



News Release

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Riotous attacks on Wobulenzi Court unacceptable

Rioters on Wednesday 18th November 2020 attacked Wobulenzi Magistrate's Court and set it ablaze, destroying property, mainly furniture in the Court Hall.

The Judiciary is dismayed by this act of hooliganism. This action is an unwarranted direct affront on the independence of the Judiciary which is guaranteed under the Constitution. Under Article 128 of the Constitution, no person or authority shall interfere with the courts or judicial officers in the exercise of their judicial functions.

As the Judiciary, we condemn in the strongest terms, this unfortunate incident and call upon everyone to desist from any form of attack on the Courts. Such attacks interfere with the operations of the Courts and the administration of justice generally.

The matter is being investigated by the police, and the culprits will be brought to book.

We urge all Ugandans to exercise restraint and avoid attacking the Courts that are mandated to defend the Constitution, promote the rule of law and safeguard their human rights.

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