

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **THE DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF SACCI CIVIL ENGINEERING WORKS LTD. TO BE TAKEN TO COURT ON CORRUPTION CHARGES.**

The Kenya Anti-Corruption Commission will be taking the **Director and Assistant Director of the Urban Development Department, Ministry of Local Government** and the **Managing Director of Sacci Civil Engineering Works Ltd** to the Anti-Corruption Court 1 at Nairobi High Courts. They shall appear at the **Nairobi anti-corruption courts on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008** where the Director and Assistant Director will answer charges of **approving payments amounting to Ksh. 19,516,551.66/=** from public revenues to M/s Sacci Civil Engineering Works Ltd. for goods not supplied in full or at all, a matter in which the public body was concerned. The Managing Director will answer charges of **corruptly giving a benefit of Ksh.1,655,000/=** as a benefit for facilitating the award of the tender for the Migori/Awendo Bus Park Project.

The Director and the Assistant Director will take their pleas on three counts of willful failure to comply with applicable procedures and guidelines relating to the Management of Public Funds contrary to Section 45 (2)(b) Read with Section 48(1) of the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act, no. 3 of 2003, one count of abuse of Office Contrary to Section 46 as Read with Section 48(1), of the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act, no. 3 of 2003 and the Managing Director will take the plea of giving a benefit contrary to Section 39(3)(b) as Read together with Section 48(1) of the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act, no. 3 of 2003 and Fraudulently acquisition of a Public Benefit contrary to Section 45(1)(a) as read with Section 48(1) of the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act, no. 3 of 2003 respectively.

The Commission would appreciate if you could attend the court proceedings and kindly publicize the proceedings.

Together, we can win the fight against corruption.

Thank you,

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