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JULY 12, 2024

PETITION ON THE CONDUCT OF THE GREATER ACCRA REGIONAL CHAIRMAN (EMMANUEL NII ASHIE MOORE)

We, the undersigned Constituency Women Organizers in Greater Accra Region, have become aware of the disturbing conduct of the Greater Accra Regional Chairman, Emmanuel Nii Ashie Moore, and wish to call your attention to it and officially petition your outfit to act swiftly to avert what could possibly affect the NDC Party's chances of winning Election 2024.

Were it not for the crucial role that Greater Accra Region will play in this year's election towards our Party's victory, we could have adopted a lukewarm attitude like many others have done toward these unfortunate occurrences in our region. Apart from other alleged misconduct of the Regional Chairman since he took office, some of which have been reported in the media, he is repeatedly displaying tendencies of a misogynist.

In the full glare of onlookers, the Regional Chairman, has threatened assault on key women in leading roles in the Party and called them despicable names, setting them up for public ridicule.

During the 2022 National Congress of the Party, the Regional Chairman called the Deputy Regional Secretary, Madam Patricia Akuyea Addy, an 'ashawo' (meaning 'prostitute'), while attempting to assault her. This is apparently because she questioned why the Regional Chairman wanted to usurp the powers of the Regional Secretary by seizing accreditation tags meant for Party Delegates. Despite calls on him to withdraw the disparaging words and apologize, he remained adamant and went unpunished.

Obviously emboldened by the fact that no one called him to order, he repeated same at the Party Headquarters in the presence of some national executive members and other leading members of the Party during the submission of our Flagbearer's nomination forms. For no apparent reason, Mr. Ashie Moore flared up and went on a rampage at the headquarters chasing after Madam Obuobia Darko Opoku in an attempt to assault her. Some of us witnessed first-hand this maniacal onslaught, as he screamed calling her unprintable names and referring to her as an 'ashawo'. Madam Oboubia is the Deputy National Communication Director of the Party and, currently, a member of the NDC 2024 campaign.

One would have expected the National Executives who witnessed the incident to have used the appropriate organs of the Party to call him to order, but nothing was done about his misguided behavior. Once again, the Regional Chairman did not even apologise for his behavior.

Still pursuing his aggressive misogynistic tendencies, on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at a meeting of the Greater Accra Regional Executive Committee at the Regional Office, he hurled insults at the Regional Women Organizer, Madam Felicia Merkpoi Bortey, threatening to beat her up. Typical of Mr. Ashie Moore, he once again called her an 'ashawo'.

We, the undersigned Women Organisers of various constituencies in the Greater Accra Region, wish to register our deep disgust and displeasure at the conduct of the Regional Chairman. The NDC is a Party that has fought for equality for women in all spheres of life. The NDC is a Party that has projected and promoted women in our political fight. The NDC is a Party that has striven to bring out the best in our women to cause them to stand shoulder to shoulder with the men of the Party.

We the women of the Party will not accept male chauvinists, male supremacists and women-haters to lead us. We have not fought so hard to get where we are only to be subjected to physical and emotional abuse from Party leadership.

We deem it necessary to object strongly to the conduct of the Regional Chairman and to place this objection on record. It is highly inappropriate for Mr. Ashie Moore to continue denigrating women in the Party and, as women organizers leading the women's wings of our various constituencies, we are extremely worried that if steps are not taken to get him to put a stop to this behavior, we may also suffer similar fates.

It is absolutely unacceptable for a Regional Chairman to wear this dishonorable badge of misogynism in a critical region like Greater Accra. Even though he may have a record as an 'abuser of women', once he has assumed the role of Regional Chairman, his conduct must reflect the ethics of that noble office.

Against this backdrop, we request of your outfit to act swiftly to call the Regional Chairman to order. We have addressed various offices or personalities, hoping that at least one of them will take up this matter since some of us are beginning to lose hope in our structures when it comes to dealing with the despicable conduct of the Regional Chairman. He keeps misconducting himself, yet he walks around with boldness and arrogance looking for his next prey. The Regional Chairman cannot be untouchable in a Party that touts its democratic credentials.

What we are all yearning for is to win the 2024 election and if the conduct of one single individual will thwart our efforts, he must be shoved aside. We want to win the 2024 elections for John Mahama and the NDC Party. The Regional Chairman must be called to order so that Greater Accra can deliver a resounding success.

Hands of NDC women in Greater Accra! That is the strong signal we are sending to the NDC men of Greater Accra Region and especially to our Regional Chairman, Mr. Ashie Moore.

We hope to hear favorably from you as soon as possible.

We are grateful for your attention.