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ENHANCING SECURITY AT VARIOUS PUBLIC PLACES OF WORSHIP

In view of the growing threat of terrorism from the sub-region, and the expansionist drive of terrorist groups towards coastal West-African States, with a renewed modus operandi of targeting public gatherings, including places of worship, it is imperative that precautional measures are taken by all stakeholders.

2. It would be recalled in 2013 that al-Shabab militants attacked the Westgate mall in Nairobi, leading to the death of about sixty (60) people, including the late Prof. Kofi Awoonor, a revered Ghanaian poet and author.
3. While the Ministry of National Security is collaborating with the relevant State Security and Intelligence Agencies to institute measures to avert terrorist attacks in the country, your outfit is urged to enhance security, particularly in areas where mass gatherings are conducted.
4. These measures may include, but not limited to, the installation of CCTV cameras at designated places of worship, and engaging the services of approved Private security guards, among others.
5. Although the above directive has become necessary, the Ministry of National Security assures you of our continuous resolve to institute measures aimed at safeguarding the peace and security of the country.
6. Treat as urgent.
7. Regards.



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