

## **TERRORISM THREAT IN THE COUNTRY**

### **a) Security Survey**

In 2011, the threat of terrorism in the country rose up drastically largely from the threat we recorded and the attacks we began experiencing. Consequently, the service initiated a security survey on key installations and shopping malls. The objective was to assess their vulnerability to terrorist attacks and make recommendations on areas to improve on. The survey was conducted and the report submitted to the Police, Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Tourism. Relevant institutions and malls were also handed over the report. Subsequent security surveys have continued to be conducted. As with regard to the Westgate Mall which was also surveyed, the following observations and recommendations were made as per the attached matrix.

### **Situation Report for 21.09.12 - Serial No.184/2012**

Two suspected Al Shabaab terrorists of Somali origin entered South Sudan through Djibouti, Eritrea and Sudan and are suspected to be currently in Uganda waiting to cross into Kenya through either Busia or Malaba border points. They are being assisted by Teskalem Teklemaryan, an Eritrean Engineer with residences in Uganda and South Sudan. The duo have purchased 1 GPMG; 4 hand grenades; 1 bullet belt; 5 AK 47 Assault Rifles; unknown number of bullet proof jackets from Joseph Lomoro, an SPLA Officer, and some maps of Nairobi city, indicating that their destination is Nairobi.

Maalim Khalid, aka Maalim Kenya, a Kenyan explosives and martial arts expert, has been identified as the architect of current terrorist attacks in the country. He is associated with attacks at Machakos Country Bus, Assanands House in Nairobi and Bellavista Club in Mombasa. He selected 20 Kenyans in 2 groups of 10, whom he trained at Marka and Barawe in driving, use of pistols, grenades, establishing and utilizing safe houses, escape and evasion tactics; and effective and secure communication. Khalid is planning terrorist attacks in Kenya, aimed at damaging the

economy, assassination of political and security leaders, and attacking western interests and tourists. Elsewhere, the Al Shabaab is contemplating attacking Kenyan interests in other countries, starting with Zambia, but the timing, target and methods are still unclear. Kenyan interests anywhere in the world therefore remain the militant's potential targets of attack as the Kenya Defence Forces and AMISOM exert pressure on them, and the imminent capture of Kismayu.

Meanwhile, the following suspected Al Shabaab operatives are in Nairobi and are planning to mount suicide attacks on undisclosed date, targeting **Westgate Mall and Holy Family Basilica**; Sheikh Abdiwelli Mohamed, Sheikh Hussein and Sheikh Hassan. They are believed to be in possession of two suicide vests, twelve (12) hand grenades and two (2) AK 47 rifles, and have already surveyed the two targets. They are being assisted by Sheikh Hassan alias Blackie of Majengo and Omar Ahmed Ali alias Jerry who are currently staying near Mamba Petrol Station and Huruma Mosque along Juja Road.

### **Situation Report for 18.10.12 - Serial No.203/2012**

An Al Shabaab operative, Musharaf Abdalla (aka Zarkawi aka Ali Abdalla aka Musab aka Shukri Abdirahman aka Rashid aka Noor Abdi Ismail aka Alex Shikanda) who was arrested on 29.09.12 in Malindi has disclosed that his team is targeting the following nightclubs in Nairobi for attack:

- 🕒 Florida 2000
- 🕒 A club opposite Hilton Hotel ( assessed to be Bettyz)
- 🕒 Unidentified strip club near Nation Centre

The team carried out the following tests to gauge the security preparedness of the first two clubs: On the first occasion, they entered with a laptop, on the second, with a large Chemistry book and on the third, they managed to enter with a pistol.

Other than the clubs, they also **surveyed Times Tower and Nyayo House**. During this mission, they identified peak hours, security checks, CCTV cameras and ideal points from where to carry out car bomb attacks. They further observed that the buildings could easily be accessed using fake identification documents obtained from River Road, Nairobi.

**Abdallah is one of the members of the cell whose plan to attack parliament on 13.09.12 was foiled and two of his associates arrested. He escaped together with four other operatives**

### **Situation Report for 09.11.12 - Serial No.219/2012**

Titus Amusibwa alias Maalim Khalid, a terrorist suspect linked to the Al Shabaab group who was arrested with arms at Mariakani on 27.10.12 on his way to Mombasa from Nairobi, was found with information indicating that the terror group intended to attack the Kenya Oil Pipeline network laid along the Mombasa - Nairobi highway. Key targets would include pump stations between Mombasa and Nairobi, among them, Mazeras, Samburu and Mtito Andei. The planned attacks are meant to reinforce the one against Chngamwe Oil Refinery for maximum damage.

The other areas of notable interest to the group include:

- ⌚ Unidentified location in Voi near Aidarus, opposite Generation Supermarket, Voi.
- ⌚ Point between Kiembeni Estate and Kiembeni Primary School. This is an area within Kiembeni that the operatives have been observed to frequent. It could be a meeting point used by the cell members.
- ⌚ Point between Anglican Youth Centre and Coast General Hospital, along Tom Mboya Avenue. This is a point along a road that experiences heavy traffic jams during peak hours. It is also close to a petrol station (PETRO), hence it could be a potential target for a terrorist attack.
- ⌚ Along Ukunda-Ramisi Road, Kwale County near Medicare Clinic and Laboratory Services

Khalid is responsible for the IED and grenade incidents especially in Nairobi and Mombasa. Before his arrival in Kenya, he had dispatched three (3)

teams of operatives for missions in Kenya who organized and executed their assignments, and some of whom are believed to be involved in the current planned multiple attacks targeting Mombasa.

### **Situation Report for 17.12.12 - Serial No.244/2012**

Senior Al Shabaab leader in Lower Juba, Abdurahman Mohamed alias Gamadere alias Dulyadeen, crossed into Kenya on 09.12.12 through Masalani, Ijara District on his way to Garissa using a hired four wheel drive vehicle. He intends to conduct major terrorist attacks in Nairobi and Mombasa over the Christmas period. Two saloon cars have been purchased in Nairobi and Garissa to be used in the attacks. Gamadere's wife, Sultano Dubat and daughter who have undergone training in explosives and suicide bombing are residing in Bulla Iftin within Garissa township.

Al-Shabaab operatives are also planning to attack Moi Air Base in Eastleigh, Nairobi. They intend to launch rockets from the Grand Royal Hotel, located along Eastleigh's 12th street which offers a suitable aerial view of the Military Base. The attack is aimed at discrediting KDF over perceived superiority following the defeat of the insurgents in Somalia.

### **Situation Report for 18.12.12 - Serial No. 245/2012**

The Al Shabaab terrorists plan to use time as a variant and launch attacks when the public and security agencies exhibit laxity and dormancy. To this end, they plan to target hot afternoons when most security officials and civilians are less active. The terror group would also continue to deploy their operatives at dusk, when people are hurrying to get home. The militia will continue to adopt strategies borrowed from previous successful attacks to launch new ones. Police and military officers continue to be high targets. Other targets include churches, hotels, and passenger service vehicles. The insurgents are also reactivating their terror cells in the country, particularly, Nairobi CBD, Western and Coastal Kenyan towns such as Busia, Kisumu, Mombasa, Malindi and Kakamega due to the high number of youth from these regions, who have been serving under Al Shabaab and are returning home jobless.

### **Situation Report for 28.12.12 - Serial No.251/2012**

Terrorism threats continue to heighten with Al-Shabaab operatives hiring criminals to throw grenades at public transport vehicles and other targets. For instance, Sheik Hassan Mahat, preacher Al-Amin Mosque, Eastleigh Nairobi, often pays Ksh.5,000 to each individual for a successful mission and Ksh.2,000 for failed attempts. Hassan is believed to have issued the grenades that were used during the Eastleigh explosions on 19.11.12, to two criminals.

Meanwhile, there are heightened threats of attacks on the following areas during the New Year festivities;

- ⌚ Nyayo National Stadium Nairobi. The venue is known to host overnight vigils on new years eve, and
- ⌚ Eastleigh area, between the Post Office on Second Avenue and St. Theresa's church on First Avenue.

Elsewhere, anxiety remains high within Mandera Town after Al-Shabaab insurgents hurled a hand grenade at Mukaro Hotel, owned by Peter Muraya Kihui on 26.12.2012. During the incident, the proprietor's wife, Fridah Kamano, sustained injuries on the forehead and chest.

### **Situation Report for 01.02.13 - Serial No.023/2013**

Adan Abdulahi Siad aka Ada Gamey, Amniyat Commander dispatched 25 Amniyats operatives on 23.01.13 from Bardere district in Somali, by road to Kenya to conduct grenade attacks against KDF convoys. They are scheduled to pass through Jardani, Fafadun and Damas, about 12 kilometers from El Wak and are under the leadership of Issa Ali. They are armed with AK 47 rifles, pistols and some explosives. They were using a dyna truck driven by Hassan Yare.

Some Al Shabab leaders met at Barawa in Lower Shebelle on 25.01.13 where they discussed plans to send Amniyats operatives into Kenya to conduct assassinations against Somali elders who had participated in the recent constitution process. Dahir Gamey was appointed to co-ordinate the plans.

Other reports indicate that by late December 2012, Al- Shabaab was training female operatives to engage in hijacking of aircrafts and crashing them as well as suicide bombing. Upon completion they were to be sent to western countries and to countries which had contributed troops to AMISOM.

Further to threats by Al-Shabaab militia to carry out retaliatory attacks in Kenya following the recent capture of Kolbio town, some militia's IED experts have been deployed in Mandera and Bulla Hawa towns in Somalia. The militiamen are planning to plant explosives along the routes used by security personnel and detonate hand grenades in crowded areas including social places and churches.

There are indications that Al Qaida and Al Shabaab operatives are planning to disrupt the upcoming general elections. ABUBAKAR SHARIFF aka ABU MAKABURI is in the forefront of the planning and has been gathering arms in preparation for attacks countrywide. Some of the targets mentioned include VIPS, polling stations on the Election Day and buildings such as Times Towers. Notably, Times Tower has been severally mentioned as being very busy on Mondays and Fridays, and that the security has been observed to be lax.

**The envisaged modus operandi include, but is not exclusive to, Mumbai-attack style, where the operatives storm into a building with guns and grenades and probably hold hostages.**

Furthermore, several operatives who had gone underground following the December operations have resurfaced and are regrouping in Nairobi and Mombasa.

### **Situation Report for 13.02.13 - Serial No. 031/2013**

Shaban Namusenda Makotse, an Al-Shabaab suspect, who is on the run, and who is associated with grenade attacks in Mombasa, has secretly transported an assortment of arms from Ifo Refugee Camp to Mombasa. Together with other cell members, they are targeting prominent politicians for elimination, and Minister Najib Balala is one of their targets. They are studying his campaign patterns for their opportune time to launch their

attacks. Namusenda does not fear security officers since he is armed and ready to fight back if confronted.

### **Situation Report for 19.02.13 - Serial No.035/2013**

Al-Shabaab militias have renewed their threats to attack churches in Wajir and Garissa in a move to create religious animosity between Christians and Muslims. Some hit-men from Dadaab refugee camp, have smuggled some arsenals into Garissa Town, from where they have identified several churches, the Government Guest House and security personnel as their targets within Garissa and Madogo areas.

Meanwhile, about thirty three (33) Al-Shabaab militia aged between 20 and 23 years, from Somalia, have entered the country through Hagardera and Dagahaley refugee camps. They plan to kidnap and assassinate humanitarian staff and create confusion during the forthcoming general elections. Sheb Ibrahim, a Sabrin Bus Conductor and Mohammed Noor, alias, Atto, Hagardera based businessman, and the Chairman of the Local Butcheries Association, have been aiding the movement of the Al-Shabaab operatives and explosives from the refugee camps to Garissa and Nairobi.

Hussein Mire Yarow, an Al-Shabaab adherent from Khalalio, Mandera East District is involved in recruiting youth to join the militants. He has already recruited two (2) of his brothers; Mohamed Mire Yarow and Abdi Mire Yarow, who are currently training in Somalia.

Meanwhile, Ismail Abdulahi Dubat alias Fainiz, a Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) deserter from Mandera is believed to be one of the criminal elements involved in crime, including Al-Shabaab activities in the area.

Some Amniyat, Al-Shabaab Intelligence operatives, have been given specific instructions to carry out terror attacks targeting foreigners, vital installations, key political figures and campaign rallies during the electioneering period. Consequently, eight (8) Al-Shabaab operatives from Gondowe, Somalia have crossed into Kenya through Mandera with the intention of kidnapping Chinese Oil Explorers working with East Africa Oil Exploration Company in the area. They are also targeting Muslims of the Alus Unaw Aliama sect, who mainly worship at Abdi Aziz and Qadhi Musa

Mosques in Mandera during the 'Maulid' celebrations. The group claims that the celebrations are contrary to the Islamic teachings.

Al-Shabaab militia in Qoryeley, Lower Shebelle region have dispatched eight (8) militias armed with pistols and Improvised Electronic Devices (IEDs) to Mandera and Elwak areas in Kenya. The Mandera group includes Mumad Gesey Mohamed, Alinoor Mannor Jirow, Hassan Andro Hero and Barre Guliye Ali, while the Elwak team comprises Abdi Omar Abdullahi, Maalim Hassan Alinoor, Ali Mohamed Adow and Siyad Hussein Adan. They hail from Marehan, Leisan and Garreh clans, and have been advised to pose as beggars/madmen in order to disguise their identity. Their intention is to kidnap/assassinate Kenyan security personnel, prominent politicians and members of the Somalia National Army (SNA). This is in a bid to create fear and confusion among security apparatus as the country nears the general election.

Elsewhere, Kuno Maulid, a commander in the Al-Shabaab ranks, and an Abdwak kinsman, was sighted within the areas of Nanigi Location, Garissa County on 10.02.13. He was recently injured in a confrontation with the Somali National Army (SNA) soldiers in Somalia.

### **Situation Report for 22.02.13 - SERIAL NO. 038/2013**

Mohamed Noor alias Atto, a businessman based in Hagadera is facilitating the movement of Al Shabaab operatives and explosives from Garissa to Nairobi. Noor, a Marehan clansman, is a Somalia national who fraudulently acquired a Kenyan identification card. He is the chairman of the Butchery Owners Association in Hagadera. He works with Shueb Ibrahim alias Sabrin, a bus conductor, who keeps the national identification cards used by the Al Shabaab operatives being trafficked. Noor and Shueb are paid \$300 - \$500 for every person trafficked.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Abdihakin Yerow Adan and his accomplice Sheikh Abdullahi Hussein, who are based at the Dahagaley refugee camp in Garissa are recruiting Kenyans into Al Shabaab and facilitating their movement to Somalia. Yerow is currently contributing to the construction of a Mosque in Habaswein town, Wajir in a bid to endear himself to the locals.

Additionally, Abdullahi Holale, Mohamed Mohamud Deka Galo and AbdiKafiri, businessmen based in Wajir town, are helping Al Shabaab to collect money through Hawala, which is later channeled to Al Shabaab operatives in Kenya and Somalia. Holale also owns a portable high frequency radio which he uses to communicate with operatives in Kenya and Somalia.

There are reports that Al Quraba members (Majengo based) intend to conduct simultaneous attacks in Nairobi on 23.02.2013 and 24.02.2013. The mastermind of the operation is said to be Hassan Omondi Owiti aka Zain aka Budalangi who recently sneaked in to the country from Somalia. Budalangi is reportedly working closely with Kioko (fnu), Assad Yusuf, and Adan aka Ada, Saida (fnu) and Omar Odhiambo.

Budalangi is a member of the F1 team (throwing grenades) that was under the leadership of Maalim Khalid, who escaped arrest during the raid in Chaani and Likoni where some grenades and a pistol were recovered.

Earlier reports indicate that some Amniyat operatives had been deployed to the country to carry out operations aimed at disrupting the general elections by targeting campaign rallies and key politicians. Though the intended targets are not confirmed, it is likely for the operatives to target political/religious rallies and night clubs for maximum impact.

### **Situation Report for 15.03.13 - Serial No.053/2013**

Al-Shabaab terror group is conducting recruitment of operatives to join its local terror cells in Kenya. The recruitment is being carried out at Al Nasri lodge, next to Jamia Mosque, Wajir County. The facilitators are linked to some unidentified individuals and a sheikh from Masjid Musa in Mombasa, where recruitment of jihadists has been taking place silently. Other accomplices include some government officials at Ministry of Agriculture offices in Wajir. Besides Kenya, the group is also targeting other countries, including Mali for attacks.

Separately, the group has been undertaking massive recruitment of members inside the refugee camps since January 2013. So far, over 200 refugees have received minimal training on the group's tactics, intelligence gathering, transport of explosives and use of AK 47 rifles.

Meanwhile, about 300 Al-Shabaab militia, led by Abdul Aziz Abu Musab, an Al-Shabaab spokesperson, have entered into North Eastern parts of Kenya. They are armed with pistols and hand grenades. Another group to reinforce them together with their commanders is expected in Garissa by mid-March 2013. The Al-Shabaab fighters are also smuggling weapons to other destinations, particularly Nairobi using paid school children.

### **Situation Report for 22.03.13**

Further to threats by the Al-Shabaab group to attack key installations, buildings and security personnel in Kenya, the group is planning to launch attacks within Nairobi on unspecified dates. The group's targets in Nairobi include busy bus terminals, supermarkets, transport facilities and business hubs where crowding and parking lots are not properly managed. They are intending to use suicide bombers and car bombs in their attacks. The group has also enlisted the services of some experts on terrorism matters from Yemen.

### **Situation Report for 22.03.13 - Serial No.058/2013**

Further to threats by the Al-Shabaab group to attack key installations, buildings and security personnel in Kenya, the group is planning to launch attacks within Nairobi on unspecified dates. The group's targets in Nairobi include busy bus terminals, supermarkets, transport facilities and business hubs where crowding and parking lots are not properly managed. They are intending to use suicide bombers and car bombs in their attacks. The group has also enlisted the services of some experts on terrorism matters from Yemen.

Al-Shabaab 'Amniyats' operatives arrived in Mandera on 11.03.13 in preparation for night attacks against Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) soldiers. Among those in the country for the mission are; Abu Jaber and Mahab, both from Marusade clan; Maalim/Moallem Ibrahim, chief of suicide

bombers, and Sheikh Abdullahi, Digil Mirifle/Eelaay clan. They were met by Yassir, In-Charge of the Al-Shabaab cells in Mandera and Daadab refugee camp. They were later joined by nine (9) other Amniyats before traveling to Ifo Refugee Camp, where some of them are being hosted by Hussein Khalif, a Digil/Mirifle/Garre clansman.

Meanwhile, Al-Shabaab has renewed its intention to attack various targets in Kenya after the group failed to do so during the recently concluded General Elections. There is enhanced presence of Amniyats in the country preparing to attack various targets, among them security personnel, especially in North Eastern region, businessmen in Eastleigh and Somali journalists in Nairobi. Nine (9) of the operatives are currently within Nairobi targeting the Gulf Hotel in Eastleigh, Nairobi since it is a preferred choice by the Somali Intelligence officers. They have already cased the hotel and are ready to carry out the attacks. They also intend to assassinate some businessmen, among them Sheikh Mohamed Abdi Umal and Sheikh Ibrahim Shakul, accusing them of assisting the Kenyan Government in the fight against the Al-Shabaab. The nine (9) have been sent by Fuad Shongole, and are being led by Abdirahman Yassin. The attacks are being coordinated by Sharif Mohamed from Somalia.

The group is still planning to kidnap foreigners from Western Countries in the refugee camps and along the Somalia border. Ahmed Iman from Mombasa, is also coordinating plans to revenge the deaths of the various operatives who are perceived to have been killed by the security forces.

### **Situation Report for 25.03.13 - Serial No.059/2013**

Further to threats by Al-Shabaab militia to attack Kenyan security personnel, Al-Shabaab leaders Muktar Robow and Dahir Aweys arrived at Hela Marer area in Gedo region from Ufuro area in Bay region, Somalia on 22.03.13. They intend to hold a meeting with 50 other leaders where they would discuss the mode of training for their operatives as well as strategize on how to carry out attacks on vital installations in Mandera, Wajir, Garissa, Mombasa and Nairobi.

Similarly, some Al Shabaab insurgents are regrouping at Bardere area in Somalia with a view to sneaking into Kenya to execute their threats.

Consequently, residents of Bardere have started vacating the area to Bursar and Burhache areas.

Meanwhile, Al Shabaab leadership in Somalia has also dispatched some operatives to major towns in Kenya among them Garissa, Mombasa and Nairobi to launch terror attacks.

There is a clinic in Eastleigh, Nairobi suspected to be treating injured Al-shabaab militia. The clinic is located on Jam Street, opposite Mary Happy School and has a green cloth banner with Arabic writings and also written "clinic". Access to the building is always restricted.

An online notice addressed to all Muslim youth in Nairobi is urging them to attend a three (3) day sleep over symposium/forum at Al Amin Masjid Mosque along Juja Road Estate during the Easter holidays with effect from 29th March to 31st March 2013. The notice further reveals that unnamed prominent Muslim cleric would give sermons and thereafter attend brainstorming sessions on issues that affect the Muslim youth with particular focus on oppression.

4. Meanwhile, the Kenyan-based Muslim Youth Centre (MYC) has been inciting its supporters in Kenya and Tanzania to carry out attacks in retaliation to the killing of Mujahid Ruta in Nairobi on 17.03.13 by unidentified assailants.

### **Situation Report for 22.04.13 - SERIAL NO.076/2013**

Following sustained security operations against Al-Shabaab operatives within Nairobi and Mombasa counties, some operatives within Majengo in Nairobi and Mombasa escaped into hiding. There are indications that the operatives are regrouping, with a view to carrying out terror attacks in Nairobi and Mombasa towns.

One of the operatives, Rashid Abdi, a Kalenjin Muslim converttee, and a close associate to Shaban Namusenda Makotse, an operative recently killed in Majengo by Police was spotted around Masjid Musa Mosque in Mombasa on 12.04.2013. He was on a mission to meet other members to plan terror attacks. While in Mombasa, Rashid is said to have regretted the death of

Shaban and vowed to revenge his killing. Similarly, Rashid is reported to be in close contact with Fuad Manswab, a fugitive who is planning attacks against Anti-Terrorism police Unit (ATPU) in Mombasa and a Police Prosecutor handling his case at the Mombasa Law Courts.

Similarly, Al-Shabaab Majengo Cell in Nairobi remains active with its members discreetly recruiting and indoctrinating the youth. The Cell leaders, Hussein Nderitu, Idd Salim and Mohamed Abass Mwai, among others, have been holding secret meetings at Maratib Centre, Masjid Sunna and Chelsea Mosque areas which are presumed to be the bedrock of Al-Shabaab activities in Nairobi, with a view of advancing the terror group's in Nairobi City and its environs.

The Majengo Cell operatives extend its activities to Landhies, Al Amin Mosque, Park Road and Kawangware areas, as well as Al Furqani Madrassa next to Al Amin Mosque in Eastleigh. In these areas, Sheikh Hassan, Said Bafana and Abu Rashid, all freelance Imams sympathetic to the group, give advice to the youth, with a view to indoctrinating them to join Al-Shabaab.

2. Activities of Afwan Medical Centre, situated opposite Pumwani Maternity Hospital within Eastleigh, Nairobi is associated with Al-Shabaab. This is due to the fact that injured Al-Shabaab operatives get treated at the facility. The centre also operates as a front of Al-Shabaab, where funds from Sheikh Ahmed Iman, a Kenyan Al-Shabaab leader in Yemen, are channeled to sustain terrorist activities in the Country.

At the same time, Kahale Famau Musa and Ismail Aboud, both Al-Shabaab operatives from Lamu County, who were involved in the kidnapping of two (2) tourists in Lamu in 2011 are residing within Jilib and Kudai areas of Lower Juba region in Somalia. They are planning more attacks and kidnappings of foreigners at Kiwayu Safari Lodge and civil servants at Kiunga in Lamu County. The attacks are to be executed by a group of ten (10) Al-Shabaab operatives currently operating at Jadaele area in Somalia.

### **Situation Report for 26.04.13 - Serial No.080/2013**

Bowlet Adan Malim, an Al-Shabaab financier, has tasked twenty (20) people to undertake grenade attacks in Nairobi. The first group which

comprises of Ahmed Nkurunziza alias Samuel Okero, a Burundi national and Abu alias Striker has identified Ambassador, Odeon, Kencom and an undisclosed supermarket along Ronald Ngala Street as possible targets. The second group comprising of eight (8) unidentified individuals is planning to attack Consolata Shrine along Chiromo Road and St Theresa Catholic Church at the junction of Eastleigh and Juja Road.

Further, the group has been tasked to study bars, stalls, shops and commuter vehicles within Nairobi and report their findings to Bowlet. Nkurunziza is in possession of one grenade in his residence and together with Abu alias Striker, have already been paid for the attack which will be conducted either with a grenade or an IED. The duo are waiting for deliberations of a meeting to plan the attack and which will involve Al-Shabaab coordinators and financiers from Mombasa, Nairobi and North Eastern to be held in an undisclosed venue in Eastleigh on 27.04.13. Amongst the financiers include Mohamed Hassan Hussein, Kassim Mohamed Mustapha and Adnan Swalihi Sheikh. Other operatives involved include Arafat Mubarak, a Ugandan, Shuaib Hassan, a Ugandan and Mohamed Makokha.

Meanwhile, Abdikadir Mohamed Abdikadir alias Ikrima, a Kenyan Al-Shabaab operative based in Somalia is directing an attack targeted at Mandera Airport between 25th and 28th April 2013. Ikrima is being assisted by Liif, an Al-Shabaab explosive expert located outside Jilib.

- ⌚ The attack will involve four (4) women and (7) men among them;
- ⌚ Faysal Cabdulah Jeedow, an interpreter working at Mandera Airport, involved with passing information to Al-Shabaab to facilitate the operation.
- ⌚ Mumin Cumar Jimcaale, from the Ogaden clan based in Garissa. He will participate in the attack.
- ⌚ Xaawo Abdi Muxamed (female), from the Ajuran clan, she is based about 28 Kilometers (KM) from Mandera in Arabiya.
- ⌚ Shamsu Guled Xumey (female), from the Murule clan, she is based in Mandera

Similarly, Al-Shabaab remains focused on conducting attacks through individuals that have not been arrested before. It has been noted that the

local Somalis are used to provide logistical support while trained Kenyans who have recently returned from Somalia would be used to execute the plans. The masterminds of the intended attacks are Kenyans, who are in middle and senior management levels of the terror group. Among them; Maalim Abass Guyo, Ahmed Iman Ali and Jan Mohamed Khan alias Abu Musab Al Mombasa.

Al-Shabaab spies 'Amniyat' operatives have continued to pour into the Country especially in the North Eastern region and facilitating terror activities to the extent of engaging in and controlling economic activities, some of which are illegal. The Al-Shabaab and 'amniyat' operations in North Eastern region have been the backbone of the network that supplies IED/grenades and other weapons that are used by the terror cells operating in Nairobi and Coast region.

Furthermore, Al-Shabaab operatives are capitalizing on the existing clan, political and business rivalry in North Eastern region to conduct attacks and blaming it on each others' opponents. Garissa County has been selected by the 'amniyat' operatives as the preferred base for their operations where they have set up infrastructure to facilitate their activities where Al-Shabaab controls approximately two-thirds of Garissa County, a situation that could be extended to Nairobi.

### **Situation Report for 15.05.13 - Serial No.092/2013**

Further to threats by Al-Shabaab, the group continues to intensify plans to target Kenya. Ahmed Iman Ali has been appointed to head a group of operatives that have been dispatched to the country. The operatives are based in Garissa and Wajir from where they are planning operations to target Nairobi. The operatives intend to use Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) and possible targets could be US, British, Israeli Embassies and unspecified United Nations offices.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Abdulrahman Hueifa, the Al-Shabaab Governor of Juba Region is planning to attack Garissa and could have also deployed operatives for the attack. In addition, there is still presence of 'Amniyat' operatives in the Country despite ongoing security operations targeting them.

Sheikh Mohamed Aulyadeen alias Gamadeere and Sheikh Ahmed Ali Godane alias Zuberi are among Al-Shabaab militia leaders in Somalia planning to carry out terror attacks in Northern Kenya. The group has been holding several meetings in Somalia to strategize on how to execute the attacks. The group is also planning to re-activate its local cells in Kenya following a security operation in Garissa which displaced most of its operatives, who have escaped to safer areas to evade arrest.

The security operation has further undermined Al-Shabaab's financial base after hindering the group's illegal trade in sugar, drugs and weapons. The group is however determined to continue attacking security establishments along the border, kidnap and hijack for ransom security personnel, NGOs vehicles, in Wajir, Mandera, and refugee camps in Dadaab. They also target churches and other gathering places frequented by non Muslims. They have planned to step up propaganda warfare, enhance recruitment from Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania and intensify spying. Al-Shabaab is also intending to use Kassim Dubow Harret, a common highway robber to conduct robberies in North Eastern region in order to sustain its smuggling syndicate in the region.

About 30 armed bandits from the Al-Shabaab militia were sighted on 13.05.13 between Abdi Sugow area and Deg Elema area within Liboi area, Garissa County. They are spying on security personnel in Dadaab area before making any attacks.

### **Situation Report for 31.05.13 - Serial No.104/2013**

Further to Al-Shabaab threats to disrupt the Madaraka Day celebration to be marked on 1.06.13, the militia plans to use improvised explosive devices (IED) and other explosives at the venues of the celebrations in Nairobi, Coast and North Eastern region. Communication between the Al-Shabaab operatives in Garissa and their Commanders in Somalia indicates that they had arrived safely in Garissa, identified their targets and waiting to attack. Elsewhere, five armed men in military uniform were sighted at Elkabere area near Hulugho District.

Meanwhile, about twenty five (25) armed suspected Al-Shabaab militia are waylaying vehicles especially busses ferrying passengers along Sabuli to Habaswein road. On 29.05.13, the insurgents stopped a Zafanana bus and demanded for food and water. The shaken passengers gave them three thousand (3,000) shillings they raised, food and water, before they left.

A group of Al-Shabaab operatives continue to operate in refugee camps in North Eastern Kenya. The group is led by Mohamed Ali Hassan aka Baggio, a Somali national aged between 20-25 years who hails from the Rahanweyn clan, who was brought up in Garissa and attended Garissa Primary school. He resides in Ifo although he moves to different places. Mohamed is a nephew to Muktar Robow aka Abu Mansur, an Al-Shabaab leader, and commands approximately 300 militants who engage in varied front activities in order to collect intelligence and facilitate the movement of Al-Shabaab operatives in and out of Kenya. Among the businesses they engage in include; taxi operations, motorbikes, mobile phone charging and barber shops. They also facilitate movement of other Al-Shabaab operatives across the Kenyan border.

Another known member of the group is Mohamed Deere who operates a Matatu within Ifo. He lives in Hawa Jubey which is located between Ifo and Dagahaley. One of Deere's associates once transported some arms for Al-Shabaab in a land rover and dropped them in a house made up of iron sheets and timber which is situated near a mosque and not far from the bus stop in Ifo.

### **Situation Report for 19.06.13 - Serial No.117/2013**

Further to intensified Al-Shabaab attacks in Northern Kenya, residents of Garissa town are apprehensive of fresh terror attacks targeting security personnel, churches and business premises operated by non-locals following the release of Abdi Ibrahim Haithar alias Agawein on bond. Agawein is an Al-Shabaab logistician from Degodia's Gelibre sub-clan, a resident of Garissa town. He is involved in smuggling of contrabands, ferrying of aliens from Somalia and refugee camps to Garissa, Nairobi and Mombasa towns. He is also involved in trafficking of arms and explosives from Somalia to Garissa, Nairobi and Mombasa through the refugee camps.

Agawein's group was involved in the killing of an Administration Police (AP) officer on 20.05.13 and two civilians on 22.05.13, in Garissa.

The Al-Shabaab are also planning attacks on various targets among them Churches, populated public/social places and security establishments in Nairobi, Coast and North Eastern regions ahead of the Holy Month of Ramadhan. Consequently, Abubakar Shariff alias Makaburi, an Al-Shabaab operative in Mombasa County who took over Sheikh Aboud Rogo's role, has directed local operatives who have returned from fighting in Somalia to commence surveillance on Jesus Celebration Centre (JCC) in Bamburi for possible terror attacks during one of the night vigil prayers (Kesha), on an unspecified date. The attack is to be carried out by a group of Somalia based Al-Shabaab hit-squad known as "Mike One" in conjunction with local operatives. Makaburi convened a meeting to deliberate on the issue of training to be conducted by a trainer who is a recent returnee from Somalia and also the leader of the Likoni group. The trainer indicated that he is going to improvise use of small shaped stones to be used in guns and rifles.

### **Situation Report for 21.06.13 - Serial No.119/2013**

Further to the increasing threats by Al-Shabaab to execute terror attacks within the country, local operatives from Majengo cell in Nairobi County, Kisauni, Majengo and Likoni cells in Mombasa County have continued to hold meetings with a view to mapping out targets for further terror attacks.

Some local operatives met in Likoni, Mombasa County on 16.06.13 and discussed how to execute terror attacks against security establishments in particular Police posts, Christian gatherings, social places and the Jesus Celebration Centre (JCC) Church within Bamburi in Mombasa County. Abdallah Ismael, a Nubian from Likoni cell, Abu Hureira, Abu Hamza and Harith from Mtopanga cell among others were in attendance. During the meeting the operatives resolved to rent a small room in Mtopanga in Mombasa to be used as an armory. The Mtopanga cell members were tasked to finalize the planned attacks on JCC while Ismael was mandated to come up with the logistics. Ismael was commended for successfully co-ordinating the attack on a church crusade in Likoni on 09.06.13 and was

assured that he will be incorporated into the team from Mtopanga cell that will launch attacks on JCC, Bamburi on an unspecified date.

### **Situation Report for 25.06.13 - Serial No.121/2013**

Al-Shabaab terrorist group has widened recruitment of members to far flung areas within the country such as, Eldoret, Kitale, Maralal, Isiolo, Maua, Migori, Mumias, Oyugis, Kisii, Kiambu and Busia. Cell members have also set up base within suburbs of large towns such as Githurai and Dandora in Nairobi as well as Kisauni, Likoni and Ukunda at the Coast.

Radicalization of Muslim youth is also going on, especially in Mombasa and Nairobi. In Mombasa, Sheikh Ibrahim Ismael Amru has been giving lectures at Masjid Minaa in Kisauni, urging muslims to support Jihad. In Nairobi Sheikh Juma Wazir alias Kirogo has been giving lectures aimed at radicalizing the youth at Masjid Chelsea and Maratib mosques in Eastleigh. He also lectures at Musa and Minaa Mosques in Mombasa. Similarly, Sheikh Hassan continues with indoctrination and recruitment in Eastleigh and provides necessary logistics to Al-Shabaab operatives.

Besides the mosques, recruitment is ongoing in schools, especially in Nairobi Technical School, Highway secondary, Eastleigh High and Sheikh Khalifa in Mombasa. Some Islamic scholars with extremist tendencies have also been conducting programmes in schools such as Moi Forces, State House Girls, Limuru Girls, St. George's Secondary, Aga Khan and Eastleigh High within Nairobi. In some of the schools, the effects of these lectures are being felt with some of the students demanding to be allowed to put on the hijab (veil for girls).

### **Situation Report for 24.07.13 - Serial No.142/2013**

A group of eight Al-Shabaab operatives have been dispatched to conduct attacks in Nairobi, Mombasa, Garissa and Wajir. The attacks have been planned in Somalia by Iise, who is the head of the martyrdom brigade. The attackers possibly arrived at the beginning of July 2013 and were to embark on casing of targets. The attacks may take place any time, starting from the 15th day of Ramadhan, that is on 24.07.13. Some of the targets

mentioned include western embassies and hotel establishments. Similarly, a suspect from the 2012 foiled attacks on Parliament Buildings is looking for six suicide vests for unidentified operations.

**Situation Report for 08.08.13**  
**Serial no. 153/2013**

A Burundian national by the name Rashid, who is currently working at the Burundian Embassy, Nairobi, is recruiting Rwandese and Burundian nationals residing in and outside Kenya to join the Al-Shabaab militia group.

Two (2) Tanzanian nationals who are Al-Shabaab operatives; Juma Seif and Ibrahim Hussein, have been attending meetings with other local Al-Shabaab operatives at Masjid Musa Mosque within Majengo in Mombasa County. They are strategizing on launching terror attacks within Coast, Nairobi and North Eastern regions.

Meanwhile, Ahmed Iman, an Al-Shabaab commander in Kenya who had sought refuge in Yemen sneaked into the country on 03.08.13 through Kenya-Tanzania border.

**Situation Report for 16.08.13**  
**Serial no. 158/2013**

Mombasa cell members of the Al Shabaab insurgency led by Yunus Salim Swaleh, a cousin of the late Al Qaida operative Saleh Nabhan, is looking for firearms and hand grenades claiming that some 'brothers' who returned from Somalia need them for protection and attacks, if need arose. Following this development, the Amir of Kisauni Cell, Rashid Sadalla, accompanied by a returnee from Somalia based in Likoni named Hassan, visited an arms supplier in Kibera, Nairobi to buy arms. The arms supplier had an AK47 rifle, which did not have a recoil spring, and an M-45 rifle but the duo did not buy them noting the faulty AK 47 and difficulties in finding ammunition for the M45.

**Situation Report for 26.08.13**  
**Serial no. 164/2013**

Further to the persisting threats by Al-Shabaab to carry out terror attacks in the country, the group has sustained efforts aimed at carrying out major terror attacks in the country. Some Al-Shabaab operatives whose identities are yet to be established are planning to attack Times Tower and Nyayo House buildings within Nairobi on an unspecified date. They intend to use fire engines loaded with explosives to carry out the attacks.

**Situation Report for 28.08.13**  
**Serial no. 166/2013**

Elsewhere, some members of Al-Hijra (formerly Muslim Youth Centre) cell from Majengo area Nairobi County have threatened to kill Babatundo Taiwo, a Nigerian working for the United Nations in Gigiri, Nairobi, accusing him of having exposed Ali Abdul Majid, an employee of Parliamentary Service Commission and a member of Pumwani Riyadhha Mosque, as an Al Shabaab member. They claim that Babatundo is a threat to radicalization of Nairobi and its environs. They further accused him of frequenting Majengo area to meet the youth on several occasions disguised as a donor to youth projects while he was collecting information on the operations of the group.

**Situation Report for 09.09.13**  
**Serial no. 174/2013**

Further to earlier report indicating an Al Shabaab threat to the ATPU headquarters and Central Police Station in Mombasa, the attack plan against the two facilities is ongoing and at an advanced stage. However, a security check on the mentioned targets has shown that no extra measures have been instituted to beef up security. The ATPU headquarters remains especially vulnerable because the perimeter fence is low and easily scalable.

At the same time, Al Shabaab planned to dispatch to Kenya a group of 20 amniyats called the Mandax Jibshe (head breakers) trained in assassinations by use of small arms between 05.09.13 and 10.09.13. The group is divided into 2 sets of 10 people each; one is led by Salaad Hassan (Darod/Majertan/Abdirahim) and the other is led by Khadar Abdi Abdukaar. The two leaders are located at Santaro, 30 Kms east of Amuma. They plan to first proceed to Hagadera Refugees camp where they would be assisted by Ahmed Bishar, an Amniyat facilitator. Their mission is to attack unspecified targets in Garissa and Nairobi.

**Situation Report for 12.09.13**  
**Serial no. 177/2013**

On 06.09.13 after Friday prayers at Musa Mosque, Mombasa County, a group of Muslim youth who are supporters of Shiekh Swaleh Ibrahim, the controversial Muslim cleric, distributed Video Compact Disks containing JichoPevu serialization that was aired by Kenya Television Network (KTN). The recording was titled MagasisiwaUgaidi by journalists, Mohamed Ali and John Alan Namu. The purpose of the circulation was aimed at mobilizing local operatives to identify for elimination, Nurdin Haji, the National Intelligence Service (NIS) officer, who in the recording was accused of having masterminded the killings of Sheikh AboudRogo, Sheikh Samir Khan and other local operatives in Mombasa and Nairobi in the guise of fighting terrorism.

**Situation Report for 13.09.13**  
**Serial no. 178/2013**

Mohamed Ade who is based in Kenya sent fraudulent refugee documents to fifteen (15) Al Shabaab Amniyat operatives in Somalia in early September 2013 to enable them access refugee camps in Kenya and thereafter move to other parts of the country. The cards were handed to Abdullahi Dheerewho passed them over to Aynanshe, the Al Shabaab Governor in Middle Juba. The operatives have undergone a Swahili language course and are under the command of Moalin Ali and are to enter Kenya by mid-September, 2013.

Meanwhile, there is increase in movement of Amniyats to North Eastern Region, especially Garissa. In Lamu, an unknown number of Al Shabaab operatives are hiding close to a herder's camp between Katsakakairu and Nyangoro near Witu. Nyangoro GSU camp which is located in the area could be a target of attack by the militia. In addition, four armed men were sighted at Balesang near Pandanguo centre within Boni area in Lamu County. The men are each armed with an AK47 rifle and dressed in jungle uniforms.

The Israeli Embassy in Nairobi has raised concern with Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kenya over possible terrorist attacks on their citizens during the Jewish Holidays period between 4th to 28th September 2013, by Iran and the Hezbollah whom they accused of collecting operational intelligence and open interests in Israeli and Jewish targets around the World including Kenya.

### **Briefs to other Relevant Government Agencies and Officials**

During the month of September 2013 following a noticeable rise in the level of threat, specific briefs on the threat were made to the following:

- i) Briefs to National Security Council members; Briefs were made in the month of September to the following:
  - ⌚ Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury
  - ⌚ Cabinet Secretary, Interior
  - ⌚ Cabinet Secretary, Foreign Affairs
  - ⌚ Cabinet Secretary, Defence
  - ⌚ Chief of Defence Forces (CDF)

Briefs were made to them informing them of increasing threat of terrorism and of plans to launch simultaneous attacks in Nairobi and Mombasa on 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2013.

### **Briefs to the National Security Advisory Committee (NSAC)**

Between the month of September, 2012 and September, 2013, NSAC has been briefed on a number of occasions on the rising threat of terrorism and several recommendations made on the action which needs to be taken.

## **Briefs to the Cabinet Secretary, Interior and National Coordination**

Several briefs have also been made to the Minister for Interior on the threat of terrorism and more detailed report on the threat was submitted on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013.

### **b) Foiled terrorist attacks**

**Table 1. Foiled Terrorist Plots 2011 – 2013**

<b>S/No.</b>	<b>Plot/Date</b>	<b>Plot Description</b>	<b>Key Actors</b>	<b>Action/Comment</b>
<b>1.</b>	SEYF DEEN PLOT/October 2011	Directed by ABDULKADIR MOHAMED ABDULKADIR aka IKRIMA.  ELGIVA BWIRE OLIACHA aka SEYF DEEN dispatched to Kenya in July 2011 to train youth, lay down an infrastructure for a major attack and await instructions.  Involved South African operatives.  SEYF DEEN provided grenades for the attacks at Kwa Mwaura Bar & OTC Station on 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2011 in retaliation over KDF's entry into Somalia (which was not his brief).	ABDULKADIR MOHAMED ABDULKADIR aka IKRIMA, a Kenyan in Al-Shabaab management;  ELGIVA BWIRE OLIACHA aka SEYF DEEN  OMAR MUCHIRI  STEPHEN MWANGI MACHARIA	SEYF DEEN Arrested on 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2011 and 13 grenades,1 AK 47 Rifle, 4 pistols, an SMG rifle and 717 rounds of assorted ammunition and training manuals recovered from his safe house. Sentenced to Life Imprisonment upon pleading guilty to all charges. Still engaged in attack planning in Naivasha Maximum Prison.

2.	JD PLOT/December 2011	<p>Sanctioned by Al-Qaeda core in Pakistan &amp; co-ordinated by IKRIMA;</p> <p>Envisioned multiple attacks towards the end of December 2011 and early 2012 targeting Parliament Buildings, the UN Office in Nairobi (UNON), KDF Camps, an Ethiopian Restaurant in Nairobi mostly patronized by TFG delegates from Somalia, assassination of top Kenyan political &amp; security officials and disruption of the general election. Involved operatives trained by HARUN FAZUL and SALEH NABHAN. Financial and logistical support from a South African facilitation network. By December 2011, the planners had acquired safe houses in Nairobi &amp; Mombasa, trained the executors, received explosives from SOMALIA and commenced assembly of and concealment of explosives.</p>	<p>IKRIMA</p> <p>FAHMI JAMAL SALIM aka JONATHAN DRAKE – Kenyan/Cell leader</p> <p>JERMAINE JOHN GRANT aka PETER JOSEPH aka SHAWN – British/Explosives expert</p> <p>SAMANTHA LOISE LEWTHWAITE (FAHMI's wife; using stolen identity of NATALIE FAYE WEBB) – British/Logistician</p> <p>FUAD ABUBAKAR MANSWAB – Kenyan/Logistician</p> <p>KASSIM OMOLLO – Kenyan/Explosives expert</p>	<p>An operation through the Police was mounted on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2011. GRANT &amp; FUAD arrested (Grant was jailed for being in the country illegally; FUAD jumped a KShs. 20 million bond and fled to Somalia in 2013). FAHMI &amp; SAMANTHA escaped. KASSIM OMOLO killed in exchange with arresting team on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013 and a Glock 19 Pistol (5 loaded magazines), Lens for AK-47 rifle, 2 hand grenades, bomb making materials (sulphuric acid, urea, Al wires, Sodium Carbonate, Glycerin, Nitric Acid) and 1 AK 47 - (54 magazines loaded with 143 rounds) recovered.</p>
3.	JJ PLOT/September 2012	<p>Sanctioned by top Al-Shabaab leadership in December 2011 for the purpose of avenging KDF's entry into Somalia;</p> <p>Initially focused on</p>	<p>MOHAMED ABDINASSIR – Kenyan/Cell leader</p> <p>MUSHARAF ABDALLA AKHURUNYA ABDALLA aka SHUKRI – Kenyan/Explosives expert</p>	<p>ABDULMAJID YASSIN MOHAMED aka FAROUK and OMAR ADAN ABDI aka SALMAN arrested, on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2012.</p> <p>Recoveries: Four (4) suicide vests with</p>

		<p>several government facilities (State House, Harambee House, the then Office of the Prime Minister, Parliament Buildings, Continental House, DOD Headquarters), business centres (Village Market, Yaya Centre) hotels (Hilton Hotel, Nomad Hotel, Royal Palace Hotel), entertainment establishments (Florida 2000, Samba and Circles clubs) and senior political and security officials.</p> <p>Plan recalibrated into a VBIED &amp; firearm assault on parliament while in full session.</p> <p>Substantial casing of parliament conducted from February 2012.</p> <p>Explosives &amp; other weapons amassed &amp; stored in Kismayo between June &amp; July 2012.</p> <p>From July 2012 – Final target study conducted weapons, explosives and suicide bombers moved in from Somalia.</p> <p>12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2012 – vehicle for transporting suicide bombers as well as for use as VBIED</p>	<p>OMAR ADAN ABDI aka SALMAN – Somali/Logistician</p> <p>ABDULMAJID YASSIN MOHAMED aka FAROUK – Kenyan/Suicide bomber</p> <p>AFRAH AHMED – Somali/Suicide bomber</p> <p>ABDI aka MUSA – Somali/Suicide bomber</p> <p>SALAHUDIN – Somali/Suicide bomber</p>	<p>mobile phones attached thereto; One (1) IED attached to a mobile phone; Four (4) AK-47 rifles with 16 magazines; 480 rounds of ammunition; 12 hand grenades.</p> <p>ABDULMAJID sentenced to 59 years in prison after admitting to offences. MUSHARAFF arrested in Malindi in October 2012 while setting up a safe house; currently in Kamiti Maximum Prison still engaged in attack planning.</p>
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		<p>purchased.</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2012 evening – suicide bombers put on their vests, transferred weapons into the vehicle but returned to the house.</p>		
4.	HAKEEM AL-MASRI PLOT/September 2012	<p>Plot by foreign fighters (<i>Al-Muhajirin</i>) led by Egyptian explosives expert HAKEEM AL-MASRI to enter the country for attacks.</p> <p>Planned to enter together with other <i>Al-Muhajirin</i> using the cover of CARITAS, an international NGO.</p> <p>Targeted key government facilities &amp; critical national infrastructure.</p>	HAKEEM AL-MASRI	<p>Plan foiled following the arrest of HAKEEM's Kenyan guide.</p> <p>HAKEEM arrested in Kenyan in June 2013 and jailed for illegal presence in the country.</p>
5.	MAALIM KHALID PLOT/November 2012	<p>Led by TITUS OKETCH AMUSIBWA aka MAALIM KHALID aka MAALIM KENYA, a martial arts trainer, poisons and explosives expert.</p> <p>MAALIM KHALID fell out with the Al-Shabaab leadership and sought to prosecute his own 'Kenyan Jihad'.</p> <p>Had coordinated the spate of grenade attacks in Nairobi &amp; Mombasa from late 2011 but felt they were ineffective.</p> <p>Arrived in Kenya at the end of August</p>	<p>TITUS OKETCH AMUSIBWA aka MAALIM KHALID aka MAALIM KENYA – cell leader</p> <p>HASSAN OMONDI OWITI aka BUDALANGI</p> <p>SHABAN NAMUSENDA AMUKOTSE</p> <p>THABIT JAMALDIN YAHYA</p> <p>SWALEH MUSYOKI aka KAROBOTO aka CHADA</p> <p>YASSIN OLUNGA aka NDUGUU</p> <p>FUAD ABUBAKAR MANSWAB</p>	<p>MAALIM KHALID killed in Mombasa in late October 2012 after attempting to escape from arrest.</p> <p>BUDALANGI &amp; NAMUSENDA also killed in similar circumstances in Nairobi and Mombasa.</p> <p>THABIT being held in Shimo-La-Tewa Prison over attack on Bella Vista Club, Mombasa.</p>

		/early Sept.2012 with a team of operatives & reached out to the Al-Qaeda sleeper cell associated with FUAD ABUBAKAR MANSWAB to conduct grenade and IED attacks as well as major suicide bombing attacks targeting key Government installations (The Likoni Ferry, The Kenya Pipeline, The Mombasa Port, Police Stations, Churches, the 2013 general election and campaigns, Assassination of key personalities and security officers.		
6.	AMNIYAT PLOT/November-December 2012	Directed by the Al-Shabaab top leadership.  Operatives from the movement's intelligence wing (Al-Amniyat), dispatched into the country for target selection and attacks.		Operations conducted in Nairobi & NEP and 37 suspected <i>Al-Amniyat</i> operatives arrested.  A number of <i>Al-Amniyat</i> operatives fled back to Somalia; some to Uganda & South Sudan.
7.	GENERAL ELECTION PLOT/March 2013	Directed by the Al-Shabaab top leadership.  Had also been envisioned by HARUN FAZUL as a means of causing inter-communal strife & occasion the collapse of Kenya and thereafter, the East African region.		Enhanced security measures recommended served as deterrent to the plot.
8.	MAY/JUNE 2013 PLOT	Directed by Somalia-based Kenyan Al-Shabaab leader	KENNEDY MUGAMBI MWIRIGI aka KHALIF aka AMAR	AMAR arrested on 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2013 at Githurai.

		<p>MAALIM ABBAS.</p> <p>MAALIM ABBAS provided weapons &amp; finances.</p> <p>Targeted Pubs &amp; Restaurants, Churches, Al-Shabaab defectors &amp; Security personnel</p>	<p>HASSAN OMONDI OWITI aka BUDALANGI</p> <p>DONALD OJIAMBO aka CHEF</p> <p>HUSSEIN RASHID KHAMIS aka BASHIR aka SYMO</p> <p>YASSIN OLUNGA aka NDUGUU</p>	<p>BUDALANGI killed during exchange with Police on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at Githurai safe house.</p> <p>CHEF killed during exchange with Police on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2013.</p> <p>SYMO arrested and in jail</p> <p>NDUGUU at large</p>
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## 5. West gate mall attack

Preliminary investigations and the chronology of events with regard to the Westgate Mall attack are underway.

Some of the Somali numbers have been confirmed to have been located at Bullo Marer near Barawa, where reports had earlier indicated that Ahmed Abdi Godane, the Amir of Al-Shabaab and some of his associates were staying. Others have been traced to unidentified associates of Fuad Shongole.

## 6. Challenges

Counter terrorism measures in the country still continue to face the following challenges:

- ⌚ Lack of awareness among the members of the public on their role in counterterrorism measures, which amongst others entails, detecting and reporting suspicious persons/ activities.
- ⌚ Politicization of crackdown against illegal aliens, especially Somalia nationals who have invested heavily in Nairobi, Mombasa and Garrisa.
- ⌚ Identifying and locating the numerous Al-Shabaab returnees and *Amniyat* operatives in the Country. These operatives entered the

Country at various times to plan attacks, settling at varied locations. Some of them are only identifiable through Christian names and aliases, while others have no form of identification at all.

- ⌚ The operatives have adopted strict operational security measures including reducing use of mobile phones, communicating through encrypted messages, using e-mail draft boxes such as Dead Letter Boxes and adopting use of such applications as *WhatsApp*. They have also minimized interactions with non-members, thus reducing opportunities for recruitment against them.
- ⌚ Corruption as is evident in the fraudulent issuance of public documents and handling of terrorism-related cases.
- ⌚ The lack of a concerted and coordinated counter terrorism mechanism impedes investigations as competing interests take precedence over cases.
- ⌚ The efficacy of the Prevention of Terrorism Act (2012), which contains numerous deterrent provisions, is yet to be fully tested.

## **1. Way Forward**

- ⌚ Hasten the decimation of the Al-Shabaab terrorism infrastructure in Somalia by launching a diplomatic offensive to mobilize Regional and International support for a military solution.
- ⌚ Mobilize public support for the war on terrorism and sustain security operations especially in North Eastern, Coast and Nairobi regions to dismantle the terrorist infrastructure;
- ⌚ Urgently review and implement the national counter-terrorism strategy;
- ⌚ Tackle corruption, enhance security vigilance and counter-terrorism efforts;
- ⌚ Beefing up security in all key vulnerable points and social places;

- ⌚ Ensure strict enforcement of relevant legislations;
- ⌚ Strengthen the National Intelligence Service Act, 2012
- ⌚ Allocate adequate resources to enhance the capacity of the various security agencies addressing the threat of terrorism; and
- ⌚ Engage Muslim leaders, elders and Islamic scholars to counter radicalization by terrorist operatives.

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