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PRESS RELEASE

GUIDANCE ON VERIFICATION OF VOTERS AT POLLING STATIONS

The Electoral Commission has received reports that voting has not commenced at some polling stations across the country due to technical challenges affecting the Biometric Voter Verification Kits (BVVKs).

The Commission hereby guides all Returning Officers that, where a BVVK fails to start, the voting process should commence immediately using the National Voters Register, in accordance with the electoral laws and guidelines, so as not to disenfranchise any voter.

In the meantime, the Electoral Commission's technical teams are actively responding to and addressing the reported technical challenges.

The Commission regrets any inconveniences caused and assures the public that all necessary measures are being taken to ensure a smooth and credible voting process nationwide.

Presiding officers are directed that polling stations will remain open until the registered voters who will be in the lines by 4:00pm have cast their votes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mugenyi Simon', is written over a horizontal line.

Justice Byabakama Mugenyi Simon
CHAIRPERSON, ELECTORAL COMMISSION