

PAC CHAIR, AG URGED:

# Continue exercising accountability

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DEPUTY Speaker in the House of Assembly, who is also Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Madala Mhlanga and Auditor General Timothy Matsebula have been urged to continue exercising accountability for taxpayers' money in their respective institutions.

This message was conveyed by the Speaker of the Parliament of Uganda, Annet Anita during the duo's visit, after attending the fifth African Organisation of Public Accounts Committees (AFROPAC) Assembly hosted by Parliament of Uganda which began on March 17.

In the message, she posted on X, sharing how she was delighted to host the Deputy Speaker and AG for the conference.

She said their visit followed the successful conclusion of the Fifth AFROPAC Assembly, adding that their discussions were centred on fostering stronger collaborations between their National Assemblies, sharing best practices in parliamentary oversight and enhancing accountability mechanisms in kingdoms.

### Interview

Anita further stated during an interview with UBC Television Uganda that she, among other things, had the opportunity to introduce Eswatini officials to Uganda's world-renowned coffee, which is a true symbol of their rich agricultural heritage.

"As we discussed in the conference, African problems can only be solved by us Africans. As we say that the illicit financial flows should be handled, let us get generally accepted reporting procedures for the whole of Africa through uniformity in the reporting process so that we can achieve accountability and transparency, which is very important," she said.

She thanked the Speaker and the AG for accepting her invite and strengthening Africa.

When interviewed by the same channel, Mhlanga stated that His Majesty was the unifying factor in Eswatini, highlighting that the country had ceremonies like the Reed Dance Ceremony and the Buganu Festival, which he encouraged the Ugandan parliamentarians to attend as per the invitation from the Speaker in the House of Assembly Jabulani Mabuza.



Auditor General Timothy Matsebula and the Chairperson of the Public Accounts Committee Madala Mhlanga with the Speaker of Uganda Parliament Anita Annet among other Parliamentarins during their meet and greet.



Mhlanga shaking hands with the Uganda Speaker.



Annet gifting Mhlanga Uganda's world-renowned coffee after meeting.

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