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PRESS RELEASE

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SUPPORT FOR THE GREATER ACCRA REGIONAL MINISTER'S CLARIFICATION AND POLOGY ON COMMENTS REGARDING STAFF POSTINGS.

The Ga Traditional Council has taken note of the recent public discussions arising from comments made by Hon.Linda Obenewaa Akweley Ocloo, Greater Accra Regional Minister and Member of Parliament for Shai Osudoku, regarding staff postings to the Northern parts of Ghana.

As a traditional authority deeply committed to national unity, mutual respect, and peaceful coexistence among all people of Ghana, we wish to state that while the remarks have understandably generated concern and disappointment among sections of the public, particularly our brothers and sisters from the Northern Regions, we believe her comments were not intended to demean, insult, or undermine dignity of the people of the North.

It is important to appreciate that public officials often speak in fast-paced and demanding environments where expressions may not always perfectly convey intended meaning. In this instance, we believe the Minister's remarks amounted to an unfortunate lapse in communication rather than a deliberate expression of malice or disrespect.

We acknowledge and commend Hon.Linda Ocloo for publicly clarifying her remarks and expressing remorse over the misunderstanding and concerns the comments may have caused.

The Ga Traditional Council also wishes to express sincere regret to all persons who may have felt offended, hurt, or marginalized by the comments. Ghana's strength has always rested in our unity in diversity, and every region of our country remains equally valuable and indispensable to national development and national progress.

We respectfully appeal to the public, opinion leaders, and all stakeholders to approach this matter with

understanding, forgiveness, and a spirit of reconciliation. Public office comes with enormous pressure, and isolated slips in expression should not overshadow years of dedicated service and commitment to the development of our nation.

At this critical moment in Ghana's development, we encourage all leaders and citizens to remain focused on the collective responsibility of building a more inclusive, united, and prosperous country where every Ghanaian, regardless of region or background, feels respected, valued, and represented.

The Council remains committed to promoting peace, harmony, mutual respect, and constructive dialogue among all Ghanaians.



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For: **KING TACKIE TEIKO TSURU II**
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