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## FIGHTING COVID-19 THROUGH RELIGIOUS ADVOCACY

The government will **extend** the term of the **Inter-Faith Council** for a further **six months** until **December 31, 2021**, in recognition of the success

recorded in the war against the COVID-19 pandemic through the religious institutional and administrative structures.

The Cabinet Secretary was speaking during a meeting with the Council at the Serena Hotel to review the implementation of the revised measures in the 13 counties recently declared COVID-19 hotspot zones.



The meeting, which was also attended by **Health CAS Dr. Mercy Mwangangi** and acting **Director General Dr. Patrick Amoth**, also sought to enhance the efforts against the pandemic through religious services and advocacy.

Led by **Archbishop Anthony Muheria**, the team has mobilized religious leaders and faith communities in the country to be the most compliant with the containment measures.

## A REVIEW OF SECURITY RESPONSES



on public safety.

On the agenda was the government's strategic action against criminal activities in

**S**ecurity officials, led by **Dr. Fred Matiangi**, held a routine engagement with the **National Assembly's Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security** where they reviewed various responses to issues touching

some parts across the country.

Chaired by **Limuru MP Hon. Peter Mwathi**, the Committee regularly provides insights into the management of security and provision of citizen services.

## PEACE ACTION PLAN AHEAD OF 2022 POLLS



**W**ith the next general elections in the country only a few months away, stakeholders are going all out to ensure **peace during the campaigns and the polls**.

The National Steering

Committee on Peacebuilding and Conflict Management (**NSC**), the National Cohesion and Integration Commission (**NCIC**), the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (**IEBC**), the Peace and Development Network Trust (**PeaceNet Kenya**), the

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the UN Women has been holding regular meetings to develop strategies and relaunch a structured and coordinated action plan through their **UWIANO Platform for Peace**. One of the strategies adopted by

the team is deployment of representatives to all the 47 counties to **sensitize the public and raise awareness** on the need for peaceful coexistence and tolerance before, during, and after the election period.

## HELMETS FOR BODA BODA OPERATORS TO ENHANCE ROAD SAFETY

Kenya is keen on stepping up its collaboration with the **Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) Foundation** and other partners to promote proper and strict **use of helmets by boda boda riders**.

The move aims at enhancing road safety in the country, with the sub-sector alone accounting for **588 cases** of all the road accident deaths recorded by NTSA between

**January and June this year.** FIA President and UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety **Jean Todt** held a consultative meeting with **NTSA Director General George Njao** to deliberate the launch of the **Safe and Affordable Helmet Programme**. The initiative will be implemented in collaboration with Transaid, NTSA, the National Police Service (NPS), health care facilities, and the public.

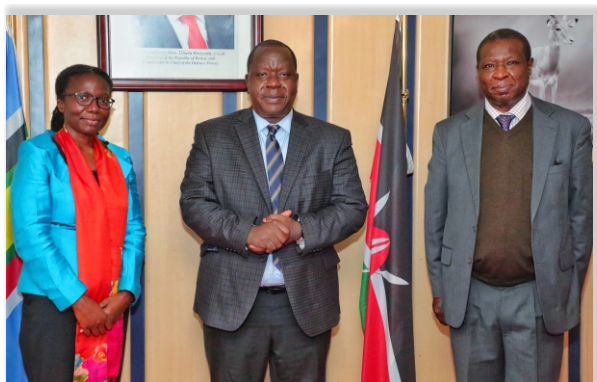


## COLLABORATION TO ADDRESS IMMIGRATION ISSUES

Plans are underway to establish a **holding facility** in the country for **distressed migrants** as they await return to their countries of origin.

Latest consultations between the government, represented by **Dr. Fred Matiang'i**, and **Chief of Mission** for the International Organization for Migration (IOM), **Sharon Dimanche**, also highlighted the intention to finalize the Kenya National Migration Policy developed by the

National Coordination Mechanism (NCM). The policy is expected to provide a clear roadmap to address the impacts and challenges of migration. The Director General for the Department of Immigration, **Alexander Muteshi**, attended the meeting.



## THE GRAND RETURN OF SAFARI RALLY



After a **19-year hiatus**, The **Safari Rally** finally returned to the 2021 World Rally Championship. The event was marked by the flagging off of the vehicles from the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) by **H.E. President Uhuru Kenyatta**, accompanied by various national and international dignitaries. The cars headed to Kasarani for a side-by-side race on a purpose-

built spectator grandstand, before moving to Naivasha where the main event began on Friday morning. Earlier, Sports **CS Amb. Amina Mohammed**, and the **Principal Administrative Secretary for Interior, Moffat Kangi**, had warned spectators against congregating in groups of more than twenty people at any of the designated spectating zones along the circuit.



**DID YOU NOW ?**



June 26 is the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (IDADA). Through your networks, you can join the noble cause of debunking some myths about drug and substance abuse.

**MYTHS**

**FACTS**

The claim that *kuber* and *shisha* are not as harmful as cigarettes is just a myth



As a matter of fact, all forms of tobacco are harmful. They have the same health risks as cigarettes

*Khat/miraa/muguka* improves sexual performance



In reality, one of the effects of this substance is spermatorrhea (excessive production of sperms without corresponding libido)



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## MASHINANI CORNER

We reserve special praise for our security team in **Voi, Taita Taveta County** for their sustained crackdown on the production, sale, and consumption of illicit liquor. **Kaloleni Assistant Chief,**

accompanied by the **village elders**, poured down **over 100 litres of kangara** during the most recent raid in **Maweni Village**. The song on zero-tolerance policy continues.

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