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**54TH COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE (CPA), AFRICA REGION,  
COMMONWEALTH WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS (CWP), AFRICA REGION,  
SOCIETY OF CLERKS AT THE TABLE (SOCATT) AFRICA REGION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



The 54th CPA, Africa Region conference convened in Banjul, The Gambia from 10-16 August 2025 bringing together over 300 delegates from across the continent. The programme comprised of the main conference, CWP business meeting, and the SoCATT annual general meeting.

The conference was guided by the theme ***Strengthening Democratic Governance and Resilience in Africa: Tackling Conflicts, Economic Shocks and Climate Risks***. Which provided a platform for robust dialogue in respect of the continent's challenges.

The official opening was presided over by His Excellency, the Presidency of the Republic of The Gambia and this conference hosted over 300 delegates from various jurisdictions in Africa.

The CWP business meeting, attended by women delegates and the resolved to nominate Hon Boyce, Speaker of the KwaZulu Natal Provincial Legislature, the Africa Region's candidate for the vacancy of the Chairperson of the CWP international network.

The SoCATT brought together parliamentary secretaries and clerks from the various jurisdictions. Following the resignation of the previous chairperson, a new chairperson was appointed.

At the conclusion of the conference, the AGM confirmed Malawi as the nominated host branch for the 55th CPA Africa Region Conference in 2026.