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STATEMENT ON ATTEMPTED POWER GRAB AT THE PARTY HEADQUARTES.

The Party NMC held consultations this morning on what was witnessed at the Party Headquarters yesterday which amounted to an attempted power grab in the absence from the country of the Party Leader, H. E. Uhuru Kenyatta.

In the run up to the events at the Party Headquarters yesterday, we have witnessed in recent days the following that are attributable to Deputy Party Leader, Hon William Ruto that has been an exhibition of arrogance, insolence and disrespect of President Uhuru Kenyatta who is also the Party Leader of Jubilee.

- We have witnessed the unprovoked and inexplicable abuse of Former First Lady Mama Ngina Kenyatta by political allies of the Deputy Party Leader and the subsequent response by Hon. Ruto that exhibited not an ounce of contrition. Some of the abuses have been expressed in the most primitive and vulgar vernacular.
- Last week, the Party had made a decision not to field a candidate in the forthcoming Msambweni Parliamentary by election. Shortly after that announcement, the Deputy Party Leader came into the Party Headquarters with an aspirant on tow. He went ahead to express his dissenting view on this matter but committed to respect the Party position. It was a surprise to see the Deputy Party Leader emerge the following day unveiling and declaring his support for an independent candidate in contravention of the Party position.
- Kenyans were amazed by the obvious absence of the DP at the KICC during the Covid- 19 conference with his seat remaining conspicuously empty throughout the event where he was included in the program to make remarks and according to State Protocol, then invite the President to address the conference. For such travesty, the only thing we have received from the DPs camp are tweets from his allies rubbing salt into the injury.



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- The Party headquarters is not going to be allowed to become the theatre of conflict and confrontation by different functions that emerge in the Party.
- That Deputy Party Leader as a self-declared Presidential Candidate for 2022 will not be allowed to use the Party headquarters as a centre of operationalisation of his 2022 campaign and to use the centre for intimidation of any potential opponent or Party staff.
- That it is no longer tenable for the DP to use the Party platform including statements from the Party Headquarters to advance his divisive so called hustler politics that are counter to the Party and Presidents platform of uniting the country, the fight against corruption and the agenda four items. He will no longer be allowed to use the Party Headquarters to make such statements that are principally for his breakaway function of the Party.
- It is note worthy that the Party constitution has not given Deputy President any specific role of organising Party grassroot elections in collaboration with his select MPs and Senators as emerged from the press conference yesterday addressed by MPs and Senators allied to him.
- That the NMC has recommended to the NEC that the DP ceases to be Deputy Party Leader after he opened the so called Jubilee Asili offices that is reserved for him and his allies until such a time that this development of Jubilee Asili is discussed at the NEC.
- That we are committed to uniting the country even as we strengthen the party and we pledge our support and loyalty to President Uhuru Kenyatta until the end of his term and we will not countenance any attempted power grab as was witnessed yesterday.

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