



OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL  
NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

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**PRESS STATEMENT**

For Immediate Release  
National Police Service Headquarters, Nairobi

**PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS ON WEDNESDAY JULY 19, 2023**

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The National Police Service (NPS) takes cognizance of the information circulating via the media, of planned demonstrations in various parts of the Country from tomorrow, Wednesday July 19-21, 2023.

Contrary to the legal requirements, no organizers/planners of the purported demonstrations have notified the Police of such gatherings.

While Article 37 of the Constitution gives the right to assemble, demonstrate and picket, lessons from recent similar demonstrations that left trails of destruction of property, injuries and loss of lives, clearly indicate that such demonstrations are nothing but a threat to national security.

In line with NPS mandate to maintain law and order; protect life and property; and preserve peace, we wish to inform the public that any demonstrations that will be held in any part of Kenya on Wednesday July 19, 2023 will be dealt with promptly in accordance with the law.

We therefore urge all law-abiding members of public to carry-on with their daily activities, and commend all NPS Officers for their continued patriotism, selfless and dedicated service to our Country.

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