

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Abandoned voter registration certificates in Mangochi

The Malawi Electoral Commission has seen pictures of abandoned voter registration certificates circulating on social media. The preliminary information indicates that the certificates are for Mlare School in Lilongwe Msinja North Constituency but were found abandoned at Thema 1 School in Mangochi at the end of voter verification exercise.

The Commission has dispatched a team to investigate the matter on the ground in Mangochi to establish the origin of these voter certificates. The Commission is also checking internally to establish what transpired. The Commission is also questioning all temporary and permanent staff that worked in the two centres during voter registration and verification respectively.

Meanwhile, the Commission has checked the voter registration records of Mlare School and the duplicate certificates for all the registrants are intact in the books whose total summary was signed off by monitors of political parties that were present during the voter registration process as attached.

Stakeholders are assured of due diligence and commitment of the Commission to resolve this issue in collaboration with all relevant authorities and preserve the integrity of the electoral process.

MEC will be updating the nation when the investigations are completed.

Further information can be collected by contacting MEC Director of Media and Public Relations, Mr Sangwani Mwafulirwa on 0999274304 or email <a href="mailto:sangwa79@gmail.com">sangwa79@gmail.com</a>.

Signed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2019 at Blantyre

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## MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION End of Phase Registration Statistics

## **Registration Statistics Total**



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