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REMARKS BY THE CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI, DR. VIJOO RATTANSI DURING FORUM ON: RECLAIMING KENYA: YOUTH VOICES ON ROADMAP TO RECONCILIATION, HEALING AND NATIONAL COHESION FORUM, HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018 AT TAIFA HALL, UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI AT 9.00 A.M.
• Hon. Justice David Maraga, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya

• Hon. Johnson Sakaja, Senator, Nairobi County

• Hon. Mutula Kilonzo Junior, Senator, Makueni County

• Regional Director, Ford Foundation, Odhiambo Mark Oloo

• Nairobi County Executive Commissioner, Janet Ou

• Our development partners

• Ladies and gentlemen
I am delighted to welcome all of you here, today, during this important forum which seeks to firm up youth voices and a road map for reconciliation, healing and national cohesion.

This forum has brought together a very important resource, which is the youth, in a Hall named Taifa, to continue a legacy first set by the late Thomas Joseph Mboya, in 1961, in this every Hall. Mboya called upon the nation to form a cohesive whole. Half a decade later, we are honored to host Kenya, led by our youth, in assembling to develop pathways of engagement in
activities of national wholeness that includes healing, diversity, national identity, cohesion, peace and security.

I thank you all for honoring our youth, and acknowledging the role that youth play, centered as they are in discussions on justice, rule of law, and in turn becoming the architects for defining lasting solutions to their vulnerability, and exclusion that perpetuates insecurity and disunity.
Our national anthem should be our rallying call, as all of us, with one accord, and with a common bond united, build this our nation together. I believe that the youth, will benefit from this engagement and that in the subsequent workshop, will draw up a roadmap with activities and time frames, and identify stakeholders and the measurable indicators for national cohesion.
Once again, thank you very much for your participation.

It is my singular honor to call upon the Hon. Chief Justice David Maraga to deliver his address.

Thank you and God Bless you.

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