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PRESS RELEASE

Our attention has been drawn to a letter purported to have been issued by NTC to the Teacher Training Institutions on the Teacher Licensure Examination and the fees to be charged.

This Press release is to clarify the stance of the Teacher Unions.

- 1. We wish to state that the Teacher Unions are not against the Licensing of teachers in accordance with the Education Act, 2008 (Act 778).
- 2. Over the last six (6) years, the Unions have collaborated with the NTC in its attempt to implement some Provisions of the Act.
- 3. At a meeting with the NTC on 29th May, 2018 the Unions were promised that the documents will be sent to us by NTC through the Director General of Ghana Education Service, for our study and input.
- 4. Unfortunately, as at the release of this Press Statement, no document has been received by the Unions as promised; for us to make the necessary input.
- 5. We are very disappointed with the actions of the NTC since they went behind this arrangement to issue a letter indicating the writing of the examination and the fees to be charged (GH¢220.00).
- 6. We as Teacher Unions do not know the format of the Examinations; and what went into the determination of the fees being charged.
- 7. We see this action by the NTC as a breach of trust and a violation of good labour relations.
- 8. We, therefore, call on the Hon. Minister of Education to convene an immediate Stakeholder meeting to discuss and resolve the outstanding issues.
- 9. In the light of the above, we call on the NTC to suspend the implementation of the Examination and the fees to be charged pending the outcome of the Stakeholder meeting with the Hon. Minister of Education.