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## WAR AGAINST ILLEGAL FIREARMS



**H**is Excellency **President Uhuru Kenyatta** set ablaze **5,144 illegal firearms** at the Regional Police Traffic Training Centre in Ngong as part of the government's commitment to **ridding the country of illicit small arms and light weapons**. Some of the guns were seized from the wrong hands, including criminals and unlicensed owners, and others voluntarily surrendered to the government during the recent disarmament exercise.

Speaking during the event, the Head of State sounded a strong warning to leaders

fueling conflicts in the country, and prescribed a higher level of civic duty and responsibility in enhancing peace and harmony in the country.

*"We do not and will never allow leaders and individuals to use the name of al Shabaab to continue inter-clan animosities and conflicts,"* he said.

The Head of State urged Kenyans to shun violence and stressed on the need for peaceful resolution of conflicts rather than animosity and hostilities that have been witnessed in some parts across the country.

He said,

***"A peaceful Kenya, a united Kenya is for the good of all of us."***

Kenya is among the countries that have ratified the Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, their Parts and Components and Ammunition (or simply **the UN Firearms Protocol**), which also prescribes safe disposal and destruction of such weapons. In **two years** alone, the country has **destroyed over 14,000 illegal firearms**, a feat that Dr. Fred Matiang'i stated is evidence that the reforms in the security sector are progressively materializing.



## ODPP LEADING THE WAY IN FIGHTING SOPHISTICATED CRIME

**T**he **Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP)** has launched its **Excellence Charter**, which contains various strategic commitments that will drive fundamental reforms in public prosecution over the next three years (2020-2023). Speaking during the event,

**Dr. Fred Matiang'i** lauded the Charter as a greater commitment by the ODPP to advance **inter-agency collaboration towards achieving excellence in complex litigation and emerging crimes**. The CS also linked some of the crimes to contemptible lifestyle aspirations, which have encouraged some individuals to turn to dark deals and villainous get-rich-quick schemes, which will take **collaboration from wananchi** to tackle.

*"All these people who are running wash wash activities and money laundering in estates, and the characters who are trying to abduct kids live in our midst. It is very helpful for the public to be conscious of the rising levels of crime,"* he said.

He said,

***"Because we've become intensely materialistic, people are running money laundering rackets that have been under cover for a very long time. In two years alone, we have collected close to 14,000 guns and over 400,000 bullets from wrong hands."***

He urged members of the public to step up into a more active role in fighting white-collar crime. His clarion call comes at the backdrop of a series of sophisticated crimes uncovered by detectives, as the government banks on inter-agency collaboration to





improve security. A comprehensive set of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on investigation and

prosecution of serious human rights violations committed by police officers was also launched.

## NCIC LAUNCHES TARGETED INTERVENTIONS TO END MARSABIT CONFLICTS



Government Administration Officers and other stakeholders, among them Pact (through its SEEK project), Drylands Learning and Capacity Building Initiative (DLCI) and Frontier Counties

The National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC) has singled out Marsabit County as one of its focus counties for continuous and intensive interventions to fully address ongoing communal tensions, animosity and conflicts. The Commission approximates that there are over 100,000 illegal firearms in the County, which translates to one firearm for every five people. In collaboration with National

Development Council (FCDC) and Northlands Rangeland Trust (NRT), the Commission intends to put in place long term interventions that will bring to an end the longstanding animosities. Some of the planned interventions include community dialogue forums with all the communities in conflict and the diverse segments of society as well as the security intelligence committees, elders and the interfaith.

## REMARKABLE PROGRESS IN CONSTRUCTION OF POLICE ACADEMY



Dr. Fred Matiang'i was in Embulbul, Ngong, inspecting the progress in the construction of the National Police Leadership Academy launched in January this year.

The Cabinet Secretary

acknowledged the commitment shown by the contractor and his staff towards delivering the project by January 2022 as expected. The Academy will set another quality benchmark for policing in the region through training and inculcation of professionalism in the Service. Once complete, the centre will advance research on policing techniques, including deployment of modern technologies in policing as part of ongoing police reforms.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Digitization of motor vehicle inspection services and modernization of existing infrastructure has significantly improved service delivery to the public. Before

the roll out of the Transport Integrated Management System (TIMS), motor vehicle inspection was manual, lacked transparency, and accountability.



### HOW TO BOOK FOR MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION

Log into the organization's TIMS account via [tims.ntsago.ke](https://tims.ntsago.ke)

Go to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Section

Make payment of Kes. 1,050 (Inspection fees) and Kes. 750 (E-Sticker)

Select the preferred center and convenient date

#### NOTE

- On completion of the inspection process, a pass or fail notification will be sent through SMS.
- The inspection report shall be accessed through the TIMS account.



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## MASHINANI CORNER

The Kahawa West security team comprising government administrators and police officers from Kahawa West Police Station conducted a raid on 6 notorious chang'aa dens in Soweto informal settlements in Kongo sub-location and tipped 3,020 liters of kangara and 120 liters of

chang'aa. The team has adopted a strategic action plan encompassing enhanced intelligence on the trade, sustained weekly crackdowns, destruction of raw materials, and pursuit, arrest, and prosecution of the culprits. No relenting on the war against the brewing, sale, and consumption of illicit liquor.

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