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**AFAG STANDS IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE “DEMOCRACY UNDER ATTACK”
DEMONSTRATION
GHANA’S DEMOCRACY BELONGS TO ALL OF US - LET US PROTECT IT**

The Alliance for Accountable Governance (AFAG) expresses its full support and solidarity with the organizers and participants of the **“Democracy Under Attack”** demonstration scheduled for tomorrow.

This demonstration goes beyond partisan politics. It represents a broader call to protect Ghana’s democratic values, uphold the Constitution, and safeguard the independence, fairness, and credibility of our state institutions. Ghana’s democracy was built on the principles of freedom, justice, accountability, and the rule of law. These values must never be taken for granted.

In every democracy, citizens have the right and responsibility to demand accountability, raise legitimate concerns, and insist that public institutions operate with fairness, independence, and integrity. AFAG believes that peaceful assembly is a fundamental constitutional right and an important pillar of democratic governance. Citizens must be allowed to express their views lawfully and responsibly.

AFAG joins this demonstration because of growing concerns surrounding issues that have implications for our democratic freedoms, constitutional rights, and the fair administration of justice. These concerns include:

- The arrest and prosecution of citizens, including young people, journalists, and activists, over expressions of opinion.
- Concerns about equal justice and due process in cases such as Saglemi and Sedinam Tamakloe.
- Concerns over measures that may affect judicial independence, civic freedoms, and the right to a fair trial, including restrictive bail conditions and the Tribunals Act.
- Growing concerns about the protection of freedom of expression and press freedom.

These issues go beyond individuals; they speak to the kind of democracy we want to preserve, one

where the Constitution is respected, institutions remain accountable, and citizens' rights are protected.

We therefore call on all well-meaning Ghanaians to participate peacefully in tomorrow's demonstration and reaffirm their commitment to constitutional governance, justice, accountability, and the protection of our democratic institutions.

We urge all participants to conduct themselves with discipline and respect for the law. The strength of our democracy depends on both our willingness to speak out and our commitment to peace.

Our Democracy is worth defending.
Our Constitution is worth protecting.
Ghana is worth standing up for.

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