



5<sup>th</sup> NORTHERN CORRIDOR INTEGRATION PROJECTS SUMMIT

JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

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At the invitation of His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya, His Excellency Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda, His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda, and His Excellency Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit, the President of the Republic of South Sudan and His Excellency Irgervais Rufyikiri, the Second Vice President of the Republic of Burundi, His Excellency Mizengo Kayanda Peter Pinda, the Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania attended the 5th Northern Corridor Integration Projects Summit on 2nd May 2014, in Nairobi, Kenya.

The Summit was convened to review the progress made on implementation of the directives given during the 4<sup>th</sup> Northern Corridor Integration Projects held in Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014 to provide direction on deepening regional integration.

The Heads of State launched the Kenya National Electronic Single Window System (Kenya TradeNet) and commended Kenya for implementing this project.

The talks were held in a friendly and cordial atmosphere.

The Summit considered the Ministerial Report and noted the progress on the implementation of Northern Corridor Integration Projects and directed as follows:

#### **A. POWER GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND INTERCONNECTIVITY**

Ministers to resolve inconsistencies in voltage transmission lines on the Mbarara-Mirama, Kawanda-Masaka and Masaka-Mbarara lines and Uganda is to expedite the feasibility study for the Masaka-Mbarara transmission line and report to the next summit.

The 220KV interconnection of Kawanda-Masaka-Mbarara-Mirama will be completed by April 2015.

Ministers to standardize regional interconnection voltages at 400KV in order to allow increased capacities and power losses.

Partner States to conclude Power Purchasing and Wheeling Agreements by June 2014.

Ministers to work out common mechanism of acquiring way leaves for power projects and other utilities need to be found and report to the next summit.

#### **B. CRUDE OIL PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT**

Approved the pipeline to be developed as a single project but split into lots and implemented within agreed specifications and timeline.

Approved the Steering Committee to oversee the project development.

Partner States to engage a single consultant/transaction advisor to ensure quality control for the entire project.

