

## THE 9<sup>TH</sup> BATTALION KENYA RIFFLES AND CIVIL RELATIONSHIP IN SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN ELDORET

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## **ABSTRACT**

Scholarly articles on civil-military relations have been conducted especially in the developed world. However scanty research has been done in areas like the 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion Kenya riffles (Eldoret) in *Uasin Gishu* County. The main purpose of this study therefore, was to examine the relationship between the military and the civil society in relation to the socioeconomic impact and the military activities to the soldiers living in the 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion Kenya riffles (Eldoret) and the civilians residing within a radius of 2 km from the Barracks in *Uasin Gishu* County. This came as a result of the questions raised by individuals from the society about their existing relationship with the military as this was to help fill existing relations in the society. The researcher targeted individuals, religious institutions and academic institutions that exist in the area. The primary data was collected through interviews and questionnaires. Secondary data was gathered and reviewed from journals, books, magazines, newspapers and published proceedings that corroborated the primary data. Simple descriptive statistics was employed to analyze the data and the findings presented in tables and graphs.

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