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KENYA VETERINARY BOARD INQUIRY ON DEATH OF RHINOS AT KENYA WILDLIFE SERVICES AFTER THEIR TRANSLOCATION

Following the reports appearing in the media on 26/07/2018 touching on the death of rhino at KWS upon their translocation from Lake Nakuru and Nairobi National Parks to Tsavo East National Park and taking into consideration that professional negligence was cited as one of the factors contributing to the deaths, KVB has instituted an inquiry team to investigate the matter pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Veterinary Surgeons and Veterinary Paraprofessionals Act, 2011. The team headed by Dr. Vijay Varma includes:- Prof. Eddy Mogo, Drs. Esther Ngethe, Thomas Manyibe Nyariki, Cathryn Wanjohi, Mary Lucy Mongony and Mr. Paul Kariuki Ndung'u.

The terms of reference for the team include:-

1. To familiarize with the VSP Act, Wildlife and Conservation Management Act and Code of Ethics for veterinary surgeons and veterinary paraprofessionals.
2. To interview all affected veterinary professionals and any other relevant staff at KWS.
3. To interview veterinary professionals who were involved with earlier processes.
4. To assess the KWS Veterinary Department using the Performance of Veterinary Services (PVS) tool adapted to the institutions.
5. To identify any governance related challenges that impact on the delivery of veterinary services to the wildlife.

The team started their investigations on 03/08/2018 and is required to present a report to the Board by 30/08/2018.

Dated this 22nd day of August, 2018.

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