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TENSIONS, DIALOGUE AND PEACEBUILDING WORKSHOP**

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It gives me great pleasure to be with you during this opening ceremony of this very important follow up workshop on Community Tensions, Dialogue and Peacebuilding that has been organized by Coventry university and University of Nairobi .

I am aware of the great partnership that has existed between these two universities as well Makerere university through which a lot has been achieved. Among the great achievements emanating from this partnership is the successful development

of curricular in MA in Peace Education currently being offered at the university of Nairobi and a BA in Peace & Human Security Studies for Makerere University Uganda. I am also aware of the East African Journal of Peace Studies which has been born out of this initiative . All these efforts have been directed towards enhancing capacity and professional expertise in the field of peace and Human security in the East African region.

Mine today is to join you as you discuss and explore very important issues of peace and human security . I want to take this opportunity to particularly welcome our partners from Coventry university, who have become more of family friends of the College of Education and External Studies . Mine is to hope and look forward to strengthening of this partnership through which a lot more can still be achieved.

I want in particular to appreciate the effort being made here to link theory and practice . On this note , May I acknowledge the

practitioners who today will be sharing their stories and experiences of peace building at community levels.

Finally, I wish to thank all the participants for finding time to come and contribute and participate in this workshop. My hope is to wish you a successful and fruitful workshop. I look forward to meeting you again this afternoon for the launch of the East African Journal of Peace Studies.

With these few remarks, I now wish to invite the Deputy Vice chancellor, Academic affairs, University of Nairobi Prof. Henry Mutoro to make his remarks and officially open this workshop.

God Bless you all