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**RE: STATUS OF ICU BEDS IN NAIROBI COUNTY**

Reference is made to the above and an article on page 8 of the Daily Nation dated 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021, titled "**Hospitals charge hefty fees for ICU beds amid biting shortage**".

Following up on the article, the Council has carried out a random survey in major hospitals in Nairobi County and wishes to point out the status as of 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021, 2.30pm as verbally confirmed by respective CEOs as follows:

| S/No. | Name of Hospital           | No. of ICU beds | Deposit charged for ICU (Ksh)  | Remarks           |
|-------|----------------------------|-----------------|--|-------------------|
| 1.    | Kenyatta National Hospital | 86              | Do not ask for deposit   | Full to capacity  |
| 2.    | Nairobi Hospital           | 36              | 130,000 to 300,000<br>The hospital however does not ask for deposit as long as payment is guaranteed | Full to capacity  |
| 3.    | KUTRRH                     | 32              | 200,000.00   | Full to capacity  |
| 4.    | Nairobi West Hospital      | 46              | 300,000.00<br>Require guarantee and do not deny treatment due to deposit                             | 23 beds available |

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5. MP Shah Hospital 6 650,000.00 Full to capacity

The Council's position is that no person should be denied emergency medical treatment/ICU services regardless of their condition, whether COVID-19 related or not. This is further outlined in the National Patients' Rights Charter developed by the Council in 2013.

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