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Press release on the vacation of vendors and hawkers from Kampala Streets

Good morning

As you may all recall, I issued a statement late last year saying that all street Vendors and hawkers were due to vacate the streets two days ago. Since then, a lot has been at play. The simple issue of vendors being relocated from streets to the Markets has been politicized. USAFI and Wandegeya markets are almost empty. The amount of money government invested in building these markets is unaccountable for. And some among the political showbiz masters in Kampala think nothing should be done.

Everything notwithstanding, I want to appreciate the vendors and hawkers that have moved to the markets so far. You have done the right think. My hope is that no force at all should be used. I expect all well-meaning people of Kampala to understand that this is for the good not just of Kampala but of Uganda as well. Therefore, whether by consent or force, I thank those that have relocated to the markets from the streets. More changes are bound to happen in this city for the good of the city and no one can stop them so long as it's in the best interests of the City.

As we all know, 10th January came and it has gone. Some vendors and hawkers are still selling on the streets. I am appealing to them now. Please leave the streets within five days from today. The concerned security agencies in Kampala have given the vendors and hawkers a grace period

within which to leave the streets. Instead of 10th January, we are now saying leave by 16th. Please I appeal to you my mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters vending on streets. It is for your own good. I am pleading with you now because on 16th January, we may have a team in Kampala Streets to help you leave. It is better for you to leave unassisted. We want to believe that by Sunday, the vendors will have heeded to this call. Thank you.



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