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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 99 read with section 4A of the Elections Act, the Electoral Commission makes the following Regulations —

**Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Elections (Delimitation of Electoral Boundaries Committee) Regulations, 2023.

**Establishment of the Committee**

2. There is hereby established a Delimitation of Electoral Boundaries Committee.

**Mandate of the Committee**

3.(1) The mandate of the Committee shall be to advise the Electoral Commission on proposals and recommendations in respect of the delimitation of electoral boundaries.

(2) The Committee shall perform such functions as are necessary to enable it to achieve its mandate, including —

- (a) collecting, compiling and collating all the necessary information pertaining to the delimitation exercise;
- (b) gathering information, equipment, and manpower required for the delimitation exercise and submitting a draft report to the Commission for consideration;
- (c) requesting and receiving information and documents from public authorities and any other person;

- (d) using information from certified registers of voters;
- (e) using available data from censuses conducted under any Act; and
- (f) using available information from the National Population Data Base.

### Composition of the Committee

4.(1) The Committee shall consist of the following —

- (a) the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission;
- (b) the Chief Electoral Officer of the Electoral Commission;
- (c) the Chief Registration Officer of the Electoral Commission;
- (d) a representative of the Attorney General;
- (e) an officer of the National Bureau of Statistics;
- (f) a representative of the Department of Local Government;
- (g) an officer from the Centre for Geographic Information System in the Ministry responsible for lands; and
- (h) an officer from the Survey Division in the Ministry responsible for lands.

(2) The Electoral Commission shall appoint the members under subsection 1(d), (e), (f), (g) and (h) on the recommendation of the chief executive officer of the appropriate public authority.

(3) The Electoral Commission may appoint a person with special expertise as an *ad hoc* member of the Committee to assist the Committee in the discharge of its function.

(4) The Electoral Commission shall cause the appointment of the members of the Committee to be published in the Gazette.

(5) The members of the Committee shall be appointed for a period of one year and may be subject to re-appointment.

(6) The Electoral Commission shall appoint a suitably qualified employee of the Commission as secretary to the Committee.

(7) The secretary shall keep and maintain records of the meetings of the Committee.

(8) The Electoral Commission shall, upon the recommendation of the Chairperson of the Committee, at any time terminate the appointment of a member who has been found guilty of any misconduct, default or breach of trust in the discharge of that member's duties or an offence of such nature as renders it desirable that the member's appointment be terminated.

(9) A member whose appointment has been terminated or who has ceased to be a member shall be replaced, and, where applicable, a recommendation for such replacement shall be carried out in accordance with these Regulations.

(10) A member may resign by giving one month's notice in writing to the Electoral Commission.

(11) A member who has resigned shall be replaced, and, where applicable, a recommendation for such replacement shall be carried out in accordance with these Regulations.

(12) No personal liability shall be attached to a member of the Committee appointed under these Regulations in respect of anything done in good faith under the provisions of these Regulations.

(13) A member, including an *ad hoc* member and the secretary, may be paid such allowances as may be determined by the Minister responsible for finance, in line with the Government's Remuneration Policy.

### **Meetings, rules, proceedings and records**

5.(1) The time and place of a meeting of the Committee shall be determined by the Chairperson of the Committee.

(2) Five members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for a meeting.

(3) A meeting of the Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission, but in the absence of the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission a person appointed under regulation 4(b) or 4(c) shall preside over the meeting and that member shall have all the powers of the chairperson at the meeting.

(4) All matters for determination by the Committee at a meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of the members present and voting thereon.

(5) The Committee shall regulate its own proceedings and keep records and minutes of the proceedings.

(6) A member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without the permission of the Chairperson shall cease to be a member.

(7) A member who has a personal interest in any matter to be discussed or which falls to be decided by the Committee at any meeting shall notify the Chairperson of the Committee of the interest prior to the meeting and shall not take part in the meeting where the matter is considered or decided, and such disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

**MADE this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.**

**DANNY LUCAS  
CHAIRPERSON OF ELECTORAL COMMISSION**

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