

## PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### WHO WILL SAVE OUR YOUTH FROM THE INDISCRIMINATE BULLET?

Human Rights Agenda (HURIA) strongly condemns the brutal and senseless killing of Ibrahim Ramadhan a 17-year-old boy allegedly by police officers in Majengo, Nairobi, on **4th March 2025**. This act of alleged police brutality is yet another glaring example of the excessive use of force by law the enforcement agents, which continues to rob Kenyan Youth of their lives and deny them their fundamental right to safety and justice.

This comes at a time when another family in Likoni, Mombasa is still mourning the death of their 14-year-old son, Hamisi Ibrahim who was also allegedly shot by a police officer on 7th January 2025 for allegedly attempting to attack the officer.

The two said incidents and other unreported ones in different parts of the country continue to paint a picture of a brutal police force entrusted with public safety riding on systemic failures in Kenya's law enforcement structures. It is unacceptable for any family to mourn a loved one due to unchecked police violence, especially during this holy month when both the Muslims and the Catholics are fasting.

HURIA demands that the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) swiftly investigates these heinous crimes and ensure that the responsible officers are arrested and prosecuted to the full extent of the law. We further call upon the new IPOA commissioners to uphold its mandate and hold the National Police Service accountable for such grave violations of human rights. The government must take decisive action to eradicate the culture of impunity that continues to embolden rogue officers to allegedly kill with no consequences.

The people of Kenya have endured far too many instances of police killings, and we wish to remind the President, Dr. William Ruto to make good his commitment of ending all forms of extra-judicial executions by security services, amend the National Coroners Service Act of 2017 to establish the Coroner-General's Office; Establish a Special Tribunal for Gross Human Rights Violations and Enforced Disappearances (including in northern Kenya) and Ratifying and domesticating the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances as per the Kenya Kwanza Government manifesto.

We urge all Kenyans, civil society organizations, and human rights defenders to remain vigilant and demand justice for the victims and their families. The government must ensure that law enforcement operates within the bounds of justice, transparency, and accountability. As HURIA, we strongly reaffirm our commitment to advocating for police accountability and the protection of human rights in the coast region and beyond.

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