



**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE OCCASION OF THE 10TH SESSION OF
THE KENYA–RWANDA JOINT PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR
COOPERATION (JPCC) HELD IN NAIROBI, KENYA, FROM 5TH TO 6TH
OCTOBER 2026**

1. The 10th Session of the Kenya–Rwanda Joint Permanent Commission for Cooperation (JPCC) was held in Nairobi, Republic of Kenya, from 5th to 6th October 2026.
2. The purpose of the 10th Session of the Kenya–Rwanda Joint Permanent Commission was to provide a platform for the two countries to align policies on mutual interests, implement and monitor the progress of existing MOUs and instruments of cooperation, and to establish new instruments for cooperation in our various sectors.
3. The Kenyan Delegation was led by Dr. Musalia Mudavadi, EGH, Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs of the Republic of Kenya. H.E. the Prime Cabinet Secretary was accompanied by Dorcas Oduor, EBS, Attorney General, Eng. Eric Muriithi Mugaa, EGH, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation and Dr. Korir SingOei, Principal Secretary, State Department for Foreign Affairs among other Senior Officials and representatives from relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies.
4. The Rwandan Delegation was led by Hon. Dr. Usta Kaitezi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs. The Minister was accompanied by Hon. Dr. Ugirashebuja Emmanuel, Minister of Justice/Attorney General, Hon. Damien Murwanashyaka, Minister of Infrastructure and Amb. Fidelis Mironko, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rwanda among other Senior Officials and representatives from relevant Ministries, Departments, and Agencies.
5. The two Heads of Delegation underscored the importance of the 10th Session of the JPCC as a mechanism for reviewing progress in the implementation of decisions and agreements reached during the 9th Session of the JPCC held in Kigali in April 2023, as well as identifying new areas of cooperation of mutual interest.

6. The two sides expressed satisfaction with the cordial and constructive relations between the Republic of Kenya and the Republic of Rwanda and reaffirmed their commitment to sustaining regular consultations and high-level engagements as a means of deepening bilateral relations and advancing cooperation in areas of mutual interest.
7. The two sides noted progress made in the implementation of bilateral instruments concluded during the 9th Session and urged the responsible institutions to expedite the implementation of outstanding commitments and the conclusion of pending bilateral instruments. They agreed that the updated Implementation Matrix would continue to guide follow-up and monitoring of the agreed actions.
8. On trade and investment, the two sides reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening bilateral economic relations, facilitating the movement of goods and services and promoting greater investment flows between the two countries. They further encouraged increased private-sector engagement and business-to-business linkages.
9. On transport, infrastructure, and energy, the two sides reaffirmed the importance of strengthening regional connectivity and welcomed continued cooperation under the Northern Corridor. They further agreed to enhance technical cooperation in areas of mutual interest, including geothermal energy, housing and urban development, infrastructure development, and transport logistics.
10. The two sides reaffirmed their shared commitment to peace and security at the bilateral, regional, and continental levels, and exchanged views on regional developments, including the situation in the Great Lakes Region. They agreed to continue working together through regional and continental mechanisms to promote peace, stability, development and prosperity.
11. At the regional and multilateral level, the two sides reiterated their commitment to strengthening cooperation and coordination within the East African Community (EAC), African Union (AU), COMESA and International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), with a view to advancing regional integration, peace, security, and sustainable development.
12. The two Heads of Delegation deliberated and exchanged views on existing Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) and agreements in various areas of cooperation including Diplomatic training, Correctional services, Health, Education, Importation of refined petroleum products through the Northern Corridor transit route to mention a few.

13. In the course of deliberations and desirous to further strengthen the state of bilateral relations between the two countries, the two Heads of delegation welcomed the conclusion and signing of eleven (11) legal instrument which included:

- i. Agreement on Mutual Legal Assistance on Criminal Matters
- ii. Agreement on transfer of sentenced persons;
- iii. MoU on Political Consultations;
- iv. MoU on Immigration Matters;
- v. MoU on Housing and Urban Development;
- vi. MoU on Diaspora Management;
- vii. MoU on Water Resources Management and Irrigation;
- viii. MoU on Local Governance between Kenya and Rwanda; and
- ix. MoU between Rwanda Investigation Bureau and Kenya National Police Service
- x. MoU on Culture and Heritage
- xi. MoU in the Field of Conservation

14. In conclusion, H.E. Dr. Mudavadi Musalia, Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs commended the excellent bilateral relations between the two countries and expressed satisfaction with the outcomes of the JPCC while Hon. Dr. Usta Kaitezi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Rwanda expressed appreciation to the Government and people of the Republic of Kenya for the warm reception and generous hospitality accorded to her delegation during their stay.

15. The two sides agreed that the 11th Session of the Kenya–Rwanda Joint Permanent Commission for Cooperation (JPCC) will be held in Rwanda in 2028, on dates to be mutually agreed through diplomatic channels.

Done on this 6th day of October 2026, in Nairobi, Kenya in two originals both texts being equally authentic.