

Remarks by the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission during the Official Launch of a Systems, Policies and Procedures Review Exercise for the National Police Service Held at the Embakasi "A" Campus, Nairobi.

10th February, 2025.

Chairperson EACC David Oginde, PhD, FCS

Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja, MGH, CBS, OGW

The Commissioners from the EACC;

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Deputy Inspector-General, Administration Police Service; Mr. Gilbert Masengeli CBS, OGW, SS;

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Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer, NPS Ms. Bernice Lemedeket, EBS

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Ms. Charity Kagwi – Ndungu

The Directors of EACC and Senior Officers from the NPS;

Members of the Fourth Estate;

Good Morning,

- 1. I am honoured to be here today, on this momentous occasion, to officiate the commencement of systems, policies and procedures review exercise of the National Police Service (NPS).
- 2. The promulgation of a new Constitution on 27th August 2010, heralded a new era of accountability and transparency within the public service in Kenya. Article 10 of the Constitution, provides for national values and

principles of governance to include: good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability.

- 3. Additionally, Article 244 of the Constitution obligates the National Police Service to prevent corruption, and promote and practice transparency and accountability. The exercise, that we are launching today, is premised on the above constitutional and statutory provision.
- 4. Accordingly, I wish to commend, the Inspector General of the National Police Service, for his exemplary leadership and unwavering support and commitment to this exercise.
- 5. The exercise, entails a systematic process of examining the systems, processes and procedures within the operating environment of the NPS by identifying and mapping out potential corruption and governance risks with a view to developing and implementing strategies to mitigate against the occurrence of corrupt practices.

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- 6. As we launch this exercise today, I am aware, the NPS, has been, and continues to be a critical partner, not only in the execution of our shared law enforcement mandate but also in sharing available resources to strengthen the agencies capabilities.
- 7. To fortify that partnership and collaboration, the Commission, will deploy its resources and expertise towards the review of systems, policies and procedures of the National Police Service.
- 8. Notwithstanding the Commission's key mandate of law enforcement, we gather here today, not for an investigative function, rather a collaborative engagement that seeks to, not only deepen our existing partnership but enhance accountability, efficiency and transparency within the Service.

- 9. The EACC is, therefore, committed to continued strategic collaboration and partnership with relevant agencies in the criminal law justice sector, including the National Police Service.
- 10. Among the benefits that can be realized through inter-agency collaboration and partnership include: harmonization of strategies, exploitation of core strengths, sharing of information and intelligence among others.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 11. At the end of this exercise, the Commission, will prepare and share, a report of its findings and recommendations with the leadership and command of the National Police Service.
- 12. If fully implemented, the recommendations, will serve as a catalyst to accelerate realization of the National Police Service Vision of "*A World Class Police Service*".

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- 13. Accordingly, I call on the Service Commanders and all ranks within the National Police Service, to commit their unqualified support for a successful implementation of this noble exercise.
- 14. As I conclude, ladies and gentlemen, I wish to reaffirm the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission's commitment to work closely with the National Police Service, to enhance its efficiency and efficacy in service delivery.
- 15. With those few remarks, I invite the Inspector General of Police to make his remarks.

Thank you and God bless you all.

Abdi A. Mohamud, MBS Secretary/Chief Executive Officer.

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