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STATEMENT OF THE MEDICAL, DENTAL, PHARMACISTS AND SPECIALIST ASSOCIATIONS ON THE JAILING OF DOCTORS UNION LEADERS ON ACCOUNT OF THE ONGOING STRIKE

We, the associations representing all the medical practitioners, dentists and pharmacists of Kenya; Having consulted extensively on the processes leading to the jailing the KMPDU leaders;

Taking cognizance of the fact that the crisis in the health sector in the country continues in a state of paralysis due to the strike;

Considering that the union leaders have been jailed for no criminal offence, and further noting that we consider them prisoners of conscience;

Agreeing that the medical, dental and pharmacist professions are under attack;

Make the following resolutions:

1. There can be no negotiations if the doctors are in jail
2. The Kenya Medical Association and all the medical, dental, and pharmacist's associations are ready to be enjoined in the mediation to offer technical support and ensure a resolution of this crisis
3. We call upon ALL our members to converge at the Court of Appeal in solidarity with the doctors who will be appearing; and further urge our members in the counties and divisions to converge at the judicial premises in their counties for the same purpose
4. We announce that all our members in Health Facilities and institutions shall not be offering any services for 48 hours' effective midnight today, and further instructions shall be issued should the doctors still be in jail at the expiry of this period
5. We ask that the court of appeal sets aside the current Judgment and further demand that the government takes all necessary steps to end the judicial circus to amicably resolve this crisis
6. We demand that the President of the Republic immediately sacks the Cabinet and Principal Secretaries who we consider to be collectively responsible for this crisis

7. We call upon all other health workers associations to join us in solidarity in efforts at seeking a comprehensive solution to this crisis and continue the fight for improved health care in this country
8. In view of their role in the ongoing crisis and their crimes of omission and commission, KMA hereby revokes the membership of Dr. Cleopus Mailu and Nicholas Muraguri effective for 1 year.

Signed this 14th day of February 2017 by representatives of:

The Kenya Medical Association
The Kenya Dental Association
The Kenya Women's Association
The Kenya Paediatrics Association
The Kenya Obstetrics and Gynecology Society
Surgical Society of Kenya
Kenya Association of Physician
Kenya Orthopedic Association
Kenya Renal Association
Kenya Physicians Association
Arthreuma Society of Kenya
Kenya Association of Clinical Pathology
Public Health Association of Kenya
Kenya Cardiac Society
Kenya Associations of Radiologist
Kenya Psychiatric Association
Pharmaceutical Society of Kenya
Kenya Society of Anaesthesiologists