



KENYANS FOR
JUSTICE AND DEVELOPMENT

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Mr. O. J. H. Oswago,
The Executive Officer,
The Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission,
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Dear Sirs,

RE: NOTIFICATION OF A POPULAR INITIATIVE TO AMEND ARTICLE 138 OF THE CONSTITUTION

Kindly be informed that we are sponsoring a popular initiative to amend Article 138 of the Constitution to provide for the election of the President and the Deputy President indirectly by popular vote on a county-by-county basis as opposed to the current system where they are elected directly in a popular vote nationally.

In our view, the one-person-one-vote national process has been reduced to an acrimonious census of tribal numbers, is prone to electoral fraud, and it marginalises sparsely populated regions and ethnic groups in what political analyst Mutahi Ngunyi provocatively called a 'tyranny of numbers'.

Details of our preferred county based system are in the annexed hereto concept paper, "*Moving from the tyranny to the safety of numbers in Kenya's presidential elections.*" We will formulate the concept paper into a draft Bill and deliver the draft Bill and the supporting signatures to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission as required in Article 257(3 & 4).

Also attached for your information is a copy of the Signature Collection Form we will use to collect the required one million signatures. Should you wish us to make any changes to the Form, kindly communicate the same to us within the next seven days of receipt of this notice, failing which we shall take it that you have approved the said Form.

Yours faithfully,


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