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**IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The All Peoples Congress notes with grave concern the unfortunate spate of violent events in Freetown and other provincial towns resulting in the loss of our compatriots. We offer our deepest sympathies for such grave losses and join the families of those compatriots in mourning their irreplaceable loss. May their souls Rest in Peace, amen.

The loss of lives under any circumstance is regrettable. Thus, as a Party, we unreservedly condemn violence in every form.

We remind all stakeholders that citizens have a Constitutional right to engage in peaceful protests; done within the confines of and with respect for the law.

Similarly, the security forces always have a Constitutional duty to safeguard lives and property, be professional, exercise restraints and fully observe the rules of engagement.

As a Party, we continue reaffirming and reinforcing our commitment to sustainable peace and national cohesion. More than ever, our democratic institutions and processes must live up to the Constitutional tenets and respect the rule of law.

We urge all stakeholders to de-escalate tensions and, avoid inflammatory rhetorics, unfounded pronouncements, and fully respect the right and dignity of citizens and the rule of law.

As a Party, we firmly believe and maintain that the answers to even the most difficult challenges we face as a nation are **meaningful and constructive dialogue** with all stakeholders in the national discourse to ensure sustainable peace and stability of our Country

Signed

**Hon. Abdul Kargbo**

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