

## FROM THE IGAD CHAIRPERSON

## **Statement on the General Elections in Kenya**

IGAD has been closely following the elections that took place on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2017 and appreciates the way they have been conducted so far in a peaceful, orderly and transparent manner.

The people of Kenya casted their vote to elect their leaders democratically. IGAD therefore calls on all political parties and candidates to respect the will of the people of Kenya and to refrain from any act that might be of disruptive nature to the peace and stability of the country.

IGAD would like to urge the concerned parties to stay calm until the whole process is completed to ensure a successful conclusion of the democratic exercise.

Issued by H.E. Hailemariam Desalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and Chairperson of the IGAD Assembly of Heads of State and Government, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2017, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia