UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

TALKING NOTES FOR THE VICE CHANCELLOR DURING A VISIT BY SENATOR LUCY MURINGO GICHIUHI, SENATOR FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018 AT 11.00 A.M.
• Madam Senator,

• Representative of the Australian High Commission,
  Ms. Heather Rich,

• Members of the Corporate World,

• Members of the University community,

• Distinguished Guests,

• Ladies and Gentlemen

1. I Congratulate Senator Lucy Gichuhi for her achievement – being the first Senator of Australia of African descent.
2. UoN is proud of her and would like to be associated with her success.

UoN continues to cherish her values of hard work and excellence as exemplified in our motto “Unitate et labor translated loosely as “hard work”.

3. In contemporary world – The Alumni Association/networks plays important roles in building their Alma mater through:

- Scholarships for students
- Creating endowment funds for research/infrastructure
- Opportunities for internships and attachment for students
- We thank our Alumni for their continued support.

4. UoN enjoys global partnerships with wide networks of Academic and Research Institutes and Industry including those in Australia.
- Such collaborations and partnerships provide opportunities for exchange of ideas and funding for Universities.
• Your prestigious position and influence is a blessing for Kenya and the University and we would be more glad to work with you very closely to tap into opportunities that may come your way and obviously if possible claim the biggest share as your Alma mater.

• We are members of Australia African University Network and World University Net Work both domiciled at PERTH University in Australia.
Ladies and Gentlemen, It is my greatest honour to introduce Senator Lucy Muringo Gichuhi.

- She graduated from University of Nairobi with Bachelor of Commerce on December 1987.
- She was formerly a member of the (First Party 2016-17) and became Independent politician in 2017.

Welcome.

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