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PRESS RELEASE ON RECENT ISSUES REGARDING NOGOKPO TRADITIONAL AUTHORITIES

The National Peace Council has noted with concern the current impasse between Archbishop Charles Agyinasare, the founder of Perez Chapel International and Nogokpo Traditional Authorities. The attention of the Council has also been drawn to statements that have been made by some religious personalities in the country regarding the same issue.

Recognizing the fact that the impasse if not quickly addressed may have consequences on peaceful coexistence and religious tolerance in the country, the National Peace Council, in pursuit of its mandate to facilitate conflict prevention, appeals to the Nogokpo Traditional Authorities and Perez Chapel International to remain calm and not give in to provocations as efforts are being undertaken to address the situation.

The Council calls on all those who have been affected in any way by the stalemate to exercise restraint and circumspection in their comments and pronouncements on the matter. The Council further urges the media and all those who make statements on the matter to exercise maximum restraint in their narratives to protect the peace, stability, and the integrity of our beloved country.

We want to inform the public that the Volta Regional Peace Council has begun the process to engage the parties for amicable redress.

The Council concludes by respectfully reminding Ghanaians of how far we have come as one nation, living together as one people for many years.

Thank you.

SIGNED

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