

Museveni signs Sovereignty Act into law

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KAMPALA. The signing of the Act, transforms it into a binding law. According to the government, the Act is aimed at safeguarding Uganda's internal decision-making processes from external interference.

According to a statement released by the Presidential Press Unit (PPU) yesterday, the new law is primarily intended to protect the sovereignty of Uganda. Central to the Act is a new regulatory framework that mandates the registration and oversight of all agents of foreign entities operating within the country.

The Act establishes a clear hierarchy for enforcement, designating the department responsible for peace and security within the Ministry of Internal Affairs as the primary implementing authority.

The department will now be tasked with regulating funding and other forms of assistance provided to agents of foreign entities, ensuring that governance and development priorities remain firmly anchored in the national interest and improving institutional coordination to support orderly governance and public accountability.

Mr Museveni's assent is viewed as a strategic step toward enhancing

Uganda's capacity to maintain its independence on the global stage.

The State House added that the law will provide much-needed clarity in the management of state authority while ensuring that the country's policy space remains protected as it engages with regional and international partners.

"The Sovereignty Act is expected to strengthen Uganda's capacity to safeguard its independence in national decision-making processes," the statement says, adding that the law complements the broader national development agenda by promoting public sector efficiency and economic transformation.