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- 1 International Criminal Court
- 2 Pre-Trial Chamber II Courtroom I
- 3 Presiding Judge Ekaterina Trendafilova, Judge Hans-Peter Kaul and
- 4 Judge Cuno Tarfusser
- 5 Situation in the Republic of Kenya ICC-01/09-02/11
- 6 In the case of the Prosecutor versus Francis Kirimi Muthaura,
- 7 Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta, and Mohammed Hussein Ali
- 8 Confirmation of Charges Hearing
- 9 Saturday, 24 September 2011
- The hearing starts at 9.32 a.m.
- 11 (Open session)
- 12 COURT USHER: All rise. International Criminal Court is now in
- 13 session.
- 14 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Good morning. Please be seated.
- Good morning, everyone. I would ask now the Court Officer to
- 16 please call the case.
- 17 COURT OFFICER: Good morning, Madam President, your Honours.
- 18 This is the Situation in the Republic of Kenya, in the case of the
- 19 Prosecutor versus in the case of the Prosecutor v.
- 20 Francis Kirimi Muthaura, Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta, and Mohammed Hussein Ali,
- 21 case reference ICC-01/09-02/11. Thank you, Your Honours.
- 22 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you very much. I would ask
- 23 whether there are some new members of the teams. Ms. Adeboyejo.
- MS. ADEBOYEJO: Good morning, Madam President, your Honours.
- 25 Yes, we have one more member of our team this morning. It's

- 1 Maria Elena Vignoli. Thank you.
- 2 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Good morning. Welcome to the
- 3 courtroom.
- I turn now to the Defence teams. You have some new members of
- 5 your teams joining us today?
- 6 MR. KHAN: Madam President, your Honours, good morning. Not new
- 7 members.
- 8 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Good morning.
- 9 MR. KHAN: Not new members, but just to announce the return to
- 10 the courtroom of Essa Faal and Kennedy Ogetto, council in the case.
- 11 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you very much, Mr. Khan.
- 12 Mr. Kay?
- 13 MR. KAY: No, your Honour.
- 14 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: No.
- 15 And Mr. Monari or Kehoe?
- MR. MONARI: No, your Honour.
- 17 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: No one else.
- With Mr. Anyah?
- MR. ANYAH: No, Madam President. Good morning, your Honours.
- 20 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Good morning.
- 21 On behalf of the Chamber, we have Ms. Habiba Gani who is the
- 22 legal assistant to the Chamber.
- Now we proceed with the presentation of the first Defence team
- 24 starting with the Defence team of Mr. Muthaura, Mr. Khan. I hope that
- 25 you could relax and you are fit now, because the whole day is yours.

- 1 Just before you start, Mr. Khan, I would like very shortly once again
- 2 without reiterating the -- what was already said with regard to the
- 3 presentations about the EVD numbers, the four digits and so on. I would
- 4 only reiterate our expectation that the parties are very cautious, very
- 5 conscientious when they are referring to a confidential piece of evidence
- 6 and anonymous witnesses. And if you would like to, in your
- 7 presentations, to analyse some of the witness statements, to challenge
- 8 some of the piece of evidence, please, we rely on your professional
- 9 assessment that you're going not to put the Chamber in this difficult
- 10 situation to -- to not to respect its own responsibility regarding the
- 11 safety and security of others on account of the activities of the court.
- 12 And if you need for the purposes of your presentations to -- to analyse
- in-depth in a way that could reveal the identity of some of the
- 14 witnesses, please just inform the Chamber so that we switch into a
- 15 private or closed session. We are going to highly appreciate such an
- 16 approach. Thank you very much.
- 17 Having said this, Mr. Khan, the floor is over to you for the
- 18 three sessions, although we are going to cut half an hour. So we are
- 19 going to finish at around 3.30 without you being obliged to take all the
- 20 time if you're going to be concise, to the point, and make the most
- 21 important presentations of course upon your assessment.
- 22 MR. KHAN: Madam President, your Honours, good morning. One
- 23 always tries. It's always one's quest to be concise and relevant but
- 24 perhaps it's a quest that I've yet to fulfil, but I'll certainly try to
- 25 comply with the admonition and recommendation.

- 1 Madam President, your Honours, I will continue this morning with
- 2 the 26th of November meeting that I was discussing yesterday, and
- 3 your Honour has already seen, the Court has seen the video that was
- 4 played and the nature of the meeting at State House, and then the video
- 5 shot Ambassador Muthaura was seated to one side and his excellency
- 6 President Kibaki, of course, was chairing the meeting. Another
- 7 individual present was Ambassador Yvonne Khamati. She's a rising star of
- 8 Kenyan politics, only 29 years of age and has already been ambassador in
- 9 several locations and is the permanent representative of Kenya to the
- 10 United Nations office in Nairobi.
- 11 Now, your Honour, her statement is at EVD-PT-D12-00034 and this
- 12 is what ambassador Khamati has to say regarding the meeting at State
- 13 House on the 26th of November, 2007. Your Honour, at paragraph 49 and
- 14 I'll read the section ambassador Khamati, she says that:
- 15 "The meeting I attended did not discuss Mungiki and at no point,"
- at no point, "was the word Mungiki even mentioned according to my memory.
- 17 That's the government, the PNU government would sit and discuss with an
- 18 outlawed sect is almost unimaginable. It is this government, I think,
- 19 that has done a lot in work in ensuring that the sect has been banned and
- 20 our stations, especially young people, especially working as touts, are
- 21 not being harassed and more by these gangs if we what we see in the media
- 22 is anything to go by. In fact, I'm quite aware that a few civil society
- 23 organisations are saying that the government are being too tough with the
- 24 Mungiki. I think there was even a time when a few members of the sect
- 25 were arrested and rounded up. So to say that this same government that

- 1 was negotiating with the Mungiki? No, I don't think that it is the
- 2 government that I serve and anybody saying that clearly does not know the
- 3 president of the republic."
- Now, your Honour, there's also a very relevant statement that the
- 5 Defence have obtained, usual investigations, nothing to shout about, but
- 6 investigations that have apparently escaped the Office of the Prosecutor
- 7 that occupies this building, and I refer to EVD-PT-D12-00089 and at
- 8 paragraph 21, Michael Kagika, he's the administrative officer in charge
- 9 of all hospitality and events at State House, and this individual says,
- 10 regarding the 26th of November:
- 11 "There was no meeting in the garden. There were no tents pitched
- 12 in the garden that day. I'm certain of this because it was my
- 13 responsibility to coordinate arrangements for garden meetings, and I can
- 14 confirm that there were no meetings at State House grounds that day."
- Now, your Honours I'm constantly surprised, in fact aghast, at
- some of the propositions put forward by my learned friends opposite,
- 17 Ambassador Muthaura, you've seen him in court, jumping up as an animated
- 18 young man and shouting out in Kikuyu, losing his temper. I don't know if
- 19 this evidence will be sidelined and they'll say well, maybe
- 20 Ambassador Muthaura himself pitched the tents, but such -- such kind of
- 21 nonsense must be rejected before it even enters one's mind. This is
- 22 evidence that the Defence puts forward from the events manager who
- 23 rejects the presence of tents on that day. So accordingly, the one
- 24 meeting that is there is the meeting that we have shown in the video, and
- 25 we have in our submission explained very clearly, very simply what was

- 1 going on.
- Now, your Honour, I refer also in passing to Witness Isaiya
- 3 Kabira. He's the head of the presidential press service,
- 4 EVD-PT-D12-00234. And, your Honour, he exhibits the video, in fact, that
- 5 we showed yesterday and also the press release with the photograph that
- 6 was shown yesterday. Your Honours, I'm not going to go belabour the
- 7 point, but the scale of the Defence investigations is quite thorough in
- 8 our respectful submission. Your Honours, of course, will decide
- 9 ultimately if we've put forward evidence that's worthy of consideration
- 10 or whether or not the Prosecution opposite have established and
- 11 discharged their burden of proof based on what we say is the one
- 12 discredited and unreliable evidence that they offer in order for this
- 13 case to go to trial, but your Honours I will refer to other Defence
- 14 witnesses: D12-0047, that's EVD-PT-D12-00228; Witness D12-0005,
- 15 EVD-PT-D12-00063; Ipu Hyslop, he's the comptroller of State House. He
- 16 has the office right next to the president and he's in charge of all
- 17 events, ultimately, at State House, and he also serves as the private
- 18 secretary of the president. Your Honour, I refer you to his statement at
- 19 EVD-PT-D12-000194 (* sic); Witness D12-0037, EVD-PT-D12-00054; and in
- 20 case I got the wrong EVD before for Mr. Ipu, it's 000194.
- Your Honour, the people at this meeting and your Honours, on
- 22 the statements we have detailed the ethnicity of all our witnesses
- 23 because of the type of case the Prosecution are putting forward come
- 24 from all ethnicities. They're not just Kikuyus, and of course the
- 25 Prosecution evidence, they're relying upon witnesses that are really

- 1 tarnishing the good name. They may not like it, but in reality they're
- 2 tarnishing the good name of the Kikuyu people. Almost all Kikuyus are
- 3 viewed as, and I will justify it in a moment, all Kikuyus are said
- 4 almost, by their witnesses, to be Mungiki. It's like saying, you know,
- 5 all Irish are IRA or all Muslims are Al-Qaeda or all Germans are Nazis,
- 6 it's a phenomenally offensive proposition to put forward and yet this --
- 7 these are the witnesses that the Prosecution are relying upon. But
- 8 your Honour, Witness D12-0005 at that meeting he's Embu.
- 9 Witness D12-0006 is a Luhya. Witness D12-0036 is a Luo.
- 10 Minister Dr. Muhamed Kematti (* phon); the minister of youth, Akuti; and
- 11 you've got his statement, he's Barani; Hyslop Ipu is Pokomo; and
- 12 Ambassador Muthaura, of course, as you know he's Meru. So if this, even
- 13 at the barest cursory glance, does not wed well at all with the
- 14 Prosecution conjecture and assertion that somehow there was this Mungiki
- 15 party at State House organising some kind of rapprochement and use of
- 16 Mungiki group with all this huge number of people present that represent
- 17 the very rich mosaic of life and tribal custom and ethnicity that makes
- 18 up the Republic of Kenya.
- 19 Your Honour, we come down to one unavoidable reality, that the
- 20 Prosecution have one witness that they rely upon at this meeting, and
- 21 that witness, that witness, is uncorroborated and contradicted. And,
- 22 your Honour, that witness himself says he was not present. Yes, your
- 23 Honours, we say of course he is not present, and the reason we say he's
- 24 not present, D12-0037, is borne out by a number of indicia that we ask
- 25 for you to consider. You've got the video. He's not in the video, he's

- 1 not in the pictures. Witness -- one of the witness that is relied upon
- 2 by the Prosecution, Witness -- our Witness D12-0037, Witness D12-0037 is
- 3 there, and he says very clearly in his statement that that person, that
- 4 Prosecution witness was not there, and another Prosecution witness,
- 5 another Defence witness that we've put forward who the witness -- who the
- 6 Prosecution witness D4 -- Witness 0004 says is at State House says he was
- 7 not. So there's really no evidence that the Prosecution put forward
- 8 capable of belief. He's the invisible man. He's disappearing man. He
- 9 doesn't appear in videos. And all this talk of Mungiki blood drinking
- 10 not appearing in videos one really wonders what kind of evidence is being
- 11 put forward. But, your Honours, let's move on and look at the
- 12 preparation and alleged organisation of the criminal plan that the
- 13 Prosecution put forward as capable of belief.
- But before we move in that direction it is highly pertinent in
- our respectful submission to look at the totality of the evidence and the
- 16 background to how we got here. This was not virgin territory that the
- 17 Prosecutor entered. They are, and I mentioned it in the opening, they're
- 18 seeking to piggyback on aspects of the Waki report, and your Honours of
- 19 course will read that in due course or review it again in due course, but
- 20 perhaps there is a distinction between some of the factual findings of
- 21 Waki and some of the conclusions reached, but be that as it may, Waki
- 22 didn't purport to be the totality or the final word of investigations,
- and the Prosecution do not have that right to say that they're going to
- be the final word or their case is worthy of belief, because what they
- 25 have done is look away, look away from a massive, a massive amount of

- 1 evidence. Let me give you just but some examples as it comes to
- 2 Ambassador Muthaura.
- 3 Your Honour, Prosecution so-called, I mean this beggars belief,
- 4 Prosecution so-called incriminatory evidence EVD-PT-OTP-0001. Your
- 5 Honours, from 0179 to 2 -- 0240 is an annex to the Kenyan human rights
- 6 report, the Kenyan national human rights report. Two-hundred and
- 7 eighteen individuals, 218 individuals there in plain sight are referred
- 8 to. No the Ocampo six, not the three individuals in this court, 213
- 9 based upon what the Prosecution in other context say is reliable
- 10 evidence. But did it not occur to them that this is something perhaps to
- 11 consider?
- Well, your Honours, one piece -- one document, okay. Maybe it's
- 13 flawed. Ambassador Muthaura is not mentioned. You can cast it aside,
- 14 forget about it, give it as pexo, but they have given it as incriminatory
- 15 evidence, but your Honours let's go on because there are six items like
- this and I will take the Prosecution through it. It seems they haven't
- 17 looked at it, they haven't reviewed it. They certainly haven't had any
- regard to it. Your Honours, EVD-PT-OTP-00029 at 0464 to 0467.
- 19 Twenty-eight names, 28 names listed, list and profile of adversely
- 20 mentioned persons. Twenty-eight names, Ambassador Muthaura's notably
- 21 absent.
- 22 EVD-PT-OTP-00030, at 0469 to 0471. This is a profile of key
- 23 persons named in the DISC, PSIC and police intelligence reports. 11
- 24 individuals named, Ambassador Muthaura not one of them.
- 25 Your Honour, Africa confidential EVD-PT-OTP-00169 from 0240 to

- 1 0249, nine names, Muthaura not mentioned.
- 2 Your Honour, I think that's -- one more. Your Honour, one more.
- 3 Your Honour, one more, there's EVD-PT-OTP-00297, at 05 -- 0350. And,
- 4 your Honour, this is a document, a capable regarding from class -- well,
- 5 apparently classified from the United States State Department listing
- 6 individuals -- just bear with me a moment. Just bear with me one moment.
- 7 Yes, naming individuals that were on the US travel ban. Eight names.
- 8 Once again, the United States government with all their intelligence
- 9 service, with all their abilities, Ambassador Muthaura not mentioned.
- 10 And this is not a weapons of mass destruction case where the Americans
- 11 have got it wrong and the OTP have it right, because here they're
- 12 supported by so many other independent sources.
- 13 Your Honours the last one EVD-PT-OTP-00212 was referred to by my
- 14 learned friend Mr. Adeniran yesterday. He referred to it in court,
- 15 page 22, line 2, of the transcript. Your Honour, I don't understand
- 16 actually how he referred to it in good conscience as somehow advancing
- 17 the Prosecution's case. I really for the life of me don't see it because
- 18 what this shows is Ambassador Muthaura is not mentioned as being involved
- 19 at all. So, your Honours, that's the starting point. All these
- 20 investigations, no mention of Ambassador Muthaura.
- Now, I'm not saying that these are dispositive of the issue, but
- 22 what they required any prudent investigator should have had pause for
- 23 thought and said, "Have we got it right? Are we right?" Because our
- 24 abilities, our diligence, our efficiency, our capacity to know the law,
- 25 to know Kenya, not visit as tourists, but actually suddenly get to grips

- 1 with the constitution, get to grips with the administrative structures,
- 2 get to grips with the evidence, and actually get to the truth that all
- 3 these entities failed to do. Perhaps a reasonable prudent investigator
- 4 would have said let's show some caution here. Let's try to verify.
- 5 Let's try to make sure that evidence is corroborated. Let's try to speak
- 6 to the people that are mentioned but none of it, none of it has been done
- 7 by the Prosecution in this case.
- 8 Your Honours, that's the background that I would ask you to
- 9 consider when we move forward and look at the planning, and when we come
- 10 to the planning stage that has been put forward by the Prosecution, I
- 11 will start, and really it is a luxury of choice that we have. I will
- 12 start again with the words of the Prosecutor himself, play
- 13 EVD-PT-D12-00193.
- 14 (Video-clip played)
- 15 "People in the government have meetings to discuss what to do,
- and the evidence we have is Mr. Kenyatta offered the support of the
- 17 Mungiki to attack, and Mr. Muthaura as a top responsible security gave
- 18 instructions to allow the Mungiki to do it, and that's the case the
- 19 Judges accepted.
- 20 "And that was pre-planned? Could that have been pre-planned?
- "No, no. We have no information that this was pre-planned. We
- 22 have -- they reacted. This is a reaction. That's the information we
- 23 have."
- MR. KHAN: Well, your Honours, he speaks for himself. The
- 25 Prosecution's case cannot change like the Dutch weather. It cannot. It

- 1 can't in one breath say there's no planning, it's spontaneous, and the
- 2 next breath come to the court attired in a robe and ask the Court to give
- 3 him credibility when he says that it's all planned and orchestrated in
- 4 the most fantastic and meticulous manner. He cannot have his cake and
- 5 eat it. He must be consistent, that's the minimum that a criminal trial
- 6 requires.
- 7 Your Honours, on this I accept this word, this particular
- 8 conclusion of the Prosecutor. It's a strange occurrence, because he's
- 9 corroborated by General Michael Gichangi, who is the director general of
- 10 the National Security Intelligence Service of the Republic of Kenya, a
- 11 hugely impressive man. If we were allowed more witnesses, he would have
- 12 been definitely one of the witnesses that we would like your Honours to
- 13 have heard from. He's somebody who the Prosecution have relied upon,
- 14 repeatedly, because the reports that they say point the finger at us come
- 15 from his office. He's been referred to by the Waki Commission. Their
- 16 own witness talks about professionalism of NSIS.
- 17 Now what does General Michael Gichangi say? Your Honour, NSIS
- 18 report EVD-PT-D12-00066 disclosed as pexo, and this refers to
- 19 General Michael Gichangi's testimony to the Waki Commission, and
- 20 Judge Waki asked him about these allegations that are being bandied about
- 21 regarding Mungiki at State House. Now this is not a case that NSIS did
- 22 not investigate. He says very clearly at 0062 that he had investigated
- 23 them and he had found no basis, the service had found no basis for the
- 24 rumours that were being pedaled as truth, and yet that is once again an
- 25 inconvenient truth that the Prosecution seek to put in a box marked pexo,

- 1 tape it up, and cart it off to the Defence to make of it what they will,
- 2 and this comes back to some comment we made earlier. In fact, it was a
- 3 witness from -- Witness Kimemia. He thought the Prosecutor's duty under
- 4 the Rome Statute was not to prosecute, not to get cases to trial at all
- 5 costs irrespective of the evidence, but to investigate, to inform himself
- 6 with an open mind under -- consistent with the oath of office to act
- 7 conscientiously as evidence comes in, and yet this case that should be
- 8 kept under continuous review, we say, has not. There are blinkers on.
- 9 We want this case to go to trial come what may. And, your Honours, this
- 10 is why at the outset I said an inquiry is needed when this case is over.
- 11 It is unconscionable. Whatever the flaws of the Prosecution case. At
- 12 the very least, once we gave them what they should have done, a prudent
- 13 Prosecutor could have said, okay, we've got it wrong. Step back. But,
- 14 your Honours, marching blindly on for God knows what reason is a matter
- 15 that you'll have to decide in due course.
- 16 Your Honours, the statement of Michael Gichangi is
- 17 EVD-PT-D12-00053. And I would like you to read two paragraphs,
- 18 paragraphs 30. And he says this:
- 19 "NSIS would routinely have fairly accurate information on
- 20 activities and contacts between Mungiki sect members and Members of
- 21 Parliament and politicians, prominent personalities, and operatives and
- 22 candidates contesting the 2007 elections. I am therefore able to attest
- 23 and swear -- "he is not before your Honours, but he was willing, but
- 24 who -- he is attesting and swearing that "... there was no information at
- 25 all about Ambassador Muthaura having any links whatsoever with the

- 1 Mungiki sect."
- 2 And yet they say, they put forward a witness as a witness of
- 3 truth saying's he's a Mungiki despite the fact he's a Meru and despite
- 4 his service to the country.
- 5 "If there are any such contacts," the director general says, "I
- 6 can assure you, NSIS would have known. There was almost nothing that
- 7 Mungiki could do that the service would not know due to the level of
- 8 monitoring sect activities given the threat it poses to national
- 9 security. Throughout, be it prior to, during, or immediately after the
- 10 post-election violence, the government continued its efforts, continued
- in its efforts to eradicate the Mungiki menace. These government efforts
- 12 continue till now. There was never a policy of the government to turn a
- 13 blind eye to the Mungiki activity."
- 14 Paragraph 31 he continues:
- 15 "In relation to Prosecution allegations that Ambassador Muthaura
- 16 was present and participated at the State House with Mungiki members, the
- 17 service has no information about such a meeting. I am also not aware of
- 18 any meeting that Ambassador Muthaura attended at Nairobi safari club or
- 19 Nairobi club (what is sometimes known as 'Nairobi Members Club') in 2007
- 20 or 2008 with Kikuyu businessmen and members of the Mungiki sect. If
- 21 there was such a meeting, NSIS would have known."
- Now, your Honours he is not putting forward evidence. I mean
- 23 intelligence -- obtaining intelligence, they're based on rumour, on
- 24 gossip, on -- but verifiable intelligence, and this statement from
- 25 somebody, from an entity that the Prosecution rely upon cannot simply be

- 1 put under the table. To do that is really a travesty and it's something
- 2 that should really be a matter of grave, grave concern.
- 3 Your Honour, with your leave, I'm going to move now to the 30th
- 4 of December contention put forward by the Prosecution. Now, I'll start.
- 5 The Prosecution opened and said this is a critical meeting. This is the
- 6 point when there's been an evolution from the previous agreement on the
- 7 26th to a criminal plan. Now the criminal plan is hatched on the 30th.
- 8 This is the day it's born. That's what the Prosecution say.
- 9 Now, this important mention somehow escaped them in the
- 10 Article 58 application, and it's somehow escaped them in the DCC because
- 11 they don't give it that importance in those documents. In fact, we were
- 12 spending an awful lot of time on the 26th of November. So it seems to be
- 13 rather late in the day, but let's -- let's go ahead and analyse it with
- 14 your Honours' leave.
- There's only one witness, only one witness that provides evidence
- in relation to the 30th of December State House meeting, and he wasn't
- 17 even there. Now, the Prosecution -- and that's Witness 00011. The
- 18 Prosecution cannot rely upon Witness 00012 for a number of reasons. The
- 19 first is he is fed, absolutely fed, leading question by the investigator,
- and I will read it; EVD-PT-OTP-00666 at 0418. And, your Honours, in due
- 21 course I would ask you to look at line 0478 to 0481, and I'll read it.
- 22 The investigator says this:
- 23 "Sorry, I know Muthutho, Thuo, Uhuro Kenyatta were all at the
- 24 meeting, at least one meeting on the 30th of December, when Uhuru banged
- 25 the table and says, 'We get people from the ground.'"

- 1 And the witness answers:
- 2 "Yes."
- Now the rest of that, the rest of it, page after page is
- 4 redacted. I mean, there's no evidence. There is a leading -- absolutely
- 5 blatantly leading question and black redacted evidence. There's nothing.
- 6 So, your Honours, forget Witness -- forget witness -- I'm
- 7 grateful. Forget witness 0012. Now let's look at Witness 0011. Now his
- 8 testimony, and your Honours will review it, for example -- and before I
- 9 move on, even Witness 0012, he doesn't even say the meeting's at State
- 10 House. And surprisingly, despite the leading, even the investigator
- 11 doesn't lead him in that direction. He simply says, about a meeting
- somewhere on the 30th. But going back then to the 30th of December
- 13 alleged meeting at State House.
- 14 The witness himself is not present. The witness says at
- 15 EVD-PT-OTP-00322 at 1514, line 301:
- 16 "I don't know who summoned them to State House."
- 17 So he don't know who called the meeting. And he's not even
- 18 specifically asked regarding his presence at the meeting, but what he
- 19 does say from his answers it's clear that he's not because at EVD, for
- 20 example, PT-OTP-00322, at 1514, line 283, he says and I quote:
- 21 "I believe that they were also there. I believe that they were
- 22 also there. There were also Mungiki people there also."
- 23 Your Honour, there's no -- you cannot somehow import into this
- 24 conjecture of I believe any suggestion of actual knowledge, any
- 25 discussion that he was there. He's a direct eyewitness, an anonymous

- 1 witness that doesn't give any basis to the basis of his information, who
- 2 doesn't actually even say Ambassador Muthaura was at the meeting. And
- 3 despite all of that, staring them in the face, the Prosecution opposite
- 4 say, Your Honours, don't look at the evidence. Come what may, send it to
- 5 trial. Your Honours, we can see why they don't want you to look at the
- 6 evidence.
- 7 Your Honour, regarding the -- the 30th of December, I refer to
- 8 another Defence witness. He's the spokesperson of the Republic of Kenya,
- 9 Dr. Alfred Matua. EVD-PT-D12-00180 at line -- at 24, paragraphs 1 and 2
- and 25, paragraphs 3 to 6. And he says that he's with the ambassador.
- 11 He comes into State House on the 30th. He's with Ambassador Muthaura.
- 12 They leave for Harambee house to meet media editors and they come back
- 13 after a short while, and then they're joined with the Attorney General,
- 14 the Chief Justice, Honourable Michuki and other individuals.
- Now, your Honours, the 30th of December is not a irrelevant date.
- 16 I mean, the 30th of December 2007 was not a forgettable date in Kenya.
- 17 That's the day when his excellency Mwai Kibaki was sworn in, and yet the
- 18 Prosecution say, well, despite that massive event, these senior members
- 19 of the government, senior civil servants, they're preoccupied with
- 20 meeting an outlawed criminal gang not in a hidden location but in State
- 21 House where the event is taking place, and they say this with a straight
- 22 face. They say it with a straight face, apparently expecting you to
- 23 swallow it hook, line, and sinker in the same way that they, we say, have
- 24 swallowed hook, line, and sinker the nonsense, the lies, the deceit, the
- 25 fabrications, and the absolutely contradictory evidence that they put

- 1 forward. This is evidence that should be kicked out of Court without a
- 2 moment's hesitation. Your Honour let me play, with your leave, another
- 3 video. EVD-PT-D12-00192. This is the event of the swearing in on the
- 4 30th of December at State House.
- 5 COURT OFFICER: Madam President, your Honours, while we wait for
- 6 the video to play, I just want to remind everyone that to be able to
- 7 watch this video we need to switch to the PC 1 channel thank you.
- 8 (Video-clip played)
- 9 "Is the presentation of the certificate -- 30th December 2007,
- 10 Francis Kirimi Muthaura hurriedly conducted at nightfall a swearing in
- 11 ceremony at State House following disputed presidential results."
- MR. KHAN: Madam President, just for the sake of information, the
- 13 individuals one saw earlier were not Mungiki in dreadlocks or in goat
- 14 skins. Those were wigs and gowns. And this oath is the oath of office,
- 15 not a Mungiki oath. It's very clear what is going on here, and not a
- 16 Mungiki in sight.
- 17 Your Honour, of course, would have seen Ambassador Muthaura
- 18 himself at that meeting at that time.
- 19 Your Honour, I also refer to the statement of Dr. Ben -- sorry,
- of Benson, Benson Githinji, EVD-PT-D12-00208 at 21, paragraph 32. Now,
- 21 he's the escort commander in charge of security at State House, and we
- 22 provide a list of people that came to State House on the 30th of
- 23 December. Again, evidence that one would think is quite important when
- one was investigating a criminal plan at a location like this. And, your
- 25 Honours, I also rely upon -- I also rely upon EVD-PT-D12-00226, at

- 1 000223, at paragraphs 3 to 12 of Hyslop Ipu, again, who talks about what
- 2 actually happened at State House.
- 3 Your Honour, once again we're fortunate, the president himself
- 4 who mentioned a little degree of surprise that the Prosecutor who met him
- 5 came to his country and enjoyed the full protocol, almost to a head of
- 6 state, when he entered Kenya didn't speak to him about the allegations,
- 7 but what he does say, what he can put before your Honours is
- 8 EVD-PT-D12-000620 (* sic), and he says at paragraph 28, his excellency
- 9 says:
- 10 "30th of December 2007 was a very important day. The results of
- 11 the presidential election were announced that day. Muthaura was with me
- 12 all afternoon watching the election results being announced on
- 13 television. Muthaura remained with me all day until my swearing in as
- 14 president for the second term in the evening at about 6.00 p.m. The
- 15 ceremony lasted for about 30 minutes or so."
- And, your Honour, you also have the statement of Dr. Alfred Matua
- 17 who talks about the ambassador's presence.
- 18 Your Honour, you also got the statement of Godhard Mburu Kamau,
- 19 EVD-PT-D12-00223 at 0022, paragraph 14 and 15, and also annex to his
- 20 statement, you have annex to his statement as the current commander of G
- 21 company that's in charge of State House and the current custodian of all
- 22 GSU, General Service Unit, records, documents that we say are relevant
- 23 regarding the visitors mentioned and that's -- the annex is
- 24 EVD-KEN-D12-0012 at 14. And, your Honours, those are all, of course, as
- 25 needed, authenticated and stamped.

- 1 So, your Honours, Witness's 11 account, we say brooks but one
- 2 conclusion: It didn't happen, it's unreliable, and it's concocted. And,
- 3 your Honours, all kind of credibility issues with Witness 0011, Witness
- 4 0012, that it may be that the other Defence team of Kenyatta, of
- 5 Uhuru Kenyatta, will mention. We have a statement of D12-0047 that may
- 6 also provide some background, but the idea that this was a secret
- 7 location is again rejected by a whole stream of Defence evidence and
- 8 common sense. In fact, some of these allegations didn't even require
- 9 Defence witnesses, but we have to show due diligence because the
- 10 Prosecution arguments defy common sense.
- I mean, anybody who knows government, anybody who's been at
- 12 Downing Street or the White House, I mean, these are not private
- 13 locations. And we have statements, we have statements from officials
- 14 that there's 350 people or odd working every single day at State House,
- 15 all ethnicity. You know, nothing happens without people knowing, and
- despite that the Prosecution says, No, no, you don't know. We say this
- 17 is a secret location. It's a very convenient place to have a secret
- 18 meeting with a criminal outlawed gang on the lawn of State House or in
- 19 some tents pitched somewhere by somebody in State House. This is
- 20 incredible evidence. Evidence incapable of belief, certainly evidence
- 21 that doesn't meet the standard required for confirmation.
- 22 Your Honour, as an aside, I think a paragraph of Dr. Matua's
- 23 statement, D12-00180, at page 26, paragraph 8, is -- at 0026, paragraph
- 24 8, is very relevant, and I'll -- I'll read that. He says:
- 25 "As an aside, I would point out that as of the 30th of December,

- 1 2007, there had not been --" he's a spokesperson, so he receives all the
- 2 information so he can brief the press.
- 3 "... as of the 30th of December, 2007, there had not been any
- 4 targeted violence to speak of in the country. Accordingly, the
- 5 suggestion that Mungiki met at State House on that day with
- 6 Ambassador Muthaura to plan retaliatory attacks is not only unrealistic,
- 7 untenable, but is in my view absolutely false."
- 8 Again, just looking at the time lines, 30th of December. One can
- 9 look at when the real violence started and say no, no, on the 30th
- 10 they're planning retaliatory attacks. Perhaps -- well, we haven't seen
- 11 the evidence of that.
- 12 Your Honours, Witness 0011 simply does not mention
- 13 Ambassador Muthaura. I think it was yesterday, 23rd of September, it
- 14 was -- it was just yesterday when they mentioned at page 20 of the
- 15 transcript, lines 16 to 17, that the Prosecution were seeking to support
- 16 the present -- presence of Ambassador Muthaura by EVD-PT-OTP-00322, at
- 17 page 1513 to 1515.
- 18 Your Honours, there's no magic. Sometimes there's danger, in all
- 19 honesty, with these list of evidence and charts and all this, you know,
- 20 sophistication, because it can hide nothing. I mean, it can hide the
- 21 absence of evidence, because you look at these charts and you see all
- 22 these EVD numbers, and the Prosecution have an obligation to tie in every
- 23 allegation to the evidence, and it looks wow, every charge, every element
- 24 made out. But you look at it and there's nothing, and what's worse in
- 25 this case and we'll mention it more in our closing brief the

- 1 Prosecution on numerous occasions -- you know, it should be -- it should
- 2 be a chance to check oneself. This process that the judiciary have
- 3 informed or required of the parties is also forcing us to do what is
- 4 required of us as officers of the court to check that we meet our
- 5 responsibilities, and yet -- and I will come to it, numerous occasions
- 6 they give footnotes, they give references, sometimes blanked out. They
- 7 rely upon evidence that's black, that's redacted. Other occasions they
- 8 put forward references that simply do not support the proposition that
- 9 they propose.
- 10 Your Honours, this is simply incredible and unsatisfactory.
- 11 Your Honour, I thought that was the end of it for the 30th of December,
- 12 but we were taken aback, actually, we were taken aback that the
- 13 Prosecution, and it was Ms. Adeboyejo who sits just there, she's said in
- 14 court that there was a meeting at the office Kagan House, the office of
- 15 the Honourable Michuki, on the 30th of December with Ambassador Muthaura
- 16 and the Honourable Uhuru Kenyatta regarding the deployment of Mungiki to
- 17 Kibira.
- Now, of course, a bit of mention about -- Kibera's not in the
- 19 charges but it's relevant, well, leave all that aside, leave that all
- aside, and leave aside the fact it's never been mentioned before. How
- 21 can you in a presentation raise an allegation like this for the first
- 22 time on your feet? What does Article 67 mean about the right to adequate
- 23 notice? And, your Honours, we are servants of the court. We put forward
- 24 our arguments sometimes as merit, sometimes they're weak and your Honours
- 25 expose the weaknesses, but we said that there was a lack of specificity

- 1 in the charges. We were struggling as -- you know, it's very difficult
- 2 to fight a phantom. You know, all this noise we're hearing in the press,
- 3 all this noise we're hearing from the Prosecution that they have this
- 4 strong evidence, but to find it and then to confront it when the stakes
- 5 are so high for a client is not an easy challenge. But for the
- 6 Prosecution to say in court now for the first time that there's a meeting
- 7 alleged on the 30th where Kenyatta and Muthaura met, in addition to the
- 8 allegation of the 30th State House, is absolutely unconscionable.
- 9 Absolutely unconscionable. No wonder that the Prosecutor is not in
- 10 court.
- 11 Your Honour, there have been numerous occasions, and I will
- 12 mention it in our -- in our brief. I will back everything up,
- 13 Prosecution -- you know, it's not about -- under domestic codes, and we
- 14 have our own code here, prosecutors -- and I'm lucky, I count myself as
- 15 very fortunate of being one, it's a duty -- a primary duty of a
- 16 prosecutor not to officiously try to get a conviction. You are more than
- 17 anybody else a servant of justice without a personal stake in the
- 18 outcome. What do they do? Your Honour, this flawed witness is relied
- 19 upon in paragraph 55 of the DCC, footnote 124, and it states the
- 20 allegation is that one of Muthaura's subordinates delivered a significant
- 21 amount of money in cash to the Mungiki leader in preparation for the
- 22 Naivasha attack. The evidence cited was that the money was given to
- 23 Mungiki leader, to persons unconnected with Muthaura for the Kibera
- 24 attack.
- 25 So you look at the evidence. It has nothing to do with Naivasha.

- 1 We say it's rubbish anyway, but it has nothing to do with Naivasha and
- 2 yet they're putting it forward with a straight face to say, Well,
- 3 actually it's relevant to Naivasha. But didn't they read their evidence
- 4 and didn't they say, Well, actually what is our evidence? This case,
- 5 what your Honours have done, what is before you, what needs to be decided
- 6 are the allegations for Nakuru and Naivasha. So what's our evidence for
- 7 Naivasha? They didn't do that. They just fill in the spaces and so what
- 8 you get, you're thinking, Ah, there must be something here. It's quite a
- 9 weighty document. It's not good enough, it's bad practice, and it's
- 10 dangerous.
- 11 Your Honours let's go back to the 30th of December meeting.
- 12 Your Honours, the references given by Ms. Adeboyejo on her feet is
- 13 another example. On her feet in court, transcript 22nd of September,
- 14 page 39 to 40, EVD-PT-OTP-00652 at 0120 and 0122. These are the EVD
- 15 numbers she gave. EVD-PT-OTP-00661 at 0315 to 0320 and EVD-PT-OTP-00662
- 16 at 0329 to 330.
- 17 That witness despite, you know, the fig leaf of EVD numbers that
- are very difficult to say, despite the fig leaf of EVD numbers, it cannot
- 19 disguise the nakedness of this kind of practice because those references
- 20 do not support the proposition that Ambassador Muthaura was present at
- 21 that meeting at the honourable Michuki's office. In the entire narration
- 22 of that witness, in the entire narration of that witness, he doesn't
- 23 mention Ambassador Muthaura being mentioned at that meeting.
- Now, your Honour, it's staggering. It is staggering. There's no
- other word for it. This is not hyperbole. And this is not escape,

- 1 because all of us make mistakes, it happens, but this why at the outset I
- 2 said this case discloses serious, profound, systemic failures, and an
- 3 inquiry will be needed at the end of this day as to why a man like this
- 4 has been brought before this court and his respect and his own dignity
- 5 should not -- is to the court, is to your Honours, but it should not stop
- 6 very serious questions being asked about the party opposite and their
- 7 fulfilment of an oath of office that the assembly of State Parties and
- 8 the international communities not only request but require to be taken
- 9 seriously.
- 10 Your Honour, we know that Witness 0012 himself was not present at
- 11 that meeting, because he says he was not present. They look away from
- 12 that. EVD-PT-OTP-00652 at lines 121 -- sorry, at 121, lines 322 to 323.
- Now, your Honour, I will move on to a statement of the Honourable
- 14 Michuki, because amongst the people listed as being present at this
- 15 meeting, of course, is not only the Honourable Michuki but his wife as
- 16 well. Now, your Honours I read the statement of the Honourable Michuki.
- 17 EVD-PT-D12-00088. And, your Honour, paragraph 15 he says, and he wasn't
- 18 spoken to by the Prosecution. He's not a suspect before the court, but
- 19 he's a witness and he's not spoken to. And he's somebody who survived,
- 20 and the Prosecution who mentioned Googling can see it on the internet, if
- 21 they say that's enough. He survived assassination attempts by the
- 22 Mungiki.
- 23 "I am not a member or supporter of the Mungiki. I have never
- 24 arranged for funded a Mungiki meeting in Muranga or anywhere else. I
- 25 have never funded that organisation or assisted it in any way. I have

- 1 not sought to have any alleged Mungiki member released directly or
- 2 through Muthaura or any other person. Indeed, to the contrary, Maina
- 3 Njenga was incarcerated during my tenure."
- 4 He's the man. Under his watch, Maina Njenga was locked up and
- 5 kept away from menacing or as an attempt to stopping him menacing the
- 6 people of Kenya.
- 7 "The Mungiki organisation was banned for a reason, and throughout
- 8 my tenure of office I attempted to tackle the law and order issues that
- 9 fell within my portfolio in accordance with my oath of office and the
- 10 laws of Kenya. I have never given money to or for the Mungiki
- 11 organisation. I have never given money to any person for the funeral of
- 12 the wife of Maina Njenga. My wife, Watiri, has never been present with
- 13 me during any meeting with Mungiki where plans were agreed to support
- 14 that organisation or plan any violence in Kenya or anywhere else. I find
- 15 that suggestion to be particularly vicious and offensive and I take great
- 16 exception to it. I've been married to my one wife for 52 years, and she
- 17 is a woman of the utmost character, and she has always carried herself
- 18 with great dignity. The attempt to drag my wife into a concocted account
- 19 is shocking and exceptionally unfair and could only be politically
- 20 motivated."
- 21 That's what the Honourable Michuki says. And your Honours with
- 22 the greatest of respect, it's beyond me to put it, even attempt to put it
- 23 any more eloquently than that. But, your Honours, perhaps in a
- 24 completely different way, the investigator for the Prosecution came
- 25 close, because trying to elicit this evidence that they rely upon, they

- 1 say at EVD-PT-OTP-00661, at 0316, line 619, that the information
- 2 regarding this meeting and how the interview was going was like a
- 3 plate -- like a plate of sick. Like a plate of vomit. That's what --
- 4 that's how the Prosecution were describing how the evidence was coming
- 5 out of the interview, and that, in fact, was one of the reasons why we
- 6 were asking for statements, because it really is exceptionally difficult
- 7 to make head and tail of what the Prosecution are saying. In fact, it
- 8 seems even the Prosecutor sometimes doesn't know what's saying on any
- 9 given moment on any given day. Your Honour, in due course I'd ask you to
- 10 consider also EVD-PT-D12-0023.
- 11 Your Honour, I'll move on to the 3rd of January meeting. I'm
- 12 sorry I'm taking time, but these are very important and profound matters
- 13 for Ambassador Muthaura and these are the core meetings that are alleged,
- 14 and I am also spending time with -- with intent on investigative
- 15 failures, because the issue of investigative failings in this case would
- 16 take up more time than we've got for all parties. It really would. One
- doesn't know what to start and when to finish. But your Honours let's
- 18 move on to the 3rd of January this key -- key meeting that the
- 19 Prosecution are putting forward.
- Only one witness again. We've come here on the basis once again,
- 21 3rd of January, one witness, Witness 0004, and my learned friend Mr. Faal
- 22 in due course will tell you a little bit about Witness 0004 and whether
- 23 or not he is capable of any belief whatsoever. No other witness except
- 24 Witness 0004 talks about, and Witness 0004, Mr. Faal will say, he changes
- 25 his account repeatedly, one moment saying it's Nairobi Safari Club, then

- 1 he says it's Nairobi Members Club, and all the rest of it. And we've got
- 2 witnesses D12-0041, D12-0039, D12-0051, that really, we say, expose the
- 3 blatant lie being put forward by this witness. But, your Honour the
- 4 burden is on the Prosecution in this case, despite the fact we've been
- 5 active, we've done our -- whatever the limitations, we've done our best
- 6 to put evidence before you, the burden is on them. But, your Honours,
- 7 let's look at some of the evidence that we've put forward.
- 8 But your Honours, I'm not going to go it -- I'm taking time, so
- 9 Alfred Matua. Very important. He I'll come to in a moment. D12-0016,
- 10 D12-0022, Hyslop Ipu, Isaiya Kabira. The list is very clear. But
- 11 regarding the 3rd of January, the evidence again couldn't be clearer. On
- 12 the 3rd of January, and your Honours, it can -- it can go on the screen,
- in fact, EVD -- just the first page. EVD-PT-D12-00009. And,
- 14 your Honour, this is a minutes, the cover sheet only, of the minutes of
- 15 the National Security Advisory Committee, NSAC, and it shows that the
- 16 meeting starts at 9.15 in the morning. Your Honours will see in due
- 17 course at the last page it finishes at 12.50 p.m. Now, that's not the
- 18 end of the story because Alfred Matua -- and Ambassador Muthaura, of
- 19 course, is present and he's chairing it. Now, Alfred Matua has given a
- 20 statement that is before your Honours, and he says that he sees
- 21 Ambassador Muthaura at 9.00 in the morning.
- 22 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Mr. Khan, what is the level of
- 23 confidentiality of this document?
- MR. KHAN: Your Honours, the cover sheet can be shown to all
- 25 parties and the public, it's -- because it's a cover sheet, but not the

- 1 rest of the document.
- 2 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Mm-hmm. Yes. So it's
- 3 confidential. Okay. Just the cover sheet.
- 4 MR. KHAN: Your Honour -- but I can move on, if it takes time.
- 5 Let us move on.
- 6 Your Honour, Dr. Matua says that in the morning he comes in to
- 7 Harambee house where -- he comes into Harambee house and he sees
- 8 Ambassador Muthaura before the NSAC meeting, and then he also sees
- 9 Ambassador Muthaura after the NSAC meeting because, as is their custom,
- 10 he talks about this in his statement, he then goes together with
- 11 Ambassador Muthaura to State House. Now, at State House they're
- 12 preparing an important speech. It is a speech that is being given by the
- 13 president of the republic, the first speech after his second term in
- 14 which he deals with the post-election violence.
- 15 So we have NSAC minutes with all those individuals present
- 16 showing Ambassador Muthaura's location at that -- on at that day at that
- 17 time. We have a statement from Alfred Matua showing where he was in the
- 18 morning. We have a statement showing where he was in the afternoon. And
- 19 your Honours will see we have a video showing where he was that day as
- 20 well. And I'd ask that we play EVD-PT-D12-0009. Sorry, that's my fault.
- 21 EVD-PT-D12-000186.
- 22 (Video-clip played)
- MR. KHAN: And your Honour will see on the screen behind his
- 24 excellency the president, Ambassador Muthaura there at Harambee house
- 25 there on the 3rd of January. Once again your Honours can see, clearly, I

- 1 hope, Ambassador Muthaura.
- 2 (Video-clip played)
- 3 "Ladies and gentlemen, I just have a short statement to make.
- 4 Fellow Kenyans, I am deeply disturbed by the senseless violence
- 5 instigated by some leaders in pursuit of their personal political agenda.
- 6 This is causing unnecessary loss of lives, destruction of property, and
- 7 displacement of innocent Walenje (* phon) from their homes, especially
- 8 women and children. As your president, I want to assure all of you that
- 9 the government is doing everything possible to ensure that security of
- 10 all Kenyans is maintained. Those who continue to violate the law will
- 11 face its full force. I urge the public to remain calm as the government
- 12 continues with its efforts to restore law and order."
- 13 MR. KHAN: Madam President, the whole video is in evidence, and
- 14 your Honours if you have time can -- if you wish, we'd ask you to look at
- 15 it and consider the same.
- 16 Your Honours, but that's not the end of the story, because the
- 17 Prosecution say that this conspiracy, this criminal plan, was conducted
- 18 by Ambassador Muthaura on the phone. So interesting idea. Perhaps phone
- 19 records could be obtained. Well, your Honours, they weren't obtained by
- 20 the Prosecution, but we've put them before you, and, your Honour, I would
- 21 ask you in due course to consider the statement of D12-0040 which is
- 22 EVD-PT-D12-00182, and then also the statement of D12-0042. Her EVD
- 23 number, EVD-PT-D12-00205.
- Your Honours, we have the phone records of Ambassador Muthaura,
- and we've put them before you. And not only that, we have put every

- 1 single call he made in that period, who was called. And, your Honours,
- 2 the reason we did that is so the Prosecution -- I mean, your Honours, the
- 3 burden is not on us, but I don't want the Prosecution to say he had
- 4 another phone. The evidence they put in is that, on their witness's own
- 5 account, is Ambassador Muthaura took his phone. That's their evidence.
- 6 But, your Honours, you'll see from the phone log he calls General
- 7 Kianga, Michael Gichangi, his secretary, his wife, his children. It
- 8 shows that this is his phone that he's using. And, your Honours, on the
- 9 3rd there is no phone call to General Ali. This -- again the burden's
- 10 not on us, but nothing really -- we can't do more. We show NSAC in the
- 11 morning, we show videos in the afternoon, we show telephone records,
- 12 we've done everything that the Prosecution in due diligence should have
- done, particularly given this complete deafening silence from all these
- 14 other reports that I mentioned at the outset that didn't mention
- 15 Ambassador Muthaura. They have the burden of proof and the burden means
- 16 a burden of diligence, and that burden of diligence has not been complied
- 17 with, and I'm very sad to say it, but if they'd spent as much effort
- 18 trying to get phone records, trying to get corroboration as they did
- 19 rummaging around and trying to go through and get evidence from my
- 20 learned friend Ms. Alagendra and Mr. Faal in a desperate bid to
- 21 disqualify them, they would have served the victims far better. Your
- 22 Honours, I meant the e-mails of my learned friends. They would have
- 23 served the victims better.
- 24 This is not about showmanship. It's not about cheap theatrics.
- 25 It's not about drama. It's about the truth. It is about the truth, and

- 1 we say that the victims deserve better. It is very easy to pay
- 2 lip-service to suffering, to see it fleetingly on the television and say
- 3 terrible, terrible, but Ambassador Muthaura has spent 35 years not paying
- 4 lip-service but trying to the best of his ability to serve the people of
- 5 Kenya, and at the end of his career, at the time when he should be with
- 6 his children and retired, he has to come before the court. Well, he
- 7 voluntarily comes, but he comes before the court because the nightmare of
- 8 a terribly serious allegation that has kept his wife and kept him up,
- 9 awake has been raised against him. A nightmare.
- And who brought that nightmare? Who brought that Christmas
- 11 present on the 15th of December just before the court was due to go into
- 12 court recess, dramatic theatrics? It was the Prosecutor who went ahead,
- disinterested, we say, about basic decency and basic obligation that
- 14 investigations have. And your Honours I'll touch in the closing. This
- is a matter of grave concern because States and State Parties that are
- 16 fortunately joining this court continuously express reservations in the
- 17 Rome Statute regarding the Prosecution, but for reasons I'll give we're
- 18 fortunate, despite the nay sayers, that there is a Chamber, a Pre-Trial
- 19 Chamber that can act as a filter to stop this flotsam and jetsam getting
- 20 into the stream of justice and polluting it.
- 21 Your Honours, I'll move on with your leave.
- 22 Your Honour, I must just deal with one issue lest the Prosecution
- 23 stand up and say to the contrary. My learned friend Mr. Adeniran said in
- 24 court that the alleged meeting at the Nairobi Members Club is
- 25 corroborated by Witness 0004, by Witness 0004. That's at

- 1 EVD-PT-OTP-00572, at 0026. In fact, he said this is corroborated by the
- 2 evidence of Prosecution witness 0001, I'm sorry, at 0012 -- at 0012 and
- 3 that's the reference, EVD-PT-OTP-00572 at 0026, who alleges that after
- 4 the outbreak of violence the Mungiki were recruited to retaliate against
- 5 perceived ODM supporters and that both Uhuru Kenyatta and
- 6 Francis Muthaura were involved in those meetings. And that's lines 11 to
- 7 15 of page 16 of the transcript. So that's the reference, that's the
- 8 background, that's the assertion that the Prosecution with a straight
- 9 face in good conscience put forward.
- Now, let's look at Witness 0001, his anonymous statement. Well,
- 11 it's anonymous. We don't know his position in the Mungiki. We don't
- 12 know the basis of his assertions. We don't know the basis of what he
- 13 says, never mind whether or not it should be given any weight, but, your
- 14 Honours, leaving all that aside, just leaving that aside, there's not a
- 15 sentence, not a sentence in the anonymous statement that's been presented
- 16 to you by an officer of the court regarding any planning meeting except
- 17 from, and I quote, "the witness alleges that there were meetings that
- 18 took place between the Mungiki and the government; whereby, prior to the
- 19 elections the Mungiki were recruited to support the PNU," and he alleges
- 20 that both Uhuru Kenyatta and Francis Muthaura were involved in those
- 21 meetings.
- 22 How can one tie that in to the allegation of the 3rd of January?
- 23 How can one did it? It really it shocking, and the greatest of regret,
- 24 but one must call a spade a spade. It is disingenuous. It is
- 25 disingenuous. It's very regrettable, your Honours. Your Honours,

- 1 there's no dates or location of meetings, no details of the participants
- 2 in the meetings, nothing about what's discussed in the meetings, no
- 3 information even to test if he knew Ambassador Muthaura. No information
- 4 if he's -- information is based on summons or the Prosecutor's press
- 5 comments. And the date, well no, date either.
- 6 Now, your Honour, I did put a filing forward at the beginning of
- 7 these proceedings in which I did ask -- that I did ask the Prosecutor to
- 8 be restrained and at the very least to exercise caution and diligence
- 9 with his proclivity of appearing on television and speaking perhaps
- 10 inappropriately.
- 11 Now, your Honours, I'm not going behind that but perhaps it would
- 12 be relevant to cite paragraph 3 and 4 of what I said then -- of what the
- 13 team said then. Your Honour, it's the 30th of March filing, an
- 14 application for an order to the Prosecutor regarding extrajudicial
- 15 comments to the press, and we said at paragraph 3:
- 16 "The Prosecutor is put on notice that if he continues with his
- 17 casual and it must be said rather inappropriate approach of
- 18 extrajudicial comments, the Defence retains its right to make any
- 19 application challenging the credibility, probative value, and utility of
- 20 Prosecution witnesses who purportedly provide accounts on issues which
- 21 are subject of the Prosecution's comments to the press."
- 22 And paragraph 4 we attempted to make it a little clearer.
- 23 "In other words, the Defence submit that the Prosecutor's
- 24 comments have the potential to tarnish the integrity of its own
- 25 investigations. More damaging still, the Prosecutor's comments have the

- 1 potential to cause significant prejudice to the Defence as they have the
- 2 potential to pollute the witness pool in Kenya and expose them to a
- 3 one-sided narrative from the Prosecutor."
- 4 Your Honours, it continues. Well, your Honours, the Prosecutor
- 5 carried on, but we will say generally, and whilst redactions are
- 6 judicially ordered, we think it's -- in our submission it is unfortunate
- 7 that so many dates have been redacted to so many statements or the
- 8 statements as relied upon because the timing of statements is important,
- 9 particularly where you have a Prosecutor that speaks to the press quite a
- 10 lot about the matters that are *sub judice* before the court, and this is
- 11 why, your Honours, in one occasion, and I was very candid and I tried to
- 12 be straightforward in these matters, I said that Ambassador Muthaura
- 13 himself is an example of how to behave regarding the press, and
- 14 generally, actually, but I meant regarding the press. But, your Honours,
- despite all of that, we don't know the basis of this evidence.
- Your Honours I'm going to try to move on to my last component.
- 17 And I'm sorry I'm taking time. It's the allegation regarding mid to late
- 18 January. And it was staggering yesterday once again -- and these are one
- 19 of the reasons, these little issues, that we -- I wanted to start today
- 20 to double-check because what we try, because one only has credibility
- 21 once in life, it's very difficult to -- when one loses it to gain it
- 22 back. You want to try, despite failings, to -- to put forward assertions
- 23 that are founded in fact, but I was surprised when at page 29 of
- 24 yesterday's transcript, line 17, my learned friend Mr. Adeniran said that
- 25 mid to late January meetings at State House were alleged to be the same

- 1 day as the attack on Naivasha. Now, your Honours, it's the first, again,
- 2 first time we've heard that. Why keep this from the Defence? What harm
- 3 would it have done? Is this a game of conjurey of producing rabbits out
- 4 of a hat to somehow wrong the Defence and make life difficult and make
- 5 life difficult, or is this a serious business of trying to get to the
- 6 truth?
- Now, your Honours let's look at the statement of the witness
- 8 concerned. Your Honours, that's KEN-OTP-0060 at 0550, and a number of
- 9 remarks can be made, but I'll be brief.
- 10 The first is -- it doesn't give a date. He simply says it was on
- 11 Saturday. The second thing is the Prosecution said yesterday, for the
- 12 first time, it happened on the 27th of January. Well, the 27th of
- 13 January is a Sunday. It takes two seconds to look at a calendar, look at
- 14 a diary, you realise there's a bit of a variance there. So they give us
- 15 in evidence saying it's on a Saturday and say in court it's on a Sunday,
- 16 but your Honours let's even move on from that. I mean, it's flimsy.
- 17 It's flimsy in every single sense. That's it. That's the evidence upon
- 18 which the Prosecution and that's a decent one, we have some that are 18
- 19 lines or so that's the evidence upon which the good name of
- 20 Ambassador Muthaura has been brought before this court. Unacceptable,
- 21 dangerous, and a matter of concern not just to the people of Kenya but,
- 22 in my submission, to the international community and all individuals that
- 23 have a belief and -- in justice.
- Now, your Honours, this witness talks about Joseph Kamau as
- 25 Nairobi CID director, and he also talks at KEN-OTP-0060-0551 of a

- 1 Kenowri (* phon) -- Kenowri -- sorry, Kemuri Muyangi (* phon). These two
- 2 people are mentioned. Well, one would expect, one would hope, one would
- 3 pray that a reasonable Prosecutor trying to discharge an international
- 4 duty would speak to these people to verify in circumstance that I've
- 5 mentioned when nobody else points the finger at Ambassador Muthaura. Do
- 6 they? Not a bit of it. We have statements of -- let me deal with Joseph
- 7 Kamau first. Joseph Kamau, a statement -- let me just go to it,
- 8 actually. Joseph Kamau, EVD-PT-D12-00203. Now, they say -- the witness
- 9 says that this man was CID director in Nairobi during the period of
- 10 post-election violence. Your Honours will see from this statement he was
- 11 retired. He retired on the 27th of November, 2006, not fabricated, not
- 12 made up. Your Honours, look at EVD-PT-D12-00204. It's a
- 13 retirement of -- a retirement letter dated the 27th of November, 2006,
- 14 from the office of the president, the man that is disingenuous,
- dangerous. Witness is alleging to have been in Nairobi in that capacity
- 16 was not even service at the time.
- 17 Your Honours -- your Honours, all the witness said is that -- at
- 18 0551 is that he believed that despite their absence government ministers
- 19 were involved due to the fact that the meeting took place at State House.
- 20 So he don't seen say Ambassador Muthaura was there. He doesn't say he
- 21 saw Ambassador Muthaura. He doesn't say somebody told him
- 22 Ambassador Muthaura was there. It's -- in fact, it's even -- it's even
- 23 worse. My learned friend tells me, she refreshes my memory. He says
- 24 Ambassador Muthaura was not there, and yet the Prosecution with a
- 25 straight face say, Your Honours, don't look at the evidence. Please send

- 1 it to trial. Save our face, send it to trial. But your Honours it's
- 2 even more terrible, more tragic than that because let's go to the
- 3 statement of King'ori Mwangi. EVD-PT-D12-00214.
- 4 Now, your Honours, this witness, Mr. Adeniran relies upon that
- 5 the -- Mr. Ocampo relies upon, says he's never been known as King'ori,
- 6 first point. Second point, he says that whilst he was the PPO of Nairobi
- 7 once upon a time, he was certainly not the PPO of Nairobi during the
- 8 post-election violence. He was actually at Coast Province. Your
- 9 Honours, the Prosecution may say, because they have been saying in the
- 10 press, Ambassador Muthaura sits like a colossus over Kenya, dipping his
- 11 hands and his toes into every single aspect of life, concoction, all the
- 12 rest of it, witness intimidation, all this nonsense against the good name
- 13 of Ambassador Muthaura.
- Well, your Honours, let's look at the evidence. Your Honours
- will see the transfer documents, for example, EVD-PT-D12-00215,
- 16 EVD-PT-D12-00216, EVD-PT-D12-00217 and 218. Clear evidence that what
- 17 Mr. Mwangi says is true. He'd been transferred to Coast Province and he
- 18 only came back to Nairobi as the deputy director of police reforms, only
- 19 came back in September 2010.
- Now, your Honours, basic investigation is needed because without
- 21 it the administration of justice is brought into disrepute, the very
- 22 fabric of justice falls away, confidence in the rule of law erodes, and
- 23 miscarriages of justice happen. And on every single count the Prosecutor
- 24 has failed his oath of office, he's failed his obligations for the
- 25 reasons we've said, and one doesn't like saying it, but there's simply no

- 1 other way to put it.
- 2 Your Honours, in the time -- just one moment.
- 3 (Defence counsel confer)
- 4 MR. KHAN: Your Honour, the final matter I'll try to cover is
- 5 this regarding Witness 0012, and we'll deal with it in more detail in our
- 6 brief -- in our final brief, but you know, Witness 0012, you know
- 7 everybody's a Mungiki. Everybody's a Mungiki. He says
- 8 Ambassador Muthaura is Mungiki, Kibaki's a Mungiki. You know, and what's
- 9 the basis of that? The basis of President Kibaki being a Mungiki is
- 10 because EVD-PT-OTP-00660 to 00280 is because he's chairman of all the
- 11 elders. That's the alleged basis of President Kibaki who you saw being a
- 12 Mungiki. Michuki, why he's a Mungiki? Well, we don't know. They make
- 13 the assertion he's a Mungiki, the Prosecution receive it. They swallow
- 14 it hook, line, and sinker, or are indifferent to the veracity of that
- 15 assertion, Ah, yes, it will help us tick a box of the list of evidence
- and the in-depth analysis chart without doing the most cursory and
- 17 shallow due diligence check. Why? If somebody says John Michuki is a
- 18 Mungiki, Karim Han (* phon) is a Mungiki, the normal question of a child,
- 19 never mind an investigator, would say why, Why do you say that? They
- 20 don't even do that. EVD-PT-OTP-00660 to 00279.
- 21 The present minister of internal security Saitoti, Mungiki.
- 22 EVD-PT-OTP-00660 to 0281. And honourable Saitoti is not even a -- he's
- 23 a half Kikuyu and half Maasai. Your Honour, you heard the reaction of
- 24 Mungikis themselves and former Mungikis themselves to these absurd,
- 25 offensive, convenient, opportunistic allegations, and it was risible

- 1 laughter. It was risible laughter. It was laughter about how a case
- 2 based upon such flimsy could come into what should be the hallowed
- 3 Chamber of justice. I mean, this issue -- my primary responsibility is
- 4 Ambassador Muthaura, but these issues are much bigger than any one
- 5 suspect.
- 6 Your Honour, let me go the allegation, and here it deals with
- 7 General Opandi, actually, we say. You know -- and I will tell you why,
- 8 because he's known to the court. He's known to His Honour
- 9 Judge Tarfusser. This witness says that the organisation, the tribal
- 10 group, the tribal elders, the Njuri Ncheke, the leadership of the Meru
- 11 community are Mungiki. Now, anybody who has done an internet search that
- 12 Mr. Adeniran mentioned is so easy would know what Njuri Ncheke is. I
- mean, Africa has tribes. It has customs, but it's not a criminal gang.
- 14 It's a very well-known, very respected group of elders that does a lot
- 15 good work. I mean, basic investigations.
- Now -- and that's EVD-PT-OTP-00661 to 0303. And they say
- 17 because -- because an oath is taken, somehow they're -- they're Mungiki.
- 18 Now, your Honours, we have a statement of Mr. Rutere from the Njuri
- 19 Ncheke community, and he tells you a little bit about what the
- 20 organisation is. Ambassador Muthaura was only elected or appointed to
- 21 the -- one of the elders of the Njuri Ncheke on the 11th of August, 2001,
- 22 and would I refer you in due course -- 2011, 2011, and I would refer you
- 23 in due course to EVD-PT-D12-00083 to 0182 at paragraph 23.
- So many years, three years after the post-election violence he
- 25 actually becomes an elder to that community. But, your Honour, what they

- 1 say, it really defies credulity. Witness 12, whether you're Meru or
- 2 you're Kikuyu, member of any tribal group, any association, you're
- 3 Mungiki because an oath is taken. I mean, and that's not hyperbole.
- 4 Your Honour, look at EVD in due course. I would ask -- invite you to
- 5 look at EVD-PT-OTP-00660 to 0312 to 0313. Now, your Honours, even
- 6 Professor Wangari Maathai, who's Africa's first winner of the Nobel Peace
- 7 Prize -- first woman recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize is brought into
- 8 this nonsense. Nonsense. I mean, she won it for her contribution for
- 9 sustainable development, but because she happens to be in a church where
- an oath is taken and the Njuri Ncheke are there, again imputations are
- 11 made or an inference can be made -- an imputation made upon her. It's
- 12 complete nonsense and it's not sufficient.
- Now, your Honour --
- 14 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Mr. Khan, I'm sorry but let us be
- 15 strict about the timing. Don't you yourself need a break in addition to
- 16 the interpreters?
- MR. KHAN: Your Honour, may I have just two minutes, then I'll
- 18 finish, and then after the break my learned friend will start.
- 19 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Yes, of course.
- MR. KHAN: Your Honours, the last issue I will deal with deals
- 21 with this Witness 12 and he says -- Witness 0011, and he says at
- 22 EVD-PT-OTP-00308 at 1300 to 1301 that an organisation, Concerned Citizens
- 23 Initiative, is really a Mungiki front, is a Mungiki affiliate
- 24 organisation, and I would ask for the last two minutes perhaps we could
- 25 go into private session. Well -- well, I'll move on. I'm under

- 1 instructions to move on.
- 2 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: So this is not your that we
- 3 move into --
- 4 MR. KHAN: No, I think we'll just move on. You'll look in due
- 5 course to the evidence itself.
- 6 But they say, that we say, the Defence say, that what the witness
- 7 is actually referring to is our suggestion to the Bench. He's not
- 8 actually referring to the concerned citizens' initiative. He's referring
- 9 to the concerned citizens for peace, and the reason he's referring to
- 10 that is that that organisation gave a report that is exhibited by the
- 11 Defence, EVD-PT-D12-00048, your Honour, that mentions -- look at the
- 12 author that's mentioned there, and it bears a striking similarity to
- 13 another individual mentioned in these proceedings, and we say this
- 14 witness has been searching the internet, has been searching open sources,
- 15 has listening attentively to the Prosecution, and has actually got it
- 16 completely wrong, mistaken it for somebody he's trying to implicate to
- 17 pursue a particular agenda. And then say, Ah, this organisation is
- 18 Mungiki; whereas, this organisation was established by General Opandi
- 19 who's been before this court, one of the most decorated, one of the most
- 20 respected individuals in this area of law and in peacekeeping, and
- 21 it's -- it's replete -- this witness's evidence is replete with not any
- 22 contradictions but lies.
- 23 Your Honours, I'm grateful for the additional time. In short
- 24 those were -- some of the reasons that we may expand upon in our brief
- 25 why we say this case not only -- should not be committed for trial, but

- 1 what is more, it's reasons why we say that an inquiry will be needed in
- 2 due course. And to express to the Bench our dismay, that even at this
- 3 point when the Prosecutor has been told this, when the Prosecutor has
- 4 been given this evidence, why they march obliviously forward, blind and
- 5 blinkered, we say, to the interests of justice and their primary
- 6 responsibility to get to the truth.
- 7 Your Honours, I'm grateful for your time.
- 8 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you very much, Mr. Khan, for
- 9 your presentation. I know it's sometimes very much annoying all the time
- 10 to remind about the time. It's annoying for myself equally, but this is
- 11 the task that I'm assigned with by the law. So let us make a break and
- 12 we shall reconvene our session at 11.30.
- 13 COURT USHER: All rise.
- Recess taken at 11.03 a.m.
- On resuming at 11.31 a.m.
- 16 (Open session)
- 17 COURT USHER: All rise.
- 18 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Please be seated.
- We resume our hearing. We are in the second session of today,
- and again the floor is over to the team of Mr. Muthaura. Now, who is to
- 21 speak on behalf of the Defence team.
- MR. FAAL: Madam President, your Honours, thank you for giving me
- 23 the opportunity to once again appear before you.
- Your Honours, this Prosecution's case is based mainly on four
- 25 material witnesses. In his presentation, Mr. Khan has dealt extensively

- 1 with these witnesses. I would also touch upon some of the material
- 2 issues which show or which give reason why your Honours should not
- 3 believe the testimony that's been given by these witnesses. But before
- 4 that, your Honours, the Prosecution advanced the theory that
- 5 Ambassador Muthaura committed these crimes for a particular reason, and
- 6 which is to keep the PNU in power. One wonders whether the Prosecution
- 7 has actually investigated this particular issue, but we have. We did so,
- 8 because it is important in a case of this nature to find out whether, in
- 9 fact, Ambassador Muthaura has any motive to commit this crime.
- The first thing we wish to highlight is that Ambassador Muthaura
- 11 is a civil servant, and he's not a politician. Civil servants, they keep
- 12 their offices. Government comes, government goes. It does not
- 13 necessarily affect them. Why would he have a reason to want to keep PNU
- in power by committing crimes?
- 15 Another thing is that Ambassador Muthaura does not belong to a
- 16 political party. You heard him yesterday. Why would he sacrifice his
- 17 everything, everything he's achieved in life, to enter into a criminal
- 18 plan just to keep the PNU in power, a party that he doesn't even belong
- 19 to? Does it make sense?
- 20 Your Honours, one may argue that perhaps he may have certain
- 21 personal benefits, but what benefits would accrue to Ambassador Muthaura
- 22 at this stage in life by engaging in a criminal plan just to keep the PNU
- 23 in power? It still does not make sense.
- 24 Ambassador Muthaura from the evidence severed both President Moi
- 25 and President Kibaki with distinction. Your Honours, we have provided

- 1 Witness statements from both of them, both a former president and a
- 2 current president of -- of Kenya, and they have only good things to say
- 3 about him. Why would he sacrifice all that and enter into a criminal
- 4 plan just to keep the PNU in power?
- 5 There was no motive. The position advanced by the Prosecution is
- 6 even further debunked by some of the actions Ambassador Muthaura took in
- 7 his capacity as chairman of NSAC. We clearly show that there certainly
- 8 was no plan or intention on his part to do anything to keep the PNU in
- 9 power, and for that, your Honours, we refer -- I refer you to
- 10 EVD-PT-D12-0006 at 0042. NSAC minutes at a meeting chaired by
- 11 Ambassador Muthaura on 18 December 2007, decided to come up with a plan
- 12 to swear in whichever party won the elections. For him, it didn't
- 13 matter. He was just doing his job as a civil servant. Therefore, there
- 14 is no motive. And not only that, he prepared the plans for the
- 15 swearing-in ceremony. It just so happened that on this particular
- 16 occasion President Kibaki was sworn in, but you saw Ambassador Muthaura
- 17 carrying out his official functions. There was no motive to keep the PNU
- 18 in power.
- 19 The Prosecution, in its submissions yesterday, suggested that
- 20 Naivasha is significant economically because of the flower, the flower
- 21 farms in Naivasha. Naivasha and Nakuru are not very, very important in
- 22 the grand scheme of things in Kenya for that matter. I mean, this is a
- 23 very big country and a very rich one. I have the privilege to have to --
- 24 to live there for a little while, and I know that these two places are
- 25 not very, very significant economically. But we investigated that

- 1 particular issue. We put the question to witnesses so as to be able to
- 2 have a basis for our assertions, and we interviewed
- 3 General Michael Gichangi, who is the director General of NSIS, the
- 4 person -- or the institution that the Prosecution relied on for a lot of
- 5 its evidence, and this is what he had to say:
- 6 "Ambassador Muthaura's Defence team has brought to my attention
- 7 the Prosecution's allegation that the violence by the members of the
- 8 Mungiki sect was perpetrated to keep the PNU in power. In my opinion,
- 9 this cannot be so."
- Firstly, the government was already in power, and that is
- 11 critical. The PNU government was already in power before the violence in
- 12 Nakuru and Naivasha. As seen from the video, the president was sworn in
- 13 on the 30th of December. The violence broke out in Nakuru and Naivasha
- in the third week of January. It doesn't add up. But he went on to say:
- 15 "Firstly --" excuse me. He went on to say:
- 16 "What would have assisted the government to stay in power, would
- 17 have been safeguarding the city of Mombasa because of its economic
- 18 significance and the city of Nairobi as the seat of government. To this
- 19 extent, therefore, Naivasha and Nakuru did not have such relevance in
- 20 keeping the PNU in power. The OTP got it patently wrong. The suggestion
- 21 that retaliatory attacks were carried out to keep PNU in power does not
- 22 hold any substance."
- 23 Your Honours, the Prosecution's theory in this case is one of
- 24 co-perpetration, and the Prosecution has given a very good description of
- 25 discussion of the law on that particular area, so I would not discuss

- 1 much of it, but this case really is more about the facts, what really
- 2 happened, and because of that I would discuss the contributions that
- 3 Prosecution attributed to Ambassador Muthaura. And they argued that
- 4 Ambassador Muthaura adopted the common plan. This is also something
- 5 rather interesting. Initially, he conceived the plan. It seems that may
- 6 have dropped through the cracks. Now it is he adopted the plan. But it
- 7 doesn't matter. We would address both issues.
- 8 The second point there is is that Ambassador Muthaura and
- 9 Kenyatta jointly procured the services of Mungiki leaders and directed
- 10 them to implement the common plan. And at that point, the true
- 11 subordinates, Ambassador Muthaura provided logistical support to Mungiki
- 12 operations and that he created a free zone to allow the Mungiki and
- 13 pro-PNU youths to carry out the retaliatory attacks with impunity.
- I would now turn my attention to the issue of this plan. And the
- 15 Prosecution, in the opening did indicate that there are two critical
- meetings, the 30th and the 3rd of January. 30 December and 3rd January.
- 17 My learned friend Karim Khan has adequately dealt with the meeting of
- 18 30th December, excuse me, 30 December and 3rd January.
- 19 And for the 3rd January meeting, the Prosecution is relying on
- 20 the testimony of Witness 0004. And the EVD for that witness is
- 21 EVD-PT-OTP-00248. But at 0039, this witness states:
- 22 "At breakfast, Francis Muthaura shouted from that -- from that
- 23 corner of the room to us. He told us in Kikuyu something like, 'The
- 24 youth, come here.' When we joined him, he said, 'It is good that the
- 25 youth have come.' Then he said that our community in the Rift Valley was

- 1 being finished and that we needed to revenge and retaliate." He used the
- 2 Kikuyu expression "tu ares anna riya (* phon)," that is pronounced
- 3 phonetically, which could mean either "revenge" or "retaliation" in
- 4 English. "He said we could not stay quiet while our people were being
- 5 killed. I could see that he was -- he was emotional and angry. He made
- 6 us feel like there was a sense of emergency.
- 7 This cannot be so for the following simple reasons:
- 8 Ambassador Muthaura is a Meru. He's not a Kikuyu. There is no evidence
- 9 that the Merus were being killed in the Rift Valley, so which community
- 10 would he be talking about? He is Meru. It was the Kikuyus that were
- 11 being killed. But significantly, Ambassador Muthaura does not speak
- 12 Kikuyu beyond saying hello. We have provided the statement of his
- 13 secretary, confidential secretary, with whom they've worked for years,
- and it's at EVD-PT-D12-0005 at 002, at paragraphs 4 and 6.
- 15 Additionally, Ambassador Muthaura does not shout. These things
- 16 are not insignificant, because, your Honours, the witness talks about a
- 17 particular character of a person. You have seen Ambassador Muthaura for
- 18 yourselves. These little, little points will help you determine whether
- 19 this person was lying or not.
- The Prosecution disputes the occurrence of this meeting. It did
- 21 not occur at all.
- 22 Your Honour, my colleagues have just provided me the -- a
- 23 document from Witness 0012, and it -- this brings into stark relief the
- 24 point that I was going to make. Witness 0004 described a completely
- 25 different person, an angry man who would be shouting at people and

- ordering them to go and commit crimes, but let's see what Witness 0012,
- 2 an OTP witness has to say about Ambassador Muthaura. He says:
- 3 "Muthaura, I have not met him personally. He is an old man. He
- 4 has grey hair. He is slim. He is not tall. I'm even taller. He is
- 5 about that, but he does not talk much. He is Meru."
- 6 This -- let me get the EVD number. I believe it is EVD-PT --
- 7 EVD-PT-00671-0506 (* sic). This is not insignificant, your Honours. It
- 8 just shows that this Witness 0004 was describing a completely different
- 9 person. But we have better evidence to show that this meeting actually
- 10 did not occur at all and that Witness 0004 fabricated it.
- 11 The establishment at least where the meeting was alleged to have
- 12 been held would know if the meeting take place at their establishment,
- 13 the Nairobi Members' Club. The Prosecution did not interview anybody
- 14 from the Nairobi Members' Club in order to determine the veracity of this
- 15 witness's allegations. They did not. Well, we did it for them. We did
- 16 it for them, and we provided the statement of the manager, and it is
- 17 D12-0039, and EVD-PT-D12-00107. And he said he was not on duty that day,
- 18 but he asked his staff who were, and he provided the list of the staff,
- 19 and he was told that there was no such meeting at that place involving
- 20 Ambassador Muthaura and Uhuru Kenyatta. That is very important.
- We didn't stop there. We didn't stop there. We interviewed two
- 22 other staff members of the said establishment, Witness D12-0041, and his
- 23 statement is EVD-PT-D12-00184. He said this meeting never occurred at
- 24 that place. He was on duty that day. He started work from 6.00. There
- 25 was no meeting at that place that day.

- 1 We also interviewed another staff member who was on duty on that
- 2 day. Their names were on the duty roster, and that is Witness 12-0051,
- 3 EVD-PT-D12-00219. Same information. He was on duty that day. There was
- 4 no such meeting. If there was any, he would have known.
- 5 There is no corroboration for the Prosecution's evidence. There
- 6 is no corroboration for the Prosecution's evidence. They tried to
- 7 stretch it by suggesting that Witness 0001 corroborated this evidence.
- 8 Well, corroboration has to be in every material particular. Apart from
- 9 suggesting that there was a meeting involving Ambassador Muthaura and
- 10 Honourable Kenyatta, the witness didn't say anything. No date, no place.
- 11 That can't be corroboration. My learned friend adequately dealt with
- 12 that.
- There are other reasons to doubt the credibility of Witness 0004.
- 14 Perhaps for convenience, I would just start from the meeting of the 3rd
- of January, but I would later go back to some of the meetings that he has
- 16 mentioned, such as the meeting of the 27 November -- 26 November. Excuse
- 17 me. I beg your pardon.
- 18 Your Honour, we have compared some of the statements that have
- 19 been provided by this witness. One is the letter to -- he sends to
- 20 either Kenyan National Commission for Human Rights or to Open Society.
- 21 The statement he has given to the Waki Commission on 2nd September, the
- 22 initial statement to the OTP on the 27th September, and the 3rd June 2011
- 23 clarification statement, and they differ in significant respects, and I
- 24 will point out a few of them.
- 25 Who told him that the meeting was arranged, or how -- what

- 1 information he was given? When he spoke to CIPEV, he said, and I quote:
- 2 On 2nd January, somebody called him and said that Muthaura and his people
- 3 who had met the president urgently needed to meet with them, and Muthaura
- 4 spoke in Kikuyu.
- 5 That is very, very important.
- In the next statement, the one he gave to the OTP, he said on 2nd
- 7 January, 2008, around 11.00 p.m., somebody called him and asked him if he
- 8 was aware of what was going on in the Rift and da, da, da, da, then he
- 9 was told that the next day there will be a meeting. No mention of
- 10 Ambassador Muthaura having requested that they attend a meeting.
- Another important thing is at what time did this meeting take
- 12 place? To CIPEV, it was 11.00 a.m. To the OTP it was breakfast,
- 13 8.30 a.m. Significant differences. I mean, this witness has over 40
- 14 material inconsistencies and contradictions in his statement. I would
- 15 waste a lot of time if I would go through them, so what we intend to do,
- 16 your Honours, is to file a document at the end of the confirmation
- 17 hearing as part of our final brief just to list out all these
- 18 inconsistencies. The witness even lied about the school that he attended
- 19 and when he finished. In the statement to Waki Commission, he said:
- 20 "I went to Pumwani High School in Nairobi. I left before I
- 21 finished form two."
- 22 And then to the OTP he said, I went to Karura Forest Primary
- 23 School. From Pumwani to Karura Forest Primary School. Completely
- 24 different. And then he said:
- 25 "I went to high school in Thika at the Krete (* phon) boys

- 1 school."
- 2 And then -- just give me a second, let me just find this. He
- 3 left school at Standard eight. Completely different. And there are
- 4 many.
- 5 One may say that some of these inconsistencies or contradictions
- 6 are insignificant. They are not, especially when the -- when you have
- 7 them all over the place. But there are certain things that a person
- 8 cannot simply forget.
- 9 The witness said he was a member of the Mungiki. He was
- 10 initiated and he described the initiation process and who initiated him.
- 11 It turned out to be false. He mentioned two individuals among those who
- 12 initiated him. Did the Prosecution interview them to find out the
- 13 veracity of this statement? No, they didn't, but we did it for them, and
- 14 obvious Witness D12-0037 debunked it.
- 15 "I know the person. I never initiated. He is not even a member
- 16 of the Mungiki."
- 17 The second witness, we interviewed him. The same story. He does
- 18 not even know Witness 0004, let alone initiate him.
- 19 And, your Honours, there's a lot of material in the record about
- 20 the Mungiki. One thing is for certain: The Mungiki's do not drink goat
- 21 blood during initiation, and the initiators do not wear goat skin, but
- 22 that is all what this witness said.
- And, your Honour, this point just occurred to me. I don't have
- 24 the EVD number, but I'll just mention it for the sake it, and in our
- 25 filing we'll put the EVD number. The witness provided annexes to some of

- 1 his statement to reinforce his credibility. In one of the annexes he
- 2 delivered a paper at a meeting in Mathare and calling the Mungiki names.
- 3 They are extortionist. I don't think a Mungiki member would do that.
- 4 But there are lots of things in his statements which show that this
- 5 person is not Mungiki. He has never been. He just fabricated this
- 6 evidence for his own personal ends. There is no veracity to the
- 7 statement.
- 8 Perhaps I should even add further to that to reinforce the fact
- 9 that this witness should not be believed.
- With regards to the 3rd January meeting, suddenly the individuals
- 11 changed. Initially, it was Ambassador Muthaura and Judge Thuo. The OTP
- 12 statement, it was Ambassador Muthaura and George Saitoti. Completely
- 13 different individuals. He cannot claim not to know these individuals
- 14 because he's described them almost accurately in his other statements.
- 15 But we would flesh all these issues in -- in another statement.
- And another interesting thing is in his statement to the PEV,
- 17 Honourable Kenyatta was not present at that meeting. He cannot say that
- 18 he forgot Honourable Kenyatta. He cannot say that. Yet in the statement
- 19 to the OTP, suddenly Honourable Kenyatta appeared.
- There are other important ones. Say, for instance, when was the
- 21 meeting at State House? When was he told about the meeting at State
- 22 House? In the first statement, it was the day before the meeting. In
- 23 the second statement, it was almost ten days later. He was told on the
- 24 17th for the meeting to occur on the 26th. In the first statement, he
- 25 was told the 25th for the meeting to occur on the 26th.

- 1 How did he get to the meeting on the 3rd? In the first statement
- 2 they drove in the car of one of their members. In the next statement, he
- 3 took a bus.
- 4 Your Honours, this is the quality of the witnesses whose
- 5 testimony we have to try to deal with, but this is the kind of evidence
- 6 on which your Honours are being asked to confirm serious charges against
- 7 innocent individuals.
- 8 Your Honour, I would now move on from this witness and look at
- 9 the OTP's other submissions, and the OTP suggest -- excuse me. The OTP
- 10 tried to find corroboration for this, and they suggested that NSIS issue
- 11 a report on 7 January which says that Mungiki sect leader has directed
- 12 sect coordinators to carry out the recruitment and oathing ceremonies in
- 13 preparation to joining the current skirmishes in some parts of the
- 14 country. Therefore, it corroborates that meeting. In what respect? In
- 15 what respect? It's by no stretch of the imagination can this piece of
- 16 evidence be viewed as corroboration for the meeting attended, allegedly,
- 17 by Ambassador Muthaura and Honourable Kenyatta. But the Defence observes
- 18 that the OTP relies extensively on NSIS, indeed, NSIS is a very good
- 19 intelligence institution, but only when it is convenient. Only when it
- 20 is convenient.
- 21 My learned friend has touched upon this point because we have
- 22 evidence suggesting that the director general of NSIS or his institution
- 23 has investigated the issue of these meetings, which is the centre of this
- 24 case. It is the bedrock. It is the anchor. If the OTP believed this
- 25 report or statement by general -- the director general Michael Gichangi,

- 1 this case would have been thrown out. This case must go on; therefore,
- 2 you push that aside and toss it as pexo. It's not good enough. It does
- 3 not -- it's not really good enough.
- But one thing is important, General Michael told CIPEV that this
- 5 was all rumour. We have heard that rumour in this room. We have all
- 6 seen it.
- 7 Your Honours, the Kenyatta team played a video on the third -- on
- 8 the first day of the hearing. Let me -- let me try to get the EVD
- 9 number, Madam President. That video talks about exactly what this case
- is about, on 3rd of January, 2008, but that's the case we face. It just
- 11 goes to show this is all a rumour that people have latched on to,
- 12 packaged it, sold it to the OTP, and they bought it, and that's why we
- 13 are here. There is no truth to it, no truth to it as the evidence will
- 14 further state.
- On that day, on the 3rd of January, Ambassador Muthaura chaired a
- 16 NSAC meeting as my learned friend indicated, but there is something
- 17 important about that meeting that your Honours should know. On that day,
- 18 under his chairmanship, NSAC issued instructions to say, on
- 19 EVD-PT-D12-001 -- 0055 at page 0058, and this is what NSAC decided:
- 20 "To ensure prompt arrest of perpetrators of violence to face the
- 21 law. Where rowdy mobs kill security or other government official, the
- 22 response of the government should be swift and extraordinary, to serve,
- 23 to serve as a deterrent."
- 24 It goes on to say:
- 25 "The commissioner of police and commandant administration police

- 1 to mobilise more security personnel for peaceful -- from peaceful areas
- 2 to beef up security in areas affected by ethnic violence."
- 3 Important recommendations, important recommendations. And they
- 4 recommended as well to the permanent secretary, minister -- ministry of
- 5 state for provincial administration and internal security to convene a
- 6 meeting of elected and other political leaders from Nairobi to persuade
- 7 the Kikuyu community not to retaliate, to persuade the Kikuyu community
- 8 not to retaliate.
- 9 The documents speak for themselves. The minutes show that
- 10 Ambassador Muthaura chaired the meeting that day. This is what he was
- 11 doing, working for peace and not planning a crime with some random,
- 12 unknown Mungikis. This is what he was doing.
- 13 The Prosecution's case simply does not add up. It does not. It
- 14 does not. It simply does not make sense.
- 15 If this case is to be believed, it means one is prepared to
- 16 accept that Ambassador Muthaura is some two-faced person who is blue
- 17 today, he's green the next day. Maybe the Prosecution would try to
- 18 convince the Judges to believe that, but let us tell you what
- 19 Ambassador Muthaura's colleagues believe in. We will tell you.
- 20 His colleagues in NSAC, people with whom he has worked for a long
- 21 time, people who come from different political backgrounds, from
- 22 different ethnic groups in Kenya, this is what they think of him: On
- 23 that same day, the 3rd of January, that same day, NSAC members honoured
- 24 him. They passed judgement on his character, and it's on the record.
- 25 How did that happen? NSAC was recommending the setting up of a -- of a

- 1 coordinating reconciliation centre, but it needed people who were
- 2 neutral, people who were neutral. Who did they select? Who did they
- 3 select? Ambassador Muthaura was one of them. Ambassador Muthaura was
- 4 one of them. But another interesting thing is, another person who has
- 5 associated with the Prosecution office a few times was also, was also on
- 6 the list, an eminent man, but we asked him questions about this group.
- 7 He said, of course, the group did not get to start work, but -- I'll
- 8 quote what he said. I'll quote what he said.
- 9 "I would not be surprised if Ambassador Muthaura would have been
- 10 nominated to be a part of such a group as well given that I know him to
- 11 be a person who is politically neutral and impartial and who is -- and
- who is a person," that's what's contained in the document so I have to
- 13 read it as it is, "and who is a person who is highly respected by the
- 14 public from all political and ethnic divides. Ambassador Muthaura is
- 15 known as a person motivated by the interest of the nation."
- And this individual belongs to a different ethnic group, not a
- 17 Kikuyu. Well, my colleagues tell him I can name him. He's
- 18 General Opandi who has been an expert witness for the Prosecution in two
- 19 cases. He is a Luhya, and that is important.
- I will move on to the next point, but I just -- your Honours,
- 21 these documents are important, and to have Ambassador Muthaura chair NSAC
- 22 that morning, pass those decision, and on the same day have his
- 23 colleagues pass such important judgement on him, opposite the theory the
- 24 Prosecution is trying to say. But there is also more to it on that
- 25 particular day. My learned friend showed this video, the video of the

- 1 3rd of January. The president gave a speech, his first speech to the
- 2 nation after inauguration. Critical time in Kenya, very important. On
- 3 that day, Ambassador Muthaura and his colleagues wrote the speech. How
- 4 could this man sit at NSAC, pass this important decision calling for the
- 5 arrest of those who were involved in committing crimes, asking for
- 6 security to be beefed up in areas where there is violence, have his
- 7 colleagues pass such important judgement about his character, went to
- 8 State House, wrote a beautiful speech calling for peace in the nation,
- 9 how could this person have done all that in that day and turn around and
- 10 have coffee and tea and breakfast with Mungiki and plan retaliatory
- 11 attacks with them?
- 12 Your Honour, it simply defies logic, but I would move on to
- 13 another point that Ambassador Muthaura employed several channels in
- 14 securing the services of the Mungiki to implement the common plan. My
- 15 colleague, my learned friend Karim dealt extensively with the reliability
- 16 of the witnesses who provide the alleged evidence, but what is clear is
- 17 that all these other meetings that have been mentioned,
- 18 Ambassador Muthaura was not present. He was not present.
- Who is he linked with in the Mungiki? Who he is linked with? He
- 20 is linked with the Prosecution -- with a Defence witness. Did the
- 21 Prosecution attempt to interview this person, at least get some
- 22 clarification as to whether what the witness is saying is true? No.
- 23 Once he mentions Muthaura, let it go. It's good enough. But that's not
- 24 the way court works. That's not the way court works.
- 25 A person mentions Muthaura. What's your basis for knowledge?

- 1 Not asked. Were you present? Not asked. Did you see it? Not asked.
- 2 That's the kind of case you are being asked to confirm.
- We've been told about this theory of PNU liaison, PNU Liaison I,
- 4 PNU Liaison II. Did the Prosecution interview them? No. We did, both
- 5 of them. One person said he saw Muthaura only once, never met him.
- 6 Never met him. The other person expressed his indignation at the
- 7 investigations and how it was conducted, because he was there. He could
- 8 have provided the information, but not asked, not asked.
- 9 So in this case, there is a lot of talk about millions of
- 10 shillings, lots of millions. I heard about Honourable Kenyatta is rich,
- but all these millions, just to bandy them about like that, it's simply
- 12 unbelievable, it's simply unbelievable. But I believe it is Witness 0012
- 13 who talks about the meeting where Honourable Kenyatta gave millions to
- 14 each MP. Apparently a significant meeting. Ambassador Muthaura was
- 15 never there.
- Since I started working on this case, something bugged me. The
- 17 first thing was the significant amount of money that Ambassador Muthaura
- 18 is -- was alleged to have distributed disappeared through the cracks now
- 19 is a new theory, now is a new theory.
- We are being told that he is on top of an organisation comprising
- 21 of police, Mungiki, and what have you. He's never been to any meeting.
- 22 He's never contributed any money. What kind of leadership is that? I
- 23 think that should have prompted the Prosecution to revisit the situation,
- but, no, they didn't and went ahead with this theory, and that's why it
- 25 will not pan out. But what is significant is the witnesses who talk

- 1 about contribution of money, uniforms, and guns. All these witnesses are
- 2 hearsay. In the first place, they are anonymous witnesses. They provide
- 3 hearsay testimony from anonymous sources. Triple jeopardy, triple
- 4 jeopardy. It simply will not fly, it simply will not fly. That
- 5 evidence -- that kind of evidence is not good enough, is not good enough.
- 6 More so, more so, when it relates to a place that is not charged in
- 7 the -- at least in the DCC. It relates to Kibera and has nothing to do
- 8 with Nakuru and Naivasha.
- 9 One other allegation is the issue of administration police
- 10 uniforms, that administration police uniforms were provided to -- to the
- 11 Mungiki through Ambassador Muthaura.
- We would say that this witness who provides the information that
- 13 these meetings were held in Michuki's office, Karim read out the
- 14 statement of Michuki, so perhaps I will just move along and not deal with
- 15 that point, because it's been extensively dealt with and -- but it's
- 16 quite staggering that the Prosecution would accept this evidence without
- 17 attempting to interview any of the persons named by their own witnesses.
- 18 We tried to do so. Every single person named to have been, say, at the
- 19 State House meeting, we have tried to reach them. Every person named at
- 20 the Nairobi Members Club meeting we have tried to reach and interview,
- 21 but the Prosecution, no. Get one witness. It does not matter the
- 22 quality of testimony. Just so (* indiscernible). Get the person
- 23 indicted. The evidence will later follow. That's not good enough.
- 24 That's not good enough.
- 25 Your Honour, there are allegations about weapons having -- and

- 1 uniforms having been obtained from Nakuru State House. Did they
- 2 interview anybody for -- who works at Nakuru State House? No. Did they
- 3 interview the commandant of the police unit that is allegedly
- 4 responsible? No. But we did. We did. And we would refer -- we would
- 5 refer to the statement of Kinuthia Mbugua, EVD-PT-D12-0081 (* sic), at
- 6 0164, pages 0171, paragraphs 30 through 33. And this is what he has to
- 7 say:
- 8 "On the allegation that weapons were issued from the AP for the
- 9 purposes of the preparation of violence, the allegations fall short of
- 10 reality on the practical aspects. It is unimaginable in the context of
- 11 the administration police procedures and practices that any firearms
- 12 could be issued to criminal gangs. I am aware that the AP -- that in the
- 13 AP issuance of firearms is highly managed."
- 14 Your Honour, we have also taken a statement from person in charge
- 15 of security at Nakuru State House, and the person says:
- 16 "I have been informed of allegations that the permanent secretary
- 17 CPS in the ministry of internal security and provincial administration,
- 18 Francis Kimemia visited State House Nakuru in January 2008 and obtained
- 19 military uniforms and guns, which he gave to a Mungiki member."
- 20 He said these -- those allegations are false. No visitors are
- 21 allowed into any State House and lodges in the absence of the president.
- 22 Members of Parliament, permanent secretaries, provincial commissioners,
- 23 head of public service, ministers, Prime Minister, or any other person,
- 24 including the vice-president, cannot access a State House or lodge in the
- 25 absence of the president.

- 1 Your Honours, the witness provided the occurrence register for
- 2 State House Nakuru during that period, and we've made it available.
- 3 Your Honours, we have also interviewed a known Mungiki member, a
- 4 person who's been on top of the Mungiki hierarchy in Nairobi, and his
- 5 statement is contained at EVD-PT-D12-00201, and this is what he has to
- 6 say:
- 7 "It is not true that Mungikis were given administration police
- 8 uniforms and guns to go and attack Nakuru and Naivasha. The suggestion
- 9 is totally false. This is madness."
- But this is a person who has a reason to know, unlike those
- 11 peripheral Mungikis who are not connected in any way to the Mungiki
- 12 hierarchy to talk about rumours, information that is contained in the
- 13 press and so forth. This person is saying this is madness.
- Look at the statement of one of the -- no, excuse me. I'll just
- 15 leave that point and move on. I'll just leave that point.
- 16 Your Honour, we refer again with regards to this issue of guns in
- 17 Nakuru, to the statement of -- to the statement of a confidential witness
- 18 from Nakuru. His statement is contained in EVD-PT-D12-00105 at 0107, at
- 19 paragraph 16, and the witness said in Nakuru people were armed with
- 20 sticks and *pangas*. No mention of guns. No mention of guns.
- One wonders, in fact, where have all these guns disappeared to,
- 22 because if guns came from Somalia, pangas were purchased from Nairobi,
- 23 from Somalia, from Naivasha, and yet there is no single OTP witness who
- says, "I have seen a person with a new panga," because it's a rumour.
- 25 The OTP tried with Witness 0002. The OTP tried with Witness 0002 and

- 1 asked the person:
- 2 "What was the condition of these *pangas*?"
- 3 "Did you see a new panga?"
- 4 "No."
- 5 So where have all these new *pangas* disappeared to? But we would
- 6 come to that in our discussion of -- of Nairobi -- Nakuru and Naivasha.
- 7 I would now turn to the issue of instructions that were issued
- 8 and the authority that Ambassador Muthaura has or does not have over the
- 9 police and the Mungiki. It is surprising, at least to me, that the
- 10 source or the evidence, at least which has been relied on at the DCC, to
- 11 support the assertion that Ambassador Muthaura is on top of the civil
- 12 service is a standard newspaper article. It is a "Standard" newspaper
- 13 article, and this is what it says -- the EVD is EVD-PT-OTP-00161, 00182.
- 14 A "Standard" newspaper, and this is what it says:
- 15 "Technically, all public servants, including senior State House
- officials, are supposed to report," supposed to report, "to the head of
- 17 public service, Ambassador Muthaura."
- This person is not even sure. He's not even sure.
- 19 The Prosecution interviewed another witness, EVD-PT-OTP-0219, in
- 20 short, to get information about the key players and the leaders, and he
- 21 says:
- "I am not able to identify key players during the PEV because it
- 23 was not in the task force mandate and we didn't look into the PEV. At
- 24 least ask a Kenyan."
- 25 And that is where the Prosecution's problems stem from, a gross

- 1 misunderstanding of the structures of Kenya and their relationship. That
- 2 is where the problems in this case stem from.
- Being chairman of NSAC or head of public service does not confer
- 4 upon Ambassador Muthaura any authority over government ministries,
- 5 permanent secretaries, or the heads of relevant security institutions.
- We interviewed Kenyans who worked in Kenyan institutions and had
- 7 first-hand knowledge about the mandates of Kenyan security institutions
- 8 and their relationships. Let us now examine what they have to say. And
- 9 we started with President Kibaki, and this is what he stated in
- 10 EVD-PT-D12-0062. He says:
- 11 "When I heard about the allegations against Muthaura by the
- 12 International Criminal Court, I was personally shocked. Muthaura does
- 13 not possess the authority of the kind that has been alleged."
- We then interviewed the Attorney General. He is now former
- 15 Attorney General, and it is contained in EVD-PT-D12-000 -- 00103, and at
- 16 paragraph 96 -- at 96, rather, paragraph 14, this is what he has to say:
- 17 "NSAC reaches its recommendations by consensus. Members of NSAC
- 18 sit in equal capacity as government functionaries. The role of the
- 19 chairman of NSAC, Ambassador Muthaura, is to facilitate through
- 20 discussions and to ensure that recommendations made by NSAC are
- 21 transmitted to the CFC if it warrants their attention and the relevant
- 22 government department for action."
- 23 He stated further:
- 24 "The chairman of NSAC cannot impose a decision on its membership
- 25 because he does not have the statutory authority to do so. Quite apart,

- 1 the membership is large and reflect different opinions from different
- 2 branches of government, and clearly in these circumstances it is
- 3 impossible for the chairman of NSAC to impose his own personal decision
- 4 on the membership."
- 5 We also interviewed Major-General Michael Gichangi. He also
- 6 corroborated that view. It's contained in EVD-PT-D12-00053, 0401.
- We also interviewed the head of another security institution,
- 8 General Kianga, he also corroborated that view. Cyrus Gituai, the former
- 9 provincial secretary for provincial administration and internal security.
- 10 He also confirmed that view. You would -- this relevant material is
- 11 contained in EVD-PT-D12-00036, 00 -- 0291 for Kianga and for Gituai,
- 12 EVD-PT-D12-0063 at 0003.
- But we also interviewed the chairman of the public service
- 14 commission, someone who at least must know how government is organised,
- 15 and this is what he has to say at EVD-PT-D12-000 -- 00090, at 0212. And
- 16 he explains the role of the head of the public service within the
- 17 structure of the civil service of Kenya, and he states:
- 18 "The office of the head of the public Service serves as a link
- 19 between the policy makers and implementers. The main role of the office
- 20 is to coordinate government. Decisions of cabinet are communicated to
- 21 the permanent secretaries through the office of the head of the public
- 22 service. Issues requiring a national policy which emanate from the lower
- 23 cadres of the public service filter through the permanent secretaries to
- 24 the head of the public service. The head of the public service then
- 25 prepares them as agenda items for discussions at cabinet level."

- 1 In relation to NSAC, he states at the same page that the NSAC is
- 2 one of the inter-agency committees chaired by the head of public service.
- 3 It is a forum bringing together various security agencies, each of
- 4 which -- each with a specific mandate within the law. The role of the
- 5 head of the public service is to ensure co-ordination within the various
- 6 agencies as they execute their mandate. The head of the public service
- 7 does not have any authority over any of the other members of NSAC. Each
- 8 member has their own mandate to execute independent of the others.
- 9 Your Honours, this is the immediate past chairman of the public
- 10 service commission of Kenya. He joined the public service in 1976 and
- 11 retired after 35 years of service in the -- in the Kenya civil service.
- 12 One cannot know the structure, the roles and mandates of public officials
- in Kenya better than him.
- 14 Your Honours, NSAC is an advisory body. It does not have
- 15 executive authority. It simply does not have it.
- We interviewed the Attorney General, and he has this to say at
- 17 EVD-PT-D12-00103, 0093. He said at paragraph 13:
- 18 "NSAC's role is advisory. Based on informations and briefings
- 19 received from relevant departments, NSAC makes recommendations to
- 20 cabinet, the CSC, and to relevant departments for action. Apart from me
- 21 as Attorney General, all other NSAC members are civil servants,
- 22 operational personnel such as heads of key security institutions,
- 23 accounting officers, and permanent secretaries. It is not an executive
- 24 body. The members are civil servants. As such, it is not a
- 25 decision-making or an implementing body, and its role is to provide

- 1 advice to government on matters of national security for action. NSAC is
- 2 not an executive decision-making body within the civil service structure
- 3 of Kenya."
- 4 We interviewed also the then minister for provincial
- 5 administration and internal security, John Michuki, honourable. This is
- 6 a man who joined Kenya's civil service in 1957, 1957. That's when he
- 7 joined Kenya's civil service, so he knows what he's talking about. It is
- 8 contained in EVD-PT-D12-0088 to 0195, at 0199 at paragraphs 17. And he
- 9 states that:
- 10 "NSAC is an advisory body in which all heads of the respective
- 11 security agencies are members. As chairman of NSAC, Muthaura did not
- 12 have a decision-making role. As chairman of NSAC, Muthaura did not have
- any authority over any of the security agencies, including the police."
- 14 This is a person who was minister for provincial administration
- and internal security, a ministry under which the police fall. This is
- 16 what he has to say.
- 17 And then he went on to say:
- 18 "There are clear lines of responsibility in government, and that
- 19 is clear from the governing laws of Kenya."
- 20 And he continued in paragraph 18 to say:
- 21 "Members of NSAC are not subordinate to Muthaura. Any idea that
- 22 Muthaura can give orders over the heads of government ministers is
- 23 absolutely wrong."
- 24 Your Honours, we have a whole lot more evidence on this
- 25 particular issue, and we refer you to Cyrus Gituai, EVD-PT-D12-0090 to

- 1 0210 at 0213, paragraph 14. We refer you to Cyrus Gituai. We --
- 2 perhaps, your Honours, I can withdraw that one, because I do not have the
- 3 EVD number, and I would substitute it with General Jeremiah Kianga,
- 4 EVD-PT-D12-0036 (* sic), 0291 at 0293 at paragraph 11; and also the
- 5 statement of Francis Kimemia, who is currently the permanent secretary
- 6 for provincial administration and internal security. At least he would
- 7 know how the police would function.
- 8 So the evidence regarding the authority -- your Honours, I would
- 9 just go back to Cyrus Gituai. I have been provided with the EVD so
- 10 kindly by my colleagues. It is EVD-PT-D12-0063.
- Does Ambassador Muthaura have any power or authority over the
- 12 police or any security chief, for that matter, because the whole reason
- 13 why we're here is one supposed order that Ambassador Muthaura is alleged
- 14 to have been given, one order, and we put the question to honourable John
- 15 Michuki, former minister for provincial administration, and this is what
- 16 he has to say, that:
- 17 "The commissioner of police is appointed by the president and
- 18 reports to the minister of state for provincial administration and
- 19 internal security. During my time as minister of state for provincial
- 20 administration and internal security, the Kenya police was within my
- 21 authority. After I left this position, it fell within the authority of
- 22 the minister who succeeded me, namely Honourable George Saitoti. The
- 23 commissioner of police is in charge of the operational issues of the
- 24 police pursuant to the Police Act."
- 25 At the same page, he states:

- 1 "As evidence in the blue book, the commissioner of police does
- 2 not report to the head of public service or the chairman of NSAC. The
- 3 commissioner of police during 2007 and 2008 pre- and post-election period
- 4 was General Hussein Ali. At no time did General Ali report to Muthaura.
- 5 One of the major duties of Muthaura is to coordinate government business,
- 6 and all ministries and government departments should brief him as
- 7 necessary. It does not create any superior/subordinate relationship."
- 8 Francis Kimemia, the current permanent secretary ministry of
- 9 provincial administration and internal security states in
- 10 EVD-PT-D12-0038, 0301 at 0302, paragraph 5, and he said:
- 11 "The ministry of state for provincial administration and internal
- 12 security comprises the following main institution. Provincial
- 13 administration, Kenya police, the administration police, the government
- 14 printer, and other institutions like campaign against drug abuse. The
- 15 ministry provides the policy and strategic direction to these
- 16 institutions. The commissioner of police is in charge of the operational
- 17 issues of the police. The police did not report to Ambassador Muthaura."
- 18 That's what he said.
- 19 Your Honours, the evidence, it's quite overwhelming as to what is
- 20 the authority of Ambassador Muthaura. It is very clear from the excerpts
- 21 of the statements I have read out that he had -- he does not have or did
- 22 not have the authority that was attributed to him, but Cyrus Gituai, a
- 23 former permanent secretary of -- of the ministry of state for provincial
- 24 administration and internal security also added his voice to this, and he
- 25 said at EVD-PT-D12-0063 to 0001 at 0005, paragraph 18, that

- 1 Ambassador Muthaura is not in charge of Kenya police. The police does
- 2 not report to Ambassador Muthaura. He further state that NSAC does not
- 3 give directions on operational issues. The head of each agency is
- 4 responsible for the specific operations of his own institution or
- 5 department. The police commissioner is responsible for the operations of
- 6 the police, the Chief of Staff is responsible for the military
- 7 operations, and the director general is responsible for intelligence
- 8 operations. It's quite clear. But let's hear what those heads of
- 9 institutions have to say about authority of ambassador over them, since
- 10 the Prosecution's case is that Ambassador Muthaura is head of security.
- 11 His authority as chairman of NSAC and head of public service give -- puts
- 12 him in a superior relationship with General Ali. That is the case. The
- 13 witnesses do not seem to agree with that.
- 14 Major-General Michael Gichangi, who is the current director
- 15 general of NSIS states at EVD-PT-D12-0053 at 0401 -- 0401, excuse me, at
- 16 0405 to 0406, paragraphs 16 and 17, and he said:
- 17 "The Defence team has made reference to claims made that
- 18 Ambassador Muthaura as chair is in charge of national security and the
- 19 police. I state that Ambassador Muthaura as NSAC chairman does not have
- 20 executive powers as the committee is advisory and -- and therefore this
- 21 cannot make him in charge of national security of Kenya nor the Kenyan
- 22 police. The police operates under the Police Act which designates
- 23 clearly the persons in charge of the police and its command structure."
- We have asked the question to the attorney general, but I think,
- 25 your Honours, it has become unduly cumulative because the evidence on

- 1 this simply staggering.
- I will now turn to Ambassador Muthaura's *de facto* authority over
- 3 the police.
- 4 You have heard what the president said, that Ambassador Muthaura
- 5 does not possess the kind of authority that is attributed to him. I
- 6 don't think that it can be any clearer now. So for that reason, I would
- 7 move straight away and deal with the issue of Ambassador Muthaura and the
- 8 Mungiki. Is he a member of the Mungiki as alleged by Witness 0012? My
- 9 learned colleague Karim Khan has dealt with it already, but perhaps I
- 10 should just read out this excerpt from the statement of Phares Rutere,
- 11 who is Secretary-General of the Njuri Ncheke, and he states:
- 12 "I am absolutely sure that there is no link of any nature
- 13 between Mungiki and Njuri Ncheke. It is, in fact, very insulting to the
- 14 traditions of the Meru people to suggest that there is any link or
- 15 similarity between the council and that (* indiscernible)."
- 16 The issue of the link between Ambassador Muthaura and this
- 17 person, a Defence witness, D12-PP-0047. This person has clearly stated
- 18 he is no Mungiki. He rubbished the suggestion that he has ever had any
- 19 contact with Ambassador Muthaura, but this is the person who is being
- 20 suggested to be the link between Ambassador Muthaura and the Mungiki. He
- 21 is the link man or the network, the network person, and we refer your
- 22 Honours to EVD-PT-D12-00228.
- And since the Prosecution has relied so heavily on the director
- 24 general of NSIS, we have interviewed him, and he has stated quite --
- 25 quite categorically that Ambassador Muthaura has no link with the

- 1 Mungiki. I believe my learned friend Karim had dealt with that, so I
- 2 would not read out the full excerpts of what the witness said.
- 3 The next thing I would want to deal with is whether
- 4 Ambassador Muthaura intended, intended, that these crimes be committed.
- 5 This is important because in order to determine what he intended to do,
- 6 we have to at least examine his actions, what he's done during this
- 7 relevant period. Before that, though, we would argue that there was no
- 8 common plan. The so-called meetings that the Prosecution allege never
- 9 occurred. There were, of course, meetings which occurred in Nairobi
- during the time of the PEV as confirmed by the director general NSIS.
- 11 Ambassador Muthaura never participated in any meeting to plan attacks
- 12 against anybody.
- We would show that the following actions taken by
- 14 Ambassador Muthaura, in fact, undercut the Prosecution assertion that
- 15 this person intended to commit crimes and planned -- and procured people
- 16 to commit those crimes. And we go back to NSAC. I have earlier referred
- 17 to the 3rd January 2008 NSAC meeting, but there are more.
- On the 3rd -- excuse me. On the 3rd of January, besides issuing
- 19 recommendations asking for the police and the commandant of
- 20 administration police to mobilise more security personnel and move them
- 21 to -- move them from peaceful areas in order to beef up security in other
- 22 areas, on that same day they recommended some form of mediation, that
- 23 police (* indiscernible) should be talked to to try to calm their people
- 24 down. Such a person certainly does not intend harm for anybody.
- On the same day, 3rd January, he helped write the speech that the

- 1 president made to the nation. We have a number of witnesses who
- 2 testified to that. There is Dr. Alfred Mutua. You can find his
- 3 statement in EVD-PT-D12-00 -- 12-00044. We have Hyslop Ipu. There are
- 4 other witnesses.
- 5 So this further states that Ambassador Muthaura in the statement,
- 6 for instance, of Dr. Alfred Mutua, he claims to have been with
- 7 Ambassador Muthaura almost throughout the period, so Ambassador Muthaura
- 8 could not have been anywhere else, and this account is also corroborated
- 9 by the statement of Isaiya Kabira, the head of the presidential press
- 10 service in Nairobi, and his evidence is contained in EVD-PT -- excuse
- 11 me -- D12-00234, 005 at paragraph -- at para 17 and 18 in which he
- 12 confirms the presence of ambassador at State House throughout that day
- 13 from the afternoon.
- We also refer to presidential press statement that was issued for
- 15 that day, EVD-PT-012-00236. The controller of State House, Hyslop Ipu,
- 16 his statement is EVD-PT-D12-0012 (*sic), 00194.
- 17 Your Honours, on 25th January, NSAC also recommended that members
- 18 of the Kikuyu community should be encouraged to exercise restraint
- 19 against retaliation. PNU MPs should also avoid antagonising them with
- 20 their constituents, thus derailing the peace initiative, and that is
- 21 EVD-PT-D12-0021 (* sic) at 0149. And on that same day, they recommended
- 22 to the minister of state for provincial administration and internal
- 23 security that there were tensions in building up in Nakuru, rather, the
- 24 brief did, and said that the actions that NSAC has cause to be taken.
- 25 The deployment of 210 officers and dispatch of 25 Land Rovers to the

- 1 provincial commission. That's all they could do. They don't control
- 2 forces.
- 3 On 27th January 2008 they recommended again proactive measures be
- 4 employed to stop Kikuyu revenge, and then the police commissioner
- 5 informed members that security operation to forestall further skirmishes
- 6 has already started that day, on 27th January, 2008, but this day,
- 7 Nakuru, there was violence in Nakuru. There was violence in Naivasha.
- 8 So NSAC at least within their limited powers have acted, including
- 9 Ambassador Muthaura. And we refer to EVD-PT-D12-0022 (* sic) at 0157 to
- 10 0159.
- We also offer into evidence the minutes of 21 January 2008,
- 12 EVD-PT-D12-00019 at 0135, and the minutes reflect the recommendation by
- 13 NSAC to the Attorney General and commissioner of police to ensure
- 14 immediate arrest of executors and inciters of post-election violence.
- 15 This is what they recommended. It would be quite astonishing that
- 16 Ambassador Muthaura would turn around and do something else.
- 17 The minutes of the 27 January are contained in
- 18 EVD-PT-D12-000222 (* sic), at 0159. The minutes reflect that after
- 19 deliberations and in order to address the post-election violence in
- 20 Nakuru and environs, NSAC members recommended the following: that the
- 21 police commissioner should immediately launch a robust offensive against
- 22 the managers and executors of post-election violence as earlier
- 23 recommended by NSAC members, to destroy their organisational structure.
- 24 Similar action should be directed to attackers and their leaders.
- 25 Members felt that the number of people arrested is not commensurate with

- 1 the crimes committed and asked the commissioner of police to intensify
- 2 action to net those involved."
- 3 And minutes of 14 January 2007, EVD-PT-D12-0016 at 0109. They
- 4 recommended the establishment of a judicial commission of inquiry to be
- 5 constituted to inquire into the matter and advise the government on
- 6 course of action to take to forestall similar occurrence. The Attorney
- 7 General was requested to facilitate formation of the commission. And
- 8 typically on 14 January, that same day, Ambassador Muthaura sent a letter
- 9 to the Attorney General informing him of the decision and asked him to
- 10 kindly take action along the recommendations of NSAC. The letter has
- 11 been provided. It's contained in EVD-PT-D12-0015.
- 12 Your Honours, these are just a sample of actions which show that
- 13 Ambassador Muthaura worked tirelessly to prevent violence. If you look
- 14 at the minutes, you would see they even sat on Sundays. They even sat on
- 15 December 31st. Many people would take off those days. Not for them.
- 16 His was to try to find a solution to prevent violence. To therefore
- 17 suggest that he intended to commit the very crimes that he worked so
- 18 arduously to prevent from occurring is just inexplicable. How can one
- 19 explain that on the one hand he planned the crimes and on the other he's
- 20 trying to prevent them from happening and on the other he sent or he
- 21 helped in making decisions leading to deployment of forces to at least
- 22 protect people. It simply does not make sense.
- 23 Ambassador Muthaura should be congratulated. He should be
- 24 congratulated.
- And we interviewed a colleague of his, and this is what he has to

- 1 say, Bitange Ndemo former permanent secretary ministry of information,
- 2 and it's contained in EVD -- current, current ministry -- current
- 3 permanent secretary, ministry of information. And his statement is
- 4 contained in EVD-PT-D12-00092 at 0016, at paras 35 and 36, and this is
- 5 what he says:
- 6 "I like many Kenyans and civil servants were shocked at the
- 7 allegations of crimes and association with Mungikis leveled by the ICC
- 8 Prosecutor against the ambassador. I make this statement for a number of
- 9 reasons: First, apart from his character and integrity which I have
- 10 spoken to extensively, ambassador as chair of NSAC has been in the
- 11 fighting line against criminal activities and criminal organisations
- 12 which threaten the stability of the state."
- So it is preposterous to say that he would associate with the
- 14 Mungikis. This is an unacceptable proposition by the ICC Prosecutor.
- 15 Similarly:
- 16 "I make this statement based on my observations of the
- 17 ambassador's attitude in the times we interacted at NSAC during the time
- 18 of the election crisis. He was concerned with the security situation to
- 19 the extent that he invited all stakeholders to help in finding a solution
- 20 to the crisis. He always listened to all views and ensured
- 21 recommendations by relevant -- to relevant institutions or relevant
- 22 implementing authorities," I beg your pardon, "were forwarded from NSAC.
- 23 As I said, the ambassador, if he was a criminal, would not have
- 24 spearheaded efforts to take steps to ban such text messages; to call for
- 25 perpetrators to be brought to justice, and most importantly his role in

- 1 the development of legislation and media strategy to regulate the media.
- 2 How can you associate such a man with criminality?"
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Mr. Faal, is this the end of your
- 5 presentation?
- 6 MR. FAAL: Yes.
- 7 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Perfectly within the timing.
- 8 MR. FAAL: Thank you.
- 9 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Because otherwise I wouldn't like
- 10 very much to remind you very much about the timing. So we shall proceed
- 11 with the break. On behalf of the Chamber there is a proposal whether the
- 12 parties would agree that the break is limited to one hour so that we
- 13 commence -- what about the Prosecutor's Office, because the Defence are
- 14 nodding in agreement. So is it a silent consent --
- MS. ADEBOYEJO: We have no problem with it, Madam President and
- 16 your Honours.
- 17 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you very much. So we shall
- 18 proceed at 2.00 sharp.
- 19 MR. OGETTO: Your Honour. I'm sorry, your Honour.
- 20 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Yes.
- 21 MR. OGETTO: I think probably there is a small misunderstanding.
- 22 I do not think that this is the end of the submissions by the --
- 23 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: No, no. It's just for the moment
- 24 before the break. Thereafter it's your policy --
- 25 MR. OGETTO: (* Overlapping speakers)

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: It's your strategy, of course.
- 2 MR. OGETTO: (* Overlapping speakers)
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: The Chamber is not interfering
- 4 into your decisions how to best serve the interests of your client. So
- 5 let me ask the interpreters. Are they fine with a one-hour break?
- 6 THE INTERPRETER: Well, Madam President, the interpreters would
- 7 have needed an hour and a half to be able to catch their breath for the
- 8 break.
- 9 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you for your response.
- 10 THE INTERPRETER: Madam President --
- 11 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: (Microphone not activated) ... we
- 12 will finish at 3.00. Are you nodding in agreement, because I do not hear
- 13 anything.
- 14 THE INTERPRETER: Hello? Can you hear me, Madam President?
- 15 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: (Microphone not activated)...
- 16 fine. So we suspend the hearing and we shall meet at 2.00. Have a nice
- 17 lunch.
- 18 COURT USHER: All rise.
- 19 Recess taken at 1.00 p.m.
- 20 On resuming at 2.00 p.m.
- 21 (Open session)
- 22 COURT USHER: All rise.
- 23 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Please be seated. We resume our
- 24 last session for today, and the Defence team of Mr. Muthaura has one hour
- 25 left. So the floor is over to you.

- 1 Just to ask, is there someone new at this late --
- 2 MS. ADEBOYEJO: None from the Office of the Prosecutor.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: You do not have.
- In the Defence, there is no one new. So please, the floor to
- 5 over to you.
- 6 MR. OGETTO: Good afternoon, your Honours. I am basically going
- 7 to focus on the alleged crimes in Nakuru and Naivasha, but before I do
- 8 that, your Honours, allow me to make just one observation in relation to
- 9 a critical witness that the Prosecution uses to attempt to show that my
- 10 client was involved in the commission of crimes in Nakuru and Naivasha,
- and that is Witness number 0010, EVD-PT-OTP-00674.
- 12 Your Honours, a lot has been said about Prosecution witnesses and
- 13 some of the bizarre allegations that they make, but I want to point out
- 14 one aspect of this particular witness that is specifically interesting,
- and your Honours will recall that this is the witness who talks about an
- 16 alleged meeting in State House, bringing together about 100 Mungiki, and
- 17 he says quite interestingly that this happened either mid-January or end
- 18 of January. Interesting, because if this witness was really involved in
- 19 the events in Naivasha as he says, it defeats logic to understand why he
- 20 cannot recall when the events in Naivasha happened and why he would now
- 21 say that this meeting took place either in mid-January or end of January.
- 22 But that is not the end of it.
- This witness, your Honours, says that when they went to State
- 24 House that Saturday morning, this Mungiki, holding a rally in State
- 25 House, basically, in the gardens of State House, never mind that State

- 1 House is occupied by not only the president but many other people,
- 2 including employees from different ethnic communities all over Kenya, and
- 3 this witness wants this Court to believe that they can hold what he calls
- 4 a private meeting in State House. Then he says that they were served
- 5 with drinks, including alcoholic drinks. And this is at page 0552.
- 6 And, your Honours, if you pause for a moment, serving alcoholic
- 7 drinks to Mungiki in State House, the residence of a president, and these
- 8 are Mungiki who are supposed to be on their way to fight. They're going
- 9 to fight, and you're giving them beer, you're giving them alcohol, it
- 10 defeats logic. It shows how incredulous, how incredible the Prosecution
- 11 witnesses are. It shows the hopelessness of the Prosecution case. And,
- 12 your Honours, these details are extremely important, because they're
- 13 extremely telling, telling of the nature of the case that the Prosecution
- 14 has brought before your Honours.
- Having said that, your Honours, it is important to note that the
- 16 Prosecution case in relation to Nakuru and Naivasha is contradictory.
- 17 The Prosecution alleges that my client was part of a plan to commit
- 18 crimes in these two places, that these crimes were meticulously planned,
- 19 and that the police stepped in to help by letting Mungiki attack ODM
- 20 supporters.
- Now, your Honours, the Prosecution's own testimony from witnesses
- 22 that he has interviewed contradicts this theory, and, your Honours, I
- 23 wish to refer to Prosecution witness 0011, EVD-PT-OTP-00309, at page
- 24 1315, lines 403, 408.
- As a preliminary point, Witness 0011 is one of the key witnesses

- 1 for the Prosecutor. The Prosecutor's recorded lengthy statements from
- 2 this particular witness, and this is what the witness says at page 1315,
- 3 and I quote: For Nakuru, there was confrontation, and "some Mungiki
- 4 people felt in their own initiative they'll have to defend themselves and
- 5 their community. This is because some part of Nakuru had confrontation
- 6 with a Kalenjin."
- A statement from a Mungiki who is supposed to have been in the
- 8 know of what happened during the post-election violence, a statement that
- 9 the Prosecution has interviewed at length, saying that the violence in
- 10 Nakuru was not planned. It was Mungiki in Nakuru who took it upon
- 11 themselves to defend themselves.
- 12 Nevertheless, that is not the end of the story. The Prosecution
- 13 has disclosed the CIPEV report, what is known ordinarily known as the
- 14 Waki report, and that is EVD-PT-OTP-00228.
- Now, what is important about that report, your Honours, is that
- 16 in the report, the Prosecution discloses a tally of the deaths in Nakuru,
- and the tally indicates the cause of death, how many people were killed
- 18 in Nakuru during the post-election violence. And, your Honours, this
- 19 report and this tally is extremely important in understanding the
- 20 dynamics behind the violence and the killings in Naivasha, which dynamics
- 21 contradict the Prosecution theory. And, your Honours, the tally is to be
- 22 found at EVD-PT-OTP-00228, at pages 0681 to 0690.
- You will notice, your Honours, that the analysis of the totals on
- 24 the cause of death was presented to the Waki Commission in the form of a
- 25 graph, which again has been disclosed by the OTP as EVD-PT-OTP-00004,

- 1 page 0699.
- Now, the information to be found on this graph indicate that the
- 3 deaths occurred throughout the month of January and that there were some
- 4 deaths reported in February. Now, the figures on this graph are very
- 5 interesting, and again they contradict the Prosecution theory in this
- 6 case. That graph identifies the number of deaths by their ethnicity, and
- 7 if you look at the number of Kikuyu on that graph, it is indicated as 93.
- 8 So those are the Kikuyus who die in the post-election violence in Nakuru
- 9 during the month of January and February. Luo, 31; Kalenjin, 27; Luhya,
- 10 21; Kisii, 12; Teso, 1; Kamba, 2, then there is a figure unknown, 26.
- 11 The total comes to 213. And so quite clearly, the Kikuyu are the
- 12 majority of the victims.
- 13 The graph also indicates the cause of death, and again the
- 14 results are interesting. Seven Kikuyus shot by the police, nine
- 15 Kalenjins shot by the police, and three Luos shot by the police. And one
- 16 may ask the question: How do we know it is the police who shot these
- 17 individuals? Your Honours, again on the basis of the Prosecution
- 18 disclosures, the Prosecution's own evidence, it is concluded that these
- 19 people were shot by the police. And again I wish to refer to the CIPEV
- 20 report, EVD-PT-OTP-00004, at page 0720, where the commission concluded as
- 21 follows, and I quote:
- 22 "The commission has received no evidence to suggest that where
- 23 gunshots -- gunshots were recorded as the cause of death or injury it was
- 24 from a source other than the police. This calls into question the
- 25 contention that the post-election violence was a citizen-to-citizen

- 1 violence, and it validates the view that the police action accounted for
- 2 a good part of the post-election violence."
- 3 So again, a Prosecution disclosure clearly concluding that these
- 4 deaths that have been catalogued in this graph were caused by the police,
- 5 again contradicting the Prosecution theory that the police took no
- 6 action. They stood by and watched as ODM supporters were killed.
- Now, your Honours, from this document, which has been disclosed
- 8 by the Prosecution, which is part of the evidence in this case, it is
- 9 quite clear that there can be no logical argument that there was this
- 10 grand planning of the violence in Nakuru targeting exclusively ODM
- 11 supporters. Otherwise, why would we have the Kikuyu as the majority of
- 12 those killed in that violence? Why would we have seven Kikuyus shot by
- 13 the police if indeed the police were supportive of the Mungiki and, by
- 14 extension, the Kikuyus? It doesn't make sense. It cannot be logically
- 15 argued that the police took no action. The figures are here. They speak
- 16 for themselves. These are figures that have been disclosed by the
- 17 Prosecution.
- 18 What these figures also show, your Honours, is that there were no
- 19 guns available to Mungiki. We've heard stories, we've had narratives
- 20 from witnesses of the Prosecution about importation of guns, thousands of
- 21 guns, from Somalia, I think Ethiopia, distribution of weapons, guns to
- 22 Mungiki for the purpose of attacks in Naivasha and Nakuru. So the
- 23 question that this Chamber may wish to ask itself: Where are these guns
- 24 gone? Where were they used? Waki concludes that the people shot in
- 25 Nakuru were shot by the police. Where were these other guns used? And

- 1 again this is the evidence that the Prosecution wants to use against my
- 2 client, that he was part of a scheme to distribute weapons. He was part
- 3 of a scheme to distribute military uniforms. So what happened when he
- 4 distributed them? Nobody, no Prosecution witness, has come up to say
- 5 that the people who were involved in the attacks in Nakuru or Naivasha
- 6 wore military uniform or police uniform, for that matter. So what was
- 7 the purpose of this distribution of uniforms, of guns?
- 8 So, your Honours, quite clearly that allegation is hollow. It is
- 9 a fabrication. It is a lie.
- And the reason why we're in this problem, your Honours, is
- 11 because this case has not been properly investigated. Prosecution have
- 12 simply assembled a gang of thugs, selfish individuals out to make money,
- 13 individuals in search of a good life. These are the individuals, these
- 14 are the people the Prosecution has assembled and brought before this
- 15 Court in the name of witnesses, and these are the people that the
- 16 Prosecution wants your Honours to rely on in confirming these charges.
- 17 It will be unfair. It will be a travesty of justice to rely on such
- 18 witnesses.
- 19 You will notice, your Honours, that the Prosecution did not
- 20 interview any of the thousands of victims in Nakuru. The people know
- 21 what happened on the ground. Instead, he interviews people who were not
- 22 even in Nakuru to tell tales, to fabricate evidence, to convey fiction.
- 23 Prosecution did not bother to interview members of the Nakuru security
- 24 machinery. At least we have no evidence on the record, even if it was
- 25 redacted (* indiscernible), but this must be coming from somebody within

- 1 the security machinery. We have no such evidence, your Honours.
- 2 Provincial administration, the people who were on the ground, the people
- 3 who worked tirelessly to restore law and order have not been interviewed.
- 4 Members of the clergy in Nakuru have not been interviewed. Ordinary
- 5 civilians, men and women of honour, have not been interviewed.
- 6 And so what does the Prosecutor bring before your Honours?
- 7 Again, discredited individuals, selfish individuals out to tarnish the
- 8 good name of my client, the good name of Uhuru Kenyatta, and the good
- 9 name of Commissioner General Ali.
- We urge your Honours to reject this case, to dismiss it, because
- 11 to allow this process to move forward to confirmation would, in my very
- 12 humble submission, be a grave miscarriage of justice.
- We have interviewed Defence witnesses who have, in a very
- 14 credible and very objective fashion, explained to us what actually
- 15 happened in Nakuru. Defence Witness number 0038, Wilson Wanyanga, who
- 16 was the district commissioner in Nakuru at the time, has given the
- 17 Defence a statement in which he explains -- and that witness, your
- 18 Honours, is EVD-PT-D12-00052, and the relevant portions will be at page
- 19 395, 396. And as I said, this was the district commissioner in Nakuru, a
- 20 man who was in the district security committee, a man who knew what was
- 21 happening on the ground, a man who tried all his best, together with the
- 22 entire security machinery, to restore law and order. And he explains
- 23 what happens. He says the trigger for the violence in Nakuru was the
- 24 attack on the Kikuyus in an estate known as Githima on the 24th of
- 25 January, 2008. This is what triggered the violence in Nakuru. It is not

- 1 any plan by my client, Ambassador Muthaura. It is not any meeting in a
- 2 members club in Nairobi that caused this violence. The DC is clear about
- 3 it. The DC knew and knows up to now that my client was not involved in
- 4 the violence in Nakuru.
- 5 We've spoken, your Honours, to -- spoken to and recorded a
- 6 statement from a Catholic Father, Defence Witness 0029, EVD-PT-D12-00047.
- 7 Again, this particular witness was on the ground, was involved in as far
- 8 as helping the IDPs was concerned, and he's able to explain that this
- 9 violence was not planned, and suddenly not planned in Nairobi by my
- 10 client.
- 11 Defence Witness 0009, EVD-PT-D12-00064, at pages 0011, 0012, a
- 12 victim of the violence in Nakuru explaining what happened and giving the
- 13 genesis of the violence in Nakuru again as nothing to do with any
- 14 planning by my client.
- Defence Witness 33 -- 0023. Defence Witness 0023, your Honours,
- 16 is Mutahi Edward Karega. Mr. Karega was the permanent secretary in the
- 17 ministry of education at the time of the post-election violence,
- 18 currently the permanent secretary in the ministry of local government in
- 19 Kenya. This witness was in Nakuru on the 25th of January, 2007, and he
- 20 says that he encountered a large group in the morning of the 25th of
- 21 January in the outskirts of the town, a very large group of people, men,
- 22 women, young men, young women, children, in their thousands marching
- 23 towards the town. The reason? They were angry. They were annoyed
- 24 because their kinsmen had been continuously, continually attacked in
- other parts of Rift Valley, North Rift in particular, annoyed that the

- 1 violence had now been brought into Naivasha and Githima had been banned
- 2 on the 24th. And so they were annoyed, and they are marching in their
- 3 thousands into Naivasha.
- 4 And Karega Mutahi says -- into Nakuru. Sorry. Into Nakuru.
- 5 Karega Mutahi says he was were very scared. A member of government,
- 6 senior member of government, very scared that these thousands of people,
- 7 a mammoth number of people marching into town. Got very scared, and he
- 8 called Ambassador Muthaura and told him the situation is terrible in
- 9 Nakuru. Ambassador told him action will be taken and that the military
- 10 was on their way to Nakuru.
- 11 The witness says that later that day on his way to Nairobi, in
- 12 Naivasha he saw the military land and he concluded that
- 13 Ambassador Muthaura must have acted to save the situation in Nakuru.
- And so Karega Mutahi is convinced that as a result of the call
- 15 that he made to Ambassador Muthaura and as a result of the prompt action
- 16 that Ambassador Muthaura may have taken in consultation with other organs
- 17 of government, the military was promptly taken to Nakuru.
- Now, that cannot be a man who is planning violence. That cannot
- 19 be a man who is plotting the killing of innocent civilians.
- In relation to Naivasha, your Honours, the story is the same:
- 21 Prosecution relying on discredited witnesses, Prosecution relying on
- 22 fabricated testimony. And, your Honours, again there is no evidence.
- 23 There is no credible evidence at all that my client sat somewhere in
- 24 Nairobi together with Uhuru Kenyatta and others to plan the violence in
- 25 Naivasha or any other part of the country.

- And let me go back to -- to this Witness 0004, who really is the
- 2 core Prosecution witness as far as this plan is concerned. And I know my
- 3 colleague Karim Khan and Essa Faal have said a lot about this witness,
- 4 and for good reason, but allow me, your Honour, to -- to also say
- 5 something about this witness.
- 6 This is the only witness who talks about a meeting at the Nairobi
- 7 Club. Initially, of course, as you've heard, he said it was the Nairobi
- 8 Safari Club. Never mind that these two distinct places.
- 9 Nairobi Safari Club in the middle of town, a five-star hotel. Nairobi
- 10 Club on a hill about 3, 4 kilometres away from Nairobi Safari Club, and
- 11 yet he makes a mistake about the two places, and he changes his mind
- 12 later on when the Prosecution interviews him and he says, "Oh. I now
- 13 think it was Nairobi Club." Forget about that. More importantly, your
- 14 Honours, is the fact that this is the only witness who talks about this
- 15 grand plan hatched or adopted at the Nairobi club.
- We are told that Mungiki is a very well-structured organisation,
- 17 well-structured in formation flows, and so you expect that the other
- 18 Mungiki should be able to know about this important meeting. They don't
- 19 seem to know anything about this meeting, because they don't talk about
- 20 it. They talk about other meetings, and yet this is the most critical
- 21 meeting, where my client gives instructions to General Ali so that the
- 22 Mungiki are left free to attack civilians. An important meeting, and no
- 23 other Mungiki witness seems to know anything about this Nairobi club
- 24 meeting. Not Witness 0012, not 0011, nobody else.
- 25 And you will notice this is a common feature of these

- 1 testimonies, these fabricated testimonies that are being presented before
- 2 your Honours that each Mungiki witness, each of these witnesses talk
- 3 about their own events, and their colleagues don't seem to know about
- 4 these events.
- 5 The witness talks about the feasting that they are treated to in
- 6 State House, alcohol. Hundred Mungiki holding a meeting there. Nobody
- 7 else seems to know about this meeting. It's only Witness 0010.
- 8 Another one talks about a meeting in stadiums, football stadiums
- 9 where people are registered to go and fight in public, and no other
- 10 Mungiki seems to know about this, and yet this is happening in the open,
- 11 supposedly.
- So there is something wrong about this case, and we know what it
- 13 is. It is because these are fabrications. It is because these are lies.
- 14 It is a disgrace to international criminal justice that this kind of
- 15 testimony can be brought before an international criminal tribunal, a
- 16 distinguished international criminal tribunal like this.
- 17 Your Honours are being told that the police took no action in
- 18 Naivasha. Forget for a moment that the DCC itself actually talks about
- 19 9.000 IDPs secured at a police station. Nobody attacks them, and they
- are there for a considerable period of time. Some witnesses say two
- 21 weeks, others three weeks. They're there. And there are other camps
- 22 that are set up within Naivasha and secured by the police. And my
- 23 learned friend Ocampo, Luis Moreno-Ocampo, has the guts to come before
- 24 your Honours to tell you, without blinking, that the police did not take
- 25 any action in Naivasha despite all this evidence, some of it coming from

- 1 him from, his own witnesses, from his own reports, Waki reports.
- 2 Your Honours, it is not true that the police stood by in Naivasha
- 3 and did nothing as civilians were attacked. We will be calling the
- 4 Naivasha district commissioner. He will be testifying in public, and he
- 5 will tell your Honours -- he will explain to your Honours the measures
- 6 that the security machinery in Naivasha took to ensure that law and order
- 7 was maintained.
- 8 The other interesting aspect, your Honours, and this is what
- 9 comes out of the Prosecution evidence, and we are going to elaborate on
- 10 this in our written submissions, is that within the Naivasha security
- 11 apparatus, there was no senior Kikuyu. If we start with the OCPD,
- 12 Officer Commanding Police Station, it was a Luhya, and the Luhyas at that
- 13 time were associated with the ODM. His deputy was a Luhya. The DCIO,
- 14 District Criminal Investigations Officer, a Kalenjin. The district
- 15 commissioner himself a Kamba, not PNU. The prisons man, Luo.
- And so the top cream in the security machinery in Naivasha was
- 17 non-Kikuyu. Are these the people who were giving orders to let Mungiki
- 18 massacre their own kinsmen? It doesn't make sense. It's illogical.
- 19 Your Honours, this case should not go to trial. I have had the
- 20 opportunity, indeed the privilege to be Ambassador Muthaura's lawyer
- 21 since he was named, and in the course of gathering evidence for his
- 22 Defence, I have spoken to many Kenyans, and I know Kenyans because I'm
- 23 Kenyan. I've spoken to many, many of them. I have recorded statements
- 24 from many of them. And, your Honours, speaking from the bar, if you can
- 25 allow me for a moment -- I'm advised, your Honours that, probably my time

- 1 should be up. So, your Honours --
- 2 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: You have 14, 15 minutes, not more.
- 3 MR. OGETTO: So, your Honours, this case is not a case that is
- 4 fit to go to trial. Your Honours, I know you know the law. I have no
- 5 doubt in my mind, that is why you are Judges, but allow me to refer to
- 6 the decision in Bemba on the threshold for confirmation.
- 7 In Bemba, the confirmation decision of 15th of June, 2009, at
- 8 paragraph 30, the Chamber reiterated that in order for a case to be
- 9 confirmed, it must be one that fits any of the following objectives,
- 10 solid, it must be solid, material, well-built, real rather than
- 11 imaginary. The Chamber further clarified that the Prosecutor must
- 12 present tangible proof demonstrating, and this is important, your
- 13 Honours, demonstrating a clear line of reasoning. That is the threshold.
- 14 The threshold is not as the Prosecutor would like us to believe,
- 15 that you dump anything before your Honours, and we go and sort out the
- 16 mess in trial. He must present a clear case, a solid case. His
- 17 reasoning must be clear. And, your Honours, if you pause for a moment to
- 18 ask yourselves whether before you there is a case that is solid, before
- 19 you there is a case that has a clear line of reasoning, there will be
- 20 none.
- 21 Thank you.
- 22 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you, Mr. Ogetto.
- 23 Mr. Khan, is there someone else from your team who would like to
- 24 speak?
- MR. KHAN: Madam President, your Honours, you'll be glad to know

- 1 there's nothing else to say in this part of the -- bear with me one
- 2 moment, your Honour.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Yes.
- 4 (Defence counsel confer)
- 5 MR. KHAN: Madam President --
- 6 (Defence counsel confer)
- 7 MR. KHAN: Madam President, with your indulgence in the time that
- 8 remains, the ten minutes or so, Mr. Faal will have the final submissions
- 9 on behalf of the Defence of Ambassador Muthaura.
- 10 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Yes, of course. It's your time.
- 11 MR. KHAN: I'm grateful. I'm grateful.
- 12 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Yes, Mr. Faal, you have the floor.
- 13 MR. FAAL: Madam President, your Honours, perhaps I should go
- 14 back a little to Nakuru before I end up at Naivasha. I am cognisant of
- 15 the fact that we have about ten minutes at the most. I probably would
- 16 not exhaust most of the time.
- 17 The charges we face, at least that Ambassador Muthaura and the
- 18 other suspects face, is that Ambassador Muthaura created a free zone in
- 19 which the Mungiki were allowed to go and commit mayhem and that the
- 20 police would stand by and watch.
- 21 Another important element of this case is that the attacks were
- 22 meant to be retaliatory and that they had been planned.
- As my learned friend explained, in Nakuru, at least if you are
- 24 retaliating for an attack, you make the initiative. You take the step.
- 25 That did not happen in Nakuru. The evidence, as cited by my friend, my

- 1 learned friend, is that in Nakuru, the Kikuyus were attacked, and that is
- 2 why the highest number of dead per ethnicity is Kikuyus. So they are the
- 3 victims there, not the aggressors as the Prosecution's theory would
- 4 led -- lead you to believe. They are the victims in Nakuru. How did it
- 5 happen? Githima estate was attacked, houses burnt. We have provided the
- 6 evidence of Samuel -- excuse me, your Honour. Let me just get the -- my
- 7 learned friend will soon provide me with the EVD numbers. And the
- 8 witness explained how the attacks in Nakuru started. But Nakuru, too,
- 9 has to be understood within a particular context.
- 10 From 1992, Kikuyus were being attacked in Rift Valley after that
- 11 elections. In 1997, they were attacked again and displaced. In 2002, it
- 12 wasn't so bad. And then come 2007, lots of Kikuyus were attacked as
- 13 evidenced by what is happening in the other case.
- Obviously, therefore, in Nakuru at the time, there were about
- 15 20.000 IDPs, 20.000, fuelled, angered by detention, angered by what had
- 16 happened to their brethren and sistren in the North Rift. They had to do
- 17 something, especially when there were lots of rumours flying around that
- 18 the Kalenjin warriors are coming around. That is what happened in
- 19 Nakuru. Do they have to just sit by and let themselves be slaughtered
- 20 again?
- 21 On the 24th, Githima estate was attacked, people killed, houses
- 22 burnt.
- The witness D12-00009's, that's EVD-PT-D12-00064, testified about
- 24 how his 13 houses were burnt in Githima. Would he sit by and see
- 25 everything go again? He was displaced during that attack. He was

- 1 displaced from -- I can't remember the village off-the-cuff, but he was
- 2 displaced with his family. He came to Nakuru, thinking it would be a
- 3 safe haven. Nakuru was attacked again by Kalenjin warriors. That's why
- 4 if you look at death by cause of death, it's more about arrows, bows and
- 5 arrows. So Nakuru has to be understood in that context. The people had
- 6 to defend themselves, and this witness explains that.
- 7 There is this theory that Mungikis were imported into Nakuru.
- 8 Far from the truth. The evidence of the priest that we interviewed
- 9 clearly indicate that, in fact, they were (* indiscernible) Nakuru was
- 10 already a Mungiki stronghold anyway. Why plan in Nairobi to bring
- 11 Mungiki to Nakuru when you already have them there in abundance? These
- 12 people were local people who deemed it necessary to defend themselves.
- 13 If that were not the case, then more of them would not have died.
- 14 More Kikuyus died than Luos. More Kikuyus died than Kalenjins. It is
- 15 because they were first attacked and taken by surprise.
- During my earlier presentation, I dealt with the issue of the
- 17 so-called arms that had been sent to Nakuru. The Defence witnesses
- debunk that. I mean, the government of Kenya is not like -- it's not a
- 19 failed state. There are processes and procedures. You cannot get the AP
- 20 to issue guns and uniforms to you without at least any documentation, but
- 21 what is interesting about the statement of this witness is that the
- 22 person in charge of issuing guns and uniforms is not Kikuyu. You -- I
- 23 don't have the leaders off the -- off-the-cuff at the moment, but we
- 24 would deal with this in greater detail in our final submission. Since --
- 25 MS. ADEBOYEJO: Madam President, I'm sorry to interrupt my

- 1 learned friend, and I do this with the utmost respect. I wanted to find
- 2 out if my learned friend could provide the EVD number. He was going to,
- 3 I think.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: That's what Mr. Faal was
- 5 promising, to provide not only the Prosecutor but the Chamber as well
- 6 with EVD number. Do you have it, Mr. Faal?
- 7 MR. FAAL: Yes, I do. I do. I did not mean to blind-side you.
- 8 The EVD number is D12-290 -- excuse me. Let me just clarify this.
- 9 (Defence counsel confer)
- 10 MR. FAAL: EVD-PT-D12-2900047 (* sic).
- 11 (Defence counsel confer)
- MR. FAAL: All right. That is the evidence of the priest I was
- 13 referring to.
- 14 Whilst I have two, three minutes, if you don't mind, your Honour,
- 15 I could talk a little bit about Naivasha. Just to refer your Honours to
- 16 the evidence of Prosecution Witness 0002. The evidence she gives clearly
- 17 explains the efforts that the police have taken in order to deal with the
- 18 crisis in Naivasha. That evidence does not support the theory that the
- 19 police were asked to step back, and one important thing about her
- 20 testimony is the visit of the minister for internal security in Naivasha
- 21 during the time of the crisis. And the people protested, according to
- 22 the witness, that they don't want the presence of the DC and the DCIO,
- 23 because they were ODM supporters preventing them, not making it easy for
- 24 them to achieve their objectives. And this is important, because it just
- 25 goes to show that the police were doing what they were supposed to do.

- 1 They were simply overwhelmed, as it is recognised by Waki and by many
- 2 reports that talk about Naivasha.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE TRENDAFILOVA: Thank you Mr. Faal.
- 5 Now we came to the end of the last session for today. I would
- 6 like on behalf of my colleagues to thank very much the Defence team of
- 7 Mr. Muthaura for -- and we would like to say that we appreciate really
- 8 very much that you avoid any inappropriate presentation regarding
- 9 confidential information, anonymous witnesses. That was a concern to us
- 10 regarding our responsibility concerning the protection of individuals on
- 11 account of the activities of the court.
- 12 I would like to thank you very much the Office of the Prosecutor
- 13 for respecting their colleagues on the opposite side and not intervening
- 14 while they were presenting their case.
- 15 I would like to thank the other two Defence teams.
- Of course, my thankfulness, as always, goes to the interpreters,
- 17 to the stenographers, to the court officers, to the security officers and
- 18 those who are in the public gallery.
- 19 On Monday we proceed with the witnesses of Mr. Muthaura. Until
- 20 then, I wish you a pleasant weekend. See you at 2.30 in the same
- 21 courtroom, p.m., on Monday.
- The hearing is adjourned.
- 23 COURT USHER: All rise.
- 24 The hearing ends at 3.00 p.m.

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