

Police hunt for guard over fake attack

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A security guard who allegedly faked an attack on the offices of Citizens' Coalition for Electoral Democracy in Uganda (CCEDU) has gone into hiding, according to the Police.

Police spokesperson Emilian Kayima yesterday said Ronald Kyebambe, a private security guard attached to SGA Security Company, was wanted over propagating fake news.

The national co-ordinator of CCEDU, Crispin Kaheru, in an email to *New Vision* yesterday morning, reported that gunmen had raided their offices.

Kaheru's email partly read: "They disarmed the guard on duty. We are yet to assess the level of damage, as well as what was taken away. We will keep you posted."

Besides monitoring general and byelections, CCEDU has been vocal in advocating and promoting integrity, transparency and active citizen participation in Uganda's electoral processes, accountability and governance since 2009.

Kyebambe raised tension at the CCEDU offices located at Kabalagala in Kampala,

when he alleged that he had been attacked by gunmen who disarmed him before breaking into the offices.

The office manager for Foundation for Human Rights Initiative, Stephen Ssebaana, said: "Kyebambe called us reporting that he had been attacked at a round 2:22am by three men, two armed with pistols, while the other was not armed. He claimed that the men ordered him to hand over the gun."

Kyebambe said he managed to escape after he had been disarmed by the alleged thugs.

"He asked us to go to the offices to ascertain whether the thugs had vandalised the offices. However, everything was intact, but Kyebambe could not be traced and his uniform was left at the office," Ssebana explained.

A day-shift private guard at the offices, Isaac Ipeto, said: "The alarm system at the door was not disabled. If anybody had touched the door, the alarm system could have recorded the tampering, which is not the case."

Kayima said SGA Security company had confirmed that it had disarmed Kyebambe after they found him drunk and asleep on duty.