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3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025

THE MANAGING EDITOR,  
GAB PRODUCTIONS LIMITED  
PUBLISHERS OF THE DAILY STATESMAN  
F112/5 3<sup>RD</sup> SOULA ROAD,  
ACCRA EAST

Dear Sir,

**Re: LEGAL WOES CAST DOUBTS ON TANKO KWAMIGAH'S COUNCIL OF STATE BID**

We act as lawyers for Gabriel Adovoe Kwabla Tanko Kwamigah-Atople also known as Togbui Nyaxorladeakorla I of Anlo (hereinafter "**our Client**") upon whose instructions we write. Our client is the Chief Executive Officer of Sesi-Edem Company Limited and the Executive Director of Tanko Foundation.

Our client's attention has been drawn to a publication in your esteemed newspaper dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025 and headed as above.

We are instructed that the said publication is utterly false, misleading and contained grave and unfounded allegations falsely linking our client to financial crimes, fraud, money laundering, gold smuggling and tax evasion.

In essence, your publication asserted and insinuated that:

1. Our client has been implicated in multiple court cases relating to financial crimes, fraud, money laundering, gold smuggling, and tax evasion.
2. He was allegedly part of an illegal gold smuggling syndicate, which led to a search sanctioned by the District Court.
3. He was granted bail on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, following an investigation conducted by the National Security Secretariat.

We wish to categorically state that neither our client nor any of his companies have ever been involved in multiple court cases, as falsely reported. The only brush our client has had with the criminal justice system is the one case in which he was discharged on 3<sup>rd</sup> April,

2024 by the District Magistrate Court, pursuant to the advice of the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice indicating that there was no case against him. We state the relevant facts of that matter as follows:

- Following the purported filing of a charge at the District Court, the Office of the Attorney-General and Ministry for Justice on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2024, issued a formal legal opinion, clearly stating:

“There is no shred of evidence contained in the docket to support the complainant’s allegation that the 125kg of gold bars supplied by the suspect to him is fake gold. The suspect cannot therefore be said to have defrauded the complainant by false pretences.

Based on the above, we disrecommend the prosecution of the suspect. He should be discharged.”

- Further to this, the District Court on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2024, discharged our client, indicating that there was no legal basis for prosecution and that all allegations were unfounded. A copy is of the said court order is hereby attached for your attention.

Your publication has caused incalculable damage to our client’s solid reputation in the business community locally and globally. We are thus instructed to request that you issue a retraction and apology for the said publication as same has been shown to be completely false and without basis. A failure to do so will compel us to institute legal proceedings for a vindication of our client’s rights.

Sincerely,

  


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**Ofosua Amagyei**

cc: Gabriel Adovoe Kwabla Tanko Kwamigah-Atople

encl: Court Order dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2024

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**IN THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE COURT**  
**GBESE - ACCRA**

**SUIT NO. A7/80/2024**

**THE REPUBLIC**

**VRS.**

**GABRIEL ADOVOE KWABLA KWAMIGAH**

**(SGD.)**

**H/W. ANNA A. A. G. ANAAFI GYASI (MRS.)**  
**(DISTRICT MAGISTRATE)**

**COURT ORDER TO DISCHARGE**  
**ACCUSED PERSON**

**WHEREAS** the above-named case having come before this Honourable Court for hearing and determination.

**AND UPON HEARING** the submissions of Inspr. Luke Taylor for the Republic led by Emma Messiba Esq., and Dr. Maurice Ankrah Esq., Counsel for Accused Person herein.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Accused Person is discharged based on the advice of the Attorney General.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL**  
**OF DISTRICT COURT GBESE,**  
**ACCRA ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF**  
**APRIL, 2024.**

**(SGD.)**

**HANNAH SAMPSON**  
**(REGISTRAR)**

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f. [Signature] 3-4-2024  
REGISTRAR  
DISTRICT COURT, GBESE, GA