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**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CAMEROON
TRADITIONAL RULERS**

Call for the Respect of Institutions

It is with deep sorrow that the Traditional Rulers meeting within the National Council of Cameroon Traditional Rulers, learned of the unfortunate events which took place in Geneva, Switzerland, a country with which Cameroon shares excellent relations.

These acts were the result of an Irresponsible Behaviour of some of our compatriots living abroad who, driven by hatred against their fellow Compatriots and against the President of the Republic, are bent on developing strategies to sow the seed of hatred and discord, thus jeopardising the hard-won achievements that characterise our Society, such as:

Peace, Unity, Living Together and Democracy.

Attacking the President of the Republic wherever he may be, **equates to attacking the Institutions of the Republic.**

We strongly condemn these unacceptable acts of violence that are coming on the heels of the ransacking of Cameroonian Embassies in Paris and Berlin and which tarnish the brand image of our Country.

While recalling that the Presidential election place in October 2018, and that the President of the Republic, His Excellency Paul BIYA was declared winner by the Constitutional Council, the Presidential Election chapter is now closed.

We therefore urge Cameroonians in the Diaspora not to be manipulated by whosoever. They should rather be ambassadors of Cameroon wherever they live abroad. They should always remember the Cradle of our Fathers, our Culture and our Traditions by virtue of which Respect for Elders and Established institutions are sacred and of cardinal value.

We urge Cameroonians to remain calm and, in the face of Adversity, to throw their full weight behind the Institutions of the Republic and to support the development efforts of His Excellency Paul BIYA, President of the Republic, Head of state.

The National Council of Cameroon Traditional Rulers, Actor and stakeholder of the inclusive dialogue that it advocates for and strongly encourages, calls for the respect of National Institutions, Laws and Regulations of our Country, and the preservation of the mutually beneficial achievements of our diversity in our effort for a peaceful living together. As a matter of fact, pursuing our quest for National construction concerns all Cameroonians without discrimination, each and every one in their respective capacities. However, no Cameroonian can take upon himself to undermine this National Construction for any reason whatsoever.

Done in Yaounde, on **5 JUL 2019**



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