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Statement from SamuraKamara2023 Flag Bearer Movement

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My Fellow Sierra Leoneans

I, Samura Matthew Wilson Kamara, APC Presidential candidate in 2018 and now a very prominent presidential aspirant for 2025, has lived and worked for over 40 years in SL and for other credible international organisations as a trustworthy public official. Never has my name been associated with criminality. I have never been accused of any corrupt practice. I have never been in court on any charge whatsoever. This nation and many international organisations have been very proud of my track record and performances in the various capacities of Economist at BSL, Financial Secretary at the Ministry of Finance, Governor at BSL, Minister of Finance and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Relations. I have diligently and honourable again served several international institutions, in particular, the Commonwealth Secretariat in London, the World Bank, the IMF, the African Union at various times on numerous assignments.

That confidence you had in me afforded me the opportunity of being selected as the flag bearer of the APC in the 2018 Presidential election.

Now, I am charged with corruption and to appear in court on 2 counts, on Tuesday, 14th December, 2021. I am very innocent of those charges though they may have had the tendency to smear my name and hard-earned reputation, affecting my family, supporters, and admirers. It will be a trial of the character of Samura Kamara, the professional whom you have all known for over 40 years in public service for my nation.

Like for many people who have gone through such challenges, mine is a test of my stamina and resilience. But the resolve to help my people through quality and effective leadership shall never wane under such allegations. I shall come out clean and smelling of roses and reinvigorated in the belief that State Institutions must serve the people according to law and be devoid of partisan political sentiments and prejudices.

Once again, let me re-echo my belief in the fight against corruption and the strengthening of state institutions to work independently.

I ask my family, supporters, and admirers to chronicle the events remain calm and patient as the proceedings progress, and not to play in the hands of the trigger-happy security and government personnel.

I ask for your prayers and solidarity.

Long live the nation of Sierra Leone.

Long Live the All Peoples Congress

