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PRESS RELEASE

27th April 2026

AKYEM OSENASE ROYAL FAMILY AND PRINCIPAL STOOL ELDERS STRONGLY CONDEMN OKYENHENE'S ATTEMPT TO FORMENT TROUBLE IN OSENASE

We, the Royal Ofosu-Pema Aduana Family of Akyem Osenase together with the Principal Stool Elders strongly condemn attempts by the Okyenhene, Osagyefo Amoatia Ofori Panin to install Boakye Asafo Agyei as Chief of Osenase in contravention of laid down custom and traditions of Osenase, Odau, Akyem and the entire Akan fraternity.

1. On Monday, the 27th day of April 2026, we intercepted a letter from the Akyem Abuakwa Traditional Council, signed by the State Secretary, D.M. Ofori-Atta and addressed to the Regional Police Commander with the title "NOTICE OF PUBLIC EVENT, INSTALLATION OF NANA BOAKYE ASAFO AGYEI AS CHIEF OF OSENASE" with a proposed date of "Thursday 30th April 2026".
2. We find this letter and its significance unfortunate, distasteful and an unnecessary escalation of tensions within the Osenase township. We condemn it in the strongest possible terms.
3. While we remain a peace-loving people and would want development for our town, we want to make it clear that our meek demeanour should not be mistaken for weakness. We shall resist this attempt with every fibre of our being.
4. This reckless move by the Okyenhene is him making good on the threat he issued on 27th March 2026 at the Akyem Abuakwa State Council



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meeting that he will forcibly enstool Asafo Agyei as chief of Osenase regardless of the consequences.

5. Why this is so wrong and is against custom and tradition is that:
 - a. There is no Stool Vacancy Declared in Osenase. The chief of Osenase, Barima Ofosu Ware, has been indisposed for a while now. No one, not the Queenmother, Abusuapanin nor the stool elders, have announced that he has passed for the necessary rites and customs to be performed for the stool to be declared vacant. These are non-negotiable sacred customs that must be followed before a stool can be declared vacant. That has not taken place, so on what basis is the Okyenhene trying to enstool a new chief.
 - b. The Queenmother has not nominated anyone as Successor. It is the exclusive right of the queen of Osenase, Obaapanin Acheampomaa II, to nominate the next occupant of the Osenase stool, this is done with the advice of the Abusuapanin. She has not nominated anyone, let alone Asafo Agyei who is not of Royal lineage. If the queen has not nominated anyone as the next chief, then on what basis is the Okyenhene trying to enstool a new chief.
 - c. No nominee has been approved by the Principal Elders of Osenase. The principal stool elders who have all signed this statement (Benkum, Gyaase, Kyidom, Abakom, Adonten, Amaama and Akyeame) have not approved of any nominee to occupy the Osenase Stool. So on what basis is the Okyenhene trying to enstool a new chief?
6. In the current context, no rites and customs have been performed for the current chief for a vacancy to be declare, nobody has been nominated by the Queenmother together with the Abusuapanin and nobody has been approved by the principal elders (kingmakers), yet,



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the Okyenhene is blatantly breaking all these sacred customs and traditions to use brute force to enstool Asafo Agyei as chief of Osenase.

7. We have been reliably informed that the Okyenhene is trying to use state apparatus, particularly the Police to help him pursue this illegal activity. We, the people of Akyem Osenase, shall not be intimidated and we shall resist oppressors' rule.
8. Flowing from the threat issued by the Okyenhene on 27th March 2026, we petitioned the government on 29th March 2026 for intervention. The President, through his Secretary, graciously responded to our petition on 14th April 2026. Copies of our petition and the presidential response were served on the Okyenhene.
9. We find it shocking that the Okyenhene will so blatantly disregard the intervention of the President while at the same time trying to use state apparatus to pursue this illegal action.
10. We know the President remains kind, compassionate and is President for all and we call on him to once again intervene to prevent this avoidable impending catastrophe for Osenase.

Signed

Obaapanin Acheampomaa II, Queen of Osenase
Abusuapanin Kofi Danso, Osenase Abusuapanin
Baffour Oduro Sarfo, Osenase Gyaasehene
Baffour Agyenim Boateng, Osenase Kyidomhene
Baffour Yeboah Sika, Osenase Benkumhene
Baffour Yiadom Boakye, Osenase Adontenhene
Baffour Asirifi Baah, Osenase Abakomahene
Baffour Ofori Yeboah, Osenase Amaamahene
Okyeame Asare, Osenase Akyeamhene
Okyeame Ampofo, Osenase Okyeame





AKYEM ABUAKWA TRADITIONAL COUNCIL

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Our Ref:....AATC/IOC/03/26.....

Date:.... 24th April, 2026.....

Your Ref:.....

NOTICE OF PUBLIC EVENT
INSTALLATION OF NANA BOAKYE ASAFO AGYEI
AS CHIEF OF OSENASE

Respectfully, the above matter refers.

In compliance with the Public Order Act, I am instructed to inform you of a Public Event as follows: -

DATE : THURSDAY, 30TH APRIL, 2026
TIME : 7:00AM PROMPT
VENUE : OSENASE FUNERAL GROUNDS
EVENT : INSTALLATION OF NANA BOAKYE ASAFO AGYEI
AS CHIEF OF OSENASE

Sir, in view of the heightened public interest, the Akyem Abuakwa Traditional Council kindly request your outfit to provide the necessary security presence to ensure a successful outcome of the event.

We assure you that the event will be peaceful.

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,

D. M. OFORI-ATTA
STATE SECRETARY

THE REGIONAL POLICE COMMANDER
EASTERN SOUTH REGIONAL POLICE COMMAND
KYEBI