UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

REMARKS BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR, PROF PETER M.F. MBITHI DURING THE LAUNCH OF UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI STRATEGIC PLAN 2018-2023 HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019 IN TAIFA HALL AT 9.00 A.M.
• The Chancellor, Dr Vijoo Rattansi
• Chair of Council, Prof. Julia Ojiambo
• Members of the University Council
• Chairman of University of Nairobi, Alumni Dr. Isaac Awuondo
• Executive Directors of Research Institutions
• CEO of Corporations Present
• Distinguished Members of the Alumni
• The Senate
• Members of staff

• The Media

• Student Leaders

• All stakeholders Present

• Ladies and gentlemen
I welcome you to this launch of the Fourth Strategic Plan of the University of Nairobi (2018-2023). The Launch of a Strategic Plan is like marking a marriage anniversary.

You review and reflect on the past experiences and carry the lessons learned to plan for a better and blissful future.
The Strategic Plan 2018–2023 outlines the strategic visions and goals that we envisage to help the University realize its full potential and better fulfill its mission. It represents the concerted efforts of the University stakeholders whose valuable input have been incorporated in this document.

I honestly want to express our gratitude to all the stakeholders who took interests and shared their
insights. We received wonderful suggestions from the Government Agencies, Alumni fraternity, the Industry Partners, the University staff, students and the Community.

We also benchmarked with our competitions across the globe and other relevant industry partners in order to borrow the best practices.
This strategic Plan underlines the University’s commitment to work with all the stakeholders and continue on its path towards academic excellence. We have taken into considerations the harsh realities in our current operating environment and the opportunities that the future presents in a globally competitive environment.
The strategies aim to enrich the learning experience for students and equip them with competencies to be innovative entrepreneurs and employees, to flourish in their social life and distinctively build a strong and visible community of University of Nairobi Alumni.

We shall continue to engage in leading research and take a strong leap into the commercialization of knowledge.
The research, innovation and enterprise theme is one of the key pillars in the previous and the current Strategic Plans. It is through research that we can be able to address the challenges and societal needs locally and globally. This Plan is aligned to our national policies and development priorities.

I am sure that with your ownership and support we shall all succeed in meeting the aspirations of our
stakeholders. The University Nairobi is a strong brand, a great institution and I have faith that we shall continue to lead with excellence if we remain committed to our plans.

Thank you.

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