

# Contract with Ghana

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I am indeed happy to present the Walker Administration Document “The Peoples Document” for the 2020 Ghana Presidential and National Assembly Elections. This Peoples Document, is indeed different from all the past so called Manifestos that Ghana has been presented by the various Parties. The Walker Administration Peoples Document is designed to serves as a contract between our Movement and the Ghanaian people.

In this Peoples Document we set out the United 1 Ghana’s vision for Ghana for the next

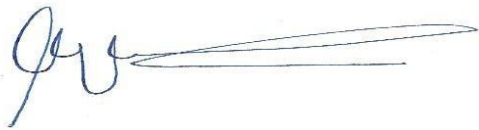
five years. In so doing, we seek a mandate from Ghanaian people during the upcoming elections to serve all our people. Our vision is to create, expand and spread the opportunities for growth and prosperity to be enjoyed by all Ghanaians in all parts of our country, with a specific focus on all Ghanaians and “Our Ghana Agenda”.

In the years to come, The Walker Administration Government shall work tirelessly and succeed to bring about and maintain peace and stability, provide direction and take action in the implementation of our country's development priorities. Furthermore, the government shall improve the quality of life in all of Ghana. The Walker Administration shall focus on optimizing the security and welfare of all Ghanaians. We shall execute the mandate of leading our country on the basis of accountability, honesty, transparency, and commitment. Our Government shall vigorously solve the power problem and invest substantially in the expansion of our physical and communications infrastructure throughout the country.

Fellow Ghanaians, as The Walker Administration, we will fully commit our resolve to improve the quality of life of all Ghanaians. We are proud to acknowledge that we shall continue building a strong foundation for democratic governance and socio-economic development of our country. At the same time, we are mindful of the prevailing challenges facing our country. Through this forward-looking document, The Walker Administration enters into a contract with YOU – people of Ghana – to lead YOU to peace, stability and prosperity.

We are confident that our Ghanaian people will have trust and confidence in The Walker Administration a resounding victory at the polls during the Presidential and National Assembly Elections in December 2020.

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Vote for peace and stability. Vote for inclusivity and progress. Vote for the Walker Administration

Alfred Kwame Walker

Chairman of the Walker Administration

Ghana is founded on the principles of democracy, the rule of law, and Freedom and Justice for all. Therefore, one of the most important priorities of The Walker Administration Government shall be the creation and fine-tune the establishments and the institutions necessary for democratic governance.

Yes, Judiciary reform. Yes, effective Policing, Yes, funding and upgrading CID and Anti-Fraud and Corruption Prevention institutions.

More specifically, The Walker Administration Government will execute the important task of nation-building and the consolidation of democracy.

# Peace and Stability

The Walker Administration recognizes that peace and stability are pre-requisites for nation building. Therefore, The Walker Administration shall be able to maintain political stability throughout every tribe, every region, every town and every village.

Equally, The Walker Administration regards defense and national security as an instrument of guaranteeing the sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Ghana. The Ghana Defense Force has demonstrated its commitment and capability to do so. Furthermore, the enforcement of law and order by the Ghana Police Force and National Guard are critical elements in guaranteeing peace, safety and



security within the country.

For an independent and sovereign state, well- equipped and motivated defense and security forces are prerequisites for Ghana to continue building on the gains of the past peace and security.

## **Rule of Law**

In line with the founding principles of our Republic, The Walker Administration places a high premium on the establishment, maintenance and continual improvement of a credible administration of justice.

The Walker Administration Government shall put in place critical interventions to better serve the ends of justice including restorative justice in the form of community service and community court system.

Further, to implement the constitutional provisions on promoting justice based on equal opportunity and fair trial, there is provision for legal aid in the form of legal advice and representation for the poor State's expense. THE WALKER ADMINISTRATION Government shall increase the number of service delivery points by taking judicial services to the communities.



# OUR PROMISE



- The Walker Administration Government shall adopt a policy of National Responsibility.
- Consolidation and harmonization of common and customary laws in Ghana to ensure that the basic rights and freedoms of our Ghanaian people are not compromised.
- Speedy repeal of obsolete laws
- Improve and strengthen traditional courts by establishing appropriate structures that are more responsive to the needs of our various communities.
- Reform of legislation applicable to gender- based and domestic violence aimed at preventing gender-based and domestic violence in Ghana.
- Provision of the necessary resources for the improvement of conditions of

service, including living conditions and the working environment of the **men and women in uniform**

- Improvement of our Defense Force to ensure that they are ready for the protection of the territorial integrity of Ghana and for the delivery of support services to the civilian population in times of natural disasters.
- Strengthening of the armed forces to contribute to regional, continental and world peace within the framework of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) African Union (AU) and the United Nations (UN).

# **Governance and Nation Building**

Before we are Africans, we are first and foremost Ghanaians, and our values, identity and moreover our future destiny must be our priority.

We, however; strongly subscribe to African values, cultures and traditions that give us our identities. The Ghanaian nation is founded on the principles of respect for the rule of law, respect for human life and dignity, and strong African morals.



We must be a clean country' free from filth and from corruption. Our courts must operate without fear or favor and in accordance with the law. The press in Ghana must be productive. Critical governance institutions in Ghana must function effectively.

Due to this conviction in the maintenance and upholding of values of Ghanaian culture, tradition and morals. The Walker Administration recognizes the important role traditional leaders' play in establishing a good working relationship:

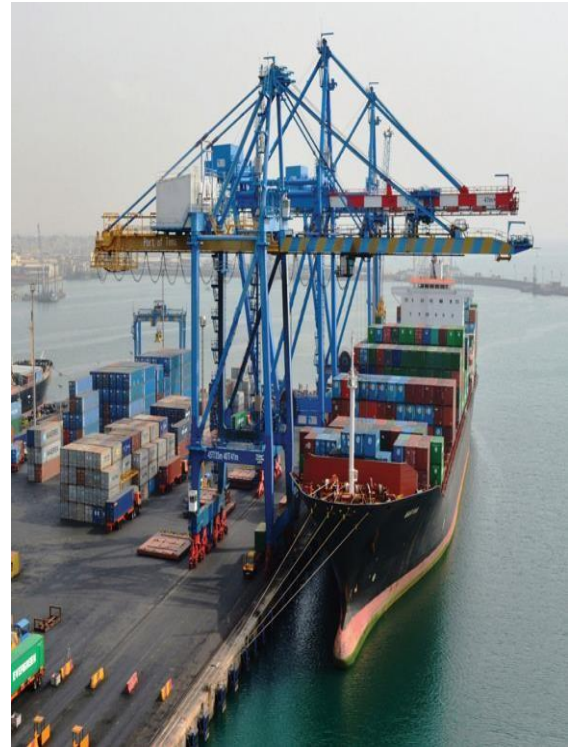
- Ensure unity, national sovereignty and human dignity as these are key to nation building.
- Promote the family as the basic unit of society where youth are taught to understand the world around them, community norms and values.
- Institute programs to mold a new Ghana that is materially and spiritually strong, productive and respects the values of solidarity, freedom and justice.
- Promote cultural and traditional values that has sustained Ghanaians over centuries.

# Economic Growth and Jobs

The Walker Administration upholds the principle of fundamental rights as enshrined in the Ghanaian Constitution, which include the protection of private property, it recognizes the urgent need for land delivery and access to natural resources to improve the living standards and conditions of Ghanaians.

The Walker Administration Government shall put in place National Development Plans and strategic plans for each Ministry. Mid-Term Expenditure Frameworks and Annual Action Plans will be established for offices, ministries and agencies to implement at local, regional and national levels.

The Walker Administration has, therefore, made its pivotal role to address problems such as gender disparities, inadequate access to basic social services and reliable electrical power



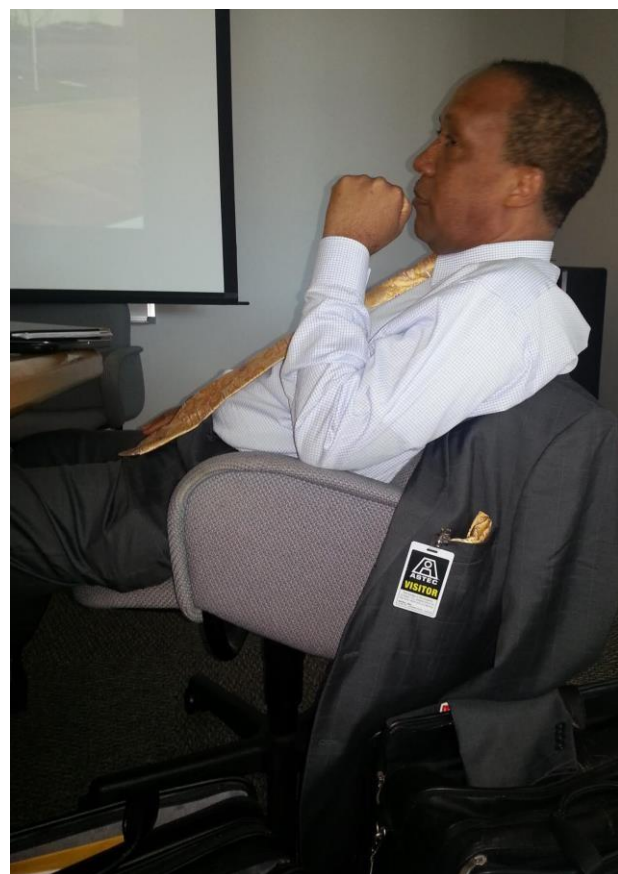
# OUR PROMISE

- To grow the economy, and create wealth and job opportunities for all Ghanaians.
- To pursue policies and strategies to safeguard economic stability, promote economic diversification and transformation of the Ghanaian economy to be more inclusive and resilient.

## a. Economic Initiatives

### Interventions

- Implement sound monetary and fiscal policy;
- Creation of strategies towards industrialization;
- Promote Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) and economic infrastructure development;
- Refine public procurement as a tool for industrialization, economic development and empowerment;
- Promote economic cooperation and trade to help Ghana to attract and retain investments and gain market access for its products.
- Accelerate the reform process related to, skills development, empowerment, property



ownership, credit, and industrial relations.

- Implement Build Own Transfer (BOT) and Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) and promotion of private investments in the regional and local economies.

## **a. SECTORAL AND MICROECONOMIC**

### **Interventions**

Specific sectoral policies and microeconomic reforms aimed at accelerating economic growth and job creation are outlined below.

B. 1. Agriculture and Food Security – Feeding the Nation

A key priority of The Walker Administration Government is ensuring food security for the nation. Ensuring that food security addressed at national, local, and household levels. Measures aimed at promoting food security will be a key national policy. National development plans and strategic plans will be required of relevant government institutions. Ghana also will subscribe and support AU



resolutions on development of the agricultural sector in general and food security. More critically, The Walker Administration Government shall ensure that sufficient funding is channeled through the national budget towards achieving our goal of food security.

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- Advancement of agriculture development through the provision of support services to commercial and subsistent farmers to increase both crop and livestock production.
- Promote agro-industry and value addition to agriculture produce.
- Develop agronomic projects and infrastructure for production, storage, processing and marketing to ensure food security and foreign earnings

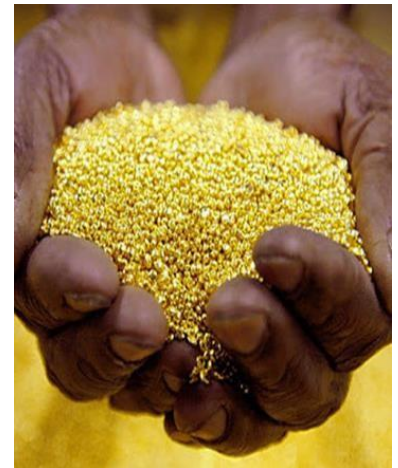
through the export of agriculture products.

- Implement agriculture technology which will be accessible to farmers through farm mechanize plant pool to improve farm quality and yield.
- The Walker Administration Government will promote the construction of strategic food reserves to guarantee food security during national crises such as floods and droughts, as well as to stabilize food prices due to volatile price movements.
- Construct a number of storage depots to enhance our food security initiatives
- Expand storage capacity of grain and Cocoa bean reserves.

## **B.2. Manufacturing**

Implement a national industrial development policy;

- Create a favorable environment for the development and expansion of existing manufacturing enterprises and encourage the establishment of new ones.
- Implement incentives to promote the production, distribution, procurement, marketing and exporting of locally produced goods, for both
- Resource-based and non-resource-based industries.
- Attract international development through Build Own Transfer.



## **B.3. Financial Development**

- Ensure that the management of monetary policy remains supportive of maintaining the foreign reserves and the balance of payments at levels that promote the socio-economic development of Ghana, and advance the



objectives of macroeconomic stability.

- Ensure that Ghana's military policy is in conformity to International standard for national development. Ensure the country's debt remains manageable to develop a national surplus.
- Align business resources and government resources for a unified approach to infrastructure development through Build Own Transfer or Public Private Partnership to expedite infrastructure improvement

## **B.4. Tourism and Hospitality**

- Promote and support tourism as a significant element in economic growth and development processes. Tourism potential to generate more employment and bring in foreign exchange earnings. Special focus will be paid to marketing, product and human resource development.
- Launch of a marketing strategy to improve Ghana's tourism industry, increase the dollar value of tourism market through diversified marketing strategies.
- Promote the participation of the rural communities through heritage and historic sites, cultural villages and eco-tourism as new tourism products in Ghana.
- Promote policies to protect national marine resources to contribute to the socio-economic development of the country.





## **B.5. Mining and energy**

- Refinement and implementation of policies, laws and strategies to reform the mining sector to the benefit of Ghana
- Improve measures and strategies aimed at encouraging and increasing value addition to minerals to create and sustain employment as well as generate foreign earnings.
- Establish efforts to support accurate information on mined resources.



## **B.6. Specific Employment Creation Initiatives**

- Establish trade schools in partnership with international standard organizations to increase skilled labor in building, electrical, heavy equipment and welding trades.
- Increase resources towards sectors that generate short, medium and long term employment opportunities.
- Establish incentives to facilitate job opportunities for graduates, especially those trained by vocational institutions, and those with on-the-job training

and work experience.

- Monitoring and evaluation systems will be put in place to ensure the effectiveness of these incentives.

## **B.7. Specific Poverty Reduction Strategies**

- Intensify education and training programs, skills development, and adjustment to create opportunities for income generation.
- Provide tax relief to low income earners.
- Establish new development finance programs to strengthen existing ones to improve access to finance and promote job creation, self-employment and socio-economic development.
- Increase funding to vocational and specialized training institutions.
- Develop Co-op programs for indigenous crops.
- Provide electricity through rural electrification resulting in electricity connections of rural centers and Government buildings, particularly schools in all the regions of the country.
- Establish institutions to advance economic development and provide access to credit facilities.
- Implement a National Rural Development policy and strategy aimed at reducing rural poverty.

# Infrastructure Development:

## A. Transportation

- Renovate, upgrade, maintain and expand critical sections of the transportation network to ensure safe and convenient travelling, stimulate economic activities, and facilitate movement of goods and services within Ghana and across the borders.
- Develop strategies and programs to improve urban and rural transportation systems countrywide for easy travelling of people and to facilitate market access for rural produced goods.



## B. Housing Delivery

- Facilitate and support programs and strategies directed towards ensuring fast delivery of housing units, thereby addressing the backlog in housing delivery and enhancing access to affordable housing for all Ghanaians, especially for the lower income citizens.
- Review the distribution methods used by local authorities to ensure that households in real need of housing enjoy priority.

- Review the national housing policy, specifically with regard to the provision of funding for low income housing.



### **C. Energy Infrastructure**

- Fast track energy generating programs and projects by making deliberate efforts to ensure the development of Ghana's energy resources to the fullest for the benefit of Ghana and Energy Export to our neighboring countries.
- Promote increased electricity generation including through thermal, hydro and renewable energy sources.
- Promote energy efficiency technologies.
- Promote improved access to electricity for heating and lighting of rural areas via power line systems.



### **D. Water infrastructure and sanitation**

- Implement and improve the delivery of health and sanitation services; especially in the rural areas, villages, schools and places where people live, settle or assemble.
- Improve access to potable water for rural communities, villages, schools and all other places where people live, settle or assemble.

### **E. Information Communication Technologies (ICT)**

- Promote ICT infrastructure development and connectivity so as to provide access to modern communication systems, technology transfer, and adaption for industrial use.
- Encourage and promote cooperation among ICT service providers in the



development and utilization of ICT infrastructure to enhance communication and accelerate socioeconomic development.

- Accelerate the implementation of E-commerce to improve public service delivery and small business.
- Develop strategies and plans to scale-up investments in infrastructure development as the conduit for long-term investment.



#### **F. Quality Healthcare Delivery**



A healthy nation is a productive nation, and therefore an investment in the health sector is an investment in the future of the country. The Walker Administration is committed to the Ghanaian Constitution which obliges the State to promote and maintain the welfare of the people by adopting relevant policies.

# OUR PROMISE

- The Walker Administration will strengthen existing institutions and put in place appropriate programs for the regulation, management, procurement and distribution of quality health services.
- Upgrade the existing infrastructure and developing new health facilities to cater for the fast increasing population.
- Develop new health facilities to effectively deal with the existing and emerging diseases.
- Install equipment of a high standard and ensure an inventory of equipment procurement, maintenance, and replacement.
- Promote strategies and programs that address both communicable and non-communicable diseases.
- Upgrade and deploy health technology in detecting and monitoring diseases, treatment and research.





## Human Capital Development and Deployment

Human capital development is key to the advancement of national development agenda. It is for this reason that The Walker Administration

Government will make significant investments in human capital development. Many changes will be made to the education system, including vocational and trade skills training,

with a new curricula introduced at all levels. Efforts to improve the qualifications of teachers and other instructors and to obtain a suitably qualified teaching force will be carried out.

The overall vision of The Walker Administration with regard to human capital is that Ghana should be characterized by a high quality and internationally recognized education system that will help Ghanaians to meet current and future demands for skills and Innovation.



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- Mobilize resources toward provision of free quality primary education and the introduction of free secondary education.
- Modernize physical capacity, equipment and technology of existing schools, vocational and trade skills development centers, as well as education and

training institutions.

- Increase capacities and improve the quality of delivery of vocational and trade skills development.
- Strengthen existing programs and explore new mechanisms to improve skills development through access to technology transfer, pairing and attachment to industries to gain on-the-job experience, improve employability, work ethics and productivity.
- Strengthen accountability systems in human resource development.
- Ensure improved learning standards and curricula and teacher development, and improved availability of text books.
- Improve the conditions of service for teachers.
- Promote early childhood development through phasing in of free education centers, focusing on the poorest sections of society.

### **Environmental Management and Sustainable Utilization of Natural Resources**

The Walker Administration Government will devise measures to develop Ghana's 'National Parks System' and ensure the protection, conservation and respect of our environment. In addition, the Walker Administration Government will implement laws and policies to ensure sustainable exploration and utilization of our natural resources to achieve national developmental objectives.

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- Ensure that protected areas contribute to economic development and secure a representative sample of Ghana's biodiversity and that natural resource assets (parks, forest Reserves) self-fund their maintenance and provide economic opportunities and benefits for the private sector and neighboring communities.
- The Walker Administration Government shall be expand system of National Parks. Park are deservedly regarded as the flagships of Ghana's conservation, all of the country's protected areas have something unique to offer.
- Ghana shall boost our Tourism Centers
- Tourism in general shall be 1 of the most important industries in Ghana in terms of its strong contribution to GDP, employment creation and the well-being and social uplifting of rural communities.



## **Master Plan for Regional Development**

- THE WALKER ADMINISTRATION will develop integrated land use plans where the resources, infrastructure and possibilities are established and captured.
- Integrated regional land use plans allow the regions to map, and determine the use of the natural resource and investment prospects.
- Establishment of Land Registry under Town and Country Planning Department.
- Identification and mapping of customary land rights and development

focusing mainly on security and infrastructure needs.

- The Walker Administration Government intends to acquire land solely for development and future need for common good of the country. The Walker Administration Government shall commit to acquiring freehold land on the basis of Willing Buyer–Willing Seller, with market-related compensation.

### **Gender Equality and Mainstreaming**

The Walker Administration Government shall put in place a new National Gender Policy with additional areas of peace-building, conflict resolution and natural disaster management as well as gender equality in the family context.

In addition, The Walker Administration Government shall put in place a National Plan of Action on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) which serves as a guide for the implementation of the National Gender Policy in the areas of GBV and human rights, which include:

- Prevention;
- Responses to GBV;
- Data collection and research



### **The envisaged outcomes of the Plan of Action are:**

- Reduce GBV as a result of prevention initiatives;
- Improve services for survivors of GBV
- Increase understanding of GBV in Ghana

- More efficient interventions as a result of improved coordination and monitoring.

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- The Walker Administration Government will assist in consultation with faith-based organizations and civil society to run some of the houses of safety that cater for victims/ survivors of gender-based violence. Shelters are to be built.
- Hold sensitization workshops on GBV and Legal Literacy workshops and other gender issues targeting traditional leaders, key service providers including police, faith-based leaders and the whole community.
- Empower women economically, socially and politically through creating conducive environment and strengthening institutional capacity to engage in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation process that show gender results.

## Safety Nets

The Walker Administration Government shall put in place both formal and informal safety net arrangements. The formal safety nets include several flagship programs:

1. Payment of social security benefits paid through the Social Security Commission;
2. In accordance with the National Pensions Act, basic grants are paid to old age pensilrs and people living with disabilities.

#### **D. Youth Development and Empowerment**

The Walker Administration Government shall put in place several institutions and programs dealing with the issues of youth development and economic empowerment. The Walker Administration believes in a holistic approach to address youth development and empowerment, starting with the upbringing of the youth from



childhood through to the youth stage which prepares them for adulthood through education and training.

## **OUR PROMISE**

- The Walker Administration commits to invest more resources to advance skills development and training for the youth for gainful employment. It shall put in place mechanisms to improve access to financing of skills development programs.
- The Walker Administration Government undertakes to continue strengthening existing programs and exploring new mechanisms to improve youth vocational trade skill development and mentorship.

## Foreign Relations and International Cooperation

- The Walker Administration supports ECOWAS regional integration and international cooperation in the areas for National and Economic Security.
- The Walker Administration foreign policy will be anchored on the promotion of the country's interests at bilateral, regional and multilateral levels, while adhering to the principles of mutually beneficial relations amongst nations.



## OUR PROMISE

- The Walker Administration will continue to safeguard the vital national interests that remain central to the foreign policy and promote areas of economic development, trade and investment, development cooperation, international relations and diplomacy.
- The Walker Administration will continue to pursue the policy of non-alignment and fulfil international obligations, including contributing towards conflict prevention and resolution as well as the maintenance of peace and security.
- The Walker Administration will continue to promote the principle of independence, sovereignty and equality of nations, good neighborliness,



democracy, human rights.

- The Walker Administration will further intensify bilateral, regional, continental and multilateral cooperation and interactions within the defense forces and security agencies to ensure peace, safety and security of peoples of the world and the inhabitants of the Republic of Ghana through capacity building, research and development and information sharing.
- UGOM will create an environment where Ghanaian citizens are free to interact globally, study, tour and conduct business as they wish within the conformity of the laws of friendly nations
- UGOM will undertake to make sure Ghanaian youth participated in various international activities; students secured study opportunities in various parts of the world.
- Ghana must create policies to enable global participation in joint ventures and partnerships with their international counterparts