



Further to our <u>Legal Alert</u> issued on the 6th April, 2021, on the 'Imminent Roll Out of The National Land Information Management System (NLIMS)', we wish to inform you that on 27th April, 2021, His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta launched first phase of the National Land Information Management System (the "NLIMS") with the full digitization of the Nairobi Registry, which sees the advent of the digitization of land records.

The launch is founded on the provisions of the Land Act, 2012 and the Land Registration (Electronic Transactions) Regulations, 2020, which provide for the development and implementation of an electronic National Land Information System in collaboration with the National Land Commission.

The NLMIS comes in force against the backdrop of a Lands Office weighed down by delays in completing matters and allegations of fraudulent transactions, as such making land transactions generally cumbersome. The launch of the NLIMS will hopefully streamline land transactions and expedite the land ownership process.

We note that the Ministry of Lands is currently working to digitize land records in twenty counties by the end of 2021 and hopes to fully implement a country-wide digitization of land records by the end of 2022. On this premise, it is important that the general public cooperates with the Ministry of Lands and Physical Planning to allow for the smooth transition into the

digital system.

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