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The Parliamentary Elections (Special Interest Groups) Regulations, 2001.

(Under sections 11 and 99 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2001, Act No. 8 of 2001)

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred upon the Minister by sections 11 and 99 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2001 and on the recommendation of the Electoral Commission and with the approval of Parliament, these Regulations are made this 14th day of May, 2001.

PART I—PRELIMINARY.

1. Title.

These Regulations may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Special Interest Groups) Regulations, 2001.

2. Interpretation.

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“Act” means the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2001.

“election” means election of representatives of the special interest groups to Parliament under these Regulations;

“region” means a region specified in the First Schedule to these Regulations;

“special interest groups” means the groups referred to in article 78 (1)(c) of the Constitution;

“youth” means a person between eighteen and thirty years of age;
“Youth Statute” means the National Youth Council Statute, 1993.

PART II—REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UGANDA PEOPLES’
DEFENCE FORCES.

3. Representatives of the UPDF.

The representatives of the Uganda Peoples’ Defence Forces to Parliament shall be elected by the Uganda Peoples’ Defence Forces Council in such manner and by such procedure as shall be determined by that Council.

PART III—REPRESENTATIVES OF THE YOUTH.

4. Regions.

(1) For the purposes of the election of representatives of the youth in Parliament, Uganda shall be divided into four regions namely—

- (i) the Northern Region;
- (ii) the Eastern Region;
- (iii) the Central Region; and
- (iv) the Western Region.

(2) The regions shall each comprise the areas of the districts specified in relation to them in the First Schedule to these Regulations.

5. Qualification for election.

(1) A person seeking to be elected as a representative of the youth in Parliament shall be a youth as defined in regulation 2 of these Regulations and also be qualified to be a member of Parliament in terms of article 80 of the Constitution and section 5 of the Act.

(2) Subject to article 80 of the Constitution, and section 5 of the Act, election under these Rules shall be open to all youth.

6. Electoral college within region of representation

All the members of District Youth Councils within each region shall constitute an electoral college for the election of the representative of the youth in Parliament for that region.

7. Election of representative of youth for each region.

(1) The Commission shall appoint by notice published in the Gazette three days within which the electoral college of each region shall meet in their region to elect the representative of the youth for that region.

(2) The nomination of a candidate for election under this regulation shall be made on a day appointed by the Commission on a form and in a manner approved by the Commission

supported by two registered voters who are members of the electoral college and shall be accompanied by the nomination fee referred to in regulation 15 of these Regulations.

8. Electoral college for election of woman youth representative.

(1) The National Youth Conference for the election of the woman representative of the youth in Parliament shall comprise the following—

- (a) the members of the National Youth Delegates Conference as specified in subsection (2) of section 8 of the Youth Statute, namely—
 - (i) the Chairperson of every County Youth Council;
 - (ii) the Chairperson of every District Youth Council;
 - (iii) the Secretary for Women Youth at the District level; and
 - (iv) eighteen students elected by the Uganda National Students Association;
- (b) one representative from each district elected by the members of the District Youth Council; and
- (c) two student representatives elected for the purposes of this regulation, by the Uganda National Students Association, one of whom shall be female.

9. Election of woman youth representative.

(1) The Commission shall appoint, by notice published in the Gazette, three days within which the electoral college referred to in regulation 8 shall meet to elect the woman representative of the youth in Parliament.

(2) The nomination of candidates for election under this regulation shall be made on a day appointed by the Commission and on a form and in a manner approved by the Commission supported by two registered voters who are members of the electoral college and shall be accompanied by the nomination fee referred to in regulation 15 of these Regulations.

PART IV—REPRESENTATIVES OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

10. Representatives of persons with disabilities.

The representatives of persons with disabilities in Parliament shall be elected by an electoral college consisting of four persons elected from each district from the organised associations and groups under the structure of the National Union of Disabled People of Uganda in that district.

11. Gender and disability balance.

In electing members of the electoral college under regulation 10, gender and disability balance shall be considered; and at least one of the four district representatives to the electoral college shall be a woman.

PART V—REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WORKERS.

12. Representatives of workers.

The representatives of the workers in Parliament shall be elected in accordance with the constitution of the Federation of Trade Union Organisations by the Annual Delegates' Conference which, under article 12 of that constitution consists of—

- (a) all members of NOTU Secretariat;
- (b) the permanent member of every NOTU affiliate organisation to the NOTU Central Governing Council;
- (c) the National Chairperson, General Secretary and Treasurer of every NOTU affiliated Union;
- (d) seven delegates selected by every NOTU affiliated Union.

PART VI—MISCELLANEOUS.

13. Commission to appoint nomination and polling days.

The Commission shall appoint nomination and polling days for elections under these Regulations.

14. Educational and other qualifications for candidates.

For the avoidance of doubt, all persons nominated as candidates for election to Parliament under these Regulations must be persons qualified to be members of Parliament in terms of article 80 of the Constitution and section 5 of the Act.

15. Nomination fee.

A candidate for election to Parliament under these Regulations shall pay a non-refundable nomination fee of ten currency points as prescribed in subsection (2) of section 13 of Act.

16. Voting to be by secret ballot.

All elections held under these Regulations shall be by secret ballot.

17. Powers of the Commission.

(1) The Commission shall appoint returning officers, presiding officers and other election officers as may appear to the Commission reasonably necessary for the purpose of conducting elections under these Regulations who shall have such functions as the Commission shall direct.

(2) The Commission may give such directions as may be necessary for ensuring that the elections are duly held for the purposes of these Regulations.

18. Nomination and election dates.

The Commission when appointing the dates for nominations and elections under these Regulations shall take into account the provisions of clause (1) of article 81 of the Constitution.

19. Vacancies not to affect election result.

Any vacancy occurring in any office the holder of which is required to be a member of an electoral college under these Regulations for the purpose of any election shall not affect the result of the election.

20. Notification of results.

(1) As soon as the election of a representative of a special interest group is completed under these Regulations, the returning officer appointed under regulation 17 shall notify the Commission of the name of the representative elected in the form specified in the Second Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) The Commission shall, as soon as possible after receiving the results of elections of representatives of special interest groups under these Regulations, publish the results in the Gazette and communicate them to Clerk to Parliament.

21. Commission to facilitate elections.

The Commission shall provide reasonable financial and other necessary assistance for purposes of conducting elections under these Regulations.

22. Penalties.

Any person who—

(a) refuses or without reasonable excuse fails to comply with any direction given by the Commission under these Regulations; or

(b) obstructs the Commission or any returning officer, presiding officer or other election officer appointed by the Commission, in the carrying out of the functions of the Commission or such officer under the Act or these Regulations,

commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding thirty currency points or imprisonment not exceeding one year or both.

23. Powers of Commission to make modifications.

The Commission shall conduct the elections under these Regulations in accordance with the Act with such modifications, including modifications to prescribed forms as may be necessary.

24. Revocation of S.I. 20 and S.I. 49 of 1996.

The Parliamentary Elections (Special Interest Groups) Regulations, 1996 and the Parliamentary Elections (Representatives of the Youth in Parliament) Regulations 1996 are revoked.

THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS) REGULATIONS, 2001.

REGIONS

(1) Northern Region

- (1) Arua;
- (2) Moyo;
- (3) Nebbi;
- (4) Gulu;
- (5) Kitgum;
- (6) Lira;
- (7) Apac;
- (8) Moroto;
- (9) Kotido;
- (10) Adjumani;
- (11) Yumbe;
- (12) Pader.

(2) Eastern Region

- (1) Soroti;
- (2) Kumi;
- (3) Kapchorwa;
- (4) Mbale;
- (5) Tororo;
- (6) Jinja;
- (7) Pallisa;
- (8) Iganga;
- (9) Kamuli;
- (10) Katakwi;
- (11) Bugiri;
- (12) Busia;
- (13) Mayuge;
- (14) Sironko;
- (15) Nakapiripirit;
- (16) Kaberamaido.

(3) Central Region

- (1) Kampala;
- (2) Mukono;
- (3) Mpigi;
- (4) Masaka;
- (5) Kalangala;
- (6) Rakai;
- (7) Mubende;
- (8) Luwero;
- (9) Kiboga;
- (10) Sembabule;
- (11) Nakasongola;

- (12) Kayunga;
- (13) Wakiso.

(4) Western Region

- (1) Kisoro;
- (2) Kabale;
- (3) Ntungamo;
- (4) Rukungiri;
- (5) Mbarara;
- (6) Bushenyi;
- (7) Kasese;
- (8) Bundibugyo;
- (9) Kabarole;
- (10) Hoima;
- (11) Masindi;
- (12) Kibale;
- (13) Kamwenge;
- (14) Kyenjojo;
- (15) Kanungu.

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THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS) REGULATIONS, 2001.

DECLARATION OF RESULTS.

REGULATION 20

To the Chairperson Electoral Commission

ELECTION OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS elections were held by the to return representatives to Parliament as provided in section 11 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2001 and article 78 (1) (c) of the Constitution;

I hereby notify you that the results of the election are that the following candidates are elected—

Name

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Signed

Returning Officer

Minister of Justice and Constitutional Affairs

J.S. MAYANJA-NKANGI,