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Re: The Arrest of Barrister Felix N Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem

Following the banning by the Minister of Territorial Administration of the Cameroon Anglophone Civil Society Consortium (CACSC);

Following the arrests by the Government of Cameroon of Barrister Felix Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem, President and Secretary General respectively of CACSC;

Noting with dismay the dictatorial display of bad faith shown by the Government of the Republic of Cameroon in negotiating with the CACSC;

Considering that the CACSC has always stood for peaceful manifestations in the fight for equality between West and East Cameroons;

Considering that both Barrister Felix Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem have not committed any crimes against the Cameroon State or its people;

Given that the creation of the Consortium of Labor Unions is a civic act consistent with the Cameroon Constitution and therefore not subject to the jurisdiction of the Ministry of territorial Administration;

The **Anglophone Action Group (AAG)** hereby makes the following declaration:

The letter by the Minister of Territorial Administration banning the CACSC is itself illegal and must be revoked immediately;

The arrests of Barrister Felix Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem violated the constitution of Cameroon;

The arrests of Barrister Felix Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem finally demonstrates that the true intention of the Government of Cameroon is not to seek a lasting solution to the current crisis, but to subjugate the Anglophone Cameroonians into a permanent state of secondary citizenry;

Consequently;

AAG reaffirms its support for the CACSC and its call for civil disobedience until the crisis is successfully resolved;

AAG calls for the Immediate and unconditional release of both Barrister Felix Agbor and Dr. Neba Fontem;

AAG continues to support without reservations the peaceful mission of the CACSC geared at establishing a bicultural, bilingual and bijural Federated system in Cameroon;

AAG calls on the Government of Cameroon to return to the negotiating table;

In addition,

AAG calls on all Anglophone members of Parliament and Senate to listen to the cries of their people and make a declaration denouncing these illegal acts by the Government of Cameroon;

AAG calls on all Anglophone Cameroonians world-wide to make their voices heard through their elected representatives and also at international organizations like the UNO;

Finally,

AAG calls on the people of West Cameroon to remain calm and manifest their Civic Rights in peaceful demonstrations.