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## PRESS STATEMENT

## COVID-19: A CALL ON WORKERS TO COMPLY WITH RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENT OF PERSONS RESIDENT IN GREATER ACCRA AND GREATER KUMASI

At 1:00 am tomorrow, Monday, 30th March, 2020, the restriction of movement of persons resident in Greater Accra and Greater Kumasi, as announced by H.E. The President of the Republic of Ghana on Friday, 27th March, 2020, will come into force.

We would like to appeal to all workers in Greater Accra and Greater Kumasi, who are not exempted from the restriction on movement, to stay at home with their families. Remember that it is your civic duty to stay at home to protect yourself and others from infection. Do not go out unless you need to attend to something really urgent. Do not visit anyone and do not allow anyone to visit you during the period of restriction of movement. Continue to observe all the enhanced hygiene procedures (i.e., wash your hands with soap, use hand sanitizers, keep your distance from others) and help your family especially children to observe these hygiene procedures.

If you feel unwell and you need help please call any of these telephone numbers:

050 949 7700 055 843 9868 055 222 2005 055 222 2004

All workers who are at the frontline of this war against Covid-19, with special reference to health workers, please note that our lives are in your hands. You are the heroes and heroines of this war. We are counting on you to take care of us. You too have the right to be protected so you should ensure that you have all the personal protective equipment (PPEs) you need to perform your duties. You should endeavour to use the personal protective equipment (PPEs) that will be supplied to you at all times. Please note that PPEs are

not provided to give you comfort. They are to protect you, your family, your friends and those who need your care from infection.

All workers in the other regions that are not affected by these restrictions on movement, please do not entertain any false sense of safety. We are all at risk. Please continue to practice the enhanced hygiene procedures.

We expect the Police, the Army and all other security agencies who will be involved in the enforcement of the restriction on movement to do so professionally. You have the responsibility to protect people. You have no right to maltreat any person.

On behalf of all Working People of Ghana, I would like to thank President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo for the excellent leadership in these difficult times.

May the Good Lord bless our Homeland Ghana! We shall overcome!

DR. YAW BAAH SECRETARY GENERAL

**ACCRA, 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020**