

## SCRIPT MOBILE REPORTER KENYA

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To record video with your mobile phone,  
and upload it directly to a website.  
In many parts of the world that's possible,  
and recently also in Africa.  
4 so-called mobile reporters walk around there and make news reports.  
It's initiated by the Dutch project Voices of Africa.  
The idea behind it is to give Africans a voice in the international news,  
even from countries where it's hard for journalists to work.

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This is Evans Wafula.  
He's one of the 4 mobile reporters for Voices of Africa.

QUOTE EVANS WAFULA

***We're just coming here using this mobile phone to be able to film the lives of the people in the largest slum of sub-Saharan Africa.***

In Kibera some 800,000 people live on less than 2.5 square kilometers.  
It's always busy on the unpaved roads,  
where everybody tries to make something.  
The biggest issue is hygiene.  
There is no water system, and the sewage is just along the road.

SOUNDBITE EVANS WAFULA, walking with filming mobile phone  
***Young children sitting next to this broken pipe and a broken sewer.  
To some extent these children have nothing else to depend on when they want water.***

SOUNDBITE EVANS WAFULA, walking with phone  
***Please my name is Evans Wafula and I am a mobile reporter for Africa Interactive.  
- Could you tell us what is happening with the water problem?  
The water is not enough for the community.***

When everything is filmed Evans is going to send the footage to The Netherlands.  
That happens also with the mobile, through a site named Skoeps.  
For this site Evans already did 27 reports.  
Viewers could even witness an earthquake almost live.

STAND UPPER RUUD ELMENDORP in Dutch  
***Evans is busy here feeding the report to a server in The Netherlands.  
It happens right from where the report was taken.  
For African journalists this might open up new ways of working.***

QUOTE EVANS WAFULA

***Many African journalists face the risk of being arrested or detained,  
but with the mobile technology African journalists are able to get news and transmit this  
news as it unfolds.***

The report from Kibera meanwhile is online.  
Voices of Africa wants to hire mobile reporters in 15 African countries.