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Reference is made to SRC letter Ref. No. SRC/TS/CoG/6/61/48 VOL.II (64) dated 20th May, 2019 on Housing Benefits for Governors, Deputy Governors and County Assembly Speakers (copy attached).

The Salaries and Remuneration Commission during the 274th Commission meeting held on 15th July, 2020 reviewed the content of the letter on Housing Benefits for Governors, Deputy Governors and County Assembly Speakers. Subsequently, the Commission reiterates that the 30th June, 2022 deadline for leasing of houses still applies. The Counties are therefore, reminded to hasten the construction of the houses by allocating funds and prioritizing the construction.

The Commission appreciates your continued support.

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During the implementation of these guidelines, the Commission has received requests from Counties and other Government Agencies including the Senate, seeking clarification and review of some of the provisions in these letters. This response is in line with the Commission’s interest to ensure proper implementation of the housing benefit.

The Salaries and Remuneration Commission during the 196th Commission meeting held on 14th May, 2019 deliberated on the issues raised and hereby issues further advice on the Housing benefit as follows:

(a) The deadline for County Governments paying rent to the affected State Officers has been extended to 30th June 2022 so as to allow those Counties who have not started the construction of the houses time to allocate funds and prioritize construction;

(b) Counties should construct the houses on Public Land Owned by the County;

(c) The acreage limits for the construction of the houses for the Governor is up to 2 acres and up to 1 acre for the Deputy Governor and County Assembly Speaker;

(d) The cost of construction of the houses for the Governor, Deputy Governor and County Assembly Speaker is Ksh 45Million, Ksh 40million and Ksh 35Million, respectively;

(e) The Counties which have already provided this benefit for the respective State Officers are exempted from provisions in this letter as indicated in the Table below:
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(f) Each County is expected to furnish the Commission with the status of its implementation of the housing benefit for the affected State Officers within an interval period of six months. This will enable the Commission assess compliance towards this guideline and provide any interventions as required.

This communication supersedes and hence nullifies SRC’s communication vide the letter Ref. No: SRC/TS/CDG/6/61/48 VOL.II (61) dated 3rd May, 2019.

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