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GLOBAL LEADERS
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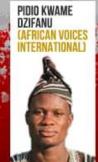
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# REPORT ON THE ONE AFRICA FREEDOM DIALOGUE

"Legendary leaders create Freedom. They pave the way for Freedom and give meaning to Freedom" – Isaac Kwabena Boadu (President; AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL)

### THE ONE AFRICA FREEDOM DIALOGUE

The world needs a new terrain of leaders that can govern the Political Anatomies, of our various countries. The world needs proactive, self-confident and innovative Giants who can turn their knowledge into productive use, for the Freedom of humanity. The world needs people that can be able to carry on and do better and greater things, than our past leaders. Of course, some of our past leaders have done very well, and there is no doubt about it. However, we need a new body of upcoming ones, who can do better than what our past leaders, have done. Leaders nowadays want the Glory all for themselves. You find leaders doing their best to sabotage the lives of even innocent ones, so that they can be crowned as the Champions in their centuries.

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL believes in Positive Leadership, and believes the Global Anatomy can have a set of leaders, whose heart are all for the service of their National Anatomies, and not for themselves. It is in this light that AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL had THE ONE AFRICA FREEDOM DIALOGUE, to teach and train upcoming Giants, to live and walk in the right directions, to be able to solve the problems of our current leadership systems in the Global Anatomy, and to also bring forth the right kind of leaders, the Global Anatomy, needs.

We need leaders who are Globally minded and are concerned with the entire Global Anatomy cam grow excellently in uniformity, where no other continent is seen as better than the other. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL believes that things will change if we put on the right measures and work on facilitating uniform growth in all areas of development, in every arm of the Global Anatomy. This is the time for leaders with zeal, purpose and wisdom to rise! This is the time for leaders to get up, and meet up with brilliant innovations, that can solve the problems, we have in the Global Anatomy, today. Europe has the leaders, Asia has those leaders as well. Australia has those leaders to. South America has those leaders too. Every continent has those leaders, and most importantly, Africa has those leaders too. It is time for us to train those leaders. Let us do it. Let us make it happen. We can make it happen. Yes, we can do it. Let us do it and revolutionize the Global Anatomy, as a whole.

We can do it. We can make it. The Global Anatomy does not belong to robots. The Global Anatomy does not belong only to the aged, adults and older working classes. It belongs to everyone. Kofi Annan said "you are never too young to lead, and you should never doubt your capacity to triumph, where others have not." **AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL** shares the same thoughts with the Global Anatomy's renowned icon and encourages, every young one to pursue all their visions, with all their charisma and focus. That is how the Global Anatomy can thrive. That is how the Global Anatomy can operate as a productive body.

### • Who a Legendary Leader is

A leader is any individual who manages a group of people and guides them to achieve a particular vision for the Freedom of such people. A legendary leader is one who brings excellence to his or her company, by achieving priceless strides.

### • Characteristics of a Legendary Leader

### 1. Visioned

Every legendary leader is visioned. He does not only have a vision, but leads a nation with the vision. And does not where it only goes, but the leader is a reflection of the vision himself. He takes various actions, that are in alignment with the vision. That's the only way, a society, institution or nation cam see Freedom; when leaders lead by vision. This is because the visioned leader is not swayed to the left or right, but just moves in accordance with the vision. Visioned leaders always bring a society of discipline and order. As a result, all distractors are wiped out, since they do not comply with the said vision.

### 2. Boldness and Determination

A legendary leader is always bold and determined. He always looks up to fulfilling his vision no matter how challenging, things may be in the course of achieving the vision. A legendary leader always stays strong to his or her vision. He puts in all the necessary measures to see to hi objectives coming into fruition. He goes the extra mile in seeing to the excellence of his vision. He stays overnight to be able to bring forth tremendous results. He does not only just take a step, but takes a vigorous steps that leads to excellence in all he does. A legendary leader is moved to sacrifice his lives, for the people he serves, just to see Freedom, everywhere. A legendary leader fights for his people. He works hard to see that indeed, he wins Freedom for his people. A legendary leader comes out stronger even when rejected and mocked at. He stays true to the vision, and formidable at all times, just to see his people, living in Freedom.

### 3. Proactiveness

A legendary leader is always a proactive one. He goes ahead of time. He always plans and puts down measures to able to survive even under harsh economic conditions, and other good times as well. A legendary leader always goes ahead of others, sees ahead and puts things in place to be able to tackle future and unforeseen circumstances. A legendary leader always stands tall and makes sure nothing comes between him and the fulfilment of his vision. A legendary leader is never seem as a failure, because of his or her pragmatic lifestyle, which brings Freedom to the populace.

### 4. Humility

A humble leader is one who always complies with the objectives of an Organisation. A humble leader makes sure he takes part in specific projects, even when he does not need to. A humble leader always involves himself, in everything that is going on. A humble leader brings meaning to his people. He brings an enviable Freedom to his people. A humble leader does not make unnecessary expenses just because he has the Freedom to do so. His concern is always on the vision. A humble leader lives to see that every nook and cranny of the African Anatomy enjoys life to the fullest. A humble leader will go the extra mile to see to the need of just 1 person being satisfied. This is because he understands the essence of one person, and will always do his best to bring happiness to an individual.

### 5. Selflessness

A legendary leader is selfless. He or she does not take measures that makes him alone sufficient, at the expense of the people, he leads. He takes an all collective measure which brings to the entire anatomy, he leads. He is fair, just and respects the rights of others. He always sees to it that, he does not encroach on the rights and liberties of his people. He always works for his people. He is an indefatigable person, who brings excellent results everywhere. He always gives in his best, to promote the status of his people.

### **IMPORTANCE OF HAVING LEGENDARY LEADERS**

### 1. They promote Democratic virtues

Legendary leaders are always agents of Freedom, everywhere they go. Legendary leaders understand that the vision is to serve their nations, and not to boast about their authority. As a result, they all learn to be abide by virtues that give credence to Democracy. They tolerate people's views, have a sense of understanding for others, show love to all kinds of races, abide by constitutional rules and accept defeat if they loose elections. Legendary leaders are born to educate the people with wisdom to live their lives for a better future of their nations and not to be the "god" of their nation. Legendary leaders open the doors for the minority, less privileged and rejected to also have a say, in the public discourse. Legendary leaders create equality in Freedom and do not misinterpret the meaning of Freedom, but sacrifice their lives for others to earn a successful living.

### 2. They promote Development

Legendary leaders always improve upon the way and manner at which things were left before living power. They do not only improve upon the nature of things, but secure them that, they do not later, become a burden on the shoulders of future leadership. Legendary leaders stand for all people, and do their best to see to it, that they give their best to all and not to a preferred or particular group of people. Legendary leaders know that they are called out of

their families, to serve a bigger picture, and this pushes them to do more and work harder to bring forth results that are rewarding, well deserving of their call and are more than being phenomenal. Legendary leaders add value to human living. They do not come in to politicise their leadership, or put the party to which they come from on a preferred basis. They come to give everyone a high quality or excellent standard of life. They understand they are called to serve their nations and not to exalt their party members.

### 3. They ensure Justice

Legendary leaders are full of Order and Discipline. They practice fairness. They are not corrupt and/or greedy. They share the national cake orderly and fairly. They do not breach the rules of their land or allow their close partners to also trample on the laws of the land. They set the right foundations for Freedom to prevail, by being agents of Justice all the time. They make sure that the laws work effectively to make everyone be diligent, integral and definitely a nationalistic citizen. Legendary leaders are emulated by everybody. They are loved by all and their legacies are always remembered even post their death. They are seen as the pride of their land are remembered on special occasions and treated with honour, all the time

### 4. They liberate a whole generation

Legendary leaders liberate a whole generation. They pave the way for an entire generation, to enjoy the Freedom, they must live in. Legendary leaders provide the necessary and requisite resources, for a society to thrive on and make great strides throughout to the next generation. Leaders like Marcus Garvey, Kwame Nkrumah, Maya Angelou, Nelson Mandela, Haille Sellase, Martin Luther King, Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, Robert Kagame, Joyce Banda and Kenneth Kaunda, have paved the way for the solid future of humanity. It is now left for us to take opportunity of the doors opened for us, and also make the Global Anatomy, a better place. The doors are open. It is up to us to walk in them or not. Mr. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, the President of Ghana put about seventy- four million Ghana cedis for a Ghanaian students writing their West African Senior School Certificate Examinations. He has boosted the morale and provided them with the capital for them to be prepared excellently to bring forth great results, and take the country to another level. That's the hallmark of Legendary leaders.

### 5. They promote tranquility

Legendary leaders ensure tranquility throughout their mode of governance. They promote peace and ensure harmony ensues between all kinds of people in a society. Leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King, Dick Gregory, Bob Marley, Nelson Mandela, Jane Fonda, Robert Kennedy, Samantha Smith and Roy Bourgeois are all leaders who played various parts to promote peace within their fraternity. They do and did so without any form of violence or abuse, but through love, a mutual sense of understanding. Martin Luther King, an American

Baptist Minister and Civil Rights leader, was a reflection of Peace, everywhere he went. He helped organise a lot of non violent protests which brought and sustained peace, in his society. He was awarded in 1964 with the Nobel Peace Prize for fighting against racial inequality through peaceful and nonviolent means.

### **ARE OUR LEADERS WORTH EMULATING?**

Our leaders are just playing normal roles but have not gone outside the box, to tackle the Global Anatomy's problems and solve them. Our leaders have not confronted our problems as a matter of urgency, to bring them to an end. There are loads of violence, chaos, political enmity, tribal and racial threats going on, our nations, but majority of our leaders, have paid blind eyes to them. A high percentage of our leaders have all centred their priorities on amassing wealth for themselves rather, creating a path of equity in economic living, for all. We all do not realise that there needs to be a revolution, centred on promoting a united anatomy, with a shared responsibility of maintaining harmony, for ourselves and creating genuine and realistic partnerships that make every nook and cranny of the Global Anatomy, a safe haven for all to live in. Our leaders need to create realistic partnerships, that open the door for inclusive and equal partnerships for all leaders, for the Freedom, every individual in every area of the Global Anatomy, needs.

Our leaders need to tackle the problems we have in our nations with a matter of urgency. They need to do more. Every individual and society is significant. In Africa and Asia, individuals in the villages and rural areas are not less off than those, in the urban areas. In fact, most of our leaders we know now, particularly in Africa, grew up in the rural areas before migrating to urban areas, as they grew older, for greener pastures. Greener pastures must be everywhere. We must enjoy our lives. We must all enjoy our lives and live with a sense of pride, everywhere we find ourselves. Poverty must never be remembered in history. Our leaders must prioritise their plans on making good standards of living, accessible to those in need. This is how, indeed we cam all realise and appreciate the blessing of nature on mankind. Until then, **AFRICAN VOICES**INTERNATIONAL stands strong on the point that, our leaders have more to do and can be only emulated, if they do more and sacrifice for their nations.

### WHY DO WE NEED DEMOCRATIC LEADERS?

### 1. Deeper involvement by team members.

The presence of democratic leaders brings to the picture, clarity, authenticity and diligence to service. Team Members, Executives, Board of Governors, the Cabinet or Ministers always have a sense of pride in being attached to every project, they are a part. This is because the

President allows for individual expression and explanation of views, which makes team members feel appreciated and has the urge to do more. Team Members then commit themselves to doing the work more and adding value to it. This results in extra productive and excellent results. President Kagame has been a Legendary leader because of how he has involved all kinds and categories of people regardless of their tribal affiliations or genders to come on board, and make a impact to the society. Rwanda, a war torn country is now one of the top five countries with a thriving economy, in Africa. This is because he allowed every one's voice to be heard, and this is what has led the populace, push harder, as committed citizens to help in the development of Rwanda, bringing forth tremendous results in Rwanda, so far. Political Unity is at its peak when we have leaders, who stick to their democratic beliefs.

### 2. Greater Results in Development

Democratic leaders bring forth long lasting and permanent results. This is because their genuine commitment to the national service, leads to projects that are in the earnest interest and development of the people, and not for their own desires. Democratic leaders know they are not the only people involved in the developmental change, and as a result, employ great minds that can also deliver to the nation, quality and effective results. A country with a democratic leader never retrogresses. The country keeps on growing and growing rapidly. The leader serves the nation and not himself. Results are always better than previous terms of office, whether a new Government comes in, or the nation is being led and run by the same leader and/or Government. There is always an improvement in the economy.

### 4. Transparency and Accountability in Political Governance

Democratic leaders open the doors for sound and reliable governance, that can be trusted. This is because they are transparent in all their activities. They also provide sound and just evidence and account of whatever roles they play. They are just in all their ways, because they revere their positions. They stay true to their course which results in productive results, everywhere in the economy of a nation. **AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL** entreats all upcoming leaders, to move in this direction, and that's how the Global Anatomy, can grow and become a sound home to everybody. The Global Anatomy needs democratic leaders. Everyone needs to understand and know what is going on in the nation. Everyone needs to take pride in their leaders and be proud of their nation. That's how people can also serve their nations wholeheartedly and give in towards the development course of their nations.

### 5. A formidable Agenda is implemented

Democratic leaders always bring formidable agendas on board. They are able to sustain Growth and Development because of the proactive steps, they take in ensuring that the level of development, in their National Anatomy goes higher. Democratic leaders have all kinds of age groups in mind be it children, teenagers, adults and the aged. They therefore implement productive agendas geared towards the sufficiency of all. Hence, no age group is left with the other thriving. They are all given a fair chance. The Agenda is created for all age groups to

thrive. Hence there is uniform development. The aged and retirees are not only the ones who thrive, because schemes are set in place for the young to also thrive and have a better future. The aged are also provided with policies, that leaves them in comfort even though they do not work as adults, the youth and aged do. There is a uniform balance in ensuring a healthy standard of living for all, which makes life easier, for all.

### 6. Greater Cooperation amongst audience and leadership

Democratic leaders ensure a system of greater cooperation, not only amongst the leadership of a country, but between the leadership and the populace, or the people beinh served. Democratic leaders understand that, they are in power to serve the people and ensure to stand for them always. This leads to increased support by the audience for the leadership, which promotes harmony in the nation, peace in decision making, resulting in enormous developmental projects, for the National Anatomy. Citizens(audience) are able to willingly contribute freely towards national development, where there are democratic leaders. This results in constant growth and leads to continuous productivity, in such regions, which makes them centers of excellence.

## MESSAGE FROM MARY ADUAMOAH; (ORGANISING SECRETARY OF AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL)



Everyone I believe, can maximize their potential, and achieve their highest ambitions if only they could have the right mentorship and training around them. It takes just some words and actions to create this favourable environment. Leadership that is character driven and flips the power dynamic on its head can empower people and organizations to become the best they can be. Effective leaders put words to the formless longings and deeply felt needs of others. This is why the need for quality leadership is essential in our societies today.

### **ABOUT AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL is a Socio-Political Non-Governmental Organization and Civil Society, that works towards the promotion of Democracy, as a means of sustaining Freedom in the hearts and minds Africans and people, all around the world.

Africa has experienced a consistent trend of enslavement for a long period of time, even after several years of post-independence from her colonial masters in the various African countries. This has brought and left a scar of hopelessness in the African society. The various kinds of enslavement meted out on our African forefathers and mothers has brought about various challenges in the African continent. This has brought about a culture of political biasness, gender inequalities, superiority and inferiority complexes, leadership challenges, corruption, dictatorship, child abuse, imperfection in our way of doing things and mental servitude in the minds of Africans. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL has realised this problem, and has come at a point in time of world history like this, to create platform for the youth to stand out and bring a revolution from enslavement to freedom where all humanity, both in Africa and outside of Africa can live in Peace, Justice and Equity and thrive under fair and Good Quality lives.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To serve as an anchor for Good Governance in Africa and promote respect for the constitutional laws in the various African countries.
- To promote Nationalism and create the sense of awareness for nation building amongst youth in Africa.
- To raise awareness concerning the rights of individuals as citizens of their various countries in Africa, to live in freedom and peace in the African anatomy.
- To promote National Conscientisation amongst the youth towards engaging in National Projects for the Socio-economic Development of the country.
- To promote self confidence in the youth of Africa, to take up individual initiatives to promote the development of the country.
- To promote Pan- Africanism and dignity of the African Continent.
- To promote liberation of the African Populace whose hearts have been troubled by the various forces of oppression, pre and post-independence of African countries.
- To promote Democracy for the freedom of humanity in Africa.

### **MODES OF SPECIALITIES**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL has modules as platforms to enlighten the youth and the society as a whole on their rights, who they are and the freedom they have, for the liberation we want in our society. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, will be having conferences and summits as well as special projects aimed at impacting the youth with strategical African mindsets to make Africa, a hub of Freedom.

The following are Modes of Specialities in AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL.

1. THE AFRICAN CULTURE 2. DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE 3. GENDER EQUALITY 4. BUSINESS ANATOMY 5. THE POLITICAL ANATOMY 6. HUMAN RIGHTS 7. YOUTH

**EMPOWERMENT AND LEADERSHIP 8. EDUCATION 9. NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT** 

### **CORE VALUES OF AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL**

**AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL**, has certain tenets, we believe are foundational principles for humanity to live freely and thrive well, in Africa. We believe, the right set of values will strengthen equip **THE AFRICAN MAN** and **THE AFRICAN WOMAN** to shine in all areas of life, and make impact in Africa, and the world.

### **NATIONALISM**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes every individual in Africa must have his or her nation at heart. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that the affairs of the nation must be the concern of each and every individual in the continent. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes there is greatness in everybody and therefore, their opinions, views, concerns and partnerships with the Government and individually in contribution, will add greatly to the development of their individual country and the great continent, Africa, as a whole.

### **EXCELLENCE**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes there can be perfection in everything that is done. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL imbibes in individuals, to be perfect in all their activities at work, home, at church and in all that calls to nation building. God created man to be perfect and AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL believes that, excellence attached to everything particularly in Africa, will bring forth tremendous results from around the world.

### **JUSTICE**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes in the equitable administration of various shares in a Political Anatomy. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that, with Justice, the continent can thrive on higher grounds of Democracy and be void of corruption. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL entreats Governing Bodies in Africa, institutions and individuals to be just in all their operations. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL believes that with Justice, we can live in Solidarity, Peace and Unity, as a nation and a continent.

### **DISCIPLINE**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL believes that the tenet Discipline, is one of the most effective values in building a strong Democratic Anatomy. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that if people are able to abide by the laws, codes and etiquettes, as well as the rules and regulations of the African land, there will be a smooth growth and development in the continent. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL entreats all individuals to be disciplined in their way of living.

### **PATRIOTISM**

AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that every individual must be devoted to his or her country totally for the advancement of the country. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that being patriotic of our countries in the African Anatomy will serve as an anchor, for honesty and decency in every individual's life which will breed decency and honesty in all national projects and matters that affect the nation's welfare indirectly or directly. AFRICAN VOICES INTERNATIONAL, believes that as a nation, we must cherish our cultures, traditional symbols, values, rich history, our products and our champions. This will push the young at heart to go in for greater things, to make the continent always transformed and better and better.

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