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THE NDC & EOCO MUST STOP THE POLITICAL HARASSMENT AND ABUSE OF POWER USING STATE SECURITY

In a dramatic turnaround yesterday, EOCO re-arrested Hanan Abdul-Wahab and his wife after the Attorney-General voluntarily withdrew what he has described from the high pulpit in his press conference as "The Rumble in the Jungle".

Consistent with EOCO's perennial disrespect for constitutionally guaranteed rights and due process, lawyers of Hanan-Abdul and his wife have been denied access to their clients after more than 24 hours of waiting—suggesting nothing less than a state-sponsored bully and ruthless political intimidation.

Regardless of the allegations against any citizen, access to legal counsel is not a favour granted by the state it is a constitutional guarantee. The conduct of EOCO, in appearing to punish the suspects through detention rather than acting professionally, does not only undermine public confidence in the justice system but also threatens the institutional safeguards against abuse of citizens' rights.

Even more bizarre is the fact that Mr Hanan and Wife have been consistently reporting by the terms of their bail and attending all court sessions since they were first arrested sometime in June last year and therefore pose no risk that justifies their detention overnight.

After all, why should accused persons endure continuous detention simply because the Attorney-General, who previously claimed to have an ironclad case, now believes his case is so weak that it cannot proceed unless it is withdrawn and the accused are further intimidated by state security?

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and psychological pressure than in transparent and lawful prosecution. Justice must not only be done; it must be seen manifestly to be done.

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We request the immediate release of Alhaji Hanan and his wife.

Signed

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