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STATEMENT ON THE UNFORTUNATE DEATH TEACHER ALBERT OMONDI OJWANG:

The Kenya National Union of Teachers is utterly and deeply saddened by the tragic death of Albert Ojwang, a registered and practicing teacher in Taita Taveta County, who died on the night of 8th June, 2025 at the Central Police Station in Nairobi. Mr. Ojwang', a dedicated, devoted, energetic and promising young professional teacher had travelled for over 1000 kilometers over the long weekend to see his young family in Homabay County when he was arrested and finally reported dead in the hands of the very police that is constitutionally mandated to protect him.

Whatever the offence, no Kenyan should lose their life in police custody. Police officers have a legal and moral duty to ensure the safety and well-being of every person under their custody until arraigned in court. The death of Albert Ojwang while in detention raises serious questions that must be urgently, thoroughly, and independently investigated by the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA).

The findings of these investigations must be made public, and any officers found responsible must be held fully accountable in accordance with the law. This incident is yet another stark reminder of the urgent need for transparency, accountability, and far-reaching professionalization within our law enforcement Institutions.

The Kenya National Union of Teachers shares this grieving moment with the immediate family members of Mr. Ojwang, the teachers who worked with him, his friends and all the teachers of Kenya at this difficult and trying moment of loss. We pray that the good lord comforts the family and gives them fortitude as they mourn the loss of this loving son of our country.

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