

Prominent Kenyans to Stand Trial at ICC in April

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Four prominent Kenyans will go on trial in April of next year to face charges they organized the country's deadly 2008 post-election violence.

The International Criminal Court said Monday that the trial of former cabinet member William Ruto and radio executive Joshua Arap Sang will begin on April 10. The trial of Deputy Prime Minister Uhuru Kenyatta and former civil service chief Francis Muthaura will begin on April 11.

The four are accused of helping to organize violence that erupted across Kenya after the disputed 2007 presidential election.

Some 1,300 people were killed and more than 300,000 displaced in riots and ethnic violence.

The unrest did not fully stop until incumbent leader Mwai Kibaki and challenger Raila Odinga reached a power-sharing deal that made Mr. Kibaki president and Mr. Odinga prime minister.