

## **SMA Africa – Kenya - April Report 2**

### **Kanjo Kingdom**

The investigative report that aired on KTN, ‘Kanjo kingdom’ continued to cause a furore on social media as it brought to light the workings of a criminal cartel at the Nairobi County Government, formerly Nairobi City Council. The City Council askaris (officers) are a law unto themselves. It is unclear whether other counties have similar units, since these askaris are a holdover from Nairobi’s status as a municipality. The mastermind was identified as a council worker named Wasiwasi. The main victims were hawkers who had to part with bribes in order to keep plying their trade in peace. Those who did not comply were not simply arrested, they were beaten and even stabbed. Since this is their only livelihood, the traders had no choice but to cooperate.

In this post-devolution environment, it is sometimes difficult to trace the lines of accountability. Especially from the vantage point of the general public, who do not have the details of the new constitutional dispensation at their fingertips. Thus, blame is often laid at the doorstep of whoever seems to be in-charge.

I couldn't hold my tears on watching what innocent, hard working kenyans go through on #KanjoKingdom. (irenengingi, 2016)

#KanjoKingdom I get more n more infuriated by every episode i watch. kanjo need a new harsh punishment invented just for them....nkt (realcyn254, 2016)

The amount of money 'Wasi Wasi' has received in bribes via M-Pesa alone since 2014 #KanjoKingdom @KTNNNews (KTNNNews, 2016)

This is a shame to Nairobi county especially the office of Kidero he does not want to keep things in order. Ignorant governor @ktnnews (Tela\_abala, 2016)

Kenyans shouldn't have any illusion Jubilee is any different that City inspectorate #KanjoKingdom. Langata Primary land grab case in Point (Twittinibra, 2016)

Watching Kanjo Kingdom and realising M-Pesa's potential in money-laundering in Kenya. Astounding. (Wa\_mutegi, 2016)

When a seven storey building in Huruma collapsed after heavy rains, social media users were quick to draw the links between the rot at the county government and the tragedy. When buildings in Nairobi that have collapsed in the past there has been evidence of shoddy engineering or materials. In general, oversights which should not have survived the permitting processes. The feeling was that this was another case of institutional failure:

Surely Kidero, from #KanjoKingdom to #NairobiFloods and now #Huruma! Then you claim you can't smell corruption growing on your moustaches? (Maluki\_J, 2016)

The seven storey building was marked demolition, why it was still being occupied is a mystery Kidero and his team can explain.#HurumaTragedy (Castrofy26, 2016)

#HurumaTragedy is an example of #Kanjokingdom mafia extortion gone wrong cc @KideroEvans @DennisOkari (Alex\_gitahi, 2016)

Bwana Kidero you MUST wake up,your #Kanjokingdom been out looting now your building inspectorate been doing showdy job.#hurumatragedy (Olaf\_Ke, 2016)

@KideroEvans just woke up safely while Nairobians were dying, instead of blaming #Kanjokingdom mafia, he blames the rains #HurumaTragedy (Alex\_gitahi, 2016)

#HurumaTragedy is a result of #kanjokingdom. NCC should stop approving under designed drawings and receiving bribes (NamsiT, 2016)

## **Huruma Building Collapse**

The Huruma building collapse elicited concern from many quarters. President Kenyatta, Inspector Boinnet and CS Nkaiserry visited the site, thus marking the situation as a matter for the security docket. Promises were made:

No one will be spared in the #HurumaTragedy. All who will be found culpable will face the law-CS @InteriorKE (NPSOfficial\_KE, 2016)

Building collapse tragedy: Action assurance (JBoinnett, 2016)



On my own behalf and on behalf of the National Police Service, I express our heartfelt condolences to the families of those who lost their loved ones during last night's building collapse tragedy.

I assure thorough investigations of any culpability and urge the members of public to remain calm and to take extra care when sheltering or crossing flooded areas.

All those who broke the regulations that led to this tragedy including the owner as well as all professionals involved, will face the full force of the law. I pledge to support all regulatory institutions in enforcement of building codes.

Source: [https://twitter.com/NPSOfficial\\_KE](https://twitter.com/NPSOfficial_KE)

President orders arrest of the owner of six-storey building in Huruma that collapsed killing 7 people (suemc\_phee, 2016)

-- @suemc\_phee There he goes again, no legal authority to order anyone's arrest trying to stay relevant. And why not the approvers? (winniewinian, 2016)

Winniewinian seems to have a better understanding of what currency Presidential powers have nowadays but does not seem to appreciate the importance of appearing to do something in

this age of social media commentary. A lot has changed since the days of President Moi when a presidential decree was law, the propaganda machine had little competition and people spoke only in whispers.

The building collapse, enabled various security agencies to demonstrate that their role and capabilities extend beyond protecting and defending, to the saving and recovery efforts brought to bear during humanitarian disasters. Although, not everyone seemed to be aware of their presence at the scene; underscoring that Moi era levels of self-promotion may be necessary now. One is not doing their job until they are seen to be doing their job.

Kindly follow @KenyaRedCross for updates on #HurumaBuildingCollapse. Our officers and other agencies are currently on the ground assisting. (NPSOfficial\_KE, 2016)

NYS [National Youth Service], KDF, Red Cross all on the ground at Huruma (Mmarcuske, 2016)

#LetsCurse Why aren't the KDF and KAF just nearby being called to the rescue at the collapsed #Huruma building site? (Alaminkimathi, 2016)

## **Police Transformation Continues**

Inspector Joseph Boinnet *has* made his reform agenda very visible, so much so that it is difficult to be cynical about it. Whether or not he will be successful at transforming the institution of the National Police Service remains to be seen. Whether or not any positive changes last beyond his tenure, he does appear to have reform on his mind. Not a month goes by without pictures on social media of police at some training or other. Inspector Boinnet is not shy about hosting numerous conferences and commissioning reports on reform related topics.

NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE TRANSFORMATION IS ON COURSE. The Inspector General of Police Mr Joseph K. Boinnet MGH, nsc (AU) today chaired a meeting of the technical committee tasked with developing National Police Service policy documents. These documents include the Service Standing Orders, Police Officer's Manual, Customer Service Charter, Guide to Criminal Investigations and Guidelines to Community Policing. The successful development and implementation of these documents will go a long way in guiding Police Officers and other security agencies in the execution of their mandate. This is part of the transformation agenda being carried out in the National Police Service, aimed at improving service delivery by offering People Centered Policing. (National Police Service, 2016)

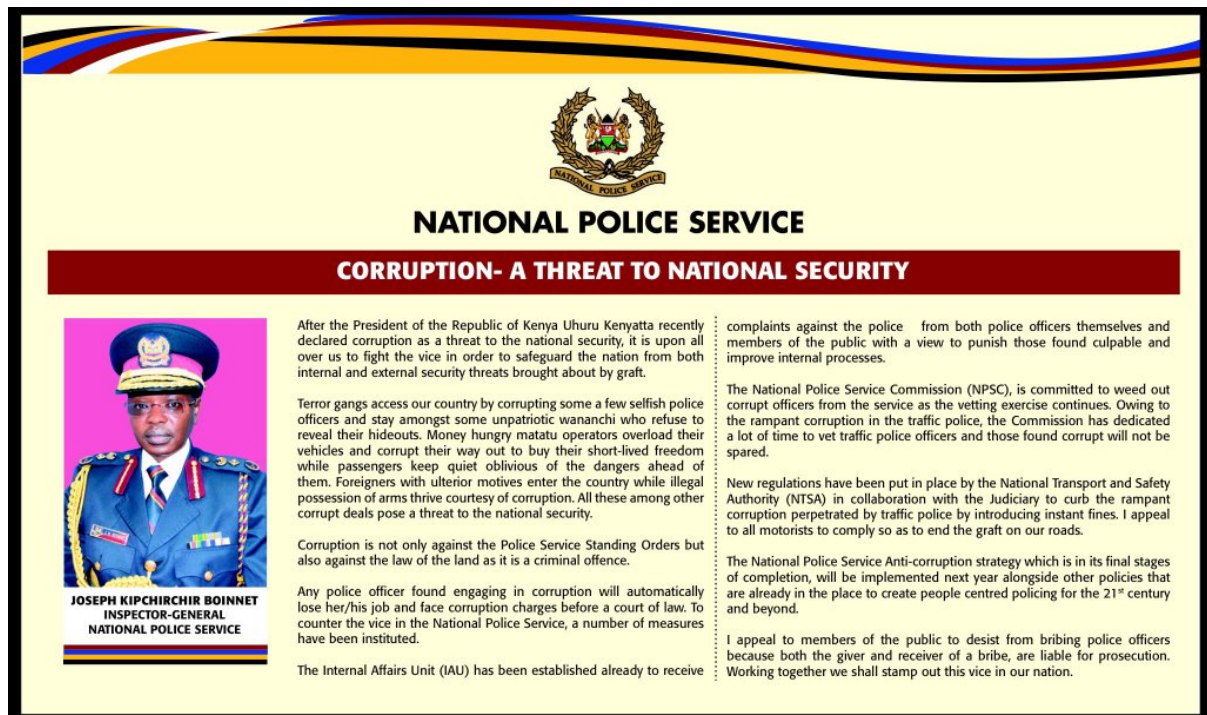
On April 21<sup>st</sup> there was a conference on changes to the NPS curriculum, where invited guests and speakers lauded Inspector Boinnett's efforts:

Presentation of the road map to world class Police training system for the 21st Century.  
KICC Tsavo Ball room. (NPSOfficial\_KE, 2016)

Find my speech during the stakeholders meeting on review of NPS Curriculum at KICC on  
21/April/2016 #BetterPolicing (JBoinnett, 2016)

We are grateful that the IG appointed NPS Curriculum review committee, @NPSC\_KE  
approves this decision-Mr Kavulundi (NPSOfficial\_KE, 2016)

Later in the week, Inspector Boinnet took out an advert in the national papers to echo the President who had recently called corruption a threat to national security after a banking scandal, where incidentally social media was blamed for causing a run on the bank:



**NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE**

**CORRUPTION- A THREAT TO NATIONAL SECURITY**

After the President of the Republic of Kenya Uhuru Kenyatta recently declared corruption as a threat to the national security, it is upon all over us to fight the vice in order to safeguard the nation from both internal and external security threats brought about by graft.

Terror gangs access our country by corrupting some a few selfish police officers and stay amongst some unpatriotic wananchi who refuse to reveal their hideouts. Money hungry matatu operators overload their vehicles and corrupt their way out to buy their short-lived freedom while passengers keep quiet oblivious of the dangers ahead of them. Foreigners with ulterior motives enter the country while illegal possession of arms thrive courtesy of corruption. All these among other corrupt deals pose a threat to the national security.

Corruption is not only against the Police Service Standing Orders but also against the law of the land as it is a criminal offence.

Any police officer found engaging in corruption will automatically lose her/his job and face corruption charges before a court of law. To counter the vice in the National Police Service, a number of measures have been instituted.

The Internal Affairs Unit (IAU) has been established already to receive complaints against the police from both police officers themselves and members of the public with a view to punish those found culpable and improve internal processes.

The National Police Service Commission (NPSC), is committed to weed out corrupt officers from the service as the vetting exercise continues. Owing to the rampant corruption in the traffic police, the Commission has dedicated a lot of time to vet traffic police officers and those found corrupt will not be spared.

New regulations have been put in place by the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) in collaboration with the Judiciary to curb the rampant corruption perpetrated by traffic police by introducing instant fines. I appeal to all motorists to comply so as to end the graft on our roads.

The National Police Service Anti-corruption strategy which is in its final stages of completion, will be implemented next year alongside other policies that are already in the place to create people centred policing for the 21<sup>st</sup> century and beyond.

I appeal to members of the public to desist from bribing police officers because both the giver and receiver of a bribe, are liable for prosecution. Working together we shall stamp out this vice in our nation.

**JOSEPH KIPCHIRCHIR BOINNET**  
INSPECTOR-GENERAL  
NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

In the advert, Boinnet announces that an anti-corruption strategy is “in its final stages of completion”. The police recruitment exercise appeared to proceed without too much mischief. We can only hope that these discussions and strategies lead to systemic change.

### Operation Linda Nchi

Updates on the troops in Somalia are now more frequent and can be found on the intelligence services social media accounts @CTNSIS and Strategic Intelligence Services on ‘Facebook’. @KDFInfo, though now active, does not generate this type of information. In April, it was mostly interested in relaying the results of the annual Athletic championships. Given that

many of Kenya's track stars originate from the security forces, these results may indeed be a matter of national interest.

In the time between the taking of Kismayo and El Adde, there were barely any public information on the activities of Kenyan troops in Somalia. Now, the flood of news includes details of the movements and gains of all anti-al Shabaab troops in Somalia. CTNSIS seems to have decided to fight fire with fire and often mirrors the tone of terror networks' social media in terms of braggadocio and bombast.

SNA Forces Raid Al-Shabaab Base in Bay Region, Kill Over a Dozen Militants...  
<http://fb.me/ssUF9gPd> (CTNSIS, 2016)

#BREAKINGNEWS Exclusive Raw Video of Al-Shabaab's Terrorist Thomas Evans and his Fellow Jihadist's Slaughter by... <http://fb.me/4kHOlv7OI> (CTNSIS, 2016)

KDF F-5 Fighter Jets Strike 2 Al-Shabaab Military Training Camps in Southern Somalia, Militant Trainees... <http://fb.me/7leHHidKt> (CTNSIS, 2016)

Al-Shabab and Ethiopian troops clash in Beledweyne, central Somalia, Militants casualties reported Ethiopian troops advanced on Bo'ame village, to capture it from Al-Shabaab fighters (Strategic Intelligence Services, 2016)

Al Shabaab Using Child Soldiers In Desperate Effort To Control Somalia...  
<http://fb.me/2DnZZhUim> (CTNSIS, 2016)

Many of the tweets link to full articles on the website, [intelligencebriefs.com](http://intelligencebriefs.com). If the following tweet is any indicator, the CTNSIS is set to become even more prolific. This message appeared several times both on their 'Twitter' and 'Facebook' timelines.

URGENTLY HIRING: Excellent Researchers/Writers Wanted <http://fb.me/6rFZGVt5S>  
(CTNSIS, 2016)

## Update

The person robbing commuters stuck in traffic on Uhuru Highway has allegedly lived and died by the gun. Details are scanty:

Reported Notorious and most wanted uhuru highway thug who has been terrorising motorists shot dead around parliament last night' (suemc\_phee, 2016)

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