

The Inspector-General of Police Ghana Police Service Police Headquarters Accra, Ghana

Subject: Unlawful Detention and Assault of Commander Arimiyaw Wusama by Police Officers at Kasoa

Dear Inspector-General,

We write to register our strongest condemnation of the unprofessional and abusive conduct exhibited by your officers at Kasoa against our comrade, Commander Arimiyaw Wusama, who was unlawfully detained by police personnel at approximately 3:00pm on Saturday, July 20, 2025, and only granted bail the following day, Sunday, July 21.

Commander Wusama was stopped by police for a search. As is his right, he asked the officer to identify herself before submitting to the search — a lawful and civil request which the officer complied with by pointing to her name tag, "D.O. Adu." After being searched and cleared, Commander Wusama prepared to leave.

It was at this point that other officers, seemingly offended by his request for identification, physically assaulted him in public. He was brutally kicked and beaten to the ground, then unlawfully detained at the Kasoa Market Police Station before being transferred to the Market Junction Police Station (Central East Regional Headquarters). No charge was ever leveled against him during his detention.

This is nothing short of a disgrace to the Ghana Police Service and a violation of the fundamental rights of a Ghanaian citizen. It reflects a worrying culture of impunity and abuse of power under your leadership — one that undermines public trust in the institution of policing in Ghana.

We demand the following actions, without delay:

1. A public apology from the Ghana Police Service to Commander Arimiyaw Wusama for the unlawful assault and detention.

- 2. An immediate independent investigation into the conduct of all officers involved, and the necessary disciplinary and criminal procedures to follow.
- 3. Clear directives from your office affirming the right of citizens to request police identification, and condemning retaliatory violence against such lawful requests.
- 4. A formal meeting with your office to raise broader concerns on rising police brutality and the abuse of power across the country.

Let it be known that the Economic Fighters League will not be silent while our comrades and citizens are brutalized and criminalized for asserting their basic rights.

Policing in Ghana must serve the people, not terrorize them. The behaviour of your officers is a disservice to democracy, to the Constitution, and to every honest officer within your ranks.

We expect a response and action without delay.

Regards,

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