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**FAREWELL MESSAGE BY FORMER NAIROBI
CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION
CEO/REGISTRAR MR. LAWRENCE MUIRURI**

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Mr. Lawrence Muiruri, the founder Registrar and Chief Executive Officer of the Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration completed his term on January 31, 2025, and bid farewell to the NCIA team as he embarked on a new chapter of his career. Reflecting on his journey, Mr. Muiruri shared the following message:

"As my final day as Registrar and CEO of the Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration (NCIA) came to an end, I was filled with immense gratitude. It has been my singular privilege to work alongside a team of dedicated professionals. Together, we have worked tirelessly and celebrated numerous milestones, transforming the Centre into a leading hub for arbitration and dispute resolution'.



Mr. Lawrence Muiruri, former Registrar and CEO, poses for a group photo with members of the NCIA Board of Directors.

Above all, I am deeply thankful for God's grace and guidance throughout this journey. To my friends and colleagues, both here at home and across the globe, you have been an extraordinary community of remarkable men and women in the field of arbitration. I have cherished your counsel, kindness, and candid conversations, and I am confident that our paths will cross again. Thank you for your unwavering support.

As I step into the future, I look forward to building on the foundation we have laid together. To begin this new chapter, I am excited to reconnect with many of you at the Nairobi Arbitration Week 2025. Thank you, NCIA, for an unforgettable decade."

The NCIA family wishes to extend our deepest gratitude to Mr. Lawrence Ngugi for his visionary leadership, unwavering dedication, and immense contributions to the growth and success of the Centre. Over the years, Lawrence has not only been a leader but also a mentor, a colleague, and a friend to many. His legacy will continue to inspire us as we carry forward the mission, he so passionately championed.

While we bid farewell with heavy hearts, we are filled with pride and joy for the remarkable journey he has had with us. We wish him every success and fulfillment in his future endeavors and look forward to celebrating his continued achievements. Below are some of the messages captured on our social media platforms from some of our partners.

Thank you Lawrence Ngugi for your great efforts and vision to raise the profile of Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration (NCIA) ! With grace & humility. It's been an honour to partner with you! Wish you the very best from me and colleagues East Africa International Arbitration Conference GBS Africa Governments and Business Services Africa. It's been an honour to partner on East Africa Arbitration space!

Agnes Gitau-ED EA ASSOCIATION

It was a great honour to serve with you as my Registrar and CEO at the Centre. However much we prepared for this day, I did not expect it to arrive so soon. Thank you so much for the constant guidance, help and friendship! See you soon and all the best on the upper floor, as you continue serving the nation!

Nderitu Mbiriri-NCIA Board Member

Congratulations Lawrence Ngugi for an extremely successful tenure. Your contributions to ADR in Kenya and East Africa have not gone without recognition. I wish you all the best in your next endeavors!

Mercy Okiro-Chairperson-National Construction Authority(NCA)

Congratulations and good wishes to you, Lawrence! Thank you for your excellent

leadership and forging important new partnerships for NCIA, including with us at International Senior Lawyers Project (ISLP). We look forward to continued partnership with Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration (NCIA) and to staying in touch with you, Lawrence!

Sara Lulo

Executive Director ISLP

You are leaving very big boots to fill, Lawrence! However, with the guidance of our excellent chair, Jackie, and our board members we shall continuously strive for excellence. Many congratulations on your new role.

Aisha Abdala- NCIA Board member