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## UPC

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### **PRESS STATEMENT:**

#### **UPC URGES ALL TO GO AND VOTE IN THE REMAINING LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

1. Uganda Peoples Congress calls upon her members to turn up and vote in huge numbers for her flag bearers in the remaining Local Council IV elections for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016 and the Local (III) elections. UPC urges everyone to fully exercise their rights. UPC further urges all eligible Ugandans to turn up and cast their votes in these remaining Local Council elections and most particularly vote for UPC Candidates.
2. Uganda Peoples Congress would like to inform her members about the news reports that Olara Otunnu and Joseph Bossa are going to cancel the elections of all UPC elected Members of Parliament and successful candidates, are without foundation and untrue. The two former leaders of UPC are not in a position to do so as the very same Olara Otunnu withdrew his case seeking an injunction against Hon. Jimmy Akena holding the office of UPC Party President.

Bossa's case seeking a judicial review was appealed recently and Justice Kavuma confirmed the *status quo* as Hon. Akena being the UPC President. The reports carrying Ishaq Otto's interpretation are baffling as the Order is a public document and is available to all those who wish to read it.

The Party would also like to remind the media that Otunnu's term expired on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015. An election was held and his candidates were defeated. Ishaq Otto is described as the UPC Secretary for National Mobilisation. The post is a non-existent one in the first place and secondly, if Otunnu's term expired, then as an appointee of Otunnu, it follows that his employment also ceased on the same day.

The Go Forward Campaign Team/Task Force has said it will challenge the results of the 18<sup>th</sup> February National Elections. That is where Otunnu, Bossa and Otto should be concentrating their efforts, as opposed to neglecting their assignments for Go Forward and trying to interfere in UPC affairs.

3. The Party's leadership would also like to extend a hand of friendship and reconciliation to those that stood as independents, whether they won through or lost. There is a lot of work to do in the next 5 years and time would be better spent on constructive endeavours as opposed to futile fights.
4. Uganda Peoples Congress has learnt with sorrow the sudden death of Hon. Osinde Wangor that occurred on Sunday February 28<sup>th</sup> 2016 at his residence in Tororo. Hon Osinde Wangor served as Member of Parliament for Bukedi South West from 1980-85, and as UPC Chief Whip from 1980-85. Hon. Wangor was a committed cadre of UPC and true son of Uganda who served his Party and Country diligently. May his soul rest in eternal Peace!

**FOR GOD AND MY COUNTRY**

**EDWARD SEGGANYI  
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