

**Hearing on “Update on COVID-19 in Africa”**  
U.S. House of Representatives  
House Foreign Affairs Committees  
Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Global Human Rights

**Dr. John Nkengasong, Biography**

Dr John Nkengasong (kang-guh-son) currently serves as the first Director of the Africa Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC). He is a leading virologist with nearly 30 years of work experience in public health. Prior to his appointment with Africa CDC, he was the Deputy Principal Director (acting) of the Center for Global Health at the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention, and Associate Director of Laboratory Science and Chief of the International Laboratory Branch at the Division of Global HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis.

Earlier this year, the Director was appointed as one of the WHO Director-General’s Special Envoys on COVID-19 Preparedness and Response.