

Kenya Domestic Media, November 15th 2010 (Covering Nov 11th – Nov 15th)
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KBC News Online Text Website, Nairobi, in English 15 Nov 2010

- Lands Minister James Orengo told a media workshop in Nairobi that the controversy over witnesses who gave false evidence to the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights- KNCHR on the post-poll violence will not deter the International Criminal Court from probing senior politicians and government officials. He added that the government was ready to offer all the necessary support to the ICC to prosecute the instigators of the post election chaos in order to end the culture of impunity. As of the ICC, it had indicated that it was currently interested in inquiring at least five Provincial Police chiefs and PC's who were in office before and during the post election violence.
- The Kenya government has been urged to relocate the Somali refugees living in overcrowded camps in Daadab. According to Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF), at least 700 Somali families are living in harsh conditions in settlements located outside the overcrowded refugee camp Dagahaley, one of the three refugee camps set up in the early 1990s in Dadaab, Kenya, to house Somali refugees. Originally built to accommodate 90,000 people, the camps are today struggling to deal with close to 300,000 refugees. Joke Van Peteghem, MSF's head of mission in Kenya, called the Kenyan authorities and aid actors to facilitate without delay their relocation to proper accommodation.

KBC News Online Text Website, Nairobi, in English 13 Nov 2010

- Kenyan Prime Minister Raila Odinga is traveling to India for a meeting of the World Economic Forum in New Delhi, India. The Prime Minister is to meet his Indian counterpart, Mr Manmohan Singh and discuss possible investment commitments and economic cooperation. India ranks Kenya as one of its major trading partners in Africa and represents the sixth biggest source of imports in Kenya.

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The Standard, Nairobi, in English 15 Nov 2010

- Kenya's East Africa Community (EAC) Permanent Secretary (PS) David Nalo has urged the regional bloc to intervene and help resolve the quarrel over the disputed Migingo Island, located in Lake Victoria. This chronic territorial conflict, Mr Nalo said, has negated gains of the bilateral relationship between Kenya and Uganda. The PS added that he regretted that the island row was taking age to

resolve, as Kenyan fishermen continue to suffer harassment and intimidation by suspected pirates posing as marines patrolling the lake.

The Star, Nairobi, in English 15 Nov 2010

- One week after the Kenyan government listed the separatist Mombasa Republican Council as illegal, the outlawed group announced publically its “massive recruitment” of coastal youth. The chairman of the newly established Likoni branch of the Council, Rashid Kiviyaso, 57, said that the group regarded Coast Province and the rest of Kenya as two different countries. In his statement, Kiviyaso expressed the Council’s desire to see the coastal strip autonomous from Kenya and turned into the Republic of Mombasa.

KTN TV News, Nairobi, in English 14 Nov 2010

- The residents of Kiserian are currently living in fear after the murder of three people.

Daily Nation, Nairobi, in English 13 Nov 2010

- Security officers have been sent to Mt Elgon (western Kenya) to hunt for more than 50 armed people believed to be members of the re-emerging outlawed Sabaot Land Defence Force. Witnesses said the members of the militia were wearing jungle uniform similar to that of the Ugandan People’s Defence Forces and were armed with guns. The militia was crushed by the army two years ago after having caused the death of more than 1,000 people and displaced 50,000 others.

Daily Nation, Nairobi, in English 12 Nov 2010

- A team from the US department of defense and led by Senior Republican Richard Lugar is about to start inspecting germ handling laboratories to ensure dangerous organisms do not fall in the hands of terrorists. The team is also planning to travel to Uganda. Kenya is singled out for special attention because of increased terrorist threats in the region. The visit was prompted by concerns that some biomedical laboratories are not well protected and organisms may as a result be seized by terrorists. The team’s first stop will be the Kenya Medical Research Institute (Kemri) where the American military is strongly present.

The People, Nairobi, in English 12 Nov 2010

- Suspended Minister William Ruto was warned by Justice Minister Mutula Kilonzo he could be arrested for trying to compromise the International Criminal Court (ICC) investigations into the Kenyan election chaos.

The Star, Nairobi, in English 11 Nov 2010

- Deputy Western Provincial Police boss William Okello dismissed reports that the dreaded (rebel) Sabaot Land Defence Force that killed more than 1,000 people in Mt Elgon (western Kenya) have regrouped. According to him, the reported “armed gang” may have been security forces from a neighboring country that drifted into Kenya.

The Standard, Nairobi, in English 11 Nov 2010

- A tour to assess preparations for the 9 January 2011 Southern Sudan independence referendum ended with several Kenyan MPs declaring open support for the right to self determination and secession of the region from the Sudanese union.