



**CODEO GHANA**  
Coalition of Domestic Election Observers

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## **PRESS STATEMENT**

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### **CODEO TRAINS AND DEPLOYS 45 OBSERVERS FOR THE EXHIBITION OF PROVISIONAL VOTERS' REGISTER**

The Electoral Commission of Ghana is undertaking a voter exhibition exercise from August 20 to August 27, 2024. The Coalition of Domestic Election Observers (CODEO), as part of its mandate to mobilize citizens of Ghana to participate in the electoral process actively and to complement the efforts of Ghana's Electoral Commission in ensuring transparent, free, fair, and peaceful elections, has trained and deployed 45 observers to 45 purposefully selected constituencies to observe the voter exhibition exercise.

CODEO conducted comprehensive training for all 45 observers ahead of their deployment, ensuring they were fully equipped to professionally observe the exhibition process and deliver high-quality reports to CODEO's data center throughout the period.

Speaking at the training, Mr. Albert Arhin, the National Coordinator of CODEO, admonished the observers to adhere to best practices during the observation process. "As observers, your role is to observe, not to interfere. Your professionalism is crucial to the credibility of this exercise and, by extension, to the integrity of our electoral system", he said.

As the country prepares for the December 2024 general elections, CODEO entreats all registered voters to take advantage of the exercise to visit exhibition centers and/or use the EC's exhibition short code to verify their details and support the EC's efforts of cleaning the voter register.

CODEO calls upon the Electoral Commission (EC) of Ghana to uphold the highest standards of impartiality and openness throughout the exhibition exercise and ensure accessibility for all registered voters.

Further, CODEO urges the EC and the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) to intensify their public awareness campaigns.

To all stakeholders, particularly political parties and their supporters, CODEO expects full adherence to the electoral laws of Ghana. Any concerns or

disputes should be addressed through the appropriate legal channels to maintain the peace and credibility of the process.

CODEO remains dedicated to fostering a free, fair, and transparent electoral environment that reflects the will of the Ghanaian people. CODEO will provide updates on its observations as and when needed during the process and produce a full report after the week-long exercise.

Signed:

**Albert Kofi Arhin**

National Coordinator, CODEO

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## **ABOUT CODEO**

CODEO is an independent and non-partisan network of civil society groups, faith-based organizations and professional bodies which observe Ghanaian elections. It was established in 2000 under the auspices of the Ghana Center for Democratic Development (CDD-Ghana) to mobilize citizens of Ghana to participate in the electoral process actively and to complement the efforts of Ghana's Electoral Commission in ensuring transparent, free, fair and peaceful elections. The Coalition of 42- member organizations has grown to become the largest and most credible domestic election observer body in Ghana which mobilizes citizens and groups to participate in Ghana's electoral processes.