

10TH MAY 2021

**THE CHAIRMAN
VETTING COMMITTEE
HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT
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DEAR SIR

DEFAMATION OF HON. PRINCE-KAMAL GUMAH

We write under the firm instructions of **HON. PRINCE-KAMAL GUMAH** (hereinafter referred to as 'Our Client'), to address you on the following matters.

Our instructions are that sometime on the **18th day of February 2021**, his sister, **Hon. Mavis Hawa Koomson**, a Member of Parliament and the Minister for Fisheries and Aquaculture, appeared before the **Vetting Committee of Parliament**, for vetting. He intimates to us that on the said day, the **Hon. Samuel Okudzeto Ablakwa**, being a Member of the Vetting Committee, displayed his picture, procured from one of his social media handles, (which was captured by the cameras of the various television stations which covered the event), and also published live on the Facebook page of Parliament House, for the entire world to watch. Our Client informs us that in asking his questions, as part of the vetting processes, Hon. Okudzeto Ablakwa not only used the picture in reference, but also made comments which sought to cast a slur on our Client's reputation and image, by portraying him as an uncivilised, violent and barbaric person.

It is the information of our Client that but for the timely intervention of Chairman of the Committee, who prevented him from continuing in that direction, the Hon Member would have descended into areas that would completely damage the reputation of our Client. Our Client states that as a result of the innuendos and slur cast on his reputation by Hon. Okudzeto Ablakwa, his business interests across the world, and political career have been adversely affected. To this end, not only does our Client, via, this medium express his profound appreciation to you, Chairman, he also, urges you to ensure that Hon. Samuel Okudzeto Ablakwa, renders him an unqualified apology.

Our Client instructs us to state on record that he is the **Deputy Youth Organiser of the New Patriotic Party (NPP) of the United States of America (USA) wing**. In addition, being a business man, he is engaged with several international business organisations and entities, in the building and constructions sector, pharmaceutical imports, oil and gas sector, media as well as cybersecurity. He states with emphasis that due largely to the magnitude of the influence of

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such international entities on his business interests' operations and political advancement, the conduct of Hon Okudzeto Ablakwa could potentially reverse everything he has strenuously worked for and achieved in life. To this end, he implores you to use your high offices to urge the Hon. Member to take steps to retract and apologise to him in writing and or in public within a reasonable time.

Accordingly, having been instructed, we implore you to take steps to urge Hon. Okudzeto Ablakwa to redeem the sinking reputation and business fortunes of our Client, by rendering an apology, and retracting the false and dangerous information circulated around the world about him. Our Client wishes to emphasise that he takes cognizance of parliamentary immunities and privileges and as a result, accepts that his legal options are limited, however he believes that steps can be taken by the Committee and or by the Hon. Member to prevent and or curtail the continuous damage to his reputation.

You are implored to act accordingly

Sincerely yours


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