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PRESS RELEASE

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE AT JINJA MAGISTRATE COURT ON 15/02/2024

On Thursday, February 15th, 2024 at around 1000hrs, there was an attempted escape as 24 remand prisoners from Jinja Remand Prison were returning to court cells after a session. Two inmates, Muwanika Abel alias Abusale (27yrs) and Senora Ashiraf alias Vampire (25yrs), both facing charges of Aggravated Robbery, ran openly in handcuffs.

Prison sentries fired warning bullets to halt them in vain. In an attempt to disable them, Senora was shot in the leg while Muwanika Abel sustained a gunshot wound to the mouth as he tried to take cover.

The two were recaptured; Muwanika was rushed to Jinja Referral Hospital where he succumbed to mouth injuries. On the other hand, Senora Ashiraf was admitted to the prison sick bay with minor injuries and he will face additional charge of attempted escape.

Commendation goes to our staff for being vigilant and inmates are warned against unnecessary misconduct in attempting to escape from lawful custody.

Uganda Prisons Service is committed to maintaining the safety and security of the public in fulfilling its mandate.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Frank Baine Mayanja'.

FRANK BAINE MAYANJA

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