

PGA STATEMENT ON SITUATION IN GUINEA

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PGA notes, with growing apprehension, the recent, deadly spate of political violence in Conakry, Guinea.

We call upon all concerned to pull back from this very difficult situation to avoid any further loss of life or physical injury.

PGA Peace & Democracy Programme Convenor, Hon. Ibrahim Sorie (Sierra Leone) commented that 'our thoughts are very much with our Mano River Union brothers and sisters in Guinea at this uncertain and troubled time. We extend our hand of parliamentary support, in any which way we can, as one means of overcoming the current impasse'

PGA International Council Member, Senator Franklin Siakor (Liberia) remarked that 'we must all redouble our efforts within the Mano River region to find a sustainable solution to the current, deeply unsettling and volatile situation in Conakry'

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