



**MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY  
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**PRESS STATEMENT**

**Kenya Welcomes Extension of AGOA to 2028**

**Nairobi:** The decision by U.S. President Donald Trump to sign into law the extension of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) through December 31, 2028, is highly welcome.

This is a significant development for Kenya and provides much-needed certainty for exporters, manufacturers and investors who rely on preferential access to the United States market.

The extension is particularly important for our textile and apparel sector, which supports more than 66,000 direct jobs and remains one of Kenya's biggest beneficiaries of AGOA.

Beyond apparel, our focus must now be on using this extended window to expand Kenya's export basket and increase the range and value of products reaching the U.S. market.

We have significant opportunities in value-added agricultural products, leather and leather products, pharmaceuticals, manufactured goods and other competitive Kenyan products.

The Government will continue working with exporters and the private sector to increase utilisation of AGOA and ensure that more Kenyan enterprises and value chains benefit from access to the U.S. market.

AGOA should therefore serve as a catalyst for Kenya's industrialisation, value addition, investment and job creation.

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