

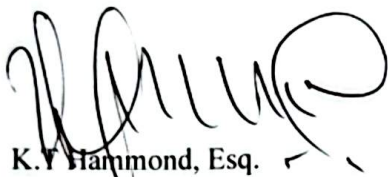


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RE: ALLEGATION OF BRIBERY IN THE US CASE OF MR ASANTE BERKO

1. We act on the instructions of our client, Dr Kwabena Donkor, whose name has come to be associated with the above matters and which are doing the rounds on various social media platforms.
2. Our client instructs us in very crystal clear language that he has absolutely no knowledge about the allegations linked to him. He completely and emphatically denies any knowledge of a request or demand for any money as alleged.
3. Our client accepts that he was the relevant Minister at the time material. This is a matter of public record.
4. Our client also admits that the State, through his then Ministry, the Ministry of Power, negotiated with ASKA Energy for the generation of electric power in Ghana during the relevant period. This was at the time when the country was going through the worse phase of what came to be termed as **Dumso**. It was a time of extreme power emergency when the country experienced extreme load-shedding.
5. He further instructs us that during the course of this negotiation a technical team from all the electric power stakeholders in the country was sent to Istanbul, Turkey, to inspect the equipment which was to generate the required electricity in Ghana. This was and is the regular practice of pre-shipment inspection.
6. According to our client at no point in the course of this negation did he once set eyes on the said Mr Asante Berko nor has he since.
7. In very plain language, our client states very strongly and unambiguously that:
 - a. He has never met the said Mr Asante Berko all his life;
 - b. He never discussed any personal benefit of any value whatsoever with Mr Asante Berko or any other person for that matter;
 - c. He never authorised any person to discuss any such matters on his behalf;
 - d. He never received any money in any denomination or any personal benefit of any value from Mr Asante Berko or any other person;
 - e. Any person or person's who may have made any such criminal demand in his name did so for that person' or persons' own benefit.

8. Our client does not understand that any evidence was led in the US trial which linked him with demanding or receiving any money, cedis or dollars or anything of value to him personally.
9. He does not accept that evidence that some other person or persons claimed that they required money from their principals for the benefit of "Senior Ghana Official" or any other title holder metamorphosed into any evidence of criminality or wrong doing against him.
10. We are instructed to notify the general public accordingly, and to state that any publication or statement of any kind which could be interpreted as contrary to the instructions clearly stated above and which will seek to impugn on the reputation and integrity of our client SHALL result in immediate legal proceedings.


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Head of Chambers

