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DAY 2: Tuesday, 6 October 2026

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Highlights of the day		
Forum of Young Parliamentarians <i>Zanzibar Hall</i>		Critical minerals for shared prosperity <i>Mbayuwayu Hall, seventh floor, Ngorongoro Wing</i>
Time	Meeting	Place
08:00 – 09:00	Assembly Steering Committee <i>(closed session)</i>	
09:00 – 11:00	Governing Council	Lake Nyasa Hall, Lake Nyasa Building
09:00 – 13:00	Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights - Debate on the draft resolution on <i>Inclusive social development for all: Parliamentary strategies to promote the rights and empowerment of people living with disabilities</i> - Beginning of drafting in plenary	Kololo Hall, sixth floor, Ngorongoro Wing
09:00 – 13:00	Standing Committee on Peace and International Security - Panel discussion on <i>The role of parliaments in securing peace in the age of military artificial intelligence</i> - Panel discussion on <i>Shaping peaceful futures: Parliamentary diplomacy, mediation and dialogue for lasting peace</i>	Zanzibar Hall
09:30 – 11:00	Bureau of Young Parliamentarians <i>(closed session)</i>	Room K105, first floor, Kilimanjaro Wing
10:30 – 12:00	Panel discussion on <i>The role of parliamentarians in the abolition of the death penalty</i>	Mbayuwayu Hall, seventh floor, Ngorongoro Wing
11:00 – 13:00	Assembly: Start of the General Debate on the theme <i>Enhancing good governance and empowering communities through inclusivity, trust and opportunities for all</i>	Lake Nyasa Hall, Lake Nyasa Building
11:30 – 13:00	Workshop on <i>Strengthening parliamentary responses to terrorism: Introducing the IPU reference framework</i>	Oldonyolengai Hall, ground floor, Kilimanjaro Wing
11:30 – 13:00	Bureau of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs <i>(closed session)</i>	Tausi Hall, Mezzanine, Serengeti Wing
11:30 – 13:00	Bureau of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development <i>(closed session)</i>	Room K105, first floor, Kilimanjaro Wing
14:00 – 17:00	Task Force on the peaceful resolution of the war in Ukraine <i>(closed session)</i>	Oldonyolengai Hall, ground floor, Kilimanjaro Wing
14:00 – 17:30	Forum of Young Parliamentarians	Zanzibar Hall
14:30 – 16:00	Workshop on <i>Critical minerals for shared prosperity: Strengthening parliamentary oversight</i>	Mbayuwayu Hall, seventh floor, Ngorongoro Wing
14:30 – 17:00	Committee on Middle East Questions <i>(closed session)</i>	Tausi Hall, Mezzanine, Serengeti Wing
14:30 – 17:30	Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights - Drafting in plenary of the draft resolution	Kololo Hall, sixth floor, Ngorongoro Wing

14:30 – 18:00	Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians (closed session)	Room K105, first floor, Kilimanjaro Wing
14:30 – 18:30	Assembly: General Debate - Continuation of the General Debate - Special address by Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus (Director-General, World Health Organization)	Lake Nyasa Hall, Lake Nyasa Building
15:40		
17:00 – 18:30	Bureau of the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security (closed session)	Oldonyolengai Hall, ground floor, Kilimanjaro Wing

SOCIAL EVENTS

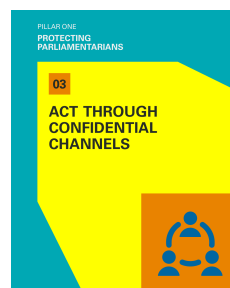
Tuesday, 6 October 2026	Piazza area, AICC
Lunch for Speakers and heads of delegations (by invitation only)	13:15 – 14:30
Young parliamentarians “Jambo” dinner*	Mount Meru Hotel 19:30 – 22:00
Wednesday, 7 October 2026	Tembo Club
Dinner for women parliamentarians*	19:30
Thursday, 8 October 2026	Cultural Heritage Centre
Cultural evening	19:30 – 22:30

* A shuttle service will be available to take invited delegates to the dinners. The service will depart from official hotels at 19:00.

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OTHER EVENTS*

* Events not part of the official programme, under the sole responsibility of the sponsoring organizers.

Tue 6 Oct 09.00 – 10.30	Parliamentary leadership on health taxes for a healthier and prosperous future: Country experiences and lessons learned. Organized by the IPU and WHO. <i>Tausi Hall, mezzanine, Serengeti Wing</i>
Wed 7 Oct 13:00 – 14:30	For peace, equality and sustainable development in a changing world: Mobilizing parliamentary action for sustainable financing of women's, children's and adolescents' health. Organized by PMNCH. <i>Lake Duluti Room, third floor, Serengeti Wing</i>
Thu 8 Oct 12.00 – 14.00	Bread unites the world: Parliamentary action for food security in an age of conflict and climate disruption. Organized by the Twelve Plus Group and the delegation of Ukraine. <i>Tausi Hall, mezzanine, Serengeti Wing</i>

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