

STATEMENT BY MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS ON THE ALLEGED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON HON NANTABA AIDAH ELIOS AND THE DEATH OF SSEBULIME RONALD

3rd April 2019

Rt Hon Speaker, Hon Members,

This is a preliminary/interim statement on the above subject matter, preliminary because investigations are still going on. I will make a full statement once investigations are completed.

From the onset, I want on behalf of government and on my own behalf, to express my deepest condolences to the family and relatives of the late Ronald Ssebulime. The death of the late Ronald Ssebulime is extremely sad.

What is so far known:

1. Hon Aida Erios Nantaba, Minister of State for Information and Communications Technology and National Guidance, and Woman Member of Parliament for Kayunga District, on 24TH of March 2019 at about 11:30am reported to Naggalama Police Station, a suspected attempt to assassinate her. This suspected attempt had occurred while she was driving back to Kampala from Kayunga in her official motor vehicle registration number UG 0037N a Toyota Prado.
2. Mr. Ronald Ssebulime was killed after being arrested by police. We are now treating this as a murder.

Action(s) so far

- 1) A team of detectives from CID Headquarters and Kampala Metropolitan Police has been constituted to carry out the investigations
- 2) Statements have been taken from various witnesses.
- 3) Arrests of police officers
 - Cpl Sali David
 - Police Constable Opira Ronald
 - Police Constable Bagonza Ronald

Have been arrested as suspects in the murder of Ssebulime Ronald.

- 4) A Cabinet Sub Committee Chaired by the Minister of Internal Affairs has been formed to manage these investigations.

Direction of investigations.

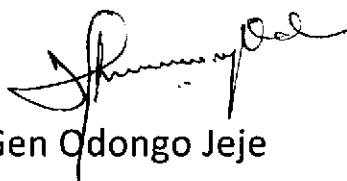
1. To establish if indeed there was an attempt to assassinate Hon Nantaba and if so, the motive.
2. Who was or were the perpetrators of this attempted assassination?
3. The conduct of the police officers involved in the whole situation from the time Hon Nantaba reported attempt on her life.
4. Any other matter relevant to this investigation.

Conclusion:

As indicated earlier, this is a preliminary report. Further investigations will tie up many of the loose ends and I will subsequently come back with a full statement on the findings.

Rt Hon Speaker, Hon Members,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to make this preliminary statement.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Odongo Jeje', written in a cursive style.

Gen Odongo Jeje

Minister for Internal Affairs.