

OFFICE OF THE DATA PROTECTION COMMISSIONER

PRESS STATEMENT

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STATEMENT ON IEBC VERIFICATION OF VOTING PARTICULARS PORTAL

Attention of the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner (ODPC) has been drawn to media reports and concerns of citizens at the recently launched Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) verification of voting particulars portal.

ODPC wishes to reiterate a recently issued Guidance Note on the Processing of Personal Data for Electoral Purposes which can be found via the link below: https://www.odpc.go.ke/download/quidance-notes-for-electoral-purposes/e.

The Guidelines were developed to assist data controllers and data processers comply with the Data Protection Act when processing personal data.

Data Protection Legislation is applicable to all stakeholders engaged in the election process including, but not limited to, IEBC, Political Parties, the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties, Observers and volunteers.

ODPC has received and is currently reviewing the Data Protection Impact Assessment from the IEBC.

The Office will continue engaging all stakeholders involved in the electoral process on awareness creation and compliance with the Data Protection Act to ensure the rights of the citizens are respected and protected pursuant to the Act.

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