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**SUBJECT: ALLEGED BOUNDARIES DELIMITATION ACTIVITY IN MANDERA COUNTY**

Nairobi, Kenya: Monday June 9, 2020 - The Commission's attention has been drawn to video clips and reports circulating in the social media on suspected boundary delimitation exercise in Mandera County by purported IEBC officials.

On receiving the information the Commission initiated investigation into the matter by contacting and obtaining information from the Constituency Elections Coordinators, Constituency Administration Assistants, voter educators, security personnel and other stakeholders on the ground to ascertain the claims. It has since been established that there was **NO EVIDENCE** of the purported claims. Further, there is no such report officially lodged to date with our County Elections Manager in Mandera.

The Constitution of Kenya 2010, provides for periodic review of the names and boundaries of constituencies at intervals of not less than eight (8) years, and not more than twelve (12) years. The last boundaries review was completed in year 2012 and therefore the Commission will conduct the next review by the year 2024. The dates, schedules and timelines for the exercise will be made public at the opportune moment.

The Commission therefore wishes to strongly warn political players and members of the public from Mandera County from issuing false statements on boundaries delimitation which is highly emotive and can easily fuel violence.

The Commission further urges the local security apparatus to speedily investigate the matter and take appropriate actions against any person(s) purporting to be undertaking such activity.

THANK YOU

**Communication Directorate**