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Long Live Kwame Nkrumah's Ghana!

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Ghana at 58 - The Crossroad Reckoning!

The Founder of Ghana was deposed with an overdrawn bank balance less than 10 New Ghana Cedis by today's inflation index; with no Yamoussoukro Palace-Size Cathedral to pay homage to the colonial religions; with no modest house or apartment for a deserved family vacation in Brixton/England, Harlem/America, or Nkroful/Ghana. Forget about Switzerland, Cayman Islands, Bermuda, Syndicate Mansions, Grand Theft Bank Balances and Woyome-sized accounts, and Oteng-Adjei-Toyota-Luxury-Lexus to boot).

But military dictators-turned politicians and sundry absent-minded civilian politicians, since 1966, sold the productive assets to their friends and themselves and the people received little in return. The assets they kept they did not add to, maintain, or improve upon to today's standards and measures.

All 1960-era innovations and improvements in education and scholarship are long wasted and students, academics, politicians, and public administrators, among them judges and scientists, now operate with 17th century mindsets and prehistoric paraphernalia. Many are absent-minded about practical solutions even from the 20th century. They are unable to think directly or compose coherent prose and policy prescriptions without drowning themselves all out of size and place with Koranic and Biblical verses. So they await divine interventions and heavenly sacraments to feed the poorer multitudes, and to solve even Tree-School and Densu-Kiddie-drowning problems.

The Mahama-Bagbin-NDC syndicate, with Betty-Mould dark sunglasses, unwilling to win a simple Woyome fraudulent claim enough to electrify powerless factories and half-fill workers' now empty pockets, have no love for Ghana's Freedom of Information (FOI) Bill, contrary to their lying promises to the People one election year ago. Nor will same Mahama-Woyome-inspired syndicate ensure timely transparency of public contracts and obligations, contrary to healthy sunshine requirements and good governance principles. Asset Declaration they can never be bothered with! And so, they stay at arms-length from the waffling Auditor-Generals. The Auditor Generals, out of the kindness of their poor hearts, report to them on papers and letters with disappearing ink addressed to the incompetent Justice Minister. But the Justice Minister is not the peoples' justifier, we know. No, Marietta Brew Appiah-Oppong just loves the part-time of the Attorney-General's hat and the title. Yes, the part she knows is most closer to where the Woyomi-type money and brew are, and real power, and good living off the voiceless people, away from pedestrians without shiny shoes for wheels.

And so it grinds on and on - One Dum-Sor Day to another Dum-Sor Night!

Still, the same Mahama-Bagbin-NDC government-syndicate, was unable to safely maintain and operate a single executive aircraft, or professionally report a single incident except with the voice of hitch-hiker "security-implications" Kofi Baako. So, all the other administrations after that maiden coup d'état of 1966, including the delusional and illiterate military juntas, all of them, left to the people themselves the important task of developing and implementing useful national development plans. But to all of that, they

never provided funding streams half-sufficient for the tasks, in all the two generations, past.

And so, precious little of all that "development" was achieved compared to the decade before the overthrow, as the people looked at one another and wandered from one junta to the next, from one scandal government to another. The people, thenceforth amiss, wondered why projects long seen in the government turnover books at the level of the villager's eye (road-to-street, street-to-highway, schoolbuilding-to-airport runway and apron), all of that sat fallow as every expended capital withered in waste and Woyome-size losses to the state.

Opposite the tables with the losses to the state, the military juntas and their pseudo-intellectuals and sundry political personalities who never cared a pesewa about the common man and common woman, were all fit and healthy as they massaged themselves and each other's gigantic egos and swollen heads. They were comforted by their distended bank assets and accounts and dispersed their declarations to their nieces, nephews, friends, dogs, and long dead goats. Ever more ego-depraved personalities, assigned, then re-assigned, they are descending and sitting on the public scene and on the peoples' consciousness, in rudder and extra-unconscionable fashion, There are those who clutch their religion on their foreheads to shine as beacons of self-made success, answerable to themselves alone and their partners, children, friends.

And so, while the Mahama-Bagbin-NDC syndicate and all their top personalities ignore OccupyGhana, IMANI, and condone for the longest the thoughtless acts at CHRAJ in "Yentie" fashion, they nonetheless can still retreat to their taxpayer funded abodes to enjoy their good fortunes under their 10,000-Watt power generators. Yes, they've got power power, even if the Second Lady is remorseful.

But for the people, as rainy day follows harmatan night, eating, breathing, and drinking under Dum-Sor becomes an occupation by default. It is an occupation they must pay and repay in reverse, waiting for divine rain to drink, to bathe, and to fill-up Nkrumah's Dam to the pre-overthrow levels of that year. But the Mahama pseudo-intellectuals and sundry political personalities and communicators, those on the no-loss table, it is they who know that it is the people who have too many mobile phones.

It is they who are draining all the power with their mobiles and using so much of the available water, still. But, on this last "rain-gauge" point, according to Ananse the Spider, in reality, rain had been falling on Accra and on the Akosombo land like pregnant arrows, more than it ever did on and before the maiden military dictatorship that reared their subversive and crooked heads two generation, removed from today's people, their Visionary, Inspirer, and uncompromising defender.

So now, without jet-lag and any qualms, and in dead-goat-Asiedu-Nketia-fashion-coat style, Mr. Mahama, all the way from sunny and water-parched Botswana, at their Dikgathlong water lake, is rubbing it in for all of the people outside government without shiny shoes for wheels, or water, or and power power. Mr. Mahama is rubbing it all in deeper and deeper, redder and redder, bluer and bluer, and hollering with a pompous voice all out of place at his side of the Ghana table divide, shouting:

Africa Needs More Water, Botswana!

A record!. And what a fitting soundtrack for the next Osibisa-Bob Marley Wailers-Ramblers-Sonny Okosun heritage record and beat, with all the Jerry Hanson Horn Section trimmings:

-----WATER&POWER CROSSROAD-----

Water and power crossroad, people, Oh, Yeah!
Wishing there was so much water and power in Ghana today
Wishing there was so much water and power in Ghana lady
Wishing there was so much water and power, people
Sim, yes, like so much Coffee in Brazil
Sim, yes, like so much Coffee in Brazil
Sim, yes, like so much Coffee in Brazil
Yes, yes, like so much water in Botswana dam
Water and power crossroad, people
Oh, Yeah!

-----WATER&POWER CROSSROAD-----

Talking about could-have-beens, would-have-beens?

We must not be honest or serious with ourselves, with all the peoples' children, with the collective futures of all in Kwame Nkrumah's Ghana!

Or are we?

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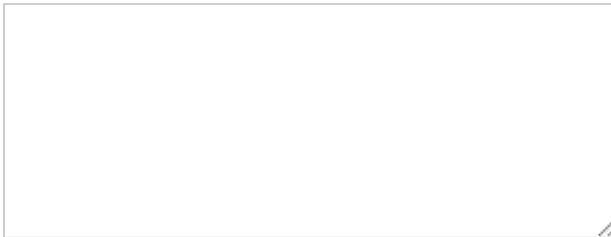
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Article
03-22 00:18



Black man cannot rule himself It is crystal clear that we cannot take our destiny into our hands as professed by our first leader. Nkrumah did not take a pesewa and lodged it anywhere but..... Those who followed him are nothing

more than "hyena-type

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Pelicles

03-22 00:18

Re: Black man cannot rule himself Pelicles, The good news for you is people like you and I who followed after Nkrumah still enjoy the benefits of the great legacy Dr. Kwame Nkrumah left for Ghana. In that sense, Dr. Kwame Nkrumah was more a Pericles to a

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Prof Lungu

03-22 00:29

Prof. Lungu, come back Look, our first president did pretty good but down the road, he veered. Why? My question to you is, do you think he could have unite the entire continent at that time? Even as, we speak, how united are we in Ghana? The r

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Pelicles

03-22 00:48

Re: Prof. Lungu, come back Ok! "our first president did pretty good". In that sense, we cannot help you, Pelicles, if you cannot see how Ghana is united today, if you are inclined to see a Confederacy as a better national-unity-force multiplier, c

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Prof Lungu

03-22 01:06

[Realpolitik, Lungu. Were you really expecting your messiah to have survived his declaration of a one party state, life president, PDA , his interventionist foreign policy and socialist leanings in the mist of the Cold War? The coup was his own d](#)

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Kwadwo

03-22 06:06

[Re: Realpolitik, Lungu. Kwadwo, Obviously, "Realpolitik" could always use subversives and traitors. So, if that is our approach to the issue, we must in reverse say that Danquah's subversive actions against the state led to his detention and dea](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-22 11:31

[GET A LIFE France,Germany,Switzerland,Luxembourg, New Zealand,and UK have all joined Socialist oriented China"s version of IMF.{Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank.Do they have socialist leanings now? American hegemony is on the road](#)

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Nsia

03-22 15:40

[Really? I guess you refuse to consider Nkrumah's turn to the socialist world as one of the main factors that caused his overthrow. Additionally, you are only dreaming if you think America's influence in global politics is on "the roa](#)

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Kwadwo

03-22 16:52

[Re: Really? And what did the capitalist bootlickers do after after he was overthrown? Your hatred for Nkrumah is more genetic than logical. You were indoctrinated from infancy. What stops America from overthrowing the socialist regime in C](#)

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Nsia

03-22 18:55

[CORRECT D SHORTFALL IN OUR CONSTITUTION Until we have changed the way our government operates and the legislative and executive arms earn the income that suits their input, there will be no change in the life of the ordinary Ghanaian; by that I don't mean only poor](#)

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Close Observer

03-22 21:33

[Re: CORRECT D SHORTFALL IN OUR CONSTITUTION Important observations! A call to action: Amend the Constitution to work for the People! Stop this free this, free that! MPs should not be Ministers at the same time, or in the Cabinet with the Executive, on top of all](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-22 22:43

[Re: Prof. Lungu, come back I think Ghana is united because we still depend on the little foundation laid by Nkrumah. Since then, no other Leader has added nothing to it except JJR.](#)

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KOLA, LONDON PROPER
03-22 07:51

[Prof Lungu, KOLA has a problem with... Prof Lungu, don't you worry much about KOLA, LONDON PROPER because he has a big Problem with the English language, besides he is a by-heart talkative and has an I.Q. under 15%](#)

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GIRLS SP
03-22 12:24

[Re: Prof Lungu, KOLA has a problem with... Thanks so much for the assist! Reading KOLA, LONDON](#)

[PROPER, we had to pinch ourselves to confirm it was we, the way we do whenever you we see, visit, or hear Fox News and Down-Under-Rupert-Murdoch. Thanks, GIRLS SP, we](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-22 12:44

[EXAMINE UR TWI-ENGLISH APONKYE omment: Prof Lungu, KOLA has a problem with... Author: GIRLS SP Date: 2015-03-22 12:24:33 Comment to: Re: Prof. Lungu, come back](#)

[===== Prof Lungu, don't you worry much about KOLA, LONDON](#)

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KOLA, LONDON PROPER
03-22 13:59

[Re: Ghana at 58 - The Crossroad Reckoning! 2015](#)

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Ary
03-22 01:30

[USELESS ARTICLE First, Ghana does not belong to that failed idiot Kwame Nkrumah. People like you is why Ghana cannot move forward. You are still thinking of Nkrumah. Nkrumah was a dreamer. I wonder, Where are the thinkers and developers of o](#)

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adumtumi nyansfuo
03-22 01:40

[The moronic streak seems to start with . . .you. "Nkrumah was a dreamer. I wonder, Where are the thinkers and developers of our society." You wouldn't even in a thousand years realize you have the answer right under your nose. You can't even FIGURE OUT that eve](#)

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Military Man
03-22 06:04

[Re: The moronic streak seems to start with . Dear Military Man, Well said. You put that Adumtmi Nyansfuo in his place. I am glad you identify of the major problems destroying Africa. Well, Africa and the world have spoken with regard to Nkrumah's greatness and](#)

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francis kwarteng
03-22 20:08

[KwASIA YOU did not put me in any place. That military man is apart of the retards of Ghana that cannot do anything for my country. You people are just dumb. You all need to learn common sense. Which is developed through proper exper](#)

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adumtumi nyansfuo
03-22 20:20

[Re: KwASIA Adumtumi Nyansfuo, Oh he put you in your place. Why? Because your minority voice makes zero impact on the global discourse dealing with the question of Nkrumah's greatness. I am sorry to say that that minority voice of](#)

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francis kwarteng
03-22 21:32

[what is this fool talking about? You WILL never make sense, moron!!](#)

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Military Man

03-23 01:07

YOURS IS WORSE Yours is based on pure hatred.Switzerland has returned 700 million dollars plus another 380 million dollars looted by Sani Abacha.On what basis was Nkrumah a failure?

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Nsia

03-22 11:40

IGNORE THESE IDIOTS.PROF.LUNGU ! Please.ignore these half-baked idiotic scholars.It is common knowledge that the downfall of the great Nkrumah was the WHITEMEAN'S strategy to keep the BLACKMAN under permanent subjugation.It is only educated fools who cannot

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Joe Mensah

03-22 23:51

KWASIATUO What do you mean. YOu cannot comprehend kindergarden math, since you do not realize the Nkrumah dug his own grave. Nkrumah went to the white men to build that useless dam. And he got screwed. If Nkrumah had patients with the

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adumtumi nyansfu

03-23 00:36

ADUMTUMI KWASEA AGAIN? "If Nkrumah had patients with the Ghanaian people".Your English clearly shows your poor educational background and your bizarre mindset.

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Joe Mensah

03-23 01:26

[Third force in Ghana politics needed! Prof Lungu, that was a powerful one that, unfortunately, only indicts the ruling party rather than the political elite across the two major parties who have usurped power at the centre principally for themselves and pursue po](#)

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INXS

03-22 11:13

[Re: Third force in Ghana politics needed! You make excellent points, INXS. We've more than a few that times said that the NPP did not do enough to pull Ghana together as one nation. Further, their "property owning democracy" mantra is for all intents and purposes](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-22 11:59

[Re: Third force in Ghana politics needed! Many thanks Professor Lungu for at least noting the huge transformation in development by JJR. Though you admitted it indirectly when you noted that it was JJR who took advantage of what Nkrumah did not finish off before bei](#)

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KOLA, LONDON PROPER

03-22 12:21

[Re: Third force in Ghana politics needed! KOLA, LONDON PROPER, Nice try! OUR: "What survived of the CPP or yester-years has been co-opted mainly by Rawlings and his P/NDC group" This is only in reference to rhetoric and ideas. In fact, Rawlings harmed the educ](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-22 12:39

[Lol, Mills put Nkrumah on 2-cedi note... Prof Lungu, add to it the fact that it was Mills who put Nkrumah, ALONE, on the 2-cedi note. Obed Asamoah said in his book this was in response to NPP putting the Big 6 in equal size of each of them, on all the new notes they](#)

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INXS

03-22 13:05

[Re: Lol, Mills put Nkrumah on 2-cedi note... YOUR: "...It is an insult to Nkrumah to say Rawlings and P/NDC took over some of the policies of Nkrumah..." CLARIFICATION: We did not say or intend "policies". Not at all. Just P/ NDC rhetoric. And thanks for the note](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-22 14:59

[Re: Lol, Mills put Nkrumah on 2-cedi note... Prof. Lungu, Thanks for this article.](#)

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francis kwarteng

03-22 20:08

[Re: Third force in Ghana politics needed! Ahh Prof Lungu!! You are stubborn. CPP is dead, in fact it's a dead goat and it shouldn't take a learned man of your stature to realise this. CPP is NDC of modern Ghana. Come home.](#)

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KOLA, LONDON PROPER

03-22 13:41

[Ghana@58 X-Road-Lee Kuan Yew Dead, @91 Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's Founding Prime Minister, Dead At 91: Prime Ministers Office: Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's first prime minister, died on Sunday according to a statement from the prime minister's office. He was 91.](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-22 23:07

[Thanks Prof. Lungu:LEE KUAN YEW DIES! Prof. Lungu, Thanks for reporting Lee Kuan Yew's passing. I hope people, especially the Nkrumah haters, find time to read this before it disappears into the archives. This is my favorite part: "Lee was feared for hi](#)

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francis kwarteng

03-23 00:06

[Ghana@58-Dr. Nkrumah-Dr Lee K. Yew, RIP! This is fortuitous and pregnant with so many possibilities going forward, on the occasion of publication of our essay "Ghana at 58 - The Crossroad Reckoning!", and the passing of Singapore patriot, Lee Kuan Yew, today, at the](#)

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Prof Lungu

03-23 00:53

Feature Article of Saturday, 14 March 2015

Columnist: [Prof Lungu](#)

Re Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow

The first paragraph from Dr. Kwame Okoampa-Ahoofe's 2nd March essay on Ghanaweb told us things would not quite add up!

You see, the way we understand it, a military junta that "overthrows" an elected government is a dictatorship, as is the 2nd, 3rd, etc., military juntas that overthrow an elected civilian government. The first "overthrow" or "coup d'état", is what we could call the "maiden" coup d'état, "being or involving the first attempt or act of its kind". This is rather ironic because "maiden" is associated with "girl", "woman", "wife", etc., reverential in all cases. No prejudice intended here, please!

On the other hand, a coup d'état is always an aggressive act on a state (Nation). As such, we wouldn't be employing fully our critical faculties if we expected that the first (or subsequent) coup d'états would not negatively affect the fortunes of the ship of state from that moment forward, separate from the fortunes of the government and the political party that was the first to be overthrown.

So, the establishment of the first dictatorship by a military junta (and all subsequent ones, even), can never be a fresh start, nor can we reasonably expect to see the Ship of State continue easily, breezily, in a positive direction, however we may measure the opposite the opposite of "decline". That is one reason we have this other elementary concept, "unstable country", courtesy the disciplines of political science, economics, international relations, commerce, political-economy, etc.

We can define an "unstable country" as one where financial investments, government-to-government relations, economic and production activities, healthcare delivery, education infrastructure, transportation, communications, personal and national security, etc., are all relatively more risky endeavors from the point of view of those outside, and sometimes from the point of view of even those inside. Factoring into the equation your country's policy (acerbic vs. benign) towards those outside who are more interested in their own comparative advantage on any given matter, you begin to see how your country may be perceived as "unstable" by other countries outside your borders, as far as their interests are concerned.

That is why some nations, for comparative advantage, would even invest in "overthrows" of other governments they may view as a threat to their national interests. In the 1950 through 1980, it was more often than not. Short of outright invasion, they invested in "overthrows" by conniving with, and supporting military and/or political group(s) in the country against the government the "outsider" sees as a threat. Sometimes, they withdrew economic aid and credit, or would create campaigns of misinformation about that economy and their leaders. Other times, they paid for goods already imported into the country to disappear from local market shelves. On the other hand, benign governments, even if acutely repressive to their own peoples and those in their immediate environs, would generally be left to their own devices, alone, to control their corner, so to speak.

Add to that, your country's demographic trait (Black), its location (Africa), absence of shared history and culture (Ghanaian/African), its interests (Unitary Government), etc., were probably guaranteed to fast-track your country into a severely distressed (unstable) position from the perspective of those outside. Fast-track become a sure-fire way to distress for your country if (1) your country had as much as experienced a single "overthrow" of an elected government and (2) the interest of your country continued to be significantly diametrically opposed to those of the external country.

It is in that context that all Ghanians and Ghana supporters should read and carefully analyze this extract from the 1965 "Unclassified" Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) document obtained through the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) in the United States by GovernmentAttic.com:

"...Ghana's President Kwame Nkrumah is the undisputed ruler of that country; which he in effect created and which he has pushed to a position on the world scene far out of proportion to its size, population, or strategic importance. No real challenge to his leadership is now apparent and he seems likely to continue in office indefinitely....(Nkrumah)...has attempted to insert himself in the Cuban missile crisis, the Sino-Indian border conflict, the Arab-Israeli venom. The US is regularly attacked by the press and radio as the leading imperialist power, for its alleged subversive activities in Africa, and for its policies throughout the world. Nkrumah's latest book, Neo-Colonialism: The Last stage of Imperialism, contained such scathing charges against the US as to provoke an official protest from Washington.... (1) It seems likely that a successor government would probably be more moderate and adopt more truly neutralist policies than those followed by Nkrumah....It would probably still feel the compulsion to be no less nationalistic than the present government, however, and probably be less stable since any successor would lack Nkrumah's popularity and his identification not only with the people but with Ghana itself..."

Key Phrase and Sentence Interest:

1. "...Nkrumah...has pushed (Ghana) to a position on the world scene far out of proportion to its size, population, or strategic importance..."
2. "...(A)...successor government... would... probably be less stable since any successor would lack Nkrumah's popularity and his identification not only with the people but with Ghana itself..."

If you read the document and text above, you want to keep at the back of your mind that it is called "UNCLASSIFIED" for a reason - a use is intended that you may never know about. That is generally the types of document you get from a government that has a FOI regimen. In other words, chances are very good that there are "CLASSIFIED" documents on the same matter you are not allowed to know about. Further, if obtained via a FOI request, chances are the text of a CLASSIFIED document will be so severely redacted that the document becomes totally useless in your hand.

But enough of the diversion!

We must state that it is not nearly a critical mind that will assume that a 2nd, 3th, etc., "overthrow" of an elected government will be beneficial (opposite of decline) to the country of record. There is no guarantee that any of that event will usher in a "stable" state or Nation-State, let alone fast track progress regardless of the name of a subsequent political party, least of all in one's relatively short life span.

Thus, Dr. Okaompa Ahoofe's "Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow" falls disastrously flat on its face by logic, as well as by the words of Dr. Okaompa-Ahoofe in the essay itself. In fact, all of it begins to go downhill straight from the first paragraph, as we now allow Dr. Okaompa Ahoofe to speak for Dr. Okaompa Ahoofe on 5 (five) points:

BEGIN

Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow (1):

"...The unpleasant fact of the matter is that the socialist political course on which President Kwame Nkrumah took Ghana may well have effectively derailed the country's steady and salutary development for nearly a half-century..." (Dr. Kwame Okaompa-Ahoofe).

Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow (2):

"...Needless to say, it was not the Kotoka-led National Liberation Council (NLC) junta's ouster of the CPP dictatorship that caused the decline of the country, but the refusal of subsequent military adventurists and power-hungry soldiers like Cols. Acheampong, Agbo and Nkegbe, to name just a handful, to let democratic governance reign our land that engendered the socioeconomic and cultural rot and decline..." (Dr. Kwame Okaompa-Ahoofe).

Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow (3):

"...it was the regressive refusal of the largely inordinately politicized and Nkrumah-inspired Ghanaian military coup-plotters who prevented the Busia-led Progress Party (PP) from leading Ghana out of the Stygian economic mess into which our first postcolonial leader had plunged the country, that complicated matters and engendered our present socioeconomic, political and cultural doldrums..." (Dr. Kwame Okaompa-Ahoofe).

Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow (4):

"...Indeed, it is scarcely arguable that had he been afforded at least a single full-term tenure of four years at the helm of our country's affairs, Prime Minister Kofi Abrefa Busia would have acquitted himself far more creditably than Nkrumah did during the nine years that he held the reins of governance as Ghana's maximum ruler or dictator..." (Dr. Kwame Okaompa-Ahoofe).

Only CPP Declined With Nkrumah's Overthrow (5):

"...Inasmuch as the shortlived Busia-led Progress Party was not without its fair share of administrative foibles, the Danquah-Busia-Dombo Tradition cannot be any significantly held responsible for most of the very fundamental socioeconomic problems presently besieging the country..." (Dr. Kwame Okaompa-Ahoofe).

END

OUR SUMMARY CONCLUSIONS:

Clearly, one does not need "scholarly, - if any - sources for the pontifical pronouncement" that Dr. Okaompa-Ahoofe was poorly up to the task of making his own case in the most fundamental and Ghana-centered way this time. As we've shown, his case defies logic based on his own words.

Nkrumah's overthrow may not have "initiated Ghana's Decline", as the CPP was reported to have claimed recently. However, it is an entirely different thing to posit, as Dr. Okaompa-Ahoofe does, that "Only CPP declined with Nkrumah's overthrow." In our mind, those are entirely two different propositions easily observed by any objective observer. Further, and more significant, no reasonable-minded person can fall under the brain-dead illusion that Ghana's "position on the world scene (is) far out of proportion to its size, population, or strategic importance..." today, in 2015, or ever since Nkrumah's "overthrow" nearly two generations ago, in 1966.

What happened to scholarship, logic, and balance in conversations and essays, on Dr. Kwame Nkrumah's Ghana?

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Prof Lungu

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[Excellent, Prof. Lungu! Dear Prof. Lungu, Brilliant as usual. Your dissection of the matter is surely in order, in critical perspective. I applaud you for exposing the logical weaknesses and rhetorical inconsistencies of the matter, for which](#)

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francis kwarteng
03-14 04:40

[Prof. Lungu Kwame Okaompa is right! Prof. Lungu, let us bear with the gentleman Kwame Okaompa Ahoofe that, no time should be wasted slugging with people like FRANCIS KWARTENG, who are irredeemably dissonant in their logic, heavily indebted to truth, stupid and](#)

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ADJOA WANGARA
03-14 12:14

[Re: Prof. Lungu Kwame Okoampa is right! Sure! We are bear\(ing\) with "gentleman Kwame Okoampa Ahoofe" by showing how his essay was "dissonant in...logic...". Thanks.](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-14 16:18

[Prof. Lungu: Special One For You Prof. Lungu. This is just by the way. a brief diversion: Title: Mega-church Pastor Seeks Donations For Pricey Private Jet."](#)

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francis kwarteng
03-14 05:37

[Re: Prof. Lungu: Special One For You Interesting! What folks treasure most, and pay for! ITEM: The way things have been going the last 2 decades in the US, that "elementary school" from where it all begun may no longer have the "cafeteria", assuming the](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-14 06:28

[NKRUMAH WAS POWER-DRUNK Nkrumah was a tyrant that was why he was the only President ever without a Vice President. He killed all political opponents in Nsawam Prison and drove others into exile](#)

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Colins
03-14 10:58

[Do you understand yourself? Yawn! Find some bone, mate!](#)

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Vuvuzela
03-14 11:22

[THE ELIMINATORS Colins open your eyes and be fair. Blair,Bush,Obama etc have drones.They decide who should breath air.](#)

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kaketonti
03-14 11:31

[@Prof Lungu The coup d'état very successfully initiated Ghana's decline, horizontally and vertically. This is because those who came after Nkrumah lacked his genius to understand how a state \(Historical embodiment of people with the s](#)

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Vuvuzela
03-14 11:23

[Blackman's story Oh, and, well, let me remind people that the YEAR was 1964, when most of Africa doesn't even know how to read! Should such a person be ousted by any pretenses whatsoever? People like Collins who continue to see a "power dr](#)

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Vuvuzela
03-14 11:32

[All Should Read This 1964 Statement! A fine record! A statement for the ages! What could have been, well founded! Thanks, Vuvuzela!](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-14 17:24

[Fuunny man, This Lungu... He has sworn not to ever comment on my articles any longer: that was scarcely two or three weeks ago. And so whatever changed his mind? Some surgical procedure on his brain? You see, there is no point in debating a fanatic](#)

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Kwame Okoampa-Ahoofe, Jr., Ph.D.
03-14 11:47

[How are you, Bro? How are you, Kwame? Looks like this will be of interest to you if you don't have it already. ----- Author: Repugnant. Date: 2014-02-09 21:51:49 Comment to: Danquah needn't](#)

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Vuvuzela
03-14 11:51

[Vuvuzela, Read My Book On Danquah Vuvuzela, read my book titled "Dr. J. B. Danquah: Architect of Modern Ghana" \(2005\). I have extensively dealt with this kind of falsehood from the Nkrumacrats. Danquah never traveled beyond his hometown of Kyebi at the t](#)

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Kwame Okoampa-Ahoofe, Jr., Ph.D.
03-14 13:09

[Strong Voice - Vuvuzela! Thanks for the 2009 Repugnant perspective!](#)

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Prof Lungu
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[To Prof. Lungu: The Word "Might"! Dear Prof. Lungu, I recall your using the word "might" as part of your general statement not to comment further on the said article. "Only CPP Declined with Nkrumah's Overthrow," on account of the ongoing impasse on the CO](#)

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francis kwarteng
03-14 18:47

[Re: To Prof. Lungu: The Word "Might"! Thanks for the note, Professor Kwarteng! We are not going back to see exactly what we wrote on top of "might" or "may" under that essay by Dr. Okoampa-Ahoofe, nearly 3 weeks ago. We believe we were talking about "Comm](#)

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Prof Lungu
03-14 19:22

Feature Article of Sunday, 15 February 2015

Columnist: [Prof. Lungu](#)

J. B. Danquah The Inventor for Dummies!

"....One of the more profound memories with our father was reading together with him his old 1945-era Middle School notebooks showing plans for constructing water systems, sewer treatment facilities, roads and bridges, among other urban facilities, several with Chinese annotations. Sadly, many a Ghana citizen have no resource or recourse to information of that nature even in today's internet age....", (Prof Lungu, 1 Jan 2015).

Dear reader, no people in all of mankind's recorded and oral history ever united through a confederation, let alone build a great civilization. It was not the case for the ancient Egyptians, nor was it the case for all the great civilizations of Mongolia and China that Marco Polo marveled at during his travels in the mid-1200s. Further, many of the greatest engineering and economic feats of mankind were invented and built through servitude, sometimes through part time conscription, most often through slavery, but all the time, of the conquered, or of fellow compatriots. We are talking about Grand Canals, Harbors, Urban Squares, Dams, Cities, Highways, Road, Bridges, Libraries, the Pyramids, and yes, Universities, even. Such it is, even in the case of Christopher Columbus's Old America of the late 1400s, and in the case of Abraham Lincoln's United States of America, in more recent historical annals.

Those, dear reader, were "brutal" regimes and institutional arrangements of hyper-centralized direction. It was always about the city, change, adaptation, renewal, and degradation. And people died in the million in the aggregate constructing and supporting those facilities and institutions. Largely immutable records are available to today's privileged, including you who are reading this essay.

In Ghana, with second hand knowledge of those records by expatriates, Ghanaian workers, always free to work, constructed and built all the great infrastructure and institutions Kwame Nkrumah bequeathed to Ghana as the Chief Executive of Ghana, who, in many cases, commissioned them. Nkrumah was, after all, elected by the entire Nation of Ghana multiple times, while J. B. Danquah was not elected, not even once, by the entire Nation.

In all those ancient and new civilizations built through servitude we spoke about, the royal-born, the privileged, and the cunning professional (lawyers and accountants, mostly), benefited greatly. As such, they generally never had any compelling reason to challenge the political system, speak truth to the power, or lead credible political struggles. Not with speed, and not by any means necessary. Thus, it was generally the outsiders who always "rocked the boat" for improvement in human conditions and freedom. Modern economic theory, now wayward and without balance or conscience in Europe, mostly, prove what we now state about the royal-born, the privileged, and the cunning professional.

Such is the case of royal-privileged-born J. B. Danquah who, in the 1960s, was already deeply entrenched in the colonial urban and economic life of the Gold Coast as a lawyer. J. B. Danquah therefore had no compelling, altruistic motive to seek a radical change from "colonial masterdom" to "Sovereign Statedom" for the benefit of the average Ghanaian. No. But a confederation and pseudo-federal government, the records show, pretty well suited J. B. Danquah. Hence the sundry destructive energies and acts recorded in his solitary corner in the public annals, from Apedwa-Amantoo Miensa, to Kyebi, to Accra, to the United States Library of Congress, to Embassies of foreign countries, to University libraries, and all places in-between.

To use a tired old phrases, needless to say, when J.B. Danquah was plying his profession in colonial Ghana under the auspices of the masters, Grand Canals, Harbors, Urban Squares, Dams, Cities, Highways, Road, Bridges, Libraries, the Pyramids, and yes, Universities, even, had all been conceptualized and built in all those Great Civilizations, and in minor Civilizations, as existed in England where J. B. Danquah was a student at some point in life.

The records were, and are available on/in cloths, parchment papers, manuscripts, books, microfiche, vinyl records, tapes, DVDs, and now increasingly, digital internet-ready media on desktops, laptops, servers, and Clouds, as in Cloud Computing institutions of all types. J. B. Danquah did not invent any of those ideas, facilities, or institutions.

Not Legon!

Not Akosombo Dam!

Not Tema Harbor!

Not Bank of Ghana!

Not Ghana!

To say that J. B. Danquah invented and created all these things for Ghana is to say that Tetteh Quashie invented cocoa in Ghana. Or that your late grand-mother invented any number of your family rituals she educated your mother on, because, well, she was the first in the world, compared to your mother and you.

That, we submit, is patently pedestrian and moronic!

So, if we are to be charitable, J. B. Danquah simply borrowed some ideas from any number of existing privileged sources and floated them around on occasions, as the "Been-To" he represented himself to be (read the two so-called Danquah Prison Letters), but without properly attributing from whence he borrowed, even as the Danquah-Deathknell-Palanquin Supporting Sub-Prelates continue to do same, today. Worse, today, they edit and hide records in matters they claim are super-important where the history of Ghana is concerned.

And on the other side, Ghana-style, such is the case of Kwame Nkrumah, born without all the pretensions of an urbane Ofori Attah. Nkrumah was so deeply entrenched in the vision of many a Great African (Marcus Garvey, W. E. DuBois, etc.), that even before he could fully complete his self-sponsored education in the United States and England in the 1940s, he was invited to the Gold Coast to assist with the quest for independence and sovereignty.

We'd expect that as an "outsider" and with the background of US history and politics and knowledge of African heroes and those from other regions of the world, that Nkrumah would see the independence and sovereignty project as a quest and struggle for the speediest results, with significant power at the center to counter all dis-orienting centrifugal forces. After all, political-economy teaches us that newly independent necessarily does not mean that your old colonial master suddenly loses all interests in their own permanent interests and development. On the other hand, a Ghana strong enough to ease the former masters' access to the produce and markets of the old colony, that, the old masters saw in the Nkrumah vision of a centralized government. That would be a sources of respect for Nkrumah, as the records show. Respect, after all, should always go to a principled enemy, than to an unprincipled friend who will never do what you would do, if you owned the football, the country, or were in their shoes, so to speak.

Further, any American college student who paid attention in "American History 101" required of all college "Freshmen" will tell you that a confederation has no chance at all of supporting an agrarian economy, let alone an industrial, and post industrial, knowledge-based economy. As well, the astute American student will tell you that the second best option that was adopted for the new state in North America, the federal system, continues to wreak havoc on the life chances of a large segment of the American population even as multitudes on other sides profited and continue to benefit from slavery, racial politics, wealth, gender inequity, and even from the names of the States in which they live. The idea that there is no stronger role for the national government is now being rendered asunder, in multiple ways and platforms.

Dear reader, the history of Nigeria ought be instructive to all of us as things stand today. Having opted for a federal form of government for Nigeria in 1960, Nigerian politicians would be at the forefront of the group that strongly resisted the United Africa vision of Nkrumah. Later, in 1967-1970, Nigeria, with its federal system, would be plunged into a civil war that resulted in nearly 2 million Nigerians dying from the war, many from war-related diseases and starvation.

Sadly, but perhaps not surprisingly, the Nigerian civil war was abetted in part by the subversive and deluded Ghana military junta that overthrew Nkrumah under the National Liberation Council (NLC) banner, a name that is in virtual sync with the National Liberation Movement (NLM) of Danquah-Busia. On many fronts, in Aburi Gardens, the NLC soldiers supported the idea of a Confederation of States for Nigeria a la Danquah-Busia, but in Murphy's Law Fashion, to little success and disaster.

Then, in our own life time, the Nigeria North/Boko Haram has struck, and the Nigerian federal government is noticeable by its absence. Absent, even as its unelected Goodluck leader and sundry politicians in far-away Abuja prefer to acquire rights to billboards in Nkrumah's Ghana just so they can spread self-serving political messages, against the internal interests of Ghana, to the multitude of Nigerian students studying in peace in Ghana.

We posit that these historic and contemporary difficulties in Nigeria, even with Nigeria's expansive size and population, is not entirely the result of geography. They are the consequences of unwise, deferred, arrested, political choices. They are precisely the kind Ghana escaped from through the tenacity of Nkrumah, against the wishes of J. B. Danquah and his confederate cohorts. On another level, there is also the case where the strong centralized national government of post-independent Ghana has proven to be precisely the kind necessary to significantly ameliorate the provincial powers of paramount chiefs, such as was wielded by the likes of Ofori Atta of Akyem Abuakwa, under master-sanctioned "indirect rule".

In that sense, we will even hazard that Nkrumah has saved Ghanaian lives, and continues to do so even after death, notwithstanding the detentions and imprisonment of a small group we could count on our two hands, detentions that lasted 24 months or less, and did not result in the execution of a single "subversive" individual. Danquah, after all, died prematurely from temporary privilege-withdrawal syndrome (TPWS), abetted by self-induced temper tantrums, and high blood pressure. This death occurred in a prison a lot better than what we now have in Nsawam, Kumasi, and in other sorrowful places, today. (Ask musician Kwaw Kese and Amnesty International, if you seriously care)!

To the point, Nkrumah was far from being a "brutal dictator," unless you are totally absent-minded about the history of the World and of Africa, or, you are affiliated with Danquah-Deathknell-Palanquin freelance supporters. Or with the so-called Danquah Institute that in our own life's time had a leader who was an informant for the police of the expired colonial masters. Or, frankly, you have no concept about what an operational definition for "brutal dictator" actually ought to look like - objective, within

reasonable, and measurable.

In short, if in 2015 you think that Kwame Nkrumah was a brutal dictator, you are in all probability associated or related by blood to one individual, Ofori Atta. We know that Ofori Atta was among the first to personally benefit from the advent of colonial masters in that part of Ghana, and was by reverse one of the first authorities to see their power, and those of their heirs, wane under the new national government of Ghana, post independence. Reminds us about the case of the Ibos of Nigeria, who as a group swiftly accepted Christianity and colonial education, but later, primed by self-centered interests of politicians, plunged Nigeria into that ugly and brutal civil war.

So, as we said the other day, Nkrumah's story tells both camps, so to speak, what is not acceptable for a sovereign, democratic State pushing for a stronger and vibrant Nation-Hood. It is sovereignty, foremost, that allows the creation of conditions for a modicum of democratic dispensation, but always in coordination and sympathy with patriotic compatriots who are not persuaded to fund their lives with foreign resources under dark tables.

Yes, sovereignty and patriotism!

And balance!

And respect for other peoples' opinions!

And a proper sense of the History of Man!

In closing, let's all remember that in an increasingly Global Village and against the developmental challenges in Ghana/Africa, precisely the type Nkrumah tried to forestall, J. B. Danquah will only matter to a small clique in Ghana. For, all will know that J. B. Danquah never invented all those things. That J. B. Danquah will not matter globally, until Danquah-Deathknell-Palanquin Supporters find a humble Ghana-centered way to make his legacy relevant for the entire world. Sadly, though, we see that they have not even begun to take the first humble and reasonable steps in that direction. Rather, they choose to be defined by the prison-death of a sub-par Show Boy, worshipping his dead spirit on his death day alone in their corner. They forget that it is "Birth" that is for the Living, Posterity, and Heritage.

Therefore, anyone thinks that Nkrumah was a brutal dictator, why do they allow Jerry Rawlings to comfortably perch in his abode in Accra, with all that blood on his hands, and the Indemnity Clause on his forehead and behind? This Indemnity Clause, we will remind you, could have been proscribed by so called NPP-Danquah-Busia-Dombo tradition when they had all the chance, power, and privilege in the world to do so all of those recent 12 years!

What, we ask, is their pathetic and self-deluding excuse?

NOTE: The reader should note that we have purposely neglected to mention the evil and brutal regimes at bottom of many great wars and strife. Theses include the Nazi atrocities in Germany, Pol Pot's Death Camps in Cambodia, and Stalin's Labor and Death Camps, etc., to name just a few.

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[NKRUMAH HATERS ARE MENTALLY SICK Nkrumah haters notably the conceited DR SAS and SARPONG do not know the meaning of BRUTAL DICTATOR.](#)

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S.O.Lamptey
02-15 04:03

[Bush was a brutal dictator After 9/11 what did we get? So with assassinations and bombs what do you expect. Just bring in some strong armand Boko ham will be dead PDA saved innocent lives](#)

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Kojo T
02-15 06:59

[Call Kwarteng for info:001-3012775871 The Dumbass, Francis Kwarteng is ready for anybody who needs any relevant information about both J.B. Danquah and Kwame Nkrumah, he has got every answer. Just call or Skype Francis Kwarteng on 001-3012775871 His Address](#)

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ADJOA WANGARA
02-15 09:30

[Nkrumah Was A Traitor And KGB Agent If J.B Danquah hadn't been born at all patriotic Ghanaians would've still overthrown Nkrumah with or without the help of CIA because, his leftward tendencies had reached a point of no return. The Guy was a red sickle communis](#)

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Mahmoud

02-15 11:41

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Brother Joe

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Brother Joe

02-15 23:50

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Ameyaw

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Nana Ansah

02-15 12:23

[Re: DANQUAH WAS NOT EVEN POPULAR IN AKYEM Your comments are instructive on many fronts! YOUR: "...you are being...gracious...Danquah was not even popular in his Akyem backyrad otherwise he would not have lost twice in a back to back elections within a short space](#)

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Prof Lungu

02-15 13:43

[IT HAS BEEN A WHILE My man Nana Ansah, where have you been hiding all these while lately? Well, try and watch President Mahama's 2nd Anniversary Interview \(Part 1-5\) on YouTube and acquaint yourself with the progress in our motherland so far.](#)

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DusTY-FooT-pHiloSopHER

02-15 17:20

[To Nana Ansah! Nana Ansah, Please you should be on Ghanaweb everyday. Can you please? Thank you!](#)

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francis kwarteng

02-15 20:10

[Simply Brilliant. pROF. IUNGU! Dear Prof. Lungu, This is a masterpiece, well-thought out and insightfully written. The history is all there for all to see. Excellent historical context for your masterpiece! I will suggest that readers also take a l](#)

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francis kwarteng

02-15 04:51

[Lungu, this is the other side. INXS, this is the kind of a one sided and self serving arguments diehard Nkrumaists make and want us to imbibe. Nkrumah does no wrong and no one else matters. We get it. But if he was that great and flawless, then why spend t](#)

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Kwadwo

02-15 06:22

[Re: Lungu, this is the other side. Kwadwo, You neglect that this is a response with a Ghana-centered foundation, if we may! It is meant to provide a background for those who may not be familiar with some aspects of the History of Man, those who may not be as](#)

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Prof Lungu

02-15 07:49

[Nkrumah was a Visionless & Nation Wreker The so-called professor that tried to embellish Nkrumah's economic record needs to go to School all over again. These types of socialist arguments could deceive Ghanaians in the 50s and 60s, but they cannot do so now. Nkrumah](#)

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Mahmoud
02-15 11:45

[Where's Nkrumah Institute? There are no foreign or domestic financed puppet organizations or institutions in Ghana hell bent on dissemination and sustaining falsehood and history rewrites on Nkrumah because the world all over know of what Nkrumah accom](#)

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Abeeku Mensah
02-15 11:42

[KWADWO, YOU ARE GOOD BUT Kwadwo, first of all, I congratulate you for your honesty in your assessment of the events that unfolded during the Nkrumah era, even though according to one of your previous responses, you were not born at that time. The time of](#)

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Frank Appiah
02-15 12:47

[Re: KWADWO, YOU ARE GOOD BUT We note your: "...the \(PDA\)...went through a democratic process in parliament so in fact it was a DEMOCRATIC act and not a decree from a DICTATOR. It is important to note that the CPP members formed the majority in parliame](#)

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Prof Lungu
02-15 13:59

Re: KWADWO, YOU ARE GOOD BUT Kwadwo is a fine gentleman who engages in the civil discourse on this forum without resorting to insults as you rightly pointed out. For the other individuals mentioned the least said about their UNCOUTH and ARCHAIC behaviors

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Sister Souljah

02-15 14:38

To Appiah and Souljah, thanks. Your complements are much appreciated. Thanks. As I have previously stated, Nkrumah did good for Ghana, but played a high stake political game both domestically and internationally and got burnt. I sincerely believe that his

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Kwadwo

02-15 15:11

Re: To Appiah and Souljah, thanks. He was tearful because of the numerous attempt on his life by UP/NLM terrorist. Get that straight, will you? You seem to be obsessed with the US contribution without mentioning the WORLD BANK, UK and the Ghana governments. Gamel Na

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Kofi

02-15 16:23

[Re: KWADWO, YOU ARE GOOD BUT Nothing more to add, Sister Souljah! Thanks.](#)

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Prof Lungu
02-15 20:47

[He had majority. Why do it? Lungu, he clearly had overwhelming parliamentary majority so why the need to even encourage the passage of the one party state and declare himself president for life? Don't you also think that the passage of the PDA by the ma](#)

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Kwadwo
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C.Y. ANDY-K
02-15 21:05

[Re: NO, KWADWO IS NOT GOOD Nyebro Yao, Brilliant expose. If those who ignorantly attack Nkrumah unjustly, without proper historical and legal context, had a millionth of your solid background in the theory of political science and world history.](#)

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francis kwarteng
02-15 21:52

[Listen to even the dull and we the ignorant I use portions of " Desiderata" by Maxx Ehrmann as a response to Andy and Francis. " Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender, be on go](#)

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Kwadwo

02-15 22:47

[Re: Listen to even the dull and we the ignorant We have heard them enough and we are tired of their trivia and trifles being passed around as the gospel truth. Of course, I knew you can't rebut what I wrote \[not cos of the many typos, btw.\], so just keep quiet next time](#)

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C.Y. ANDY-K

02-16 03:40

[Re: Listen to even the dull and we the ignorant Nyebro Yao, Hahahahahaha...Where is Kwadwo?](#)

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francis kwarteng

02-16 03:58

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Mr. Figure-Out

02-15 16:07

THANKS, MR FIGURE-OUT DICTATORSHIPS HAVE VERY SHORT LIFE SPAN, BUT PROGRESSIVE IDEALS, WHICH ASPIRES AND TENDS TO IMPROVE THE LIFE OPPORTUNITIES OF ALL CITIZENS LASTS LONGEST.

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KWAKU ANANSE

02-15 16:49

Calling a spade a spade. I like it, Prof Now let's see the descendants and the sympathizers of the "mate me ho" terrorist group of bomb detonators, maimers and murderers of innocent school kids, traitors, saboteurs and good-for-nothing hoodlums led by the wormy, par

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Military Man

02-15 05:44

Re: J. B. Danquah The Inventor for Dummies! I am sorry for you. Where are you a Prof?

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YankyerA

02-15 05:53

The older they get the dumber they evolvNOTE: The reader should note that we have purposely neglected to mention the evil and brutal regimes at bottom of many great wars and strife. Theses include the Nazi atrocities in Germany, Pol Pot's Death Camps in Cambodi

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Lexus

02-15 06:04

Re: The older they get the dumber they evolv Lexus has just joined the league of the UNCOUTH and ARCHAIC behaviors on this forum. If this is what a PhD does to a person then God help us all, the institution that awarded your PhD will ashamed to have any association with

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Sister Souljah
02-15 14:47

[The older they get the dumber they evolvNOTE: The reader should note that we have purposely neglected to mention the evil and brutal regimes at bottom of many great wars and strife. Theses include the Nazi atrocities in Germany, Pol Pot's Death Camps in Cambodi](#)

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Lexus
02-15 06:04

[Lexus.. Show some class and maturity I was enjoying your argument till I came to your closing sentence. I'm not sure how old you are but that was very infantile of you. I guess you acted your age. Are you still in KG?](#)

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Military Man
02-15 08:13

[To Lexus What a FOOL! A supposed Graduate level mind would not throw out this garbage\(your last sentence\). What a disgrace, no wonder you nearly fell of the cliff; you definitely don't belong to the left and sadly the right wing might](#)

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Nonesense.
02-15 09:25

[Re: The older they get the dumber they evolv ...a nice piece,but your last line is not accepted,be polite next time.](#)

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Filadéfia
02-15 10:44

[The only Lingo LUNGU understands. I am sorry I went a little out of bounds. The ASHORE SEAMAN.](#)

[Prof Lungu, is a rough neck. You don't treat rough necks with kids' gloves. I am pretty sure that, privately, he is enjoying that line immensely. Nevertheless.](#)

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Lexus

02-15 13:28

[Re: The only Lingo LUNGU understands. Oh my goodness.](#)

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Yaw Poku, USA

02-15 15:01

[Re: The older they get the dumber they evolv Oh My God, I read the debate by Lexus and, though I did not agree with all the points he raised his presentation was by all standards great and very academic. Then I read the last paragraph and Ouch !](#)

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Mike Olongo, USA

02-15 15:44

[Re: The older they get the dumber they evolv Please why the last sentence](#)

[\(click to comment on this comment\)](#)

Yaw Poku, USA

02-15 14:58

[Mind you, Nkrumah was not desperate The historical accounts show that the UGCC was desperate for an inspiring and can-do leader to drive their agenda, and they persuaded Nkrumah to leave his own pan-Africanist responsibilities and studies in London to join them](#)

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Paul

02-15 19:58

The older they get the dumber they evolvNOTE: The reader should note that we have purposely neglected to mention the evil and brutal regimes at bottom of many great wars and strife. Theses include the Nazi atrocities in Germany, Pol Pot's Death Camps in Cambodi

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Lexus

02-15 06:04

Re: The older they get the dumber they evolv Lexus. With with your "brilliant Dr SAS", and by your comment, we can see that you have a super-low threshold for "brutal dictator", unbalanced and way out of line with history and reality! But do not be disappointed!

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Prof Lungu

02-15 07:21

Hail Hail Nkrumah, the Moses of Africa!! Good article, Prof. Leave these busy for nothing people to continue deluding themselves. No body knows JB who couldn't even win election in Kibi. If a poor Nzima boy was so intelligent enough to win elections from his prison

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Nonsense.

02-15 08:02

To Nonsense & Prof. Lungu Nonsense, I could not agree with you more! "There was no one like the great Osageyfo Dr. Kwame Nkrumah," a friend once told me. "Africa should pray to have another leader like Nkrumah to lead her [Africa] again." I

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francis kwarteng

02-15 08:23

Re: To Nonsense & Prof. Lungu Nana Akuffo Addo made a huge mistake when he stooped so low to deride (forgiven) Nkrumah and his family, knowing very well that Nkrumah was his(Nana) hero and followed him to the end. We know that Nana's father had to hid

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Nonesense.

02-15 09:06

[Listen to the boot licker Kwarteng The idiot boot licker Francis kwarteng will mingle himself in every debate only to disgrace himself with garbage. Childish, baseless and useless comments.](#)

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ADJOA WANGARA

02-15 09:36

[COULD NOT AGREE WITH YOU MORE THE EX YOUNG PIONEERS AND ALUMNI OF WINNEBA INSTITUTE OF IDEOLOGY, WORKING HARD TO DEFEND THE INDEFENSIBLE KWAME NKRUMAH.](#)

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KWAKU ANANSE

02-15 10:57

[Kwateng even don't regard you Adjoa Wangara don't you see that the great Frances Kwateng don't even realise that you exist?](#)

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Baffour Agyemang

02-15 13:21

[Re: Kwateng even don't regard you you are well awoken bro BAF...it is just strange for one to spend his entire weekend attacking personality of an open debate...](#)

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McAfee
02-15 13:42

[The co-equals of Kwarteng BA&McAfee You see! no single bird can fly in the sky and no single fish can swim the sea hence dunderheads like Baffuor Agyemang and McAfee must join Kwarteng to display his nonsensicals](#)

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Simon
02-15 14:57

[OFFER INTELLECTUAL VIEWS, NOT INSULTS Some of you people should join the intellectual substance of the debate and stop standing on the sidelines and throwing stones at your intellectual superiors. People like Simon, Adjoa Wangara and Lexus, remind me of the pa](#)

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kasapreko III
02-16 01:05

[Re: To Nonsense & Prof. Lungu The disciples of J B Danquah wouldn't recognise the words truth,loyalty,unitary,selflessness,egalitarianism and patriotism if they were sprayed on their eyeballs.](#)

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YAW
02-15 17:56

[HAHAHAHA, Wofa YAW That was apt, Wofa YAW !!!!](#)

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Jojo Hammond, New Jersey

02-15 21:14

[@jojo Have a jolly evening. Am having a "wee dram" of whisky.](#)

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YAW

02-15 21:55

[Enjoy My Beloved Uncle Enjoy !!!!](#)

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Jojo Hammond, New Jersey

02-15 23:49

[PROUD;GHANA FROM NZEMA NKRUMAH DOES NO WRONG. NKRUMAH NEVER DIES.NKRUMAH SHOWBOY.](#)

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kaketonti

02-15 08:19

[Re J B Danquah inventor for Dummies pro, u cannot distort history, Nkrumah was a complete dictator, J. B might not have won any election but he was never afraid of losing election, Nkrumah was and explains](#)

[his idea of PDA and making CPP d only party in Ghana, i](#)

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Ismail

02-15 11:52

[Re: J. B. Danquah The Inventor for Dummies! Why don't you Nkrumaists give us some peace? How really Africa-centric was this, planning against his own friends? What makes you think that people like Nyerere and Jomo Kenyatta would not also plan to protect themselves an](#)

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KKO

02-15 12:54

[WHY STILL SLEEPING.? NKRUMAIST WAKE UP Nkrumaist should wake up and reorganise and take up their stands again from these hopeless and hard core thieves called NDC/NPP...](#)

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BRITT

02-15 13:57

[Re: J. B. Danquah The Inventor for Dummies! A lovely quote from the governor of the governor of ALABAMA,USA,during Nkrumah"s PDA era. "I admit that we have got the worst penal system in the world, including Dark Africa ... I hope the next Legislature will do something](#)

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ha ha

02-15 15:00

[Re: J. B. Danquah The Inventor for Dummies! We must "admit" it took us a while to unpack your terse comment! First of all, thanks so much for the comment. Second, that ~1958 statement was made by that Governor, as you say, as he pardoned an African American to li](#)

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Prof Lungu

02-15 19:35

[GHANA WAS NOT DANQUAH'S IDEA ! Quite an interesting read. I see that those who usually complain of Prof. Kwarteng's articles as being too long, were mute on Prof. Langu's piece. You certainly](#)

[hit the nail right on the head with no-holds-barred statement](#)

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MARCUS AMPADU

02-15 18:08

[Re: GHANA WAS NOT DANQUAH'S IDEA ! Oh bro, say that again la.....](#)

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DusTY-FooT-pHiloSopHER

02-15 19:17

[Re: GHANA WAS NOT DANQUAH'S IDEA ! MARCUS AMPADU, As we sometimes hear say in the US, "you hit the nail right on the head"! YOUR: "... many of us don't like to read, yet we are full of outlandish opinions." OUR COMMENT: Ghana's history must be bound by](#)

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Prof Lungu

02-15 19:54

[TO PROF. LUNGU AGAIN Prof. Lungu, Please my email is \(franciskkwarteng@yahoo.com\). You have made my weekend so enjoyable, Prof. Lungu, and you one of the wisest, boldest, authoritative, and knowledgeable voices on Ghanaweb. Take care.](#)

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francis kwarteng

02-15 20:14

[This is what we call checkmate!! Let Ahoofe and SAS try and rebut this. Brilliant postings from Prof Lungu, Francis, Andy K, Nana Ansah and the rest. This is how intelligent people debate. Not the innuendo and gossip filled posting from SAS, Ahoofe and the](#)

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Captain Canada

02-15 22:33

[Re: This is what we call checkmate!! Brother Captain Canada, Good day. Trust me, they will never get anywhere with their lies. The devastating blow to their lies has not arrived yet. It is coming. Have a great weekend, my good brother. Thanks.](#)

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francis kwarteng

02-16 02:25