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1.0 OPENING OF THE MEETING

1.1 The meeting was held in accordance with the Calendar of EAC activities. It was attended by delegates from four of the five Partner States, namely: Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania. A list of delegates is hereto attached as *Annex I.*

1.2 Constitution of the Bureau

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Patrice Ntiyamira from Rwanda and rapporteured by Mr. Alphonse M. Kagoma from Tanzania in accordance with EAC procedures.

1.3 Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with modifications and is hereto attached as *Annex II.*

2.0 CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 12TH MEETING OF THE METROLOGY TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE AND MEETING OF LEGAL AND METROLOGY EXPERTS HELD IN KAMPALA IN APRIL AND NOVEMBER, 2008, RESPECTIVELY.

2.1 Review of EAMET Work Plan and Calendar

2.1.1 Follow up on existing measurement capabilities

It was agreed that each member state updates its measurement capabilities to reflect its current status as per the format to be provided by TC 1 Chair. The reviewed measurement capabilities are then to be sent to TC 1 Chair.

2.1.2 Consultancy regarding ISO 17025 (Accreditation of various laboratories)

Tanzania reported that:

- TBS has received additional equipment in the areas of Electricity, Dimensional and Pressure measurements.

- Laboratory staffs have received training in the above areas.
- Necessary documentations for accreditation are being finalized for the three areas above. Formal application for accreditation to be submitted by September, 2009

Kenya reported that it is awaiting for a DKD assessment of the Force Laboratory scheduled for 14th to 19th June, 2009.

Uganda reported that it has earmarked accreditation in the Mass area and that:

- Necessary documents for accreditation have already been completed
- Submitting the formal application for accreditation will be this month.

Rwanda reported that they have earmarked Mass and Temperature laboratories for accreditation and that:

- Training of staff has been done
- Quality Manuals and other documents for accreditation are yet to be finalized.

2.1.3 CMCs recognition and registration workshop

The CMC Awareness Workshop earlier planned to be held in Dar Es Salaam was held in December, 2008 during the Regional Metrology Conference (RMC), in Mombasa, Kenya.

2.1.4 Metrology Workshop in Chemistry

This activity took place in August, 2008 in Nairobi, Kenya.

2.1.5 Review of national (legal) metrology legislation regarding compatibility with SQMT Act

Due to the pending 'Metrology Bill' issue, the Sub-Committee could not deliberate on the matter.

2.1.6 Study on the implementation status of prepackage control in the region

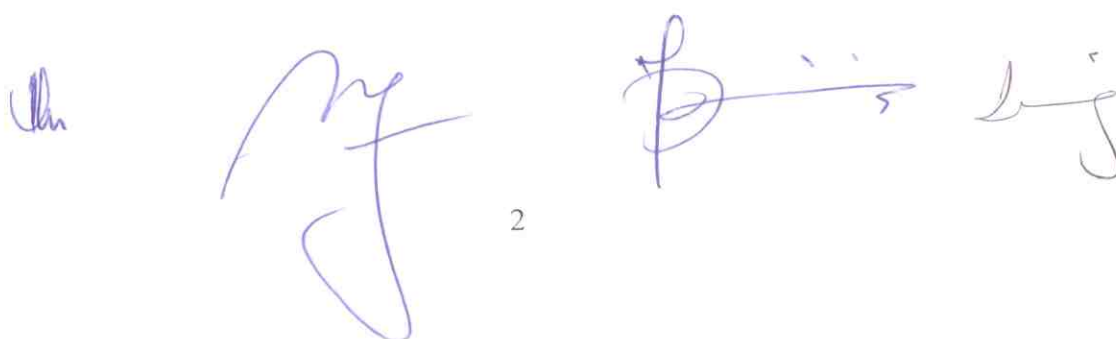
It was agreed that TC 4 should look at the issues affecting TBTs on prepackages.

2.1.7 World Metrology Day

With the exception of Uganda, all other EAC partner states in attendance reported to have celebrated the day in different styles.

2.1.8 EAC Web portal

- The meeting noted that the current web portal is not being updated regularly.
- The meeting suggested that metrology departments appoint staff to provide metrology information to their respective 'content managers' for the website.
- It was proposed that a members page on the website be activated to enable members exchange restricted information.



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