



Secret Video Reveals GRA In Cahoots With Jubilee House Petroleum Smuggling Cartel



were recorded,” read the Memo referenced TK/MISC/003 and signed by one Rudolf Akumatey, the Acting Investigator for the GRA at the Takoradi Port.

However, maverick journalist, Kevin Ekow Taylor who broke the news said he has further evidence to prove that President Akufo Addo was named as the one who actually put pressure on GRA authorities to cover up the fuel stealing scandal.

Apparently, Col Kwadwo Damoah (rtd), the Commissioner of Customs at the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) is captured in a yet-to-be-released secret audio and video recordings admitting that after some vessels carrying smuggled petroleum were arrested at the Takoradi Port, President Akufo Addo put pressure on him to cause the release of those vessels and essentially the crew aboard them.

Indeed, in response to

Whatup News has seen reconnaissance video showing that the Customs Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority has covered up the arrest of several crew members aboard a vessel that smuggled petroleum products from Nigeria to Ghana in June 2020.

The ship named “Dende” was allegedly delivering over 50,000 metric tonnes of stolen

product worth some US\$10 million to some bigwigs at the Presidency at the Jubilee House.

In the video, at least five crew of European or Middle Eastern stock and another five Africans were seen rounded up by a group of Takoradi Port security operatives.

However, in a June 29, 2020 memo from the GRA, Customs Division claim when the ship was intercepted, the only crew member aboard

the ship managed to cause the capsizing of the Naval Boat escorting him to the Naval base for interrogation and swarm away in the high seas.

“The Dende was escorted to the Western Naval Base dock. It was reported that one person among the crew was arrested, however, during the escort, the Naval Boat capsized and the suspect absconded during the rescue operation. No casualties

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the first series of exposé of this Jubilee House petroleum smuggling cartel, Col. Damoah, through his officer in charge of Public Relations, Florence Asante, release a statement seeking to debunk the allegation of high-profile petroleum bunkering. In the statement, the GRA conveniently forget to mention that some individuals have been arrested and only created the impression that only the smuggling ship Dende was arrested.

"The vessel Dende together with the fuel is currently in the custody of the Ghana Navy at the Western Naval Base," the statement from Ms. Florence Asante read. There was no mention of any crew.

According to Kevin Taylor who is working with foreign intelligence and Nigerian investigative journalists to track the fuel smuggling reportedly authorised by the Jubilee House, there has been about 17 such smuggling vessels that have so far delivered their contraband products to Ghana on the blind side of Ghanaian authorities.

"I want Ghanaians to understand the rot happening between the Jubilee House and the Takoradi and Tema Ports...Some people have made it their plan to bring in stolen oil from Nigeria-from terrorists and making millions every month," Kevin Taylor warned.

According to the investigations, anytime, these vessels are "intercepted" their contents are secretly offloaded and passed into the Ghanaian petroleum supply chain without its registering in official records.

"There are some terrorists in Nigeria having this deal with Ghanaians and these people are in the Jubilee House...I have the commissioner on video and on audio, trying to force people-intimidating people that the President in the Jubilee House is pressurising you to make sure that these oils are offloaded."

Whatsup News has seen some of these leaked documents covering two incidents in May and June 2020.

The first document shows an incident that happened early May 2020, where a well-known smuggling vessel "MT RANDL" was inter-

cepted at the Takoradi Port but was questionably released by the Col. Damoah and his assistant, Bob Senyallah.

On May 7, 2020, Rudolf Akumatey, the Acting Customs Investigator at the Takoradi Port wrote a memo recounting a damning incident of how MT RANDL was intercepted

"Investigations so far has established that the vessel in question "MT RANDL" was intercepted at the Takoradi Port... the vessel was found to be laden with petroleum product. From the facts gathered so far, there seems to be an intent to smuggle the said petroleum product...The owner of the cargo, one Ebenezer Eshun, intimated that the vessel was bound for La Cote D'Ivoire, there is no evidential proof of that," Rudolf Akumatey wrote.

In spite of all the evidence that the vessel was smuggling stolen petroleum into Ghana, on May 11, Bob Senyallah, under instruction from the Customs Commissioner Col. Damoah wrote a memo that essentially released the smuggling vessel to go free, referencing that the vessel was just a "rickety" ship.

"The Vessel was "intercepted" in the territorial waters of Ghana.... In the light of the Ghana Maritime Authority representative reference to the "the rickety state of the ship and the possible environmental hazards it could pose" it may be recommended that the vessel be released to continue its journey to Abidjan, La Cote d'Ivoire," Bob Senyallah wrote.

In June 2020, the exact same scenario involving another petroleum smuggling vessel "Dende" was reported again at the Takoradi Port. That vessel was also left off the hook after the fuel aboard were secretly offloaded.

A memo from Ag. Investigator at the Customs Division Rudolf Akumatey dated June 29, 2020, reported the arrest of "Dende".

"It was arrested at the Nkontonmpo anchorage at Takoradi on routine anchorage patrols by Naval Patrol Team on 28th June 2020 at about 0430HRS for suspicion of carrying uncustomed petroleum product," the investigator reported. On that same day, the Sector Commander of Customs at the Takoradi Port, Gloria Farmer confirmed the interception in a memo.



Law Students Hail Mahama's Manifesto Promise For Law School



The leadership of the National Association of Law Students (NALS) have said that plans outlined for legal education in Ghana by the opposition National Democratic Congress (NDC) is better than what the governing New Patriotic Party (NPP) is promising.

While the NPP claims the problem with law education is infrastructure, the NDC is promising an entire reform that will allow more accredited institutions to offer the final leg of legal education before lawyers

are called to the bar.

In a statement issued today and made available to Whatsup News, NALS say it is "...very sceptical that infrastructure can adequately, sufficiently and timeously address access and year-on-year backlog."

NALS continues: "NALS notes that no significant construction can take place in twelve (12) months, compared to legislative reform, to end the year-on-year backlog and forced dropouts. NALS notes that NDC's succinctly put message simulta-

neously gives hope and certainty, and portrays the NDC as more caring about the legal education crisis, as at least having understood and committed to resolving the problem."

Other legal luminaries have hailed the NDC plan, including renowned US-based law professor, Professor Kwaku Asare who described the NDC solution as "more superior".

"On the issue of making legal education accessible, it is fair to say NDC has done more listening than NPP and has offered a far superior solution to the problem. Universities, not some centralized government school, should be in charge of legal education," posted Pro. Asare on his Facebook.

He has mounted a relentless crusade against what he calls a scam legal educational system in Ghana, following the mass failure of prospective lawyers a few years ago.

The opposition NDC in its 2020 Manifesto

appears to have found a solution to the perennial problem that only enrich the legal council of Ghana through the mass failure of desperate lawyers seeking to be called to the Bar.

According to the NDC, it will give accreditations to more certified law faculties across the country to broaden accessibility to legal education in Ghana.

Currently, there is only one law school in Ghana that accredits lawyers to the Bar. The Ghana School of Law at Mokola in Accra has been fingered in many scandals that critics have said is due to its monopoly over legal education in Ghana.

A recent attempt by disgruntled law students to demand an expansion of legal education in Ghana was met with brutal police clampdown, that led to serious injuries for some of the protesting students.

The students would later dub that brutal encounter "Red Monday"



Ken Ofori-Atta Hiding True Value of Ghana's Royalties to Gift Fraudulent Agyapa-CSOs

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) have exposed the Akufo Addo administration for deliberately under-reporting the true value of Ghana's annual mineral royalties, so that it can make a takeover easy for the scandalous Agyapa Royalty deal.

Apparently, the government has slashed off some US\$ 50 million from the true value of royalties that came to Ghana in 2019.

According to them, the data seen is from the Chamber of Mines show that Ghana made some US\$ 200 million in 2019, but the Ken Ofori-Atta-led Ministry of Finance is reporting US\$ 150 million as figures presented to facilitate the scandalous Agyapa deal.

On Tuesday, during a press briefing, Dr Steve Manteaw who speaks for over 22 CSOs in Ghana narrated how the Ministry of Finance was deliberately shielding the true picture of royalty receipts from the Ghanaian public.

"At our last meeting with the Ministry, some slides containing some data were presented. However, when we requested for copies, those particular slides of interest to us were omitted either deliberately or inadvertently. When a direct question was posed to the Deputy Minister of Finance on the amount of royalties received from



gold in 2019, he said Ghana received about €650 million (\$123 million)," Dr. Manteaw narrated.

"The truth is that Ghana received €1.06 billion (\$200 million) from the big companies under the Chamber of Mines alone. Government has data on the other receipts, yet it decided to under-report the numbers. Again, in our meeting with the Finance Ministry, we were given half-year receipts for 2019 of \$72 million (€366 million). The underreporting of the 2019 revenue which is the most significant period for revenue projection and emphasis on old royalty

numbers is intriguing," Dr Manteaw added.

Speaking on the same allegation, the Deputy Executive Director for Africa Centre for Energy Policy (ACEP), Benjamin Boakye confirmed the deliberate cover-up by the Akufo Addo administration.

The Agyapa/Asaase Royalties deal has been fraught in extremely questionable antics, since its inception, including the fact that almost all the key players in the deal are somehow connected to the Minister of Finance Ken Ofori-Atta and the Presidency, including President Akufo Addo's cousin and right-hand-man, Gabby Asare

Otchere Darko.

Indeed, recently, the global Watchdog for illegal off-shore capital movement has flagged Ghana's controversial Agyapa Royalty deal as fraudulent and an attempt by its promoters to rob Ghana of its resources and hand it over to "Shadow Bankers" on Wall Street.

Under the deal, the Minerals Investment Fund supposedly uses Agyapa Minerals Royalties as a Special Purpose Vehicle, to borrow US\$1 billion from investors through listing on the London Stock Exchange, using government's royalty receipts from mining companies as collateral.

Interestingly, the Agyapa which is the Special Purpose Vehicle for the supposed monetization was registered in a notorious tax haven in Jersey on the British Channel Islands.

The deal is however shrouded in so much secrecy that even the Minority in Parliament do not know who the Directors of the SPV or investors are even though the law has been crafted in such a way that overseas directors of Agyapa which will be incorporated in a tax haven in the UK (Jersey) cannot be removed in future. This is in spite of the fact that these overseas directors will have control over the local subsidiary of called Agyapa Royalties Ghana (ARG).

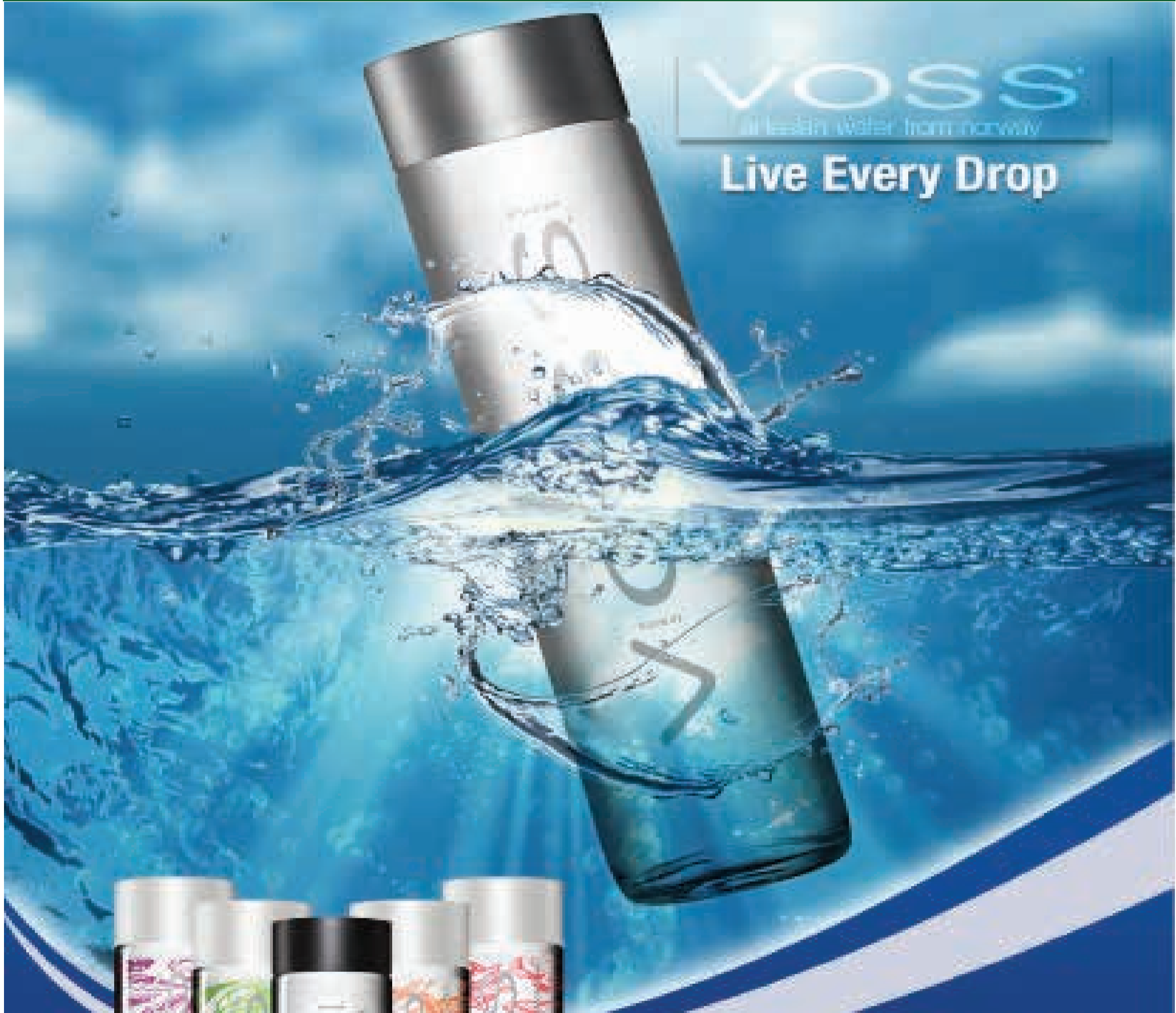


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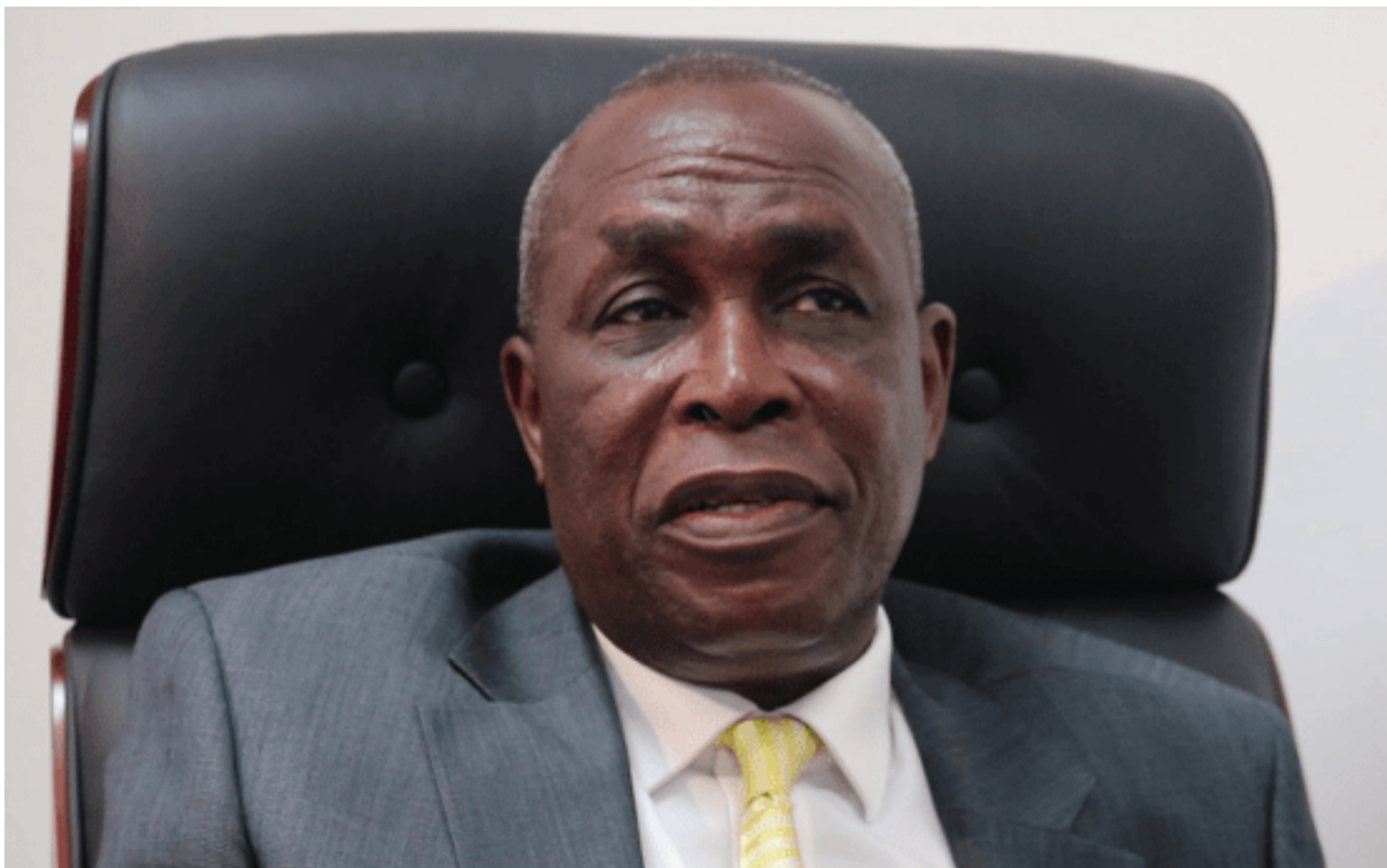
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NDC 2020 Manifesto, The Most Sensible In History Of Ghana -Austin Gamey



Respected Labor consultant, Austin Gamey, has reportedly given a verdict that the opposition National Democratic Congress (NDC)'s manifesto for the 2020 elections is the most sensible in the entire history of the Republic of Ghana.

According to reports seen by WhatsUp News, Mr. Gamey appraises the so called "People's Manifesto," as practicable, pragmatic and very reflective of the needs of the people.

"For once, I think we

have a manifesto that is supposed to be a bit more sensible than all the previous ones. This is the best we have had in this country since independence. It is easy to implement, it is inclusive, it is friendly. I think it is because they did a wide consultation," he is reported as saying.

Austin Gamey had been a strong critic of the NDC.

Meanwhile, the governing NPP's manifesto is being torn apart particularly following the gaffe of Vice President

Mahamudu Bawumia to list several infrastructural projects the NPP had supposedly completed in its term in office. As it turned out, majority of these projects were either non-existent or were continuation projects from the erstwhile NDC administration.

The goof had taken the shine off the NPP's Manifesto which was launched about two weeks before the NDC's.

For instance, one proposal the NPP claim to be working on is to build an airport in Cape Coast,

capital of the Central Region which is barely 1.5 hours' drive from Accra.

Critics have shot down the plan as lacking foundation in economic sense because Ghana's international airport, Kotoka, is just two hours' drive away. Also, Takoradi, which is similarly about two hours' drive away, has an airport.

Meanwhile, the NDC's promise to increase maternity leave time from 3 months to four months for new mothers has been a hit with women. So is the counterpart novel idea of allowing men too, a week's leave when their wives give birth.

Also, the NDC has promised to spread Free SHS to cover private schools; plans to legalize and regulate commercial motorcycle transportation (Okada), scrap the law banning importation of used cars and also scrap the shift system in Senior High Schools have all been a topical discussion since the NDC manifesto was launched on Monday.



CSIR, Not Planting For Food And Jobs, Is Behind Bumper Harvest



The bragging rights that the New Patriotic Party (NPP) government has been claiming for recent bumper harvests by farmers in the country has been challenged by a scientist, who is claiming scientists, and not politicians, are behind the good yields.

Prof. Mohammed Moro Buri, Director of the Ghana Soil Research Institute (SRI) of the Center for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), today told the Public Accounts

Committee of Parliament that soil science by his outfit is what has helped farmers to coax more out of their lands and that the Planting for Food and Jobs (PFJ) program of the NPP, only took advantage of the research from CSIR.

"Quite recently we hear that there is increased production in food of all sorts of crops in the country. That is because most of our recommendations, particularly in the field of newton management, fertilizer, in particular, is

working. And therefore the excess food that we see in the market, the quality food that we see in the market, partially come from the information we provide," the Professor said.

According to the NPP government, their government's PFJ program is what has led to phenomenal bumper harvest.

President Akufo-Ado has often eulogized the Minister of Agric, Dr. Akoto Afriyie, as the Einstein who has been achieving bumper har-

vests for Ghana upon assuming the Agric Ministry portfolio in 2017.

However, as the Director of SRI of the CSRI points out, the bumper harvests have been driven by scientific research which had been ongoing long before NPP came to power.

"If you look at the Planting for Food and Jobs, they are using information that CSIR has generated. The soils that they are growing on; the fertilizer type they have to use; the grade of fertilizer they have to use; the type of varieties they have to use comes from CSIR and Soil Research is part of the CSIR. So when I say that, it is based on the grounds that whatever information they are using is coming from the CSIR," Prof. Buri noted.

The soil research unit of the CSIR is dedicated to the research into soil resources of the country for effective management and agricultural application.



EC Temporal Staff Remain Unpaid



Some temporal staff that the Electoral Commission (EC) had recruited for the 2019 local level elections remain unpaid of their allowances, What-sup News has gathered.

According to estimates, hundreds of such staff have been dumped empty-handed after they were used by the EC for the local level elections.

"We have complained to our respective district offices who then forwarded our

complaints to Accra via the regional offices but all to no avail," an affected staff had complained in a report forwarded to Whatsup News.

According to information, the affected people range from Presiding Officers to as ballot paper issuance officers, verification and names reference officers, etc.

The amounts they are supposed to be paid are said to range from Ghc500 to GHC

1000.

The aggrieved officers are said to be from all regions in the country but mostly from Oti. Interestingly, Mrs. Jean Mensah, the Electoral Commission Chairperson is claiming that the Commission has paid all temporal staff.

At one of the EC's press conferences, she claimed that the Commission owed no temporal staff any longer.

"We have written to Accra informing them about the infrac-

tions but nothing has changed," a regional officer who wants to remain anonymous said.

And in response to the EC boss' claim that everybody has been paid, another regional head who does not want to be identified said, "even some of the people who worked as exhibition officials have not been paid yet."

Over the years, temporary staff who worked for the commission were paid at the district offices of the commission.

This arrangement, however, changed when Mrs Charlotte Osei was appointed as the chair.

The commission's decision to pay through the banks has resulted in a lot of infractions and unnecessary delays, insiders told Whatsup News.

It is not known if this situation is a mere infraction or an orchestrated attempt by some officials at the headquarters of the commission.



NLA Boss Under Probe For Pocketing Over US\$10million 'Chobo' After Sole-Sourcing

The Director-General of the National Lotteries Authority (NLA), Kofi Osei Ameyaw is being investigated by the Special Prosecutor's Office after it emerged that he may have creamed off over US\$10million from a sole-sourced procurement contract.

According to reports, the SPO has already interrogated Osei Ameyaw and other high-ups at the NLA after an investigation was launched in October 2018.

The issue has to do with the NLA's purchase of 30,000 pieces of Smart Point of Sale Terminals by the NLA.

According to information available, Osei Ameyaw had written to the Public Procurement Authority (PPA) on 25th October 2018, and argued for the NLA to be allowed to sole-source the 30,000 Nexgo N5 Smart Point Of Sales Terminals for the NLA.

After approval was given, the purchase ended up being padded by over US\$10million, implying the NLA boss and high-ups may have creamed off the huge amount of money from the padded purchase.



The mostly-dormant SPO, according to information has since been interrogating the matter and apparently, the noose is tightening around Osei Ameyaw, a man who has been under the spotlight for alleged shady deals at the state lottery agency.

Meanwhile, the smart terminals that Mr. Osei Ameyaw purchased for the NLA may have been dysfunctional. This is because members of the Lotto Marketing Companies (LMCs) have written to President Akufo-Addo lamenting that among other things that the ma-

chines are not working.

"Paper rolls to sell lotto on the Simnet Machines have been in short supply for the past six (6) months. Hence, a good number of the Simnet Machines are not working whilst the Lotto Receivers 'working capitals are locked up on these machines," stated an August 5 letter from the LMCs.

"NLA could not pay winners of its products promptly. Wins, as far back as 28th March, 2020 are still outstanding, not paid. Cheques issued by NLA to stakers who won the lottery products are not honoured by the banks. Payments of our commissions are unnecessarily delayed. General morale of staff is low. Nothing seems to be working currently at the NLA," the LMCs had written.

Their letter originally complained about the NLA illegally giving a license to a private company, Keed Ghana Limited (KGL) to operate an online lottery business.

"The issuance of the lottery operating licence to KGL is illegal and a clear and unambiguous violation of the statu-

tory prohibition against private lotto operations contained in section 4(1) of the National Lotto Act, 2206 (Act 722) which gives the NLA an exclusive statutory monopoly over the operation of any form of lottery in Ghana," the LMCs wrote.

According to them, they have complained to the NLA Director-General but nothing has been done about the issue.

What is interesting is that, in February this year, the NLA had issued a public statement distancing itself from Keed and its operations, branding its business illegal. However, the same NLA has since turned around to license Keed.

According to the LMCs the NLA's claims that the collaboration with Keed is helping them generate extra income is not true because the evidence on the ground rather shows that things are worsening.

"The operations of KGL Technology Ltd. (Keed Ghana Ltd.) is adversely affecting the over fifty thousand (50,000) Ghanaians working in this sector (LMCs, Agents, staff and their dependents)," the LMCs complained.



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Akufo-Addo's Lawyer Goes Independent At His Backyard

Philip Addison, the Lawyer who was lead Counsel for President Akufo-Addo during the 2012 Presidential election petition by Akufo-Addo and the New Patriotic Party (NPP) is going to run as an Independent Candidate for the Akwapem North Parliamentary seat.

Posters of Lawyer Addison have popped up in that Constituency which has traditionally been an NPP seat, and apparently the poster was carefully designed to ensure not a single semblance of the NPP is found in it.



Mr. Addison is seen in a suit smiling in a pose that lends his profile to the camera. The design is embla-

zoned with VOTE LAWYER PHILIP ADDISON, INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE, AKUPEM NORTH CONSTITUENCY."

Two crossed traditional royal swords is embossed in the background of the poster to complete it.

In March this year, Lawyer Philip Addison was disqualified from contesting the NPP's Akwapem North primary for the 2020 Parliamentary ticket, under the pretext that he has not been paying homage to the party.

The NPP intriguingly put

it as Mr. Addison not "nurturing the party at the constituency level.

He had been hoping to unseat the incumbent and Deputy Minister for Information Nana Ama Dokua Asiamah Adjei, after an earlier contest of the Klottey Koley seat in Accra had ended in a loss against the NDC's Zenator Rawlings in 2016.

The posters of Mr. Addison has been around for a couple of weeks now, and he has not made any official statement about it, in what has reinforced the suspicion that it is indeed authentic.

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Akyem Mafia Plots To Stone JM & Co

-Threatens death on NDC Supporters

There is a groundswell in President Akufo Addo's hometown of Kyebi as indigenes protest against a post re-circulated by Mahama that referred to the some Jubilee house "Mafia" as "Akyem Sakawa Boys" Whatsup News has intercepted Whatsapp Chats from a platform called 'Adehyemu Nsem' where some members of the governing New Patriotic Party (NPP) are threatening to "stone to death" any resident perceived to be supporting the NDC.

Whatsup called one Nana Adjei, a regional communications officer of the NPP who has been circulating the post calling for the stoning to death of NDC supporters in Kyebi-President Akufo Addo's hometown.

"...if Candidate Mahama is not ready to retract his "Akyem Sakawa Boys and Grandpas" comment, then any "Akyem" person following John Mahama should be stoned to death," read the circulating statement.

According to Nana Adjei, the people of Kyebi are giving the NDC two weeks to retract or face the consequences. Some of the platforms that this terrifying message has been circulated has government officials such as Ken Ofori-Atta, etc on the Whatsapp groups.



Today, a group calling itself, Concern Citizens of Okyeman, took to the streets today to demonstrate against former President John Mahama and National Democratic Congress (NDC) for allegedly describing them as 'Akyem Sakawa', in reference to the reported wanton pillaging of public resources by a group of President Akufo Addo's "family and friends".

The group, made up of the chiefs and residents of Akyem Abuakwa, Kotoku, and Bosome, all in the Eastern Region are demanding an apology from the NDC flagbearer.

President Akufo Addo's and some individuals and organisations had condemned ex-President Mahama for re-posting an opinion article posted by the NDC Member of Parliament for Bolgatanga Central, Isaac Adongo. Mr. Isaac Adongo had impugned that the controversial Agyapa/Asase Royalties deal was being fronted by a group

of people he called "Akyem Sakawa", with Sakawa translating to fraudsters.

"Presidential candidate, a former President of Ghana, you can call a group of Ghanaians "sakawa people", and it involves the group for which the sitting President comes, and that statement goes without comment, and at the same time we hear all these statements, "let all try and bring the politics of insults to an end."

However, Mr. Mahama, who is the flagbearer of the opposition National Democratic Congress (NDC) has fired back at the President, saying he has no moral right to condemn ethnocentrism.

"In any case, President Nana Akufo-Addo has lost the right to complain a long time ago. He was an opposition leader who called Presidents before him anything you can imagine including Prof. Do Little and he described somebody as 'Simpa Panin' and I don't want to repeat some of the things he

said. He is a President who has called his critics naysayers and Jeremiahs, I don't understand what standard he can be offended at this time because he has precedence of name-calling," Mr. Mahama fired.

Indeed, the NDC has stated that President Mahama will not apologise for the controversial statement that has gone viral on social media.

The communications spokesperson for the Mahama campaign, James Agyenim Boateng, has dismissed calls for the flagbearer of the party, John Mahama to apologise for the article.

Speaking on Starr FM on Wednesday, Mr Agyenim Boateng said the demonstration is a deliberate attempt to divert attention from the party's manifesto which was launched a few days ago.

"The point that Adongo made was that certain people close to the President are involved in some shady deal. There's no apology to render because Mr. Mahama has not used the word being attributed to him," Mr Agyenim Boateng said.

"Those demanding an apology need to show they are members of government and also need to show they are behind the shady deal. This is a deliberate attempt to overshadow the NDC manifesto and we can clearly see through."



Akufo-Addo's niece: "Akyem Mafia" Did Not Start With Mahama,

...It's been a proud nickname since Paa Willie's time

A woman describing herself as the niece of President Akufo-Addo has called out the President over his supposed displeasure in regards to the reference of the cliquish Akufo-Addo government as "Akyem Mafia."

In a video monologue addressed to Mr. Akufo-Addo, Marie Amoakwa Boadu, who is domiciled in the US said the nickname has been around since the days of Paa Willie, one of the great uncles of the Akufo-Addo family.

"... there is no difference between the word "Sakawa" and the word "Mafia;" some of the Akyems have prided themselves in being called Akyem Mafia, way back from the days of Paa Willie, my own grandfather, Paa Willie's time. It was not addressed.

"When your government came to power and people started addressing some of your members in govern-



ment including yourself as Akyem Mafia, it was not nipped in the bud. Mr. President, with all due respect, in modern day language Sakawa and Mafia, they are the same thing. If someone is Sakawa, he is a mafia, if he is mafia, he is sakawa some of the youth call it yahoo, yahoo. Its all the same. And so, if Sakawa is a description that we must not tolerate, then we must also not tolerate the Mafia description.

"But for some people,

the tag mafia was seen as a source of pride; it made them arrogant; 'Kyebe mafia, ther comes the Kyebe mafia,' then people would preen pompously; some of them are around you, nobody said nothing."

Mrs. Amoakwa's video comes in the wake of the Akyem Mafia Sakawa grandfathers hullabaloo.

The whole thing started when former President Mahama reposted a write-up by the MP for Bolgatanga Central, Isaac Adongo, over the Akufo-Addo government's attempt to carry through the Agyapa Minerals Royalties deal which has been described as opaque and corrupt.

Hon. Adongo had analysed the whole set up which cedes Ghana's mineral royalties perpetually to investors in a special purpose vehicle that has been strangely incorporated in a tax haven in the UK, as a shady thing by the "Akyem Sakawa Mafia."

Traditionally, the Akyem Mafia has been known to imply Akufo-Addo and his

family and it had not really been considered derogatory until President Akufo-Addo complained to the leadership of Ghana's clergy about former President Mahama reposting the Adongo post on Facebook.

Many have perceived President Akufo-Addo's anger as a feigned one meant to take attention away from a plethora of corruption issues plaguing his government.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Marie Amoakwa Boadu, an Akyem woman in the diaspora has said that the President's anger is hypocritical and that, in addition to the fact that the "Akyem Mafia" nickname has long been around, President Akufo-Addo, his appointees and his party, the NPP have been the most insulting in Ghana's politics.

She pointed out that among others, the government has attacked Voltarians, while the NDC's first ever female running mate has been viciously attacked without a single intervention from President Akufo-Addo.



Breaking! Ken Agyapong To Be Jailed For Contempt of Court



Latest reports picked up by Whatsup News indicates that on Monday, September 14, 2020, the New Patriotic Party Member of Parliament for Assin Central Constituency Kennedy Ohene Agyapong will be processed for possible jail term for his extreme contempt and prejudicial statement made against the court in a case involving him.

However, according to investigative journalist, Kevin Ekow Taylor,

President Akufo Addo has specifically called the Chief Justice, Justice Anin Yeboah to make sure that Kennedy Agyapong is not jailed due to his political significance to the NPP.

According to Kevin Taylor this evening on his "With All Due Respect" online streaming network, President Akufo Addo and the Chief Justice got into a heated argument as the Chief Justice insisted that pardoning Kennedy Agyapong will badly

discredit the Judiciary.

But President Akufo Addo will not have it, saying if Ken Agyapong goes to jail, he [President Akufo Addo] will be forced to grant him amnesty immediately.

Apparently, Ken Agyapong is in court over a land dispute, however, while the case is still ongoing, he went on his Net 2 TV and started raining strong expletives against the judge sitting on the case, One Justice Rockson.

"You are a stupid

judge. I will face you," Ken Agyapong said on the programme.

The blatant attack had forced Justice Rockson to recuse himself and had asked one Justice Amos Wuntah Wuni to take over and make sure that the law of contempt is exercised to the latter.

In a September 7, 2020 memorandum from Justice Rockson to his replacement in reference to suit number LD0742020 for Kennedy Agyapong to be dragged before the

court to "show cause why he should not be committed to prison for contempt of court for his scandalous and contemptuous vituperation made on his Net 2 and OMAN FM station on 2nd September 2020."

The peeved Justice Rockson argues that the loose-talking Ken Agyapong is lowering the authority of the court and bringing the administration of justice in Ghana to disrepute.