OFFICIAL DECLARATION

THE TRANSITION TO THE AMBAZONIA PEOPLE'S LIBERATION AUTHORITY (APLA)

Institutional Reconstitution of the Interim Government of the Federal Republic of Ambazonia

Fellow Ambazonians,

Our mothers and fathers, our daughters and sons, our communities at home and throughout the world, friends of Ambazonia, and members of the international community:

I bring you greetings from our President, Sisiku Ayuk Tabe, and our imprisoned leadership.

Today, I formally announce the institutional reconstitution of the Interim Government of the Federal Republic of Ambazonia and its transition to the Ambazonia People's Liberation Authority — APLA.

This is a defining development in the institutional evolution of our national movement. After nearly a decade of sustained resistance, political engagement, and changing circumstances, we are entering a new phase in the pursuit of our people's collective aspirations.

The Interim Government is transitioning from an interim governmental structure to a liberation authority designed to meet the responsibilities of this phase.

This is more than a change of name. It is a deliberate transformation in how our national mission will be organized, coordinated, and advanced.

WHY APLA, AND WHY NOW?

Fellow Ambazonians,

The Interim Government emerged in 2017 at a critical moment in our national struggle. Since then, the conflict has brought profound suffering to our communities, while the political, humanitarian, and international dimensions of the Ambazonia Question have become increasingly demanding.

Our people need institutions capable of responding to these realities.

They need sustained international engagement, dependable humanitarian support, responsible management of resources, effective community participation, and a coherent approach to the search for peace.

The transition to APLA responds to these responsibilities.

The name itself expresses the character of the Authority.

People's affirms that our people are the foundation of the institution and that their welfare, dignity, participation, and freely expressed wishes must remain central to its work.

Liberation identifies the continuing national mission and the pursuit of our people's right to self-determination.

Authority expresses the responsibility to organize that mission through accountable institutions, coordinated action, and clearly defined responsibilities.

APLA is therefore the institutional expression of a new phase: a liberation authority established to advance our national aspirations while responding to the immediate needs of our people.

The transition is founded upon the approved Constitutional Transition Instrument and the Constitutional and Institutional Framework.

Our purpose is clear: to bring greater coherence, responsibility, and sustained institutional capacity to the work ahead.

OUR PEOPLE MUST COME FIRST

Fellow Ambazonians,

Today's announcement takes place against the painful realities of a conflict that has devastated communities and disrupted countless lives.

Families have lost loved ones. Thousands have been displaced. Political prisoners remain separated from their families. Children have experienced interrupted education. Farmers, traders, professionals, and entire communities continue to confront insecurity and economic hardship.

These are not distant concerns. They are the daily realities of the people whom APLA exists to serve.

The protection of civilian life must remain a fundamental responsibility.

We call upon all parties and actors involved in the conflict to respect applicable international humanitarian law and protect civilians. Homes, schools, healthcare facilities, and humanitarian activities must be respected.

We call for humanitarian assistance to reach affected communities and for sustained efforts to address the needs of displaced persons, refugees, detainees, and their families.

We reaffirm our commitment to furthering the cause of freedom for Ambazonian political prisoners.

Our people must see the pursuit of their political aspirations accompanied by serious attention to their safety, welfare, and dignity.

A CREDIBLE PATH TO PEACE

To the Government and people of Cameroun, we state that the continued loss of life must end.

The conflict requires a political settlement capable of addressing its underlying causes and providing meaningful protection for the people affected by it.

APLA seeks a peaceful and negotiated solution under conditions that guarantee real-time safeguards for our territory and its population.

Our approach calls for an internationally guaranteed ceasefire, a credible civilian-protection mechanism, and a process for determining the status question.

These elements must be addressed together. The protection of civilians cannot be postponed while political discussions proceed, and the underlying political question cannot be left unresolved while the consequences of the conflict continue to be managed.

A credible process must provide a serious opportunity to address the rights, status, and freely expressed wishes of the people concerned.

We call for meaningful steps toward ending violence against civilians, facilitating humanitarian assistance, and securing the release of political prisoners.

We equally call upon all actors on the Ambazonian side to respect human life and place civilian protection at the center of their conduct.

The objective is a just, peaceful, and permanent settlement that addresses the political question while safeguarding the people whose lives have been affected by the conflict.

THE INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

To the United Nations, the African Union, governments, international organizations, and all institutions capable of contributing to peace:

The Southern Cameroons Question requires serious and sustained international attention.

Its history is connected to the United Nations trusteeship system, the political future of the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under United Kingdom administration, and the constitutional processes that followed.

These matters remain central to the legal and political position advanced by the Ambazonian national movement.

The United Nations cannot remain outside this question. Its historical involvement gives it a particular reason to engage seriously with the unresolved issues raised by the conflict and the search for a peaceful settlement.

We call upon the international community to support credible civilian-protection arrangements, humanitarian assistance, and a political process capable of addressing the underlying status question.

We seek constructive engagement with governments, international and regional institutions, humanitarian organizations, human-rights bodies, religious institutions, and other relevant partners.

APLA will pursue sustained diplomatic and legal engagement in support of its stated national objectives and the protection of our people.

UNITY AND NATIONAL PARTICIPATION

Fellow Ambazonians,

The transition to APLA is undertaken in a spirit of strengthening unity among our people and supporting sincere efforts toward greater national cohesion.

Our communities have sustained the national movement through difficult years. Their experience, knowledge, and participation remain essential to the work ahead.

We recognize the contributions of the many organizations, institutions, community structures, and individuals who have served our people throughout the different phases of the national movement.

The transition provides an opportunity to strengthen cooperation and bring our collective efforts into greater coherence.

On this 22nd of September, we commemorate the mass demonstrations of women and young people. Their public participation gives this anniversary a particular significance. It is fitting that the announcement of APLA should recognize their place in the history of our national movement and in the responsibilities that lie ahead.

Women have carried responsibilities in public life and within families and communities throughout the conflict. They have supported displaced people, sustained livelihoods, organized assistance, and contributed to political and humanitarian engagement. Their experience must inform decisions about civilian protection, community welfare, diplomacy, and the pursuit of peace. Meaningful participation means opportunities to shape those decisions, not recognition confined to commemorative occasions.

Young people have likewise contributed to public mobilization while bearing the consequences of insecurity, displacement, interrupted education, and lost economic opportunities. Their future cannot be treated as a matter for another day. Education, skills, livelihoods, civic participation, and opportunities to contribute to community recovery belong among the practical concerns of this new institutional phase.

Today we acknowledge the women and young people whose demonstrations this date commemorates, as well as those who continue to support their families and communities under difficult conditions. Their place in APLA's work must be reflected in sustained attention to their needs, experience, and participation.

Traditional authorities, religious communities, civil society, professionals, and community representatives have valuable contributions to make in strengthening community life and supporting constructive engagement.

To Ambazonians in the diaspora, your knowledge, professional experience, resources, and international relationships remain important to humanitarian assistance, diplomacy, education, legal work, and institutional development.

APLA seeks to bring these contributions together through coordinated, accountable, and purposeful action.

THE RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE US

Fellow Ambazonians,

The announcement of APLA is the beginning of a demanding institutional phase.

Our priorities are to strengthen coordinated national action, develop sustainable resources to support affected communities and institutional responsibilities, advance the cause of political

prisoners, promote humanitarian protection, and pursue a credible path toward a just and permanent settlement.

These priorities require discipline, cooperation, responsible stewardship, and sustained work.

They also require us to remain attentive to the people behind every national objective: the displaced family seeking safety, the prisoner awaiting freedom, the child seeking an education, and the community hoping to rebuild.

APLA's purpose must be reflected in its response to these realities.

Our national aspirations must be advanced through institutions that serve the people, respect human dignity, and remain accountable for the responsibilities entrusted to them.

CLOSING DECLARATION

Fellow Ambazonians,

Today, the Interim Government of the Federal Republic of Ambazonia announces its institutional reconstitution and transition to the Ambazonia People's Liberation Authority.

We enter this new phase with a clear sense of the responsibilities before us.

Our people need protection. Our displaced communities need assistance. Our political prisoners need freedom. Our young people need a future. And the Ambazonia Question requires a credible political process capable of delivering a just and lasting settlement.

The transition to APLA is intended to strengthen our capacity to address these responsibilities through coherent institutional action, national cooperation, and sustained international engagement.

We remember those who have lost their lives. We acknowledge the sacrifices of families and communities. We recognize the contributions of all who have served our people throughout the different phases of our national movement.

Above all, we recognize that the future of our people must remain the central purpose of our work.

May peace, justice, and human dignity guide the responsibilities we undertake today.

Long live the people of Ambazonia.

We Shall Never Lack.

Thank you.

Dabney Yerima - Vice President,

The Federal Republic of Ambazonia