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Three candidates quit, back NRM's Alintuma Nsambu

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NRM candidate Alintuma Nsambu.
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President Yoweri Museveni has welcomed the move by a number of candidates vying for the Parliamentary seat for Bukoto South in Lwengo district to step down in favour of NRM candidate Alintuma Nsambu.

Yusuf Masengere Lubega has left JEEMA Party and crossed to NRM while Robert Lutalo, the National Secretary General of NRM Youth League, who was also [Makerere University](#) Guild President in 2008, stepped down from the candidacy. Another candidate Joseph Ssabayiki who had stood as an independent also stepped down.

Bukoto South by-elections have attracted seven candidates including NRMs Alintuma Nsambu, Mathias Nsubuga (DP), Joseph Ssabayiki (Independent), Julius Ssentamu (FDC), Dan Katula (Independent), Robert Rutalo (Independent), and Yusuf Masengere (Independent). The Bukoto South By-elections are set for July 12, 2012. Bukoto South MP seat fell vacant after Muyanja Mbabaali was thrown out of Parliament.

The President commended the group for their decision at a meeting held at State House, Entebbe. They pledged their support to the NRMs Alintuma Nsambu and said they made their decision for the good of unity and development for the district and for the NRM Party.

Museveni welcomed their decision to stand down and said that Parliament is where important policies are put into laws adding that if wrong people, such as Matthias Mpuuga (MP for Masaka Municipality) are elected, they end up opposing development.

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“It is important that an NRM candidate is elected in order to ensure that government development policies are supported in Parliament”, he said.

On the issue of abuse of the Kabaka by some candidates, the President said that Mengo should have reported Alintuma Nsambu to him because in the past, he was able to caution former NRM senior leader, Sserwanga Lwanga, to stop opposing the restoration of the Kabakaship.

“We are not looking at Nsambu as a person but the NRM as a party”, he emphasized.

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