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PRESS RELEASE

Congratulations to the newly appointed Special Prosecutor

The Ghana Anti-Corruption Coalition (GACC) extends its congratulations to the former Attorney General, Mr. Martin Alamisi Amidu, on his approval by parliament following his vetting by the Appointments Committee of Parliament to serve as the first Special Prosecutor. This follows his nomination by the President, H.E Nana Addo Dankwa Akufu-Addo as the first Special Prosecutor for the newly created Office of the Special Prosecutor (OSP).

The “Citizen Vigilante” is ascribed by many as a man of good character and integrity and these qualities are exactly what is needed in Ghana’s anticorruption agenda. Mr. Amidu’s independence in judgment as well as his intolerance for corruption is one feature that perfectly suits the role of Special Prosecutor.

We trust the OSP will be provided with the requisite resources to execute its mandate under the Act, 959. In anticipation of Mr. Amidu assuming the OSP, the Coalition wishes to re-affirm its support to contribute constructively to the development of regulations in consistent with the Act to guide the powers of the Special Prosecutor.

The Coalition further urges the Special Prosecutor to remain grounded to exercise his authority in fervent impartiality to effectively impact on Ghana's fight against corruption.

The Coalition remains committed to monitoring the implementation of the Act, specifically the establishment of the Office as outlined in the Act.

Finally, we believe that it is important for the Attorney General (AG) and the Presidency to champion the speedy passage of all outstanding anti-corruption Bills, such as the Conduct of the Public Officers Bill, Right to Information Bill, Witness Protection, and Whistleblower (Amendment) Bill, which are very relevant to the work of the Special Prosecutor.

The Coalition wishes the Special Prosecutor a successful and memorable tenure.

About GACC

GACC is a unique cross-sectoral grouping of public, private and civil society organizations with a focus on promoting good governance and fighting corruption in Ghana. Its members comprise PEF, CDD-Ghana, CHRAJ, EOCO, GCRP, GJA, GII, IEA.

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