

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

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OUTCOME OF THE VETTING OF MANUFACTURERS AND DISTILLERS OF SECOND-GENERATION ALCOHOL COUNTRY WIDE

- 1. On March 6, 2024, the Government announced a twentyfive (25) - point Enforcement Programme for suppression of the manufacture, sale, distribution and consumption of illicit alcohol, narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in the Country.
- 2. The measures taken included the immediate suspension of all licences, permits and authorizations for the manufacture and distillery of second-generation alcohol, and a further directive that fresh vetting be undertaken

within twenty-one (21) days to ensure compliance of establishments with security, safety, health, labour, environmental and other standards as defined in relevant National laws.

- 3. The vetting process was carried out by eight (8) agencies: National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA), Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS); Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services (DOSHS), Anti-Counterfeit Agency (ACA), Public Health Department, National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) and the Department of Weights and Measures.
- 4. All the twenty-nine (29) active manufacturers and distillers of second-generation alcohol were vetted, and the results are as follows:

- A. Two (2) entities have been found to be fully compliant by all the agencies and consequently they may resume production forthwith:-
 - (i) Kenya Nut Company Limited; and
 - (ii) UDV.
- B. The following three (3) entities have been found to be compliant and may resume production forthwith subject to meeting the below specified conditions:
 - (i) Kenya Wine Agencies Limited (KWAL) [Verification and approval of the model of the transmitter for offloading and dispatch flowmeters].
 - (ii) Savanna Brands Company Limited [Production of valid calibration certificates of GC machine and services done on them; and payment of the standards levy].
 - (iii) Patiala Distillers Kenya Limited
 [Resolution of the legal dispute between it and the
 Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS); and a positive
 Noise Level Measurement Report from the

Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services (DOSHS)].

- 5. Licences, permits and authorizations for the following twenty-four (24) entities remain suspended upto and until all the compliance issues are satisfactorily addressed within twenty-one (21) days effective Monday, April 8, 2024 failure to which the licences, permits and authorizations shall stand revoked:
 - 1) Two Cousins Distillers Limited
 - 2) Corobus Africa Products Limited
 - 3) Lyniber Supplies Limited
 - 4) Elle Kenya Limited
 - 5) Zheng Hong (K) Limited
 - 6) Rift Valley Brewing Company Thika
 - 7) FRM EA Packers Limited
 - 8) Manchester Distillers Limited
 - 9) Kedsta Investment Limited
 - 10) Julijo Investment Limited

- 11) Platinum Distillers Limited
- 12) London Distillers Kenya Limited
- 13) Agro Chemicals and Food Processing Company
- 14) Crywan Enterprises
- 15) Lumat Company Limited
- 16) Fastlane Wines and Spirits
- 17) Algarve Distillers Limited
- 18) Viva Bedida
- 19) Metro Breweries
- 20) Sabibu Beverages Africa Limited
- 21) Lodiani Water Spring
- 22) Africa Spirit Limited
- 23) Keroche Breweries Limited; and
- 24) Mamboleo Distillers.
- 6. The specific areas of non-compliance and the twenty-one (21) day notice to comply will be relayed to each of the affected entities appearing in paragraph 5 herein, on Monday, April 8, 2024 through the Principal Secretary for Internal Security and National Administration with copies

to all relevant Government Agencies for supervision of this directive.

7. The Government appreciates and thanks all agencies, public officers and manufacturers and distillers of secondgeneration alcohol for their cooperation throughout the vetting exercise.

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