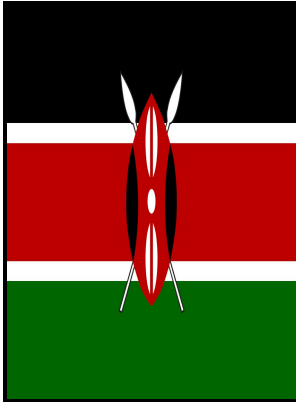


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Ironically, Moi astutely exploited ethnicity to stay in power which exposed the outlawing of tribal entities as the beginning of the construction of a one party monolith under the ruse of building a sense of nationhood among Kenyans. States that were liberalizing continue to liberalize, while those that were becoming more autocratic move deeper into authoritarianism.

## 1982 Kenyan coup d'état attempt

Although Moi restored judicial tenure in the early 1990s, Mutua suggested that this did not redeem the image of the judiciary. These two units consisted of carefully selected Kikuyus from Central Province and Kiambu and their function was to act as a bulwark against the Kenyan Army.

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It is also impossible to affirm the degree to which the coup prompted the change, or the unwillingness to rig the process, but it is worth noting that the failed coup occurred in the midst of substantial protests against the government that themselves had already prompted some concessions from Kaunda. In the chaos, they brought some in alive, mixing them up with the dead, a priest said.

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