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- Businessman appears in court over seizure of ammunition in Narok (Rift Valley province). Mr Munir Ishmael appeared in a Nairobi courtroom to face charges after police recovered “31,211 rounds of ammunition” from his garage. Mr Ishmael has been in jail since December 2009 awaiting trial over another seizure of weapons.

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- A Cabinet Committee will meet on today (February 2<sup>nd</sup>) to “discuss better protection” for election violence witnesses. The Committee will be chaired by Prime Minister Raila Odinga, and is going to look into strengthening the Witness Protection Act. The meeting follows growing criticism from the ICC and international community as well as increasing threats against witnesses who testified before the Waki Commission.
- Attorney General Amos Wako has suggested four changes to the Witness Protection Act: “provisions for operational autonomy, covert capability, confidentiality and accountability.” These are found in witness protection legislation worldwide, but not in Kenya.

(Kenyan privately-owned TV station KTN TV, Nairobi, in English 1000 gmt 3 Feb 10)

- Tom Gilbert Cholmondeley will be going to court again. Mr Cholmondeley has been ordered to court by chief justice Evan Gicheru following an appeal by the widow of Samson ole Sesina. Mr Cholmondeley was charged with the murder of Mr Sesina but the charges were later dropped.