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MESSAGE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



I welcome you to this inaugural edition of the National Police Service (NPS) Quarterly Newsletter. The quarter that covered the months of October, November and December 2021 projected key milestones in the policing architectural framework. Equally, we have had a share of concerns especially in the wake of policing under Covid-19 protocols. Nevertheless, our resilience has seen us emerge stronger and better.

Noteworthy strategic events during this period include Kenya's election to the Presidency of the African Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL) and to INTERPOL's Executive Committee representing Africa. This is testament of trust accorded to Kenya's leadership in the law enforcement front, based on our dynamic policing strategies that have been significant regionally and globally. The ground breaking of the NPS Referral Hospital at Mbagathi, Nairobi by H.E the President of the Republic of Kenya is lauded.

The ongoing police reforms have provided opportunity for the NPS to align to the ever-changing operating environment occasioned by security, political and legal constraints. Pursuant to this, police officers have remained professional and true to the oath of Service, enabling the delivery of policing services that respond to emerging security threats and crimes.

It is my intention that impactful stories of police officers be told, in order to reflect our milestones towards modern policing. Police officers have brought honor to our country by excelling in peace keeping missions internationally; their global victory in sporting and athletic events notwithstanding. It is laudable that exceptional officers have gone beyond their call of duty to touch lives in the most humble and humane way. Altogether, as I salute each one of these gallant officers. I applaud the Directorate of Corporate Communication in the NPS on the launch of the Quarterly National Police Service Newsletter. The periodic publication will inform police officers and the public on events that have shaped policing; while taking stock of key successes and concerns.

In line with our mission to provide professional and people-centered services through community partnerships, we have sustained the multi-sectoral policing approach. I encourage the public to continue supporting us in this noble effort by remaining vigilant, sharing information and reporting any suspicious activities to law enforcement officers.

I wish everyone good health and safety.

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FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK



The aim of the publication is not only to document activities and progress thereof, but to also remind officers, including stakeholders on key events shaping our NPS' policing outcomes. Not all activities may be captured, but effort shall be made to ensure that as much detail of key importance is highlighted.

Secondly, the publication shall desire to generate or provoke thought and discourse on major areas warranting law enforcement attention. A family remains healthy only when its members constantly and continuously interact and engage especially in relevant knowledge and practice areas. We therefore hope that this periodic publication shall receive unwavering support through reading, sharing and timely feedback on areas of strength and improvement.



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STRATEGIC NEWS FROM THE HEADQUARTERS

NPS IGP elected to the helm of AFRIPOL for 2 years

With Kenya having just settled in her prestigious position as member of the coveted United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the next two years, the streak of good luck on the international security sector continues with the recent unanimous election to the august position of the Presidency of the General Assembly of Africa Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL).



Inaugural visit to AFRIPOL headquarters in Algiers, Algeria

Under the leadership of H.E Hilary Mutyambai, MGH, nsc (AU), the incumbent President AFRIPOL General Assembly, Kenya once more gains the enviable pole position of shaping the continental policing discourse, with the determination of promoting peace and security in the continent.

AFRIPOL is a structured membership of law enforcement agencies of 166 member countries operating under the auspices of the African Union (AU) as an organ to promote peace and security. Its motto is 'Silencing the Guns', an acknowledgement of the role played by pervasive effects of proliferation of illegal arms and ammunition which are drivers of conflicts and war on the continent.



H.E Hilary Mutyambai, MGH, nsc (AU) presiding over a meeting at AFRIPOL headquarters

H.E Hilary Mutyambai echoed the motto, making it his priority agenda to define his tenure. During his inaugural visit to Algiers, Algeria, the headquarters of AFRIPOL, he unveiled his vision, including but not limited to fostering more advocacy amongst member countries in order to create synergy towards the ideals of AFRIPOL; mainstreaming focus in tackling organized crime; and more law enforcement cooperation amongst member countries as a countermeasure to transnational organized crime.

The AFRIPOL General Assembly President paid glowing tribute to the Secretariat, led by Dr. Tarek Sharif, including the great foundation laid by his predecessor, H.E Abdelkader Kara Bouhadba, the Director-General of the Algerian National Police.

DCI elected to Interpol Executive Committee for 3 years

Kenya through the National Police Service buttressed her leadership on the global law enforcement fraternity with the election of Mr. George Kinoti, CBS, the Director of Directorate of Criminal Investigations to INTERPOL's Executive Committee for three years as a member representing Africa.



Director of Directorate of Criminal Investigations Mr. George Kinoti, CBS during 89th Session of the INTERPOL's General Assembly held in Istanbul, Turkey

During the 89th Session of the Organization's General assembly held in Istanbul, Turkey, Mr. Kinoti received the nod of his peers, a testament of his capability, tenacity, and competence including trust in Kenya's leadership on global security, and specifically in the law enforcement front. Mr. Kinoti shall serve as Africa's delegate together with Mr. Mahdi Elemam, Sudan's Director-General of Police. Nigeria's Assistant Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Garba Baba Umar was elected the Vice-President for Africa.

EAPCCO meeting in Kinshasa, DRC

Typically referred to as the EAPCCO, the Eastern Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization is a regional body whose membership brings together heads of police institutions from fourteen countries notably: Kenya, Burundi, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Sudan, Somalia, Tanzania and Uganda. Together, they form the Council of Police Chiefs (CPC).

Established in 1998, with the membership increasing two-fold over the years, EAPCCO's mandate is contextualized in the strengthening of police collaboration and joint strategies, sharing of crime related information and the harmonization of laws that enhance the capacity of enforcement agencies to combat transnational organized crimes.

October 2021 in Kinshasa, DRC, the 23rd EAPCCO annual general meeting was held under the theme: *'Enhancing law enforcement strategies in combating transnational organized crimes in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic and beyond'*. Representing Kenya was the Inspector General of Police Mr. Hilary Mutyambai and Mr. Wilson Njega, Secretary Internal Security at the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government.



Inspector General of Police attends 23rd EAPCCO annual general meeting in Kinshasa, DRC

The CPC discussed measures that enhance regional cooperation and capacity with a focus on among others identifying and countering emerging terrorism trends, including violent extremism and their implications in the regional bloc.

In reviewing the status of the resolutions, the CPC signed and adopted agreements that complement existing structures in combating terrorism, transnational organized crimes and cattle rustling across

the region. Of focus also was the *Mifugo* Protocol that recognizes the evolution of cattle rustling from a cultural practice in which less fatal force and weaponry were used to a more lethal gun-based practice. The Protocol stipulates joint strategies to prevention, combating and eradication of the crime. Terrorism, cattle rustling and other transnational organized crimes being security threats that have continued to affect and impact on the Kenyan social and economic capital.

The ideals and vision of EAPCCO in promoting law enforcement cooperation as a tool for preventing, detecting and combating transnational organized crime designate it as a worthy entity in the eastern region security architecture.

A Kenyan senior police officer heads UNISFA

Ms. Violet Lusala, a Kenyan commissioner of police from the Directorate of Criminal Investigation brought honor to Kenya and the National Police Service in particular when she won in a competitive international recruitment to serve as the UN Police Commissioner to the United Nations Force for Abyei (UNISFA) on a fixed-term secondment.

As UNISFA's police commissioner, Ms. Lusala is charged with the overall responsibility of leading international efforts to pacify and restore sustainable peace in the contested territory of Abyei currently under the United Nations administration.



Ms. Lusala is a dedicated and accomplished police leader with a cherished career in the Directorate of Criminal Investigation, an organ of the National Police Service charged with serious criminal investigations. We extend our facilitations to UNISFA's madam commissioner, fully confident of her abilities and drive to succeed and deliver on her responsibilities and UNISFA's mandate.

NPS joins the World in celebrating World's Human Rights Day

As the world came together to celebrate the World's Human Rights Day on the 10/12/2021, the NPS joined stakeholders to mark the auspicious occasion by participating in a number of events. Under the theme *'Equality, Reducing Inequalities, and Advancing Human Rights'*, a conference to mark the Human Rights Day was organized jointly by the United Nations and University of Nairobi.

The occasion also marked the end of the UN 16 days of Activism Against GBV. NPS expressed her interest and commitment in advancing the SGBV cause. In addition to the political commitments made by H.E the President on mainstreaming actions against SGBV, NPS has on her part made great strides at innovating *Policare*, a one-stop center aimed at restoring priceless dignity to survivors of SGBV.

To close off the celebrations, the NPS joined Kenyan jurists in celebrating the Director of Public Prosecutions, Mr. Noordin Haji for winning this year's Jurist of the Year Award.

Criminal Justice Sector meeting in Mombasa

The National Council on the Administration of Justice (NCAJ) launched its 2021-2026 Strategic Plan in Mombasa, aimed at strengthening its coordinating mechanism for improved access to justice, especially vulnerable groups. Inspector General of Police Mr. Hilary Mutyambai joined other Principals in the high-level meeting where several other publications were launched, namely: 'Guidelines on Sexual Gender-Based Violence Case Management', 'Protection and Care Form', 'Children Court Practice Directions,' 'Standard Operating Procedures on Child Protection Units', and 'Policy on Continuous Professional Development and the Curriculum on Child Care'.

Many other publications were showcased; the 'Report on the Status of Persons with Mental illness in the Criminal Justice System', 'The Report on the Status of Intersex Persons in the Criminal Justice System' and the 'Baseline Survey on State Regulated Offences' were unveiled.

STRATEGY AND TRAINING

New officers graduate

During the last quarter of 2021, close to 6000 new boots and berets were added to our ever-increasing law enforcement numbers, effectively making Kenya way-ahead of the UN police to civilian ratio pegged at 1:450. Before the recent twin passing out parades at NPC 'A' Campus and NPC 'B' Campus where about 6000 new officers graduated joining KPS/GSU and APS respectively, our ratio was under the 1:430 mark.



H.E President Uhuru Kenyatta, C.G.H, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of the Republic of Kenya presides over recruits passing out parade at NPC Embakasi 'A' Campus



H.E President Uhuru Kenyatta, C.G.H, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of the Republic of Kenya presides over recruits passing out parade at NPC Embakasi 'B' Campus

More officers are expected to graduate early in 2022 from the NPC Main Campus – Kiganjo, swelling the rank and file with an additional over 2000 officers. These numbers provide a critical surge in capacity and come in handy to help provide more security to our citizens including securing the forthcoming general elections scheduled for August 2022, not to mention the preceding election campaign period.

Border management



Border Police Unit officers in training exercise

In enhancing protective and border security, the APS successfully completed an elaborate training programme for Border Police Unit (BPU) officers. Based on skills acquired, coupled with the provision of sophisticated tooling and equipment, the officers have been able to thwart and interdict numerous elements of cross-border crimes including human trafficking, counterfeit and contraband smuggling as well as the proliferation of small arms and light weapons among others.

These accomplishments, besides promoting the safety of the people of Kenya, have also ensured the government does not suffer loss of revenue through the entry of counterfeit and contraband goods. The work of the BPU has also led to a more cohesive multi-agency team in policing our borders from within.

All female SWAT team

Training in the NPS has a direct correlation with service delivery. With the formation of the All-Female SWAT team, under the Rapid Deployment Unit, the Service has continued to ensure that the team acquires regular training to hone their skills and similarly keep abreast with emerging law enforcement techniques. As a result, the officers have so far been successfully deployed for covert operations within the period under review.

The SWAT team is an instrumental organ in the NPS in that it can be deployed to respond to security threats as well as actual breaches that require more advanced capabilities to handle. With issues of terrorism, human trafficking, cyber-crimes, among

others, they elaborately provide solutions, particularly when considered that they can seamlessly infiltrate and exfiltrate target areas effectively.



Besides its operational capabilities, the SWAT team has served to send a strong message on the abilities of our womenfolk in the security sector, and the fact that all factors remaining constant, there is nothing that prohibits female officers from performing complex security tasks alongside their male counterparts.

Considering the rapid impact it has created, the NPS is working on modalities to augment the team's capacity in terms of numbers and technical capabilities. Further, the NPS envisages a future where the SWAT team will have units strategically deployed in key towns for ease of mobilization, as may be appropriate.



Training of All Female SWAT Team officers

POLICE REFORMS CORNER

POLICARE launch

POLICARE, an acronym for 'Police Cares' is a novel initiative formulated by NPS to be responsive and responsible through caring for survivors of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV). The idea is predicated on the reality that victims of SGBV should not be revictimized through the criminal justice system, hence need for a caring, speedy and holistic focus on such unfortunate survivors.



The official launch of POLICARE policy documents by the First Lady H.E Margaret Kenyatta, EGH at the Kenya School of Government, Lower Kabete

Policare endeavors to provide not only care but restore the priceless dignity of such survivors, and also afford them a range of diversified but packaged premium solutions within one setting dubbed 'One-Stop Center'. What this means and entails is that those victimized

through SGBV, mostly the vulnerable in the society (women, girls and boys) are at the center of the criminal justice intervention, which extends to their families and beloved ones.

In this, survivors continue to receive benefits of the criminal justice system long after the finalization of

cases. This is aimed at reintegrating them fully into meaningful life by bringing some sense of closure to their unfortunate realities. Support services offered include counseling and psychosocial support, interventions related to witness protection among others.

To officially roll out the programme, the First Lady H.E Margaret Kenyatta, EGH officiated the launch of policy documents at the Kenya School of Government, Lower Kabete. The First Lady was accompanied by the CS Interior and Coordination of Government Dr. Fred Matiang'i, EGH and other senior government officials. The programme, currently on a pilot within Nairobi and Laikipia, is aimed to be devolved to other counties, with the ultimate ambition of serving at all police station levels.

Ground broken for NPS Referral Hospital at Mbagathi, Nairobi

As part of ongoing police reforms, staff welfare is a major area of focus. It has taken prominence with issues of wellbeing, including mental health of officers taking front space. A notable rise in cases related to police burnout and stress, overall health of officers and that of their families has led to an investment in health solutions for serving officers.



This journey began with the successful rolling out of a comprehensive health insurance package including a medical insurance scheme for all police and prison officers. These two interventions ensure that all officers receive medication in leading health providers, and those injured and/or die in line of duty are adequately compensated by the insurers.



H.E The President during the ground breaking of NPS Referral Hospital at Mbagathi, Nairobi

Upping the game is the recent establishment of a referral hospital for NPS at Mbagathi, next to Kenyatta National Hospital whose ground was recently broken by H.E the President. Work on the facility has already commenced and is estimated to be completed within eight months.

The ultra-modern messing complex at NPCEAC

The NPS had the honor of hosting H.E the President at the National Police College Embakasi 'A' Campus, where among other functions, he presided over the official opening of the ultra-modern messing complex. The opening of the complex is considered a milestone due to the fact that its construction was started over thirty years ago, stalling soon after.



Ultra-modern messing complex at NPCEAC

Within the framework of the President's Big Four Agenda, in line with the ongoing police reforms, and under the leadership of the Deputy Inspector General APS Mr. Noor Gabow, CBS the project was revived, completed and launched. The complex has a capacity to cater for more than two thousand personnel with multiple amenities therein.

Scorecard on police reforms

Following the launch of a report on Police Service Performance Survey, a subsequent workshop was held to inform on the progress of the ongoing police reforms outcomes on all critical areas of outputs. Through collaboration of the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government, the National Police Service and with the support of USAID through Reinvent and Tetra Pac, commitment to police reforms to transform the quality of policing with an aim of serving the public in a more responsive and responsible manner remains on course to date.

Key deliverables progressing as scheduled include the integration of the Services into one unifying command under NPS; provision and gazettement of a new police uniform; revamping of police welfare through a comprehensive health insurance cover; inauguration of a referral hospital, amongst others.

Police reforms as a journey therefore remains on course and fully supported by stakeholders. Immediate and medium-term outcomes and impact continue to be witnessed, with expectation of attainment of long-term achievements.

Construction of modern police station

Funded by the Dagoretti South NG-CDF and initiated by the area MP Hon. John Kiarie, the Riruta Police station was officially opened by the Deputy Inspector General KPS Mr. Edward Mbugua, CBS.



Deputy Inspector General KPS Mr. Edward Mbugua, CBS, during the official opening of Riruta Police station in Dagoretti South Constituency

While applauding the construction of the modern police station as one that will improve service delivery, the DIG highlighted the successes of the vibrant cooperation between the police and the public. He commended members of the public for overwhelming support accorded to the community policing initiative that had seen significant reduction in crime.



NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Covid security coverage

Since the first break of the Covid-19 pandemic, another feather was added unto the policing cap of NPS when officers found themselves on a different kind of beat. Used to being on the frontline of security, law and order, this time around officers were ushered into an unknown frontline terrain of fighting an unpredictable virus, not crime.

The necessity of enforcing Covid-19 containment measures or protocols required a lawful force; not only stethoscopes. This could only be done by agile law enforcers trained and ever ready for any eventualities. Hence, police have ever since stood shoulder-to-shoulder and walked side-by-side with medics and public health practitioners to defeat an insidious virus, just as we have always fought marauding criminals.

Similarly, as some of our gallant members fall by the way in defense of the motherland while fighting crime and insecurity, we have lost a good measure of our officers on the frontline of Covid-19 countermeasures. To all those who succumbed to the deadly virus, we keep their memories alive.

General and election security beefed up

Never has the plate of police officers been more universal than during the electioneering period. That is the cycle of time we are facing in Kenya, when all systems go for politicians and politics. But, just as scavengers go where the predator and prey are, we as officers of the law and order go where politics and politicians go in search for votes.

As such, it is one of our demanding times, with our plates too full, yet up to the national task. But as known, practice makes perfect, and we are masters of perfection. We have been in the trenches of electioneering circles far too long that we have mastered the art of securing the process.

Therefore, this time around, through careful planning and coordination with electoral stakeholders, all our chips are on the table, as we prepare to provide the most secure election in the history of the Republic.

Police and knowledge management



Director of Directorate of Criminal Investigations Mr. George Kinoti, CBS with officers who were awarded doctorates

increasingly knowledgeable. As an outcome to this strategic mind shift, the Service continues to churn out officers with higher learning accolades, ranging from doctoral to impressive tertiary certificates, which all contribute towards our collective performance index. In the month of December 2021, three officers were awarded doctorates with numerous others earning degrees and certificates in various levels of learning.



NPS prides itself as an equal opportunity employer. Yet it goes beyond this mission by taking proactive measures in promoting a knowledge culture within her workforce. The Service is well alive to the fact that to remain competitive in its service offering to the public owing to a dynamic society, an investment must be made on the knowledge front.

It's owing to this truism that officers are not only encouraged to pursue proprietary learning but are also offered institutional training to gather relevant knowledge and skills to empower themselves to perform better.

This mindset has seen an upsurge in the number of officers investing in themselves to be

COMMUNITY POLICING INITIATIVES

When the New Police was formed in 1829 by Sir Robert Peel through the establishment of the Metropolitan Police, at the core was police-public relations. It was only through the ownership, or in the least the active participation of the public in policing and other law enforcement activities that the function of policing was thought to be both effective and sustainable.

Though many police establishments over time veered

off from this bare minimum by excluding the public from participating in policing, police reforms became a good opportunity to empower the public as true partners.

In Kenya, this journey began with the clamor for the new constitution, which was promulgated in 2010. Under the new constitutional dispensation, police-public relations became a legal requirement as entrenched in the *Constitution of Kenya, 2010*. This requirement is well expressed in the objectives of policing, notably to “foster and promote relationships

with the broader society.”

The National Police Service seized on this opportunity to purposely promote ideals and initiatives towards improving strained relations with the public. This is out of the realization that it is only with the public’s consent and participation that policing becomes responsive and effective in outcomes. Individual police commands are therefore encouraged by NPS leadership to initiate specific interventions within their jurisdictions which are detailed to their unique circumstances with the purpose of integrating the public back onto the bandwagon of policing. Some of such notable initiatives suffice mention.

Enhancing police-public relations in Nakuru through soccer

In Nakuru County, local police have chosen a different pathway to work with communities. With a double-edged strategy, Nakuru County Police through their indefatigable commander Ms. Beatrice Kiraguri, sought to alleviate stress levels experienced by officers on one side, while reaching out to the public on the other; all aimed at achieving the single objective of effective and efficient policing. Soccer is thus considered a viable solution, which is an ongoing popular policing intervention through a project named ‘Healing the Boots’.



Nakuru County Police commander Ms. Beatrice Kiraguri pose for a photo with Naivasha Police Football Club

‘Healing the Boots’ is a creative innovation which has clustered the county police into grassroot mini-soccer leagues, playing on knockout basis upwards towards a grand finale of top two teams. The initiative has proved too popular within the larger community as both police and community teams participate.



Locals also turn out in large numbers as spectators and supporters, owning the initiative in totality. Before a game, there are talks on community issues and policing, including stress management, with other community support activities taking place. The end state of the initiative is reflected in more trust building between the police and the public.

Busia police partner with IPA (K) chapter to give back to the community

International Police Association (Kenya) Chapter brings together serving, retired and other partners of policing at one table of enhancing good policing and giving back to the community. IPA (K) has been involved in charitable activities throughout Kenya benefiting a host of needy grassroot organizations. Recently, the IPA (K) chapter partnered with Busia police to put a smile on the faces of young children when they visited Amukura Children’s Home with goodies and love. All these gifts were donations enabled by in-kind contributions by the association’s members. In addition to the giving, members and local police engaged in a noble exercise of tree planting, which coincided with the COP26 Conference in Glasgow.

Kisii leads in innovative police-public initiatives

Under the County Police Commander (CPC) Mr. Francis Kooli, CP, Kisii county has embarked on a mission of bridging the gap between the police and public.

Through an initiative of “giving back to the community” Kisii police are engaged in benevolent activities of reaching out to the less fortunate in society, proving that police care not only on crime, but also the causes of crime. Acts of charity by Kisii police are impressive.



Kisii County Police Commander Mr. Francis Kooli during a mentorship session at St. Clare Suguta Girl's Secondary School

Ranging from donation of wheelchairs to the physically challenged, to adopting a young ‘herder’ girl with a thirst for education, right to empowering local women with alternative economic means of livelihood other than brewing prohibited liquor.

With the list still counting, the county police officers through their chief have indeed proven that police have a larger role to play in society other than law enforcement per se.

Machakos county police trailblazer community policing engagement

Machakos county police is on the community policing map as a leader in traditional CP policy and practice. Under the county police leadership, all sub-counties are encouraged and supported to build CP structures at the grassroots, bringing all stakeholders at the roundtable of mutual engagement and partnerships.

Mwala sub-county is one such model case, where the public, local administrators and the police routinely identify local problems and find solutions. These engagements are not in vain, since public trust in the ability of police to solve their crime problems is high, going by local perception.



FROM THE SECURITY AND CRIME DESK

Enhanced border surveillance

Kenya, as a beacon of peace, must continuously guard against her territorial integrity. When events in neighboring countries suggest a situation of internal strife, our national security architecture rises to the occasion, activating all systems to enhance security at the borders and within the borders.

With ongoing internal turmoil in neighboring Ethiopia and volatility in Somalia, all national security actors stand at optimum alertness to mitigate against any possible influx of refugees including associated threats such as proliferation of arms and ammunition across the borders.

With adequate security hardening measures in place, the public are on their part reminded to remain vigilant and report to authorities any suspicious activities that may violate our national security integrity.

A kingpin put behind bars for life in Meru

For the longest time, one James Muthiora alias Karinta, a local drug dealer in Meru town, operated in the area peddling drugs with impunity. It was an open secret what his diabolic activities were, yet the few who dared to cross his path were never spared. He, in short, was a law unto himself.

Such baloney came to a stop the moment a new DCIO Mr. James Githinji was posted to Meru to take charge over the investigation function. Backed by the local security team, and good planning, they paid an unwelcome visit to the den of the drug dealer, a lord himself, and conducted a search, recovering a haul of bhang estimated in millions of shillings. He and his accomplice wife Ms. Fridah Karimi were promptly cuffed and taken to the cells. With an airtight incontrovertible case before court, and passionate prosecution by the DPP, the matter came to closure recently when accused persons were condemned to life, having ruined the lives of innocent persons, especially young children.

With resolve to dutifully serve the oath of Service, nothing gets in the way of law enforcement in slaying crime, including criminal impunity!

Security situation in the north rift areas

Local banditry within the north rift areas reared its ugly head again in the past few months when illegal herders invaded Laikipia Nature Conservancy (LNC) seeking for pasture and water, and in the process causing insecurity to local neighboring settlements. To date, about ten people, including security agents, have died in the attacks posed by the armed bandits.

In response to the local threat, the government through a multi-agency security sector approach was mobilized and deployed to contain the invasion and mitigate local suffering. The strong multi-agency team pacified the area in good time, restoring peace and normalcy in record time. Schools reopened and the local economy picked up as the invaders were driven away from the settlements.

In addition to the security operation within the region, the government has engaged in peacebuilding initiatives, including infrastructural development.



This has seen the deployment of KDF's civil engineering corps ostensibly to open the local infrastructure in readiness to enhance movement and spur the local economy. Ongoing are but not limited to digging of security trenches, opening of new roads, building of classrooms to encourage learning and provision of medical supplies through medical camp.

SPORTS

Kenya Police FC enters Premier League

The NPS and sports have a symbiotic relationship. Throughout our policing history, legendary names in sporting history have been bred and nurtured by police services. At the apex and finesse of this cohort is Kipchoge Keino.

From his time, elite runners have followed in his footsteps. Others also took cue and have ably picked up other sporting activities, representing the NPS and Kenya, conquering in different world competitions. For the longest time, Kenya hockey was synonymous with the Kenya police hockey team; the list is endless.

Speaking of soccer, Kenya police has had its field day over the years. But better remembered are the days of the Red Berets of the GSU. This soccer genius within the Service went down, and now resuscitated through the new kid on the FKF Premier League's block namely Police FC.

Police FC had humble beginnings, when officers with the love for the game banded together, formed a team, trained under tough conditions and registered for the National Super League. With the benevolence of the DIG KPS Mr. Mbugua, the team posted an impressive performance, inching its way into the FKF Premier League. It can only get better with the NPS IG taking over



the patronage, and sponsors coming on board led by Betika and Fly 748, both corporates with interest in grassroots community involvement. We wish the team all the best during the current season and beyond.



Director of Public Prosecution and Inspector General of Police give a pep talk to Police FC while on half time

Kenya shooting team participates in SA Full-bore Championship

The Kenya Shooting Team, ostensibly made up of 12 officers drawn from National Police Service and under the captaincy of Mr. Anthony Kamitu, CP participated in the South African Full-bore Shooting Championships 2021.

At the close of the Championship, Kenya, the only other African country besides the hosts South Africa, registered an impressive 2nd overall position, beating Canada to the 3rd position. Our congratulations are in order to team Kenya, for giving us both the honors and the bragging rights!

Sprinter man Omanyala Omurwa chooses boots and baton for the good of society

Good men and women choose the higher purpose in life over personal endeavors. Fast man Omanyala, an undergraduate at the University of Nairobi, with the earth as his oyster, looks at life from the bigger picture.

With all life options settled before him as one of the world's fastest people to live, the young man came knocking at the Inspector General's door with one request: could he serve his country by producing the greatest good to humanity in addition to exploiting his talents?



The motivation was compelling enough to mellow the IG. For the record, fast man Omanyala is out of the labor market now. Welcome onboard officer Omanyala. The run is yours.

SNIPPETS AND FACTS

Explaining the multi-agency framework

Since the advent of the organized crime phenomenon on the criminal landscape, and more specifically owing to common visitations from terrorism, the security architecture has been reconfigured globally as a timely and effective response to such predatory ills. The US Twin Tower attack and its investigative aftermath revealed the reality of abundant actionable intelligence, but which remained guarded in silos. The net-effect, it was found, was a go-alone disjointed approach to the most self-effacing yet organized crimes of destruction. As an apt response was the amalgamation of all the security responses into one cohesive and structured architecture. Thus, the multi-agency law enforcement or security response model to crime and criminality evolved.

Most countries have specific models, with the USA calling theirs 'task forces'. For Kenya, we choose to name our approach as a 'multi-agency framework'. Whichever the

noun, the commonality remains that the approach refers to a mutual, overarching approach of appreciating and dealing within common pervasive law enforcement and security related challenges through a collaborative and cooperative approach of sharing information, intelligence, approaches, techniques, resources and many other capabilities. This approach is workable, and responsible for many breakthroughs in our Kenyan context.

On the periphery of this framework but fitting and feeding in well is the sister concept of community policing. Through participation and cooperation of the citizens in addressing their crime concerns and fears of law enforcement, such concerns get into the pipeline of multi-agency framework through the police. The public, as such, are encouraged to continue cooperating with the police and make their voices and contribution count towards overall peace, security and safety.

'Sixth Schedule' in summary

With the promulgation of the *Constitution of Kenya 2010*, a new constitutional dispensation was ushered into being, itself necessitating new legal regimes. On the policing front, a new *National Police Service Act* came into creation to cater for the needs of a newly established National Police Service.

In addition to creating an independent office of the Inspector General of Police, strengthening other units and creating new ones such as the Internal Affairs Unit; the Kenya Police Service and Administration Police Service were for the first time placed under one coordinating umbrella and law.

But one key area of this new law is to be found under the 'Sixth Schedule'. Though few concern with being appraised with this piece of regulation, it is the most important police law of procedure, for want of a better term, which guides on critical issues concerning police and use of force.



As well known, the greatest debate that pits the police against the public and probably accounts for the most of poor relations and also deficiency of trust between the two results from what is perceived as excessive use of force by law enforcement.

'Sixth Schedule' is an answer to this sticking challenge and was enacted to expressly guide officers on the correct and lawful usage of force, firearms and related expectations. As a reading companion, 'Sixth Schedule' of the *National Police Service Act* shall indeed be an officer's true companion!

NPS corporate communication on social media and beyond!

NPS has a robust corporate communication directorate situated at NPS Headquarters, with functioning offices within the respective Services and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations. Corporate communication, in addition to being the substantive office of the NPS spokesperson, is mandated to streamline and mainstream all communication channels into one coherent body of proactive information, to tell the story of the Service to its customers, and in a timely fashion.

Based on its strategy of '*inform, educate and learn*', the Directorate of Corporate Communication is harnessing all powers at its disposal to seek out that elusive police big story, and tell it out to all those who care to listen. This is predicated on the firm belief that so much good is happening within the policing rank and file, but mainstream media, aiming for the next big breaking story, only has a penchant for that story with a notoriety side. As such, it is incumbent upon us, as officers, not only to tell our success stories, but to relish in them as such.

Great reporting on the crime beat is being told daily from the DCI. And boy, doesn't the public love their descriptive storylines! NPS Corporate Communication Office is focusing on strategy-based storytelling: that novel police initiative going on out there; the officers sticking out their necks to serve the public innovatively and differently than the norm; and any other heartwarming tales never told before. But for us to be effective, officers must not only reach out to share but also favor us with feedback to inform on our future improvement.

Please read our stories on social media, like them, comment, and share. And above all, let us know what you feel so that we tell it better the next time...

OPINION AND COMMENTARY

With tongue-in-cheek: police rebuff the culture of profiling and generalization of wrongdoing

More often than not, police are accused of wrongdoing whenever an ill befalls society. But anytime Lady Luck smiles at people, police's good deeds are never accounted for as part of the solution.

Exactly when police were ascribed as society's fall guy isn't clear. But what is clear is the police's role as the good guys, at least if history is honest, since they are the vanguard on an evil terrain, hence, to be on perennial guard against all forms of societal malefaction.

To study, measure and understand police performance and efficacy is another challenge least appreciated altogether. Police measure goes beyond mere metrics of counting prevalence of the criminal enterprise. How many bad guys are nabbed and ultimately jailed is only short-sighted; the number of closures of case files is indeed ignorance.

Police efficacy should go well beyond metrics to crime prevention efforts. Surveys are necessary to understand the direct correlation between various police proactive actions and techniques such as intelligence led policing on one hand and the quality of life on the other as reflected through objective security indicators and general feelings of safety. And when do police do wrong or perceived thereof, is another query to be tackled. Is it objective reality or subjective hating and profiling?

In the last quarter of the year police have been variously and unashamedly accused and bashed for alleged responsibility over much wrongdoing. Yet accusations end at merely that. No reporting follow-ups come about, no evidence produced, etc. This folly of fallacies is a dangerous trend to tread in a rule of law society, and with potential to bring law enforcement under great disrepute. It simply follows that those who accuse must prove, no in-betweens! Why double-standards which only profile police?

Let us be fair while at that.

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