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THE WOMEN'S PROBONO INITIATIVE (WPI) CONDEMNS MILITARISED AND GENDERED ATTACK AGAINST SP ESTHER KIIZA, A WOMAN IN UNIFORM

[KAMPALA, 4-06-2025] The Women's Probono Initiative (WPI) is deeply outraged by the appalling and violent incident that occurred on Monday evening at Wakiso Police Division, where soldiers reportedly attached to the Presidential Task Force on Land Matters and Environment, led by Brig. Moses Lukyamuzi, stormed the police station and violently confronted the Division Police Commander (DPC), SP Esther Kiiza.

According to reliable media reports and police confirmation, SP Kiiza was placed at gunpoint and ordered to undress, an act not only of gross intimidation but one that reflects the most egregious form of violence against women. The demand for a woman in uniform to strip as a form of humiliation and coercion is a clear and unacceptable abuse of power.

The Women's Probono Initiative stands in unwavering solidarity with SP Esther Kiiza and commends the bravery and professionalism of the officers who defended her from this violent assault.

In today's society, it is unacceptable to witness uniformed soldiers entrusted to uphold our Constitution and protect our people engaging in acts of inhumane and degrading treatment. Our communities deserve dignity and accountability, and those who violate this trust must be held fully accountable.

We call for an immediate and transparent investigation into the actions of the implicated soldiers and their commanding officers. The state must ensure that those responsible are brought to justice through a full, public, and gender-sensitive legal process. Justice must not only be done, but it must also be seen to be done.

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About WPI: The WPI is a feminist non-profit organisation with a reputation of boldly advancing equity, challenging discrimination and violence against women and girls, through advocacy and creative lawyering.