

**PETITION FOR INVESTIGATION INTO ALLEGED PERSONATION
DURING PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS ON 30 NOVEMBER 2021
AND 29 MARCH 2022.**

The Director-General

Bureau of National Investigation (BNI)
2nd Csiir Cl, Accra,
Ghana.

15th September 2026

Dear Sir,

**REQUEST FOR A FORMAL, IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE
ALLEGED PERSONATION OF THE THEN MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR
DOME-KWABENYA**

We, Emmanuel Kotin, Edwin Godwin Buckman (also known as Ebo Buckman) and Dr Ramzi Inusah, respectfully petition the Criminal Investigation Department to investigate allegations that an unidentified person may have appeared in the Chamber of Parliament on 30th November 2021 and 29th March 2022 while holding herself out as Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo, who was then the duly elected Member of Parliament for Dome-Kwabenya.

The disputed sittings concerned parliamentary proceedings on the 2022 Budget Statement and the passage of the E-Levy. This petition does not allege that personation has been proved, and it also concerns the separate proceedings of 29th March 2022 at which the Electronic Transfer Levy Bill, 2022 was passed. Its purpose is to secure an impartial determination of the identity of the person shown in the disputed visual material and of any related criminal, security or parliamentary wrongdoing.

We recognise that Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo publicly rejected the allegation that she had been impersonated. Her denial is material evidence and must be treated fairly. The investigation requested should therefore examine both the allegation and her denial, without prejudgment, and should protect the rights and reputation of every person concerned.

Factual basis of the petition

1. On 30th November 2021, Parliament considered and approved the 2022 Budget Statement following contested proceedings.
2. During and after that sitting, video footage and still images circulated publicly. Some observers alleged that the woman occupying or associated

with the seat of the Member for Dome-Kwabenya was not Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo.

3. Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo subsequently rejected the allegation and maintained that she was personally present in Parliament on the material dates.
4. The competing claims have never, to the best of our knowledge, been resolved by a publicly reported forensic examination of the original footage and Parliament's contemporaneous access, attendance and security records.
5. The petitioners rely on the materials listed in the Schedule of Proposed Annexures. Why the matter remains fit for investigation

The allegation concerns the identity and authority of a person allegedly present in the legislative Chamber during an important parliamentary sitting. If false, an authoritative finding would help protect Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo and Parliament from a continuing and damaging allegation. If substantiated, the matter would raise serious questions about unlawful access, security controls, possible falsification of official records, facilitation by others and the integrity of parliamentary proceedings.

We acknowledge the substantial passage of time since 30th November 2021. The delay may affect the availability and weight of evidence, but it should not substitute speculation for institutional fact-finding. The investigation should establish what records were created, their applicable retention periods, whether they still exist, and, if any were destroyed, when and pursuant to what authorised retention or disposal policy.

Applicable constitutional and legal considerations

Parliamentary decision making

Article 104 of the 1992 Constitution regulates the determination of questions in Parliament and the applicable quorum. The mere presence of a non-member would not, without more, invalidate a parliamentary decision. Any constitutional consequence would depend on proof that the person was counted as a Member, participated in a vote, affected the quorum or numerical result, or caused an official record falsely to reflect the presence or vote of the elected Member. The investigative authorities are not being asked to declare parliamentary proceedings invalid; any such determination belongs to a court of competent constitutional jurisdiction.

Personation and related offences

Section 134 of the Criminal Offences Act, 1960 (Act 29) concerns personation. Its application depends on proof of all statutory ingredients, including the identity

assumed, the accused person's knowledge and the intention required by law. Depending on the evidence, the facts may also disclose aiding and abetting, unlawful access, falsification or use of official records, or another offence. We respectfully request investigation of the facts and their proper legal characterisation rather than the assumption of a predetermined charge.

Parliamentary privilege and institutional cooperation

We recognise the protections accorded to parliamentary speech, debate and proceedings by article 115 of the Constitution, Parliament's authority concerning contempt under article 122, and the Speaker's control of the Chamber and parliamentary records. This petition does not seek to impeach protected speech or debate. It concerns the alleged physical assumption of a member's identity by a person who may not have been a member. We therefore request that the Department proceed through formal cooperation with the Speaker and the Clerk to Parliament and obtain records only through lawful processes that respect parliamentary privilege and institutional autonomy.

Prior proceedings concerning the Electronic Transfer Levy

The Supreme Court proceedings challenging the passage of the Electronic Transfer Levy concerned a different parliamentary sitting and questions concerning quorum and proof. This petition does not seek to reopen those proceedings or to invalidate the Electronic Transfer Levy legislation, which has since been repealed. It is confined to the alleged personation during the proceedings of 30th November 2021 and of 29th March 2022 at which the Electronic Transfer Levy Bill, 2022 was passed, and to any criminal, security or institutional responsibility arising from that alleged conduct.

Matters requiring investigation

1. The true identity of the woman shown in the original parliamentary video and photographic material from the sitting of 30th November 2021 and 29th March 2022.
2. Whether Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo was physically present in Parliament at the relevant time and whether she entered through an authorised access point.
3. The provenance, completeness and authenticity of the disputed recordings, including whether publicly circulated copies were edited, compressed, mislabelled or taken from another date.
4. The relevant Hansard, Votes and Proceedings, division or voting records, attendance registers, accreditation records, CCTV recordings, official broadcast footage, access-control logs and security occurrence books.

5. Whether the person shown spoke, voted, was counted for quorum, signed any record, used a member's access credential or otherwise participated in parliamentary business.
6. Whether any parliamentary official, Member, security officer or other person can identify the woman or explain her entry, presence or movements.
7. Whether any person knowingly facilitated, authorized, encouraged, concealed or subsequently falsified a record relating to the alleged conduct.
8. Whether relevant records still exist; and, if not, the applicable retention policy, date and authority for their destruction or disposal.
9. Whether the evidence establishes personation or any other offence, security breach, contempt or misconduct, and the persons, if any, responsible.

Reliefs requested

1. A preliminary assessment followed, where the evidential threshold is met, by a formal criminal investigation.
2. Formal liaison with the Speaker and Clerk to Parliament for the lawful preservation, identification and production of the specifically relevant records.
3. Forensic authentication and comparison of the original recordings and the copies circulated publicly.
4. Interviews with Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo and relevant Members, parliamentary officials, security personnel, media personnel and other identifiable witnesses.
5. Investigation of any facilitation, unlawful access, falsification of records, concealment or related criminal conduct disclosed by the evidence.
6. Referral of any matter falling exclusively within Parliament's disciplinary or contempt jurisdiction to the Speaker, and referral of any prosecutable offence to the Attorney-General in accordance with law.
7. Written acknowledgment of this petition and, subject to lawful investigative confidentiality and the rights of affected persons, communication of the eventual outcome to the petitioners.

Evidence and cooperation

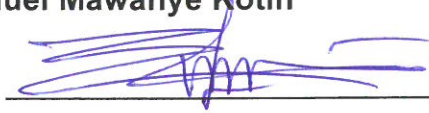
The petitioners are ready to provide the complete, unedited copies of any relevant recordings and documents in their possession, together with available information concerning their source and chain of custody. We respectfully request an opportunity to make a formal statement and to identify the particular portions of the material on which this petition is based.

We respectfully ask that the allegation be investigated impartially and without public presumption of guilt. The public interest is served equally by the vindication of a person wrongly accused and by accountability where credible evidence establishes wrongdoing.

Yours faithfully,

Petitioners

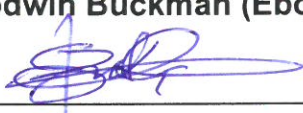
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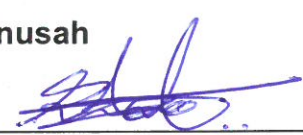
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- The Speaker of Parliament, Parliament House, Accra
- The Clerk to Parliament, Parliament House, Accra
- The Controller, Ghana Immigration Service, Accra

Schedule of proposed annexures

The following materials should be attached, consecutively paginated and securely identified before the petition is filed. An item should be removed from this schedule if the petitioners cannot supply or accurately identify it.

Ref	Material	Filing requirement
A	Complete disputed video footage	Supply the original or highest-quality available file; record source, date obtained, duration and file name.
B	Still images from the disputed footage	Identify the exact time stamp for each image; do not use images without their surrounding context.
C	Source and publication record	Provide URLs, account names, publication dates, screenshots and any available download metadata.
D	Official parliamentary broadcast or recording	Provide the full recording or an official link for the sitting of 30 November 2021.
E	Hansard and Votes and Proceedings	Attach the official records for 30 November 2021 and identify any entry relied upon.
F	Statement or interview of Hon Sarah Adwoa Safo	Attach the complete statement in which she addressed or denied the alleged personation.
G	Witness information	List each proposed witness, contact information where known, and a concise statement of the relevant knowledge attributed to that witness.
H	Any recent material prompting the petition	Attach and explain any newly available statement, record or evidence relied upon in bringing the petition at this time.

Proceedings of Tuesday, 30th November, 2021 and 29th March, 2022.

1. <https://www.youtube.com/live/yHBDITizIMo?si=rRbmqJ1moPGPUEnO>
2. <https://www.youtube.com/live/Jjecceg3ENw?si=ipDxbaMfUWdVPJOF>