

PRESS RELEASE

Suspension of Registration of New Voters in Mangochi North East Constituency

The Malawi Electoral Commission is informing the general public that registration of new voters in Mangochi North East Constituency has been suspended with immediate effect.

This suspension follows an injunction granted by the High Court to one of the aspirants on 18th September, 2020 which is restraining the Commission from registering new voters, receiving nomination papers and using presiding officers that worked during the 21 May 2019 Tripartite Elections.

The Commission will proceed with voter verification and replacement of lost voter certificates in Mangochi North East Constituency up to 27th September, 2020.

The registration process and all other preparatory processes for the byelections in all the other vacant constituencies and ward are not affected by the injunction and are proceeding as planned by the Commission.

The Commission will inform the nation regarding the developments on the matter.

Should you need further information please contact the Media and Public Relations Director, Mr Sangwani Mwafulirwa on 0999274304 or email <u>smwafulirwa@mec.org.mw</u>.

Signed this 18th day of September, 2020 at Blantyre

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