



PRESS STATEMENT

RE: MALINDI HIGH COURT PETITION

NAIROBI: Monday, April 24, 2017 - The Commission has noted the Orders issued by the High Court sitting in Malindi, extending the end dates for party primaries to Monday, 1st May, 2017. The Commission's understanding of the Order is that it does not affect any of the other timelines in the published Gazette Notices.

Nonetheless, we expect political parties to submit their candidates' names on or before 10th May, 2017 while independent candidates should submit their symbols and the notice of intention to vie as an independent candidate on or before 8th May, 2017. All the timelines in the notices have not been affected by the Court Order. The effect of the Court Order is to reduce the period available for resolution of disputes arising from party primaries at the Political Parties Disputes Tribunal.

The Commission will appear before the Judge tomorrow to raise its concerns about ex parte orders which are final in nature but as a law abiding institution, the Commission will obey the Order.

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CHAIRMAN