

Honourable Justice Healy Potani
Judge President
High Court of Malawi
Lilongwe
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Dear Honourable Justice Potani,

The Council of Chatham House joins me in congratulating the judges of the Constitutional Court of Malawi on being included on the shortlist of three nominees for the 2020 Chatham House Prize.

The bravery shown by you and your fellow Honourable Justices Ivy Kamanga, Redson Kapindu, Dingiswayo Madise and Michael Tembo in protecting the constitutional process has made a strong impression on our research programmes and our three presidents.

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Once again, our congratulations on this nomination which recognizes the very significant contribution that we believe you have made to improve the state of international relations this past year.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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