

**NATIONAL CONFLICT EARLY WARNING AND EARLY RESPONSE PRINT MEDIA REVIEW UPDATES**

The following negative and positive updates from news papers impact on the conflict landscape in the country:-

Newspaper	Update
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2011</b>	
The Standard	<b>Allan Kisia:</b> KANU Vice Chairman Gedion Moi has cautioned presidential aspirants against pitting their communities against others and urged them to have a nationalistic approach in their search for votes. <b>[MT. ELGON COUNTY : pg.6]</b>
The Daily Nation	<b>Nation Correspondents:</b> Prime Minister Hon. Raila Odinga has called for calm over the election date ruling by the High Court which he termed as a 'legal advice' that should not cause any anxiety in the country. <b>[pg.4]</b>
	<b>Paul Redfern (London):</b> WB during the latest launch of Kenya Economic update has advised the country to fast-track its economy so as to overcome political obstacles in the wake of the general elections. <b>[pg.5]</b>
	Noah Cheploen: Minority group – Endorois, Turkanas, and Pokots – have opposed the IEBC report and vow to block it in court. This is causing tension between the Endorois and Illchamum/Njemps who have in the past fought battles locally and internationally. <b>[TURKANA COUNTY : pg.16]</b>
The People	<b>People Correspondent:</b> NCIC has expressed fears that a ruling by the ICC on the Ocampo 6 is likely to spur violence. It has therefore urged that Government to put in place enough mechanisms to handle any likelihood of violence. This is attributed to the fact that the suspects come from two of the largest communities who when united or fighting has implications. <b>[pg.12]</b>
	Winston Chiseremi: Tension is building in Uasin Gishu County after squatters invaded land belong to a former MP. The former MP has accused the local Provincial Administration of being complacent in the matter which can spark chaos among communities in the region. Local leaders have called for a speedy resolution to the issue to avert land clashes. <b>[UASIN GISHU COUNTY : pg.40]</b>
The Star	<b>Musembi Nzengu:</b> Angry residents during the burial of victims of Tseikuru banditry attack have accused the Government of abdicating its responsibilities on security. Local leaders have proposed for the creation of a security buffer zone between them and their neighbors from Tana River County to end further aggression. <b>[MWINGI COUNTY : pg.8]</b>

	<p><b>Brian Otieno:</b> Critics of IEBC Boundaries Report have been dismissed as busy-bodies adding that they only want to delay the process of creating the new constituencies. [pg.11]</p>
	<p><b>Marting Mwita:</b> Kaloleni DC has warned proscribed groups against spreading leaflets to the effect that non-coastal communities should leave the district. Legal action will be taken against them if they do not stop their threats. [KILIFI COUNTY : pg.11]</p>
	<p><b>Jesse Mwangi:</b> Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta has called for maturity and peaceful campaigns. He also urged voters to shun politicians who spread hatred and tribal hostility while seeking votes. [MARAGWA COUNTY : pg.11]</p>
	<p><b>Wanjohi Gakio:</b> NGOs in Laikipia have blamed idle land as a major setback to peace communities and it fuels perennial clashes. The idle land is normally turned into battlefields by pastoralists when water and pasture for their livestock becomes scarce. Wildlife sanctuaries in the area have also neglected the concerns of the communities around them. [LAIKIPA COUNTY : pg.13]</p>
	<p><b>Star Reporter:</b> Tension is high on the Kenya/Ethiopia border in Turkana County after 2 people including a police reservist were killed by bandits over the weekend. Turkana North DC has also confirmed that some families have fled Lokorinyang area following increased attacks by militia from Ethiopia. Meanwhile security personnel have been deployed to the affected area. [TURKANA COUNTY :pg.17]</p>
	<p><b>Kurgat Marindany:</b> Local residents in Kajiado Town converged and resolved to avenge the attack metted on their resulting in destruction of property and looting of business premises belonging to non-locals. 20 people among them a police officer have been injured in the five-day running battles. Kajiado DC has confirmed that the situation has been brought under control with assistance from the area Police. [KAJIADO COUNTY : pg.17]</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2012</b></p>	
<p>The Standard</p>	<p><b>Antony Gitonga:</b> Transport in Kamera, Naivasha was paralysed for hours after residents held a demonstration over the killing of a resident by Police. Anti-riot police officers from the nearby Kongoni Police Station dispersed the rowdy crowd that was demanding justice. [NAIVASHA COUNTY : pg.8]</p>
	<p><b>Maureen Oduor and Mangoa Mosota:</b> Police have arrested 6 suspected gangsters and recovered two guns and 70 round of assorted ammunition and police uniforms. Area OCPD Musa Kongoli attributed this to a tip from the public of gangsters in Kondele area. The gangsters are believed to have been behind the shoot out at United Mall along Kisumu-Kakamega Road over the weekend. [KISUMU COUNTY :pg.24]</p>
<p>The Daily Nation</p>	<p><b>Nation Team:</b> Security personnel have been deployed to areas that were worst hit by clashes during PEV in 207/08 ahead of the ICC ruling on the Ocampo 6. In addition, contingent officers from GSU, AP and</p>

	<p>Regular Police have been sent to home districts of the suspects to keep law and order and Kenyans have been urged to maintain peace regardless of the outcome of the ICC ruling. <b>[pg.1]</b></p>
	<p><b>Nation Correspondent:</b> Permanent Secretary for Internal Security Francis Kimemia has warned of polls chaos if there is separation of presidential elections from those of other seats. He added that the outgoing president should hand over to a full Cabinet, Parliament and County Government. This is to avoid negative influence to select candidates for seats that could interfere with security should a president be elected first. <b>[pg.5]</b></p>
	<p><b>Nation Team:</b> In response to questions on the implications of their a committal of the Ocampo 6 suspects to trial or rejection of the two cases, the ICC has clarified that the provisions of the Rome Statute does not bar Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta and Hon. William Ruto from vying for elective positions. <b>[pg.6]</b></p>
<p>The People</p>	<p><b>Hudson Gumbihi and Xinhua:</b> KDF hit an Al-Shabaab command center in Jilib, Somalia killing scores of fighters. The militia has been blamed for spiraling cases of insecurity along the common border between Kenya and Somalia. <b>[pg.2]</b></p>
	<p><b>Gachino Thuo:</b> The Government has rejected a proposal by Naivasha MP Hon. John Mututho to purchase land at Mumiuyo, Subukia for IDPs. Instead it will purchase land in Laikipia County after Minister for Special Programmes Hon. Esther Murugi and Minister for Land Hon. James Orengo found the land habitable contradicting Mututho's claim that it was not suitable for human settlement. <b>[pg.12]</b></p>
<p>The Star</p>	<p><b>Roy Agoya:</b> An Army officer and two others have been charged for robbery with violence at a Kibera Court. <b>[NAIROBI COUNTY : pg.4]</b></p>
	<p><b>Susan Muhindi:</b> 2 former Police officers charged with the murder of a man and his son in Kawangware, Nairobi in November 2011 have been granted cash bail. In the ruling, the judge stated that she was not aware of any provision of law that states that a policeman is a security risk adding that there must be equality before the eyes of the law. <b>[NAIROBI COUNTY : pg.5]</b></p>
	<p><b>Star Reporter:</b> Tension is high in Mathare slum, Nairobi after 3 men were attacked by a rival group who accused them of belonging to a certain community that is being favored in the allocation of CDF in Starehe Constituency. Area residents have accused CDF officials of being 'openly biased' in allocation of bursary funds to children from poor homes. Security personnel have been deployed to the area following the skirmishes. <b>[NAIROBI COUNTY : pg.7]</b></p>
	<p><b>Musembi Nzengu:</b> A GSU contingent has been deployed to recover stolen shoats after a banditry attack in Kyuso District bordering Tana North District. This follows revelation that 60 head of cattle and 51 goats stolen during the attack were being hidden in Boma Miti in Tana North. <b>[MWINGI COUNTY : pg.8]</b></p>
	<p><b>Philip Muasya:</b> A leaders' meeting to discuss proposals by the IEBC and prepare a memorandum by Ukambani leaders to present to the</p>

	<p>Commission in Kitui ended in disarray when former Kibwezi MP Kalembe Ndile attacked the VP Hon. Kalonzo Musyoka. The meeting had been called by Hon. Charity Ngilu. <b>[KITUI COUNTY : pg.9]</b></p> <p><b>Raphael Mwadime:</b> 3 suspected poachers have killed a game scout at a private ranch in Taita after their bid to kill an elephant was rebuffed by the scouts. Security personnel have been deployed to pursue the poachers. <b>[ TAITA TAVETA COUNTY : pg.10]</b></p> <p><b>Raphael Mwadime:</b>KWS have moved a rogue elephant and its calf from Ikanga and Caanan in Voi to avert increasing human-wildlife conflict in the area. This has been attributed to the drastic climate change which is making difficult to predict wildlife movement. <b>[TAITA TAVETA : pg.11]</b></p> <p><b>KNA:</b> KWS officers from Maralal Station are looking for 2 stray lions reported to have been spotted roaming around Lchoro Lelerai area of Samburu Central District. The dry spell has forced animals to travel long distances in search of pasture and water forcing their predators to travel along trailing them for food. Area residents have been cautioned to be alert and avoid meeting at night. <b>[SAMBURU COUNTY : pg.17]</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2012</b></p>	
<p>The Standard</p>	<p><b>Vitalis Kimutai and John Njiriani:</b> The much anticipated ICC ruling on the Ocampo 6 will affect and possibly impact on succession politics that are dominating the political discourse and reshape political alliances ahead of the General Election. <b>[pg.1]</b></p> <p><b>Standard Team:</b> 9 aliens of Somali origin who had entered the country through Malaba border point via Eldoret have been detained by Police in Nakuru after intercepting them in a Nairobi bound matatu. <b>[NAKURU COUNTY : pg.4]</b></p> <p><b>Cyrus Ombati:</b> KDF troops have kill 6 Al-Shabaab commanders in an attack on the militia's base in Tatar, Somalia. The troops have put pressure on the militia pushing them from areas they had been occupying. <b>[pg.7]</b></p> <p><b>Munene Kamau:</b> Police in Kirinyaga stopped a demonstration led by the area MP Hon. Peter Gitau to oppose the proposed IEBC report and also rebuffed supporters of Hon. Njeru Githae who engaged the other group in a shouting match. This is being done ahead of IEBC's visit to the county tomorrow. <b>[KIRINYAGA COUNTY : pg.10]</b></p> <p><b>Cyrus Ombati:</b> The abduction of a bank teller has exposed a syndicate of kidnapers forcing their victims to empty bank accounts. Police believe that the perpetrators have information on the targeted accounts. This trend is worrying and can undermine the banking industry. <b>[NAIROBI COUNTY : pg.13]</b></p>
<p>The Daily Nation</p>	<p><b>Nation Reporter:</b> Cases of terrorism, human abductions and cyber crime have been cited as new forms of insecurity threatening EAC member states. This has been raised by delegates attending the 4<sup>th</sup> Joint EAC Meeting of Sectoral Councils on Cooperation in Defence, Inter-State Security and Foreign Policy Coordination in Arusha,</p>

	<p>Tanzania. <b>[pg.10]</b></p> <p><b>Nation Team:</b> IEBC had to temporarily suspend hearing at Garissa National Library where was receiving views from the public. Area residents of ShantaAbaq confronted the Peace Chariman who was making a presentation and Police had to be called in to restore calm. <b>[GARISSA COUNTY : pg.11]</b></p>
The People	<p><b>Kipngeno Cheruiyot and Mwangi Maina:</b> Defence team of the Ocampo 6 say that chances are high for the case to be thrown out by the ICC Pre-trial Chambers Judges. <b>[pg.1]</b></p>
The Star	<p><b>Alphonse Gari:</b> A DO in Malindi was chased away by beach operators and fishermen at Mayungu area following differences over a controversial beach plot which has been allegedly allocated for the construction of a luxury hotel. The fishermen and beach operators say that they had not been consulted and opposed the project. <b>[MALINDI COUNTY : pg.11]</b></p> <p><b>Kennedy Lesiew:</b> Leaders of the Kalenjin community in North Rift have complained that a group masquerading as squatters have invaded their land and have expressed dissatisfaction in the manner the government is addressing the invasion. This is after squatters invaded 2000 acres belonging to former Aldai MP Hon. Kiptum Choge but were blocked by security personnel. <b>[UASIN GISHU COUNTY : pg.15]</b></p> <p><b>Nicholas Wamalwa:</b> Teachers and students in Turkana South District have urged the Government to intensify security and restore peace along the borders of Turkana-Pokot counties for the benefit of education. The teachers further called on the Government to facilitate educational exchange programmes between the pastoralist children to foster cohesion and coexistence. <b>[TURKANA COUNTY : pg.15]</b></p>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2012</b>	
The Standard	<p><b>Standard Team:</b> The ongoing hearings by IEBC has caused anxiety in various parts of the country, with politicians mobilizing supporters to oppose the proposed new constituencies and this is raising doubts over readiness to hold the General Elections this year. <b>[pg.1]</b></p>
The Daily Nation	<p><b>Nation Team:</b> Public meeting organized by IEBC in Bungoma was disrupted as two rival groups disagreed on the name of a new constituency and the wards boundaries. Elsewhere, the border between Pokot and Turkana emerged as an issue on the River Turkwell where Turkana community alleged they own the Turkwell area, a claim the Pokots refuted. <b>[BUNGOMA/TURKANA COUNTIES : pg.9]</b></p>
The People	<p><b>Hudson Gumbihi:</b> The driver who had been abducted by al Shabaab militiamen alongside two Government officers in Gerille has resurfaced and surrendered to Police in Wajir on 18/01/2012. The Provincial Administration and Internal Security Permanent Secretary Mr. Francis Kimemia said that elders have been sent to meet their counterparts in Somalia to seek for release of the District Officer and District Registrar of Persons. <b>[WAJIR COUNTY : pg.11]</b></p>
The Star	<p><b>Francis Mureithi:</b> The AU Panel of Eminent African Personalities has</p>

	<p>warned that reconciliation and social harmony in areas most affected by the 2007 post violence have remained hot spots with locals living in silence and suspicion. The panel has attributed this to lack of political support for peace and reconciliation efforts by the government and non-governmental organizations thereby creating a climate of silence and suspicion. <b>[pg.2]</b></p> <p><b>Wambua Kavila:</b> Kitui county leaders Hon. Charity Ngilu, Minister for Water and Hon.. Kiema Kilonzo MP Mutitu are alarmed by the high insecurity in the county. This was in regard to the past bandits attacks in Mwingi which resulted in deaths and theft of livestock. The leaders are calling upon the Government to create a permanent security zone at the Tana River-Mwingi border to deal with the problem. <b>[MWINGI COUNTY : pg.20]</b></p>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2012</b>	
The Standard	<p><b>Osinde Obare:</b> Differences over the ownership of the Turkwel Hydro-electric Power Plant has brewed up tension between the Turkana and Pokot communities as both claim ownership of areas along the common border. This has resulted in bloody clashes and destruction of property. Leaders from the affected regions have appealed for intervention of IEBC in determining the actual boundary to avert further clashes. <b>[TURKANA/POKOT COUNTIES : pg.7]</b></p> <p><b>Standard Team:</b> Some leaders from Wajir East constituency have disputed the carving out Kutulo Division and Lafaley location from Wajir East constituency to form Tarbaj constituency. <b>[WAJIR COUNTY : pg.7]</b></p> <p><b>Standard Team:</b> A row over ownership of newly created Solio Settlement Scheme in Laikipia seemed to have been resolved after the IEBC ruled that it was not mandated to manipulate inter-county boundaries. This was after some leaders from Nyeri argued that despite some 15,000 acres piece of land being in Laikipia, the residents were formerly from Nyeri. <b>[LAIKIPIA COUNTY : pg.7]</b></p> <p><b>Standard Team:</b> Leaders in Wundanyi and Taita Taveta Counties rejected the IEBC report on delimitation of boundaries and opposed the transfer and change of names of some sub-locations. <b>[WUNDANYI /TAITA TAVETA COUNTIES : pg.7]</b></p> <p><b>Osinde Obare:</b> A government official is alleged to be assisting Ugandan Pokots from Kapchorwa, Amdat and Moroto districts to acquire Kenyan identity cards in Pokot County in readiness for the General Election. Pokot leaders have demanded a probe into the matter. <b>[POKOT COUNTY : pg.30]</b></p>
The Daily Nation	<p><b>Wanjiru Macharia:</b> Ethnic differences have emerged amongst two communities over the Rongai-Subukia boundary following release of the IEBC report. <b>[NAKURU COUNTY : pg.17]</b></p>
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The Star	<p><b>Chrispinus Wekesa:</b> The Nairobi Provincial Commissioner has launched a peace building sensitization workshop facilitated by NCIC. The forum</p>

	<p>is expected to equip stakeholders with knowledge and shared experiences to educate the masses on the need to uphold peace during the election period. <b>[NAIROBI COUNTY : pg.9]</b></p>
	<p><b>Justus Ochieng:</b> The Clergy have urged Kenyan to maintain peace ahead of the decision of the ICC confirmation hearings. The ICC process should not be viewed as an indictment of communities but as a move to end impunity. <b>[pg.16]</b></p>
	<p><b>Amos Nyambane:</b> The Minister for Provincial Administration and Internal Security Hon. George Saitoti has affirmed to Kenyans that adequate security measures have been put in place to avoid a repeat of 2007 post election violence. <b>[pg.16]</b></p>



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