The County Commissioner  
ISILO

Dear Sir

RE: COMPLAINT AGAINST ABUSE OF POWERS BY THE LOCAL CHIEFS IN MERTI SUB-COUNTY

The above matter refers.

I am a resident of Merti Sub County and wish to bring your attention:

a) that there has been an ongoing push by the Northern Rangelands Trust (NRT) for the establishments of conservancies in the Cherab ward of Merti Sub-County;

b) That the community is against this push by the NRT for various reasons stipulated in the petition (copy enclosed); The gist of the petition is that NRT is violating the community land rights and fundamental human rights and freedoms. The Community faults the NRT’s camouflaged agenda of inspiring and facilitating inter-community conflicts and increasingly imposing restrictions on how members of communities exploit the natural resources found in their lands;

c) That the community is very much aware that the NRT is pushing their agenda by working in cahoot with the area chiefs and their committees to establish conservancy boards at the exclusion of the entire community: that it is solely for this reason that I have decided to bring this matter to your attention.

d) That the following public officers are abusing their powers by spearheading, supporting, and pushing NRT’s agenda by purporting to represent the Community;
them. Further, the Community will appreciate it if you make a personal commitment to address this issue to its logical conclusion.

Yours sincerely,

Abdirahman Osman

Cc:

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