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POSTINGS, PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

His Excellency Hon Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya, and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces has today promoted Maj Gen Francis O Ogolla to the rank of Lieutenant General and appointed him the Vice Chief of the Defence Forces (VCDF).

Lt Gen Francis O Ogolla replaces Lt Gen Franklin L Mghalu whose term of service has come to an end after 40 years of service. He had previously served as the VCDF and as the Commander Kenya Navy.

Until his appointment as VCDF Lt Gen Francis Ogolla was the Commander Kenya Air Force.

The President has also promoted and appointed Brigadier John M Omenda to the rank of Major General and appointed him Commander Kenya Air Force.

Further, on the advice of the Defence Council Chaired by Amb Dr. Monica K Juma, Cabinet Secretary for Defence, the President upheld the Council's recommendations and made various promotions, postings and appointments of KDF officers as follows.

PROMOTIONS, POSTINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

VICE CHIEF OF THE DEFENCE FORCES

Major General Francis O Ogolla

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General and appointed Vice Chief of the Defence Forces.

KENYA ARMY

Major General Albert K Kendagor	Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General and appointed Force Commander AMISOM (Designate).
Major General Jonah M Mwangi	Promoted to Lieutenant General and appointed Vice Chancellor National Defence University Kenya (NDUK)
Major General William K Shume	Appointed Deputy Commander Kenya Army.

KENYA AIR FORCE

Major General Mohamed A Badi	Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General and remains Director General Nairobi Metropolitan Service
Brigadier John M Omenda	Promoted to the rank of Major General and appointed Commander Kenya Air Force.
Brigadier Peter N Githinji	Appointed Deputy Commander Kenya Air Force.

OTHER PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Brigadier Alphaxard Kiugu	Promoted to the rank of Major General and appointed Assistant Chief of the Defence Forces Personnel and Logistics (ACDF P&L).
Brigadier Peter K Muteti	Promoted to the rank of Major General and appointed Assistant Chief of the Defence Forces Operations, Doctrine and Training (ACDF OPD&T)
Brigadier Stephen R Otieno	Promoted to the rank of Major General and appointed General Officer Commanding Border Security Command (GOC, BSC)
Colonel Peter S Chelimo	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Base Commander Kenya Navy Base, Manda.
Colonel Sankale Kiswaa	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Fleet Commander Kenya Navy Fleet.
Colonel Yvonne K Kirui	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Legal Services Defence Headquarters

Colonel Joseph M Muracia	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Heavy Construction Brigade.
Colonel Maurice N Mwangi	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Managing Director Kenya Ordnance Factories Corporation.
Colonel Faustino M Lobaly	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Kahawa Garrison.
Colonel Sammy Kipng'etich	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Finance Defence Headquarters
Colonel Jacob O Ondieki	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Managing Director, Defence Forces Food Production Factory.
Colonel John K Njeru	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Special Forces Operations Command.
Colonel Joyce C Sitienei	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Director International Peace Support Training Centre.
Colonel Samwel K Kipkorir	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Base Commander Moi Air Base.
Colonel Seif S Rashid	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Special Operations Brigade.
Colonel Mboya Mwenga	Promoted to Brigadier and remain Commander Artillery Brigade.
Colonel David O Obonyo	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Strategic Plans & Policy Defence Headquarters.
Colonel Carolyne M Mutisya	Promoted to Brigadier and remains on Secondment to Kenya National Geospatial Agency.
Colonel Jattani K Gula	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander 4 Brigade.
Colonel Jaldesa Issako	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Lang'ata Garrison.

Colonel Moses L Leriari	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commandant Defence Forces Memorial Hospital.
Colonel Peter M Githinji	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Logistics Defence Headquarters.
Colonel Nyatigo Marwanga	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Communication Information Systems (CIS), Defence Headquarters.
Colonel (Dr Ismail Abdi Awle	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Chief of Clinical Support Services, Defence Headquarters.
Colonel Edgar P Lopokoiyit	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Senior Directing Staff Air, National Defence College.
Colonel Kerempe Sane	Promoted to Brigadier and remain Base Commander, Wajir Air Base.
Colonel Elizabeth A Omollo	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Director of Exams National Defence University - Kenya.
Colonel Yahya S Abdi	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Base Commander Kenya Navy Base Mtongwe.
Colonel Elijah N Gatere	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Managing Director Defence Forces Medical Insurance Scheme.
Colonel P O Asava	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander 2 Brigade.
Colonel S N Saidi	Promoted to Brigadier and appointed Commander Engineers Brigade.

POSTINGS AND APPOINTMENTS

Major General Patrick A Amogola	Posted to National Defence University - Kenya and appointed Deputy Vice Chancellor Administration & Finance.
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Major General George M Owinow	Posted to National Defence University – Kenya and appointed Director Centre for Security and Strategic Studies.
Maj General Fatuma G Ahmed	Posted to Kenya Military Academy and appointed Commandant.
Major General Solomon M Manambo	Posted to National Security Industries Directorate (NSID) and appointed Director General.
Major General Peter M Njiru	Posted to Defence Staff College and appointed Commandant.
Major General Martin K Ongo'yi	Posted to Kenya Ordnance Factories Corporation and appointed Managing Director.
Major General Charles M Kahariri	Appointed Commandant, National Defence College.
Major General Rashid A Elmi	Posted to National Defence University – Kenya and appointed Deputy Vice Chancellor Applied Research and Military Strategic Studies.
Brigadier George O Okumu	Posted to Defence Headquarters Operations, Doctrine and Training and appointed Chief of Systems.
Brigadier Mohamed I Iddi	Posted to Defence Headquarters Inspectorate and appointed Chief of Inspectorate.
Brigadier Kenneth O Dindi	Posted to National Defence University – Kenya and appointed Chief of Legal.
Brigadier (Dr) Charles M Kingori	Posted to Super Pool while deployed at Kenya National Research and Referral Hospital
Brigadier Joakim N Mwamburi	Posted to Defence Staff College and appointed Deputy Commandant/Chief Instructor.
Brigadier Luka K Kutto	Posted to Defence Headquarters Operations, Doctrine and training and appointed Chief of Operations.
Brigadier Godfrey A P Buluma	Posted to Mariakani Garrison and appointed Commander.

Brigadier Willy S Wesonga	Posted to National Defence College and appointed Senior Directing Staff Army.
Brigadier Jeremiah O Maroko	Posted to Armoured Brigade and appointed Commander.
Brigadier Juma S Mwinyikai	Posted to National Defence University - Kenya and appointed Director Applied Research and Military Strategic Studies.
Brigadier Elijah M Mwanyika	Posted to National Defence University - Kenya and appointed Deputy Director Centre for Security and Strategic Studies.
Brigadier Charles L Mwazighe	Posted to Defence Headquarters Compensation and Welfare and appointed Chief of Compensation & Welfare.
Brigadier Abdullahi G Rashid	Posted to Kenya Army Corps of Aviation (KACA) and appointed Commander.
Brigadier Eric M Kinuthia	Posted to National Defence University -Kenya and appointed Director, Academic Affairs.
Brigadier (Dr) Milton A Obilo	Posted to Defence Force Memorial Hospital and appointed Chief Medical Officer.
Brigadier Ibrahim K Omari	Posted to National Defence College and appointed Senior Directing Staff Navy.
Brigadier Thomas N Ng'ang'a	Posted to National Defence University - Kenya and appointed Director Applied Research, Strategy and Policy.

Lieutenant Colonel Esther B Wanjiku has been promoted to the rank of Colonel and appointed Colonel Public Affairs and KDF Spokesperson. She replaces Colonel Zipporah K Kioko who proceeds to the Royal College of Defence Studies, United Kingdom (RCDS, UK) for strategic studies.


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