor Hamza Taouzzale opened twinning opportunities between Ugandan Cities and Westminster city.

-Mission coordinated with Afro-Indian investment summit led a delegation of 6 investors. 190 Million worth of investment capital sourced.

-Participated in the diaspora culture day.

-Mission in Partnership with Lord Nigel Crisp hosted in the House of Lords the first ever Uganda-UK Diaspora Youth Investment forum which attracted 118 young professionals across the board.

-Participated in a High-level Panel discussion on Tourism organised by Rotary International. Mission targets boosting tourists to Uganda to 100,000 tourists a year by 2025.

-Participated in a Maternal health facility fundraising. This was hosted in the House of Commons by Hon. Bim Afolami the Patron of Spotlight on Africa. The funds raised were delivered to the Maternity centre in Mbale and also partly to construct a vocational school in Mbale near the hospital. 20,000 pounds raised for the projects.

-Cordinated a breakfast Business meeting between H.E the President and potential investors. Potential investment opportunities were showcased in the areas of oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, infrastructure, real estate, Agro-industrialisation among others.

-Participated in the Afro-Indian investment summit. More investors from the UK were attracted.

-Cordinated a courtesy visit of H.E The President to His Majesty King Charles III. Ugandas good bilateral relations with United Kingdom enhanced.

-Participated in several activities to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the expulsion of Ugandan Asians.

-Hosted a networking Independence day. Ugandas culture enhanced, cuisine and tourism videos were showcased

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 - 425 passports processed,25 deferred,17 Certificate of identity issued,43 documents legalised.
 - Hosting of high level delegates from Uganda

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IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

	2022/23		2023/24	MTEF Budget Projections			
	Approved Budget	Spent by End Dec	Budget Estimates	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
Recurrent	Wage	1.397	0.699	1.397	1.397	1.397	1.397
	Non-Wage	4.753	2.353	3.890	3.890	3.890	3.890
Devt.	GoU	0.000	0.000	2.114	2.114	2.114	2.114
	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GoU Total	6.150	3.052	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401
Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)	6.150	3.052	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401
Arrears	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total Budget	6.150	3.052	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401
Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears	6.150	3.052	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401	7.401

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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 2023/24	
	Recurrent	Development
Programme:16 Governance And Security	4.011	2.114
SubProgramme:01 Institutional Coordination	4.011	2.114
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	4.011	2.114
001 High Commission in London, United Kingdom	4.011	2.114
Programme:18 Development Plan Implementation	1.277	0.000
SubProgramme:02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting	1.277	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	1.277	0.000
001 High Commission in London, United Kingdom	1.277	0.000
Total for the Vote	5.288	2.114

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V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS

Table 5.1: Performance Indicators

Programme: 16 Governance And Security

SubProgramme: 01 Institutional Coordination

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 High Commission in London, United Kingdom

Budget Output: 000014 Administrative and Support Services

PIAP Output: Administration support services provided

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of reports prepared	Number	2022-23	4	4	2	7

Project: 1733 Retooling of Mission in London - United Kingdom

Budget Output: 000003 Facilities and Equipment Management

PIAP Output: Asset Management

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
No of categories of facilities maintained	Number	2021	3			3
Number of assets maintained	Number	2021	3			3

Programme: 18 Development Plan Implementation

SubProgramme: 02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 High Commission in London, United Kingdom

Budget Output: 560009 Cooperation frameworks and Development Assistance

PIAP Output: Bilateral and multilateral resources for national development sourced

Programme Intervention: 180109 Expand financing beyond the traditional sources

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Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 High Commission in London, United Kingdom

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PIAP Output: Bilateral and multilateral resources for national development sourced

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Value (USD Million) of bilateral and multilateral resources for national development	Value	20/21	\$225.8m	£ 200million	£ 80million	£ 200m

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VI. VOTE NARRATIVE

Vote Challenges

- Insufficient funding for the proper functioning of the mission
- Dilapidated buildings in need of urgent repairs and maintenance
- Change from half-year releases to quarter releases affect running contracts thus affecting operations
- Mid-year postings thus affecting approved budget
- Increased cost of living in London
- Impact of Brexit and Russia sanctions on the energy prices in UK

Plans to improve Vote Performance

- Lobby for more funding for commercial and economic diplomacy
- Lobby for reinstatement of travel abroad as the mission is principal activity location is abroad.

VII. Off Budget Support and NTR Projections

Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department

N/A

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Table 7.2: NTR Collections (Uganda Shillings Billions)

N / A

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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	To institute opportunities for gender equity (women, men, persons with disability and marginalized groups)
Issue of Concern	Gender equality and equity
Planned Interventions	-Observance of maternity and paternity leave -Put in place convenient facilities for disabled people -Appropriate work place comfortable for children and nursing mothers. -Observance of full maternity and paternity leave for officers
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.100
Performance Indicators	A balanced and enabling working environment

ii) HIV/AIDS

OBJECTIVE	To ensure full potential of persons infected with HIV-AIDS
Issue of Concern	HIV/AIDS prevalence
Planned Interventions	-HIV/AIDs workplace policy implemented -Condom provision at the Mission. -Organize and participate in health seminars for HIV/AID's awareness. -Enhance HIV/AIDS Education programs at mission
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.100
Performance Indicators	-Workplace policy implemented -Number of staff encouraged to live with their spouses -Number of Health seminars for HIV/AIDS awareness held

iii) Environment

OBJECTIVE	To protect the environment
Issue of Concern	-Maintaining a clean, safe and secure working environment
Planned Interventions	-Ensure proper waste disposal -Paperless office encouraged -Green environment maintained
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.070
Performance Indicators	A clean, safe and secure working environment

iv) Covid

OBJECTIVE	To prevent spread of Covid 19
Issue of Concern	COVID 19 prevalence

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Planned Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Sanitizing Mission premises-Procurement of face masks and thermal/temperature monitoring equipment-Provide sanitizer for staff and visitors-Provide medical insurance to staff.-Encourage staff to practice social distancing and avoid public gathering
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.180
Performance Indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Number of staff vaccinated for COVID-19-Number of sanitizers and masks provided at the mission

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IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION

Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis

N / A

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Table 9.2: Staff Recruitment Plan

N/A

