

MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE BY THE AG. COMMISSION SECRETARY, MR. HARRISON KARIUKI TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE SAMSON DZOMBO DURING HIS BURIAL ON 16TH MAY, 2023 IN SAMBURU, MARIAKANI

It was with profound sadness that I learnt of the demise of our colleague and friend, **Mr. Samson Dzombo**, who served at the **National Cohesion and Integration Commission** since its inception in 2009. When he joined NCIC, he set off in motion a career that saw him become the admired professional that he was.

Today, we're deeply saddened at the loss of this skillful employee. Not only did he provide an invaluable service to the Commission, but he was also known for his enthusiasm and love of life. He was a friend to all onboard, a valuable asset to NCIC and a source of joy to his colleagues.

Fellow mourners, we have lost a great mind, an enthusiastic heart and a spirit that was true to the end. While he possessed a gift beyond apprehension and unmatched competency, he set a great example for all of us to follow; **surely, his gap will be hard to fill.**

To **Damaris**, we cannot claim to perceive the depth of your sorrow. We understand there are **no words to assuage your grief** in this trying time and we can only hope that the time you spent together will bring comfort to you. I encourage you and your children to look up to **God from whom we draw our solace and comfort**.

To **Gift and Rehema**, losing a parent is one of the most difficult things any child can go through and I can only imagine how hard it must be for both of you. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I only urge you to **stay strong and take care of each other**. May your father's memory be a source of comfort and a reminder for you to work hard and keep his legacy! To his parents **Philip, Pauline and Emily**, the pain and grief of losing your son at a time of his prime and when his love was most needed cannot be gainsaid. Having a wonderful son around gives us a sense of assurance and security. He is now smiling down on you and continues to protect you every step of the way. It is our hope and prayer that you find comfort in his memories and the good times you shared.

To the rest of the family, we know Dzombo **was a shining beacon to each and every one of you**. He was a compass for moral uprightness and leaves a legacy of good deeds and an endearing mark to those whose lives he touched.

We take comfort in knowing that he was a part of NCIC and was fortunate enough to have been surrounded by many people who truly cared for and respected him.

Ours is to wish you **courage, strength and love** to help you get through this. As we grieve his loss, we are grateful to God for the years he allowed him to be with us and for the impact he had in our lives. As NCIC, **we pledge our unconditional support** during this hard time and always. Please accept our sincere heartfelt sympathies, and always remember that our prayers are with you all.

Let us **take a few moments of silence** before us to pay our respects. May his soul rest with The Lord.

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