



ELECTION WATCH GHANA

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24TH APRIL, 2024

Mr. Howell
First Secretary- Election
British High Commission
Accra – GHANA

Petition to International Partners of Electoral Commission of Ghana to Compel the EC to Submit Serial Numbers of all BVR kits that will be used for the Upcoming limited voter registration

Your Excellency,

We write as Youth Organisers of our Political Parties and Conveners for Election Watch Ghana, to petition your office because of your working relationship with the Electoral Commission of Ghana.

To ensure the sanctity of our 2024 general elections in Ghana, we sent a request letter to the Electoral Commission (a copy is attached here) on 16/04/2024, demanding the release of all serial numbers of the BVRs they intend to use for the upcoming limited voter registration exercise, in the spirit of transparency and confidence building in the electioneering process.

Your Excellency, the Electoral Commission of Ghana, has refused to even acknowledge receipt of our request letter, even though the limited voter registration is expected to start in few days time.

Our request for the serial numbers is based on the established protocol for fairness and transparency. In fact, the release of the serial numbers to those of us at IPAC, has been the practice since 2021.

The conduct of the Electoral Commission, in denying us the opportunity to engage on such a critical matter, is what we call Darkness before Election and raises our fear that the 2024 general election is being rigged.

Our requests were for the release of the following;



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1. Serial numbers of all the BVR kits that will be used for the May 2024 limited voter registration.
2. Number of their corresponding registration centers.
3. All Registration printout during the limited voter registration should have the serial number of devices on them.

Your Excellency, these requests became necessary because of the recent credible information on the stealing of BVD and BVR devices that were supposed to be in the custody Electoral Commission.

The alarm on the theft of these devices was actually blown by the NDC party at an IPAC meeting, to the surprise of all invited stakeholders, including us. The EC initially denied the report but few days later confirmed that indeed some of such critical gadgets have been taken from their offices without trace.

In the circumstances, we believe the release of the serial numbers and the other relevant information will help our agents at the various registration centers to effectively monitor the electioneering process and prevent the stolen devices from being used.

We hope our petition to you will yield the needed results.

We count on your unflinching support for our democracy and hope to hear from you soon.

Thank you.

Yours respectfully,



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(National Youth Organiser, GCPP)



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MARK ARKO
(National Youth Organiser, PNC)

Cc:
British High Commission
Danish Embassy
The Royal Netherlands
Italian Embassy
United States Embassy



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22nd April, 2024

THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF GHANA
RIDGE-ACCRA

ATTN: MRS JEAN ADUKWEI MENSAH
CHAIRPERSON,
THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF GHANA

Dear Madam,

RE: FOLLOW UP LETTER

We write to follow up on our request letter dated 16/04/24, which was received on behalf of the EC by a representative from the confidential registry.

The request is very necessary as it will help political parties preparation towards the upcoming limited voter registration.

We therefore feel worried about the delay in response.

Hoping to hear from you as we work together in the interest of Ghanaians.

Thank you.

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April 16, 2024.

THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF GHANA

RIDGE-ACCRA

**ATTN: MRS. JEAN ADUKWEI MENSAH
CHAIRPERSON,
THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF GHANA**

Dear Madam,

REQUEST TO SHARE BVD AND BVR INFORMATION'S WITH POLITICAL PARTIES.

We, the undersigned Youth Organizers of the People's National Convention (PNC) and the Great Consolidated Popular Party (GCPP), and conveners of ELECTION WATCH GHANA, bring you fraternal greetings.

Following credible media reports regarding the theft or disappearance of Biometric Verification registration kit (BVRs) at the Headquarters of the Commission and the destruction of BVD's during the just ended District and Municipal Assembly election, 2023, we write to request your office to furnish all political parties with the following:

1. Serial numbers of all biometric voter registration kits that will be used for the upcoming limited voter registration exercise.
2. Number of the corresponding registration centres.
3. All Registration printout during the limited voter registration should have the Biometric Voter Registration kits serial number on it, for authentication purposes.

This request is necessitated by our commitment to ensuring that Ghana's electoral processes conform to best and widely accepted practices.

We hope that our request will be granted for purposes of transparency.

Thank you.



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