

KENYA FILM CLASSIFICATION BOARD

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STATEMENT BY THE KENYA FILM CLASSIFICATION BOARD CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DR. EZEKIEL MUTUA, MBS ON ARREST OF ERIC OMONDI

The Kenya Film Classification Board Compliance Officers in conjunction with Police Officers from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) have this afternoon arrested one Eric Omondi for violating the provisions of the Films and Stage Plays Act Cap 222 of the Laws of Kenya by producing and distributing unauthorised film content dubbed "Wife Material."

The said comedian will be arraigned in court for contravening the law. The Films and Stage Plays Act Cap 222 provides inter alia:

- (1) No person shall exhibit any film at an exhibition to which the public are admitted or distribute such film unless he is registered as an exhibitor or distributor by the Board and issued with a certificate.
- (2) No film or class of film shall be distributed, exhibited, or broadcast, either publicly or privately, unless the Board has examined it and issued a certificate of approval in respect thereof.
- (3) Any person who exhibits any film in contravention of the provisions of subsection (1) or subsection (2) shall be guilty of an offence.

The Board will take all possible legal means to curb production and exhibition of unauthorised films on any platform meant for public exhibition.

Protection of children from exposure to harmful content remains KFCB'S core mandate. Any artist producing content for public consumption in Kenya must ensure that they comply with the provisions of the Films and Stage Plays Act Cap 222 of the Laws of Kenya.

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