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PRESS STATEMENT

The current state of affairs in Liberia is growingly worrisome with high inflation, rising exchange rate, declining economy, very serious challenges in governance, the rule of law, accountability, educational and health sectors as well as low national morale.

Regrettably, the Coalition for Democratic Change led Government is not evolving any practical steps aimed at convincing Liberians that constructive changes are within sight. Poverty and hunger, coupled with high cost of living are becoming unbearable to the ordinary people and is reminiscent of the years of civil upheavals characterized by hopelessness. With a national crisis now hovering over the country, Liberians are less optimistic about their future and the future of the country. The only people whose futures are assured are President Weah and his clique.

Following the hectic electoral process of 2017/2018, the All Liberian Party gave the Coalition of Democratic Change Government a little over one year to settle down and begin the process of governance, economic development and rapid response to the aspirations of the Liberian people. The ALP has remained constructively engaged with the opposition community to further consolidate the democratic program of our country and to provide viable oversight of the government. Today, the opposition community is forging a common front in engaging the government of the day to deliver on its promises and responsibilities. Under the banner of the Collaborating Political Parties, the ALP and its Standard Bearer Benoni Urey are providing political options and suggestions all geared towards consolidating national peace and stability.

While the All Liberian Party continues to play an objective and responsible role indicative of a sound opposition, the Government of Liberia headed by President George Weah has failed, if not refused to reciprocate our kindest gesture.

At the beginning of this year, both Chairman Mulbah Morlu and President Weah accused leaders of the Collaborating Political Parties, namely: Hon. Benoni W. Urey,



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Amb. Alexander Cummings, Cllr. Charles Brumskine and Ambassador Joseph N. Boakai of an assassination plot against him President Weah. Interestingly, President Weah confirmed said accusation at the United Methodist Church conference in Gbarnga, Bong County.

The Leaders of the Collaborating Political Parties challenged President Weah and his party's chairman to provide evidence to what the leaders described as false, malicious and baseless accusation. The CDC and President Weah failed to do so.

Recently, Presidential Affairs Minister Nathaniel McGill accused the leadership of the Collaborating Political Parties of their involvement in an alleged plan to overthrow the Government of Liberia, without providing any tangible proof. This unprovoked attack continued last week when Chairman Mulbah Morlu launched a slanderous attack on Hon. Benoni Urey, Chairman of the Collaborating Political Parties. These acts of provocation and unsubstantiated claims or accusations have no iota of truth and basis, rather they are an orchestrated strategy by CDC leadership to ridicule the leaders of the Collaborating Political Parties and simply besmear their hard earned reputations and generous contributions to the development of our country.

The All Liberian Party sympathizes with the ignorance of Chairman Morlu, because his wide range of unproven accusations lack comprehension of the very issues he raised. What we do recognize is his ungratefulness and unpatriotic nature, but we are reminded of his unorthodox dealings in the past of which we will refrain from getting into.

The ALP believes in the face of rising economic challenges resulting to the growing tension in the country, the CDC led Government lacks better approach to finding remedy to the country's current problems. As the result, the CDC and President Weah have embarked upon a campaign of scapegoating and diversionary futile political tactics by engaging in slanderous attacks on the reputations of Hon. Benoni W. Urey, Cllr. Charles Brumskine, Ambassador Alexander Cummings and Ambassador Joseph N. Boakai.



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Chairman Morlu's latest action comes in the wake of efforts by President Weah to dialogue with political leaders and national stakeholders. Paradoxically, while President Weah engages in dialogue, the Chairman of his party is at the same time

launching stinging attacks on the leaders of the Collaborating Political Parties. The ALP and its leadership therefore is of the conviction that both Chairman Morlu and President Weah's actions are anti-peaceful and hence a recipe for distrust and lack of confidentiality. The ALP believes what is being prematurely uttered by Chairman Mulbah Morlu, Ministers Nathaniel McGill, and Eugene Fahngon is a direct reflection of President Weah's instruction. Otherwise, we challenge President Weah to have Chairman Morlu removed and subsequently dismiss Ministers McGill and Fahngon immediate.

Consequently, the ALP is suspending all further talks or dialogue with the CDC led Government until the Government fosters reasonable, fair and respectful approach towards the opposition, especially for the Office of the Chairman of the Collaborating Political Parties.

We wish to make it abundantly clear also, that any further repetition of a misguided attack against the Standard Bearer of the ALP by any member of the Government of Liberia or the Coalition of Democratic Change will be met by a robust response on the personal character of the Standard Bearer of the Coalition of Democratic Change, President George Weah.

We wish to remind the Ministry of Justice and the International Community of the continuous reckless accusations and attacks by Chairman Morlu and Ministers Fahngon and McGill against Hon. Urey, all in the name of Politics. Similarly, under the same doctrine of politics, the All Liberian Party reserves the right to retaliate against the CDC Standard Bearer, for which we believe the Ministry of Justice must continue to play its usual spectator's role.

The All Liberian Party would like to thank the Liberian people for their robust response and positive reaction to Chairman Morlu's erroneous accusations and we reassure them of our commitment to continue to work in the interest of the country and its people.



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Finally, the All Liberian Party wants to make it emphatically clear that it respects the Constitution of the Republic of Liberia and demands the complete adherence to its upholding. The ALP recognizes the rights of every citizen or group of citizens to peaceful assembly as dictated in Article 17 of the Constitution. Therefore the All

Liberian Party announces its endorsement of the June 7, PEACEFUL PROTEST, and calls on all well-meaning Liberians to join in the protest.

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