

REMARKS BY THE AG. INSPECTOR-GENERAL, NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE, MR. NOOR Y. GABOW, CBS, OGW, DURING THE LAUNCH OF IPOA MONITORING REPORT FOR POLICE OPERATIONS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE AUGUST 2022 GENERAL ELECTION ON FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2022, AT SAROVA STANLEY HOTEL-NAIROBI.

- Mrs. Anne Makori, EBS. -Chairperson IPOA
- Distinguished guests,
- \* Ladies and Gentlemen,

## Good morning.

I am delighted to join you today on this auspicious occasion as you launch the IPOA Monitoring Report for Police Operations before, during, and after the August 2022 General Election.

Allow me to extend sincere gratitude to the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) for making this report available for the consumption of the general public.

It is within the mandate of the Authority to hold members of the National Police Service accountable for their conduct in the performance of their duties.

It is evident that the performance of the National Police Service has significantly improved, this can be attested by the management of security matters in a timely, proactive, and transformative manner before, during, and post the August 2022 General Election.

Unlike previous elections that were marred by chaos and insecurity, this year's election was exceptional. The National Police Service worked in partnership and collaborative manner with all stakeholders in the electoral process and adopted a new strategy that saw all officers extensively trained on the management of election security.

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As indicated in the report being launched today, the Authority noted a marked improvement in the professionalism exhibited by the National Police Service during the period.

## Ladies and Gentlemen,

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The peaceful and secure electoral environment in Kenya was equally noted and lauded by imminent personalities and entities from across the world including Observer Missions accredited to the election process. In her speech during the swearing-in of H.E. Dr. William Samoei Ruto, EGH the 5th President of the Republic of Kenya at Kasarani stadium, H.E. Samia Suluhu, President of the United Republic of Tanzania said 'Nataka niwaambie ndugu zetu wakenya kama kuna zawadi mlioitoa kwa Jumuia ya Afrika Mashariki mwaka huu ni zawadi ya amani mlioiweka katika uchaguzi.'

This is proof enough of the commitment undertaken by the National Police Service in ensuring that our officers deliver on our mandate according to the constitution and other legislations.

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I wish to thank the public for keeping the peace, and continued cooperation with the police during the campaign period, on the election day, during the period while awaiting the announcement of the results, during the petition phase, and after the inauguration day.

Equally, I take this opportunity to laud and appreciate all officers, including our partners within the public security sector who continue to cooperate with us in protecting the Nation.

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Your dedication to service during the recently concluded election is a testament to your loyalty, patriotism to your Nation, and commitment to your respective oath of service.

Last but not least, I appreciate the Independent Policing Oversight Authority for its work in ensuring accountability and Professionalism within the National Police Service.

I believe that this report is a reflection of the great transformation exhibited by our officers through focused leadership within the Service.

As I conclude, let me assure the public that the National Police Service will continue to serve and protect the Nation, its citizens, and their property, according to democratic policing ideals and respect for human rights as stipulated in our constitution.

Thank you.

NOOR Y. GABOW, CBS, OGW, INSPECTOR GENERAL, NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE.

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