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DR. SAYIBU PABI GARIBA COMMISSIONER OF POLICE REGIONAL COMMAND ACCRA.

Dear Commissioner,

REJECTION OF POLICE PROPOSED ROUTE FOR #OCCUPYBoG PROTEST MARCH TO BANK OF GHANA HEADQUARTERS

Your letter dated 23rd August, 2023 with reference number ARHQ. 84/VOL.20/83 refers.

I write to reject your proposed route for the #OccupyBoG demonstration planned for 5th September, 2023. The proposal in your 23rd August, 2023 letter was not an option discussed with us when my delegation met with you.

Your attempt to deny us an opportunity to terminate our #OccupyBoG protest at the Headquarters of the Bank of Ghana on the pretext that it is a "security zone" is untenable, troubling and unwholesome for the Ghana Police Service's motto of Service with Integrity.

How is the Bank of Ghana Headquarters designated by the Police as a security zone and the Cedi House, another Bank of Ghana edifice that the Police proposed that we march through not a security zone? I do not want to believe that you are citing or hiding behind "security zone" to thwart our planned protest and for the Police to shirk its constitutional duty of providing security for persons who desire to publicly manifest their revulsion and abhorrence at the central bank's reckless management.

We have successfully and peacefully marched through the routes that you are rejecting before, with the aid of the police, and you do not have sufficient and compelling grounds to refuse to police this particular protest march on those routes.

Our constitution guarantees a right to protest and it is your constitutional responsibility to ensure that we do so along the routes we have chosen peacefully and securely and you must live up to your basic responsibilities.

Please prepare to honour your constitutional duty along the routes we have designated for the #OccupyBoG protest on the date that we have informed the Police and announced to the good people of Ghana. You have reasonable notice and enough time to prepare.

Our protest march is to back our demand for the immediate resignation of the Governor of Bank of Ghana and his two Deputies. They mismanaged the Bank of Ghana and illegally and excessivesly printed money between 2019 to 2022 in contravention of the Bank of Ghana Act, leading to a hyperinflation of 54.1%. This pushed an additional 850,000 Ghanaians from middle income into extreme poverty.

Their reckless mismanagement of the Central Bank also resulted in a loss of GHC60.8 billion, causing a negative equity of GHC55.1 billion. They also illegally wrote off a whopping GHC48 billion of Government's indebtedness, as well as other acts of financial malfeasance by the Governor, his Deputies and Directors of the Bank of Ghana as contained in the 2022 Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Bank.

Please accept the considerations of my highest regard.

Thank you.

HON. DR CASSIEL ATO FORSON, MP

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