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OUR Ref: TLS/

DATE: 31st JANUARY, 2024

1. **MR. MOHAMMED AMINU ALABIRA**
CTI FM/TV REPORTER
NORTHERN REGION, TAMALE
2. **OMNI MEDIA LIMITED**
ACCRA
3. **YAKUBU ABDUL-MAJEED**
CHAIRMAN GHANA JOURNALIST ASSOCIATION
NORTHERN REGION, TAMALE

DEMAND NOTICE/NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE LEGAL ACTION **AGAINST YOU**

1. We act as solicitors for Hon. Farouk Aliu Mahama (our client) and write to you this demand notice according to his instructions.
2. Our client is a responsible married man, and an astute and distinguished politician who has earned an enviable reputation for himself through hard work and sacrifices.
3. Our client instructs us that in the 28th January, 2024 online Edition of citinewsroom.com an online portal of Citi FM/TV owned by Omni Media Limited there is a publication of a story to the effect that our client slapped you Mohammed Aminu Alabira from behind whilst you were filing a story in a melee that ensued during the vote counting in the 27th January 2024 Parliamentary Primaries of the New Patriotic Party in the Yendi Constituency.
4. Our instructions are that the said online publication captured you Mohammed Aminu Alabira as saying "It was the MP (Farouk Aliu Mahama) who slapped me, and his people kicked me and took my phone away. I was reporting on violence that was happening during the counting process, so I

- asked the MP why that was happening, and he got up and came and slapped me, and his people also started beating me up".
5. Our instructions are that citinewsroom published this information without cross checking with our client to obtain his side of the story as standard journalism practice requires.
 6. **Our instructions are that on the same 28th January 2024 you Yakubu Abdul-Majeed claiming to be the Chairman of the Northern Regional Branch of the Ghana Journalist Association in a press release did not only reproduce the falsehood perpetuated by Mr. Mohammed Aminu Alabira and his employer but to the reading of the whole wide world you made certain false statements to the fact that our client's conduct was shameful and barbaric and made calls to the Ghana Police Service to effect arrest on our client thus impugning criminality on our client.**
 7. Our client instructs that again the Northern Regional Branch of the Ghana Broadcasting Corporation failed to reach out to him before its press release to ascertain from him the veracity or otherwise of the information churned out by its member Mr. Mohammed Alabira as standard journalism practice, etiquettes and code of conduct require.
 8. Our instructions are that if citinewsroom or the Northern Regional Branch of the Ghana Journalist Association had contacted our client for his response before going public with the false publication, you would have realized that our client was nowhere near Mr. Mohammed Aminu Alabira in the ensuing melee.
 9. We have the instructions of our client to notify you that the information you published or caused to be published of our client which you knew or ought to have known was false and yet deliberately published same to the whole wide world gives rise to an action in damages for defamation for and on behalf of our client as the facts contained in your statement are false and the said statement was made recklessly, without any reasonable basis whatsoever.
 10. Our client informs us that as a result of the publication of the false and libelous information, his reputation has been lowered drastically among his peers and all those other persons who read the falsehood perpetuated against him by you and your media platforms and as a result right thinking members of society look at him with disdain and as someone who is a barbaric Politician and a criminal.
 11. Our client instructs that as a decent public servant your false information that suggests he is barbaric has lowered the estimation that his wife and children as well as his entire family and that of his wife's has for him.
 12. Our instructions are that as someone who is aspiring to retain his position as Member of Parliament for the New Patriotic Party for Yendi your publication

has affected the fortunes of our client as he has been portrayed by your false publication as someone who is a violent politician and behind the melee that ensued whereas in reality the perpetrators of that unfortunate and unavoidable incidence are yet to be brought to book.

13. That as a result of your false, malicious and reckless statement made about our client, that our client is suffering from emotional and psychological trauma.

14. We write to you on our client's behalf to serve you notice that our client demands the following:

- i. That you render in writing to our client an unqualified apology
- ii. That you have the said apology published through the same medium by which you defamed our client.
- iii. To retract the false publication in a similar manner through the same medium our client was defamed.
- iv. That you compensate our client by paying to him GhC500,000.00 (each) as damages for the harm done to his reputation as well as legal fees.
- v. To desist from ever publishing any similar defamatory information whatsoever and howsoever against our client.

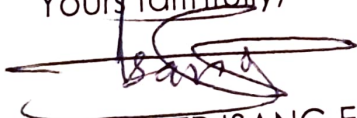
15. You are hereby notified by this letter our intention to take legal action on behalf of our client against you if you fail to fulfill the demands made on you by our client in paragraph 15 above **WITHIN 7 DAYS INCLUSIVE** of the day of service of this notice on you.

16. Please be advised that we have further instructions from our client to take all lawful steps including court action to vindicate her rights.

17. We count on your cooperation to avoid imminent litigation in this matter.

18. Be advised accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



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