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Immediate Release**PRESS STATEMENT BY THE NPP CONSTITUENCY CHAIRMEN IN THE
ASHANTI REGION AGAINST HON. MRS. IRENE NAA TORSHIE**

We, the 41 out of 47 Constituency Chairmen Caucus of DMB in the Ashanti Region, have issued this press statement to address certain developments that have caused deep concern among party leadership in the region. If not urgently addressed it will threaten the peace, unity, and orderly conduct of the party activities ahead of the upcoming internal processes.

Over the past week, the Ashanti Region has hosted the planned and duly approved campaign tour of the former Second Lady, Her Excellency Hajia Samira Bawumia. Her itinerary, which was communicated to and sanctioned by the Regional Executive Committee, has been ongoing smoothly and was scheduled to conclude on 26th November 2025.

However, we have become aware with great disappointment that Hon. Irene Naa Torshie, a leading member of the Hon. Kennedy Agyapong campaign team, has deliberately scheduled a parallel campaign tour in the region during the same period. This act, in our view, is not only inappropriate but also inconsistent with clearly established party guidelines that forbid overlapping campaign activities which may create confusion, tension, or clashes between members.

Below are our reasons why we find this development very unfortunate:

1. Disregard for Existing Campaign Schedules

Hon. Naa Torshie's decision to enter the Ashanti Region to campaign, despite knowing that H.E. Hajia Samira Bawumia was already on an approved regional tour, is deeply troubling. Such conduct raises legitimate questions about intent and respect for party structures.

2. Potential Attempt to Cause Confusion

The unexpected arrival and activities of Hon. Naa Torshie and the Kennedy Agyapong Campaign Team appear to us as a deliberate attempt to generate confusion in the ongoing campaign efforts within the region.

3. Suspension of Her Excellency Hajia Samira Bawumia's Campaign Due to Naa Torshie's Presence

We are angered by the fact that Hajia Samira Bawumia has had to suspend her campaign to avoid any unforeseen confrontation or disorder. It is unfortunate that a well-planned and sanctioned tour has been disrupted in this manner.

4. Commitment to Peace Demonstrated by Her Excellency Hajia Samira

The former Second Lady's decision to compromise and step aside temporarily, despite having an approved schedule, speaks volumes about who truly prioritises the peace, unity, and orderly conduct of the party. We are by this medium bringing to the attention of the party and well-meaning Ghanaians to be wary of those seeking to create confusion within the party under the guise of campaigning to lead.

5. Questionable Motives

We are compelled to ask these questions rhetorically: Why would Hon. Naa Torshie deliberately chose dates that directly clash with H.E. Hajia Samira's tour, when party rules clearly prohibit such conduct? Why target the Ashanti Region at a time when another major campaign delegation is present?

6. A Warning Against Indiscipline

We caution Hon. Naa Torshie and the entire Kennedy Agyapong Campaign Team to refrain from acts of indiscipline that have the potential to disturb the peace and unity we have worked hard to maintain in this region.

7. Other Regions Were Available

Hon. Naa Torshie could have easily chosen to tour any of the other regions or, at the very least, exercised courtesy and waited until H.E. Hajia Samira concluded her activities on Wednesday.

8. Clear Demonstration of Who Seeks Peace

This incident highlights, without ambiguity, which actors genuinely have the party's peace and cohesion at heart, and which actors seem prepared to sacrifice party unity for personal or campaign gains.

9. Appeal to REC and NEC

We are calling on the National Executive Committee (NEC) and the Regional Executive Committee (REC) to urgently investigate this matter and take the necessary steps to prevent

such unfortunate incidents from recurring. Strict adherence to campaign protocols is essential in preserving party unity.

The Ashanti Region is the heartbeat of the NPP, and we, the Constituency Chairmen, will not allow acts of disrespect, sabotage, or indiscipline to undermine the progress of our party. We remain committed to ensuring a peaceful, fair, and respectful internal political process, and we expect all aspirants and their teams to do the same.

We thank you for your attention and urge all party loyalists to remain calm as we work collectively to safeguard the unity of the New Patriotic Party.

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