

## STATEMENT

### SEVERAL INDEPENDENT TOGOLESE PERSONALITIES LIVING ABROAD CONDEMN THE KILLINGS IN TOGO AND SUPPORT REFORM CLAIMS

We, citizens of Togo living abroad, are particularly alarmed by the unprecedented and indiscriminate displays of force and the use of lethal weapons by Togo security forces against the peaceful demonstrations organized by the Pan-African National Party (PNP) on August 19, 2017.

These repressions with an unprecedented brutality have once again resulted in the killings of many of our fellow citizens in Sokodé and many more gravely wounded in Lomé, Aného, Kpalimé, Bafilo, Sokodé, Kara and Dapaong.

We refuse to stay silent in front of such continuing brutal violence perpetrated against our compatriots who are merely demonstrating their legitimate constitutional rights to restoring the 1992 Constitution approved overwhelmingly by 99.17% of voters with a 74.2% turnout.

To this effect, we make the following statement:

1. We strongly condemn the government's use of overwhelming violence in dispelling the protesters and the increasing deployment of Military Special Forces to break up demonstrations of August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017; with the aim of stifling peaceful demonstrations which did not present any risk of disturbing public order.
2. We are deeply saddened by the loss of lives of our fellow citizens and wish to express our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of the victims.
3. We reject the confiscation of guaranteed constitutional freedoms, in particular the freedom of assembly and demonstration, especially when these are exercised by the opponents of the UNIR regime in power.
4. We strongly condemn the greed to conserve power at any cost as the direct cause which led to the government's use of overwhelming violence in dispelling peaceful protests, in spite of the desire of change unequivocally expressed on several occasions by the overwhelming majority of Togo citizens.
5. We invite all the people of Togo, wherever they may be, to unite and create the conditions for the political transformation of our beloved country, which is today blocked by the greed of a family to conserve power and the tactical games of those

who have never sought to deal with the sufferings of our people but to deprive the country for personal enrichments.

6. We call upon the international community to take appropriate measures to monitor the actions of the Togolese authorities against peaceful exercise of constitutional rights.
7. We expressly demand an independent international investigation into the killing of unarmed civilians in order to bring those responsible of egregious abuses of Togo people constitutional rights to justice.

**We solemnly proclaim that nothing would stop the march of Togo towards democracy and the rules of law.**

Signed by the Citizens of Togo Living Abroad,

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