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STATEMENT BY THE UNION OF ECG ASHANTI REGION ON THE ABUSE OF THE REGIONAL GENERAL MANAGER OF ASHANTI EAST, ECG

We the Senior Staff Union and the Junior Staff Union of the four (4) Regions of Ashanti are registering our displeasure about the actions of the Ashanti Regional Minister, Hon. Simon Osei Mensah over the way he spoke to the General Manager/Ashanti East, Ing. Mark Wiafe Asumani over the disconnection of Power Supply to the Kumasi Technical University, his report to be the Zongo Police Station, the Subsequent arrest of the General Manager and he (GM) being granted a self-recognizance bail.

We the joint Union of the ECG in the Ashanti Region wish to respond to the Ashanti Regional Minister as follows;

- 1. We want the Regional Minister to know that ECG does not report to him and does not take instructions from him on all of its activities including Revenue Mobilization/Collection.
- That we demand on unqualified apology from the Regional Minister to the General Manager in particular and the entire ECG and withdrawal of the case from the police station by close of day Tuesday the 23rd of April, 2024, else the entire ECG Ashanti Region, as a first step in registering our displeasure, will HOIST RED FLAGS and be in red on Wednesday, the 24th of April, 2024.
- 3. We want to appeal to all State Institutions, Departments and Agencies within the Ashanti Region to pay their Electricity bills. This is because the National Grid relies more on Gas and Crude Oil to generate power for supply and these are paid for with United State Dollars. Failure to pay bills will mean failure to get money to buy gas and crude oil to power the thermal plants to generate power for supply.
- 4. We want to urge the public to disregard the Regional Minister's action and pay their electricity bills on time to ensure smooth and constant supply of power.

In conclusion, we want to let the Regional Minister know that we the staff of ECG are very much disappointed in his actions.

We want to make it clear to the political authorities in Ashanti that ECG reserves the right to disconnect any institution or individual for non-payment of bills or power consumed without taking instructions from persons out the ECG.

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