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STATEMENT ON THE STATUS OF ROADS IN THE COUNTRY

You instructed me to prepare a statement on the status of roads in the country to be delivered to Parliament.

I wish to submit to your office a copy of the statement I intend to make on the floor of Parliament and request for your input as to whether the statement is prepared as you envisaged and answers the issues often raised by Members on the floor.

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MINISTER OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT

Copy to: Rt. Hon. Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda

STATEMENT BY THE HON. MINISTER OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT TO PARLIAMENT ON THE STATUS OF ROADS IN THE COUNTRY

Rt. Hon. Speaker of Parliament

Rt. Hon. Prime Minister

Hon. Members of Parliament

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Rt. Hon. Speaker, I am presenting this Statement to inform Parliament of the status of roads in the Country.

1.2 Honourable Members, over the last five years, the Government of Uganda has prioritised investment in the infrastructure necessary to support the development of the economy and transformation of our society.

1.3 Roads are one of the key infrastructure assets, which have been prioritised by the Government to support the development of productive sectors such as; agriculture, industry, oil and gas, and tourism.

1.4 Road transport is the dominant mode of transport accounting for over 90% of cargo freight and passenger's movement.

2.0 Classification of Roads in Uganda

2.1 Honourable members, Uganda has a total roads network of 159,529 km comprising of; National Roads, District Roads,

KCCA Roads, Urban Roads and Community Access Roads as detailed below:

S/N	Category	Length (Km)	Percentage
1	National Roads	21,020	13.2%
2	District Roads	38,603	24.2%
3	KCCA	2,200	1.4%
4	Urban Roads	17,759	11.1%
5	Community Access Roads	79,947	50.1%
	Total	159,529	100%

2.2 The above roads network is largely unpaved with only about 7,149km of roads paved representing 4.5% of the total road network.

2.3 Rt. Hon. Speaker, in terms of management, National Roads District Roads, KCCA Roads, Urban Roads and Community Access Roads are managed by Uganda National Roads Authority (UNRA), District Local Governments, KCCA, Urban Councils and Sub-Counties respectively.

3.0 National Roads

3.1 General

3.1.1 Rt. Hon. Speaker, the national roads network is divided into the following functional classes:

- i. Class A: International Trunk Roads which connect to Uganda's major borders and provides access to the sea;