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**SUB: SUSPECTED ASPECTS OF EMBEZZLEMENT OF FUNDS/ICT DIRECTORATE/ POLICE HEADQUARTERS-NAGURU /KAMPALA DISTRICT**

1. **Background**

The National Command and control Center (NC&CC) located at the Uganda Police Force Headquarters Naguru in Kampala District was commissioned on the 28th November 2019 by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Uganda.

The CCTV Network was up and running currently comprising of **2914** cameras on the user Interface monitored 24/7

1. **Crime Analysis and Investigations**

It should be noted that since 2007 with the Installation of the CCTV during Chogm, there was need for an analytic software for footage enhancement in backing up court proceedings and prosecution of criminals.

With the Phase I and Phase II installations covering the whole Country it has been necessary for the Software to be procured and installed by the Force for better image/video enhancement during investigations of aspects of criminal activities for example when people power accused Police of knocking to death their supporter at Nakawa Market and no video evidence was retrieved to this effect.

1. **Rivalry for CCTV video enhancement Software installations and procurement in UPF**

It should be noted that in 2018 **Master links** a UK based Company started having meetings with the Directorate of ICT in marketing the **Kinesense video enhancement software** which is used by more than 100 Police Forces in the world.

The software was demonstrated to CP CCTV SP Senyondo Richard by then with the CCTV Analysis Head of Unit ASP Nixon attached currently at NCCC as head of CCTV Analysis & Investigations which they appreciated and forwarded to the Director ICT (SCP) Baryamwisaki Felix which he appreciated upon demonstration both physically and on video conferencing was also done from UK to the CCTV Team.

Master links tendered in the proposal which had much money and were advised to reduce.

Early 2020 they were called back by the Director ICT about the software and this was monitored through CCTV surveillance in the CI Analysis Centre.

Information obtained from the source revealed that Master links reduced the money to 63 Million Uganda shillings which was acknowledged and what Police had earlier on requested.

1. **Entry of other suppliers**

It should be noted that other companies immediately joined to supply the software such as;

1. **Computer revolution**
2. **Telcare**
3. **Computer Medics Ltd**

**Computer Revolution.**

The Company wanted to supply UPF with **Amped Five Software** which was at **600 Million Uganda Shillings** compared to 63 Million Shillings by Master links

When the money by Computer revolution was high, they were out of the race where this brought in **Telcare Company** competing to supply **Amped Five Software** which originally and officially is supplied by Computer Revolution.

Information on ground has it that Telcare Company was tipped off by unknown source of the bidding price by Master links of 63Million Ugx where they reduced a little amount less than Master links in order to take the bid and all were presented to Procurement office based at Jinja Road.

Current information on ground states that **Telcare** has won the tender to supply Police with the software.

Information from a close source has it that **Telcare Company** has no Amped Five Software therefore they went to **Computer Revolution**  to Buy the software from them however Computer revolution denied them the supply neither the partnership to supply to UPF.

When Telcare wanted the software, they were referred to Computer Revolution for approval since they are the authentic and licensed owners of the software.

This confusion and struggle for the supply has made the supply at stand still.

**Computer Medics Ltd.**

The Company has also emerged to supply a software to UPF and information on ground is that it was also forwarded to U/S Police and Procurement for approval.

1. **Observation**
2. All the competing Companies have never presented and demonstrated competence to UPF on the functionality and efficiency of the software apart from Master links Company.
3. Information on ground has it that CP Sewanyana Yusuf (D/D/ ICT) intimidated ASP Nixon (I/C CCTV Production Analysis &Investigations) to keep off the matters of the software
4. The irregular mess in the procurement of the software is said to be engulfed by the D/D/ICT where early July the source communicated to Director ICT about the supply and the Director stated that he was not aware that there are other competitors apart from Master links.
5. It should also be observed that there is an insider who has manipulated the procurement department for unestablished motive within the Directorate of ICT
6. It’s not yet clear on how Computer Revolution, Telcare and Computer medics emerged into the procurement process
7. This act is most likely to cause a financial loss to the Organization.
8. **Recommendation**
9. Further investigations should be instituted to establish the purchase of the Video Analysis and Enhancement software for UPF
10. The companies involved should reapply afresh with demonstration on competence and capacity to supply the software
11. Master links Company should be offered the opportunity to install the software since it demonstrated usage of the software and it is used by over 100 Police forces across the world.
12. The **Kinesense software** was demonstrated to CCTV Experts and Analysis Team and is recommended for the current CCTV installed system.
13. Crime Intelligence should interest itself into the purchase and procurement of the CCTV Analytical and video/image enhancement software before it is late

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