

**Kenya: Judicial Performance Improvement Project****SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION\*****Meeting of the Board of Executive Directors****November 15, 2012**

The Executive Directors approved the credit for the Kenya Judicial Performance Improvement Project in the amount of SDR 78.9 million (US\$120 million equivalent) on the payment terms and conditions set out in the Memorandum of the President (IDA/R2012-0271).

Directors noted that recent constitutional changes had created a window of opportunity for reforming the judiciary. They welcomed the positive steps that the Government of Kenya has taken thus far to strengthen the judiciary, as well as the judiciary's preparation of a transformational reform agenda. Directors urged the Government to continue to support judicial reform, to expand the availability of professional judicial services, and to sustain the financial and administrative independence of the judiciary so that it can effectively carry out its duties. They also welcomed the project's emphasis on capacity building, public outreach, and complementarity with the efforts of other partners.

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\*This summary is not an approved record.