

# PRESS STATEMENT BY THE BBI CAMPAIGN STEERING TEAM

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TO: ALL MEDIA HOUSES, NEWSDESKS AND EDITORS

## CONSENSUS ON THE 70 EXTRA SEATS AT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

On Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020; the BBI Report was formally launched at the Bomas of Kenya, having been unveiled to HE the President, Uhuru Kenyatta & the Rt. Hon, former PM, Raila Odinga during the Mashujaa day celebrations at Gusii Stadium on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

The launch was the culmination of a lengthy process that involved an extensive public consultation exercise, followed by an equally detailed validation process.

Among the raft of recommendations was the addition of 70 seats in the National Assembly, to address gender, PWD's & under-representation issues within heavily populated constituencies, especially those in the urban and peri-urban areas.

This morning, the BBI consultative meeting for Members of Parliament (Senate & National Assembly), while meeting in Naivasha; has agreed on a formula (see page 2, below) for the allocation of the seats by County. Both HE the President & the Rt. Hon. Former PM were present at the talks.

With the addition of 70 constituencies, *we now have 360 MPs to address the requirements of article 81(b, c & d) and article 89(7). The population quota now becomes 132,138 people per MP.* This population quota is the basis of 70 additional seats. Counties that are presently under-represented by virtue of having heavy population, *will on the basis of population quote of 132,138 people per PM, receive additional MPs.*

This is great news for Kenyans who have long suffered from under-representation and a number of whom had made submissions to the BBI steering committee on the need for additional representation.

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	COUNTY	Population	People per Rep	Current No. of MPs	Seats Needed to serve popn	Seats to be added	New No. of MPs	New People per Rep
1	MOMBASA	1,208,333	201,389	6	8.95	3	9	134,259
2	KWALE	866,820	216,705	4	6.42	2	6	144,470
3	KILIFI	1,453,787	207,684	7	10.77	4	11	132,162
4	TANA-RIVER	315,943	105,314	3	2.34	0	3	105,314
5	LAMU	143,920	71,960	2	1.07	0	2	71,960
6	TAITA-TAVETA	340,671	85,168	4	2.52	0	4	85,168
7	GARISSA	841,353	140,226	6	6.23	0	6	140,226
8	WAJIR	781,263	130,211	6	5.79	0	6	130,211
9	MANDERA	867,457	144,576	6	6.43	1	7	123,922
10	MARSABIT	459,785	114,946	4	3.41	0	4	114,946
11	ISIOLO	270,385	135,193	2	2.00	0	2	135,193
12	MERU	1,545,714	171,746	9	11.45	2	11	140,519
13	THARAKA-NITHI	393,177	131,059	3	2.91	0	3	131,059
14	EMBU	608,599	152,150	4	4.51	1	5	121,720
15	KITUI	1,136,187	142,023	8	8.42	0	8	142,023
16	MACHAKOS	1,424,932	178,117	8	10.56	3	11	129,539
17	MAKUENI	987,653	164,609	6	7.32	1	7	141,093
18	NYANDARUA	638,289	127,658	5	4.73	0	5	127,658
19	NYERI	759,164	126,527	6	5.62	0	6	126,527
20	KIRINYAGA	610,411	152,603	4	4.52	1	5	122,082
21	MURANGA	1,056,640	150,949	7	7.83	1	8	132,080
22	KIAMBU	2,417,735	201,478	12	17.91	6	18	134,319
23	TURKANA	926,976	154,496	6	6.87	1	7	132,425
24	WEST-POKOT	621,241	155,310	4	4.60	0	4	155,310
25	SAMBURU	310,327	103,442	3	2.30	0	3	103,442
26	TRANS-NZOIA	990,341	198,068	5	7.34	2	7	141,477
27	UASIN-GISHU	1,163,186	193,864	6	8.62	2	8	145,398
28	ELGEYO-MARAKWET	454,480	113,620	4	3.37	0	4	113,620
29	NANDI	885,711	147,619	6	6.56	0	6	147,619
30	BARINGO	666,763	111,127	6	4.94	0	6	111,127
31	LAIKIPIA	518,560	172,853	3	3.84	1	4	129,640
32	NAKURU	2,162,202	196,564	11	16.02	5	16	135,138
33	NAROK	1,157,873	192,979	6	8.58	3	9	128,653
34	KAJIADO	1,117,840	223,568	5	8.28	3	8	139,730
35	KERICHO	901,777	150,296	6	6.68	1	7	128,825
36	BOMET	875,689	175,138	5	6.49	1	6	145,948
37	KAKAMEGA	1,867,579	155,632	12	13.83	2	14	133,399
38	VIHIGA	590,013	118,003	5	4.37	0	5	118,003
39	BUNGOMA	1,670,570	185,619	9	12.37	3	12	139,214

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40	BUSIA	893,681	127,669	7	6.62	0	7	127,669
41	SIAYA	993,183	165,531	6	7.36	1	7	141,883
42	KISUMU	1,155,574	165,082	7	8.56	2	9	128,397
43	HOMA-BAY	1,131,950	141,494	8	8.38	1	9	125,772
44	MIGORI	1,116,436	139,555	8	8.27	0	8	139,555
45	KISII	1,266,860	140,762	9	9.38	0	9	140,762
46	NYAMIRA	605,576	151,394	4	4.49	1	5	121,115
47	NAIROBI-CITY	4,397,073	258,651	17	32.57	16	33	133,245
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47,569,679</b>	<b>164,033</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>132,138</b>

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