

# MONITORING OF INDECENT LANGUAGE ON RADIO

FINDINGS FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST TO OCTOBER, 2020



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## 1.0 Introduction

One of the major tools for information dissemination during election years is the media. They serve as a platform for persons seeking political office to trade ideas and provide feedback on policy issues. Such debates help citizens to make an informed choice on election day.

Unfortunately, debates or discussions among political party activists, communicators or supporters on media platforms during election years are often characterised by the high preference for vitriolic language often manifested in character assassinations, unsubstantiated allegations and unwarranted provocation, among others, which have the potential of heightening tension and inciting people to violence.

To help focus public discourse on radio in the 2020 electioneering period on issues and not personality attacks and other forms of vitriolic expressions, the Media Foundation for West Africa (MFWA), is implementing a project titled, *Promoting Decent Language and Issues-based Campaigning for Peaceful Elections in Ghana in 2020*. The project is aimed at contributing to peaceful elections through issues-based campaigning devoid of hate speech and indecent expressions.

The project involves the daily monitoring of selected programmes on selected radio stations to track and report on the use of hate speech and other indecent expressions by politicians and others who feature on the programmes. It also monitors how presenters on target radio stations handle their respective programmes to ensure that indecent expressions are not tolerated on their programmes. The project is currently being implemented with funding support from the Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA) and STAR Ghana Foundation with funding from UKAID and EU.

### 1.1 Methodology

The project involves the daily monitoring of expressions used by political activists and other political actors who feature on radio programmes such as news bulletins, political discussions and current affairs discussions. It also involves assessing and reporting how presenters or hosts of selected programmes on radio stations handle their programmes and whether or not they tolerate the use of hate speech and other indecent language on their programmes.

This report covers monitoring of **40 radio stations** in Ghana from the month of August - October, 2020. Below are the 40 radio stations that are being monitored under the current phase of the project.

**Table 1: List of Radio Stations being Monitored**

| <b>Region</b>        | <b>Radio Stations</b> |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Greater Accra Region | Top FM                |
|                      | Rainbow Radio         |
|                      | Oman FM               |
|                      | Power FM              |
|                      | Class FM              |
|                      | Peace FM              |
|                      | Happy FM              |
|                      | Okay FM               |
|                      | Accra FM              |
|                      | Ahotor FM             |
|                      | Asempa FM             |
|                      | Adom FM               |
|                      | Hot FM                |
|                      | Angel FM              |
| Ashanti Region       | Hello FM              |
|                      | Ash FM                |
|                      | Kessben FM            |
|                      | Angel FM              |
|                      | Fox FM                |
|                      | Otec FM               |
|                      | Wontumi Radio         |
| Northern Region      | Diamond FM            |
|                      | Radio Justice         |
|                      | North Star FM         |
|                      | Zaa Radio             |
|                      | Radio Tamale          |
| Eastern Region       | Obuoba FM             |
| Upper West Region    | Radio Progress        |
| Upper East Region    | A1 Radio              |
| Savannah Region      | Pad FM                |
| Oti Region           | Beyond FM             |
| Volta Region         | Jubilee FM            |
| Central Region       | Pink FM               |
| Western Region       | Skyy Power            |
| Bono Region          | Tain FM               |
|                      | Royal FM              |
|                      | Space FM              |
|                      | Nimdeε FM             |
| North East Region    | Eagle FM              |
| Bono East            | Classic FM            |

The monitoring is done based on a validated [monitoring instrument](#). Forty language monitors have been recruited (one monitor per station) and trained on the use of the monitoring instrument. Each monitor is assigned a digital recorder for purposes of recording the programmes they monitor. Monitors send daily reports to the MFWA which are analysed by a team of programme staff and researchers for a consolidated report to be produced.

This report presents findings from the daily monitoring of selected programmes on the 40 radio stations. It specifically cites the number of indecent expressions recorded, the categories of indecent expressions used, names of individuals who made indecent remarks and their political party affiliation. It also names radio stations on which indecent expressions were made, as well as the conduct of the programme hosts/presenters. The report ends with some recommendations for relevant stakeholders.

## 2.0 Findings

During the three-month monitoring period (August to October 2020), a total of **4,841** radio programmes were monitored with the breakdown as follows:

| Month        | No. of Radio Stations | No. of Programmes |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| August       | 15                    | 1019              |
| September    | 20                    | 1,586             |
| October      | 40                    | 2,236             |
| <b>Total</b> |                       | <b>4,841</b>      |

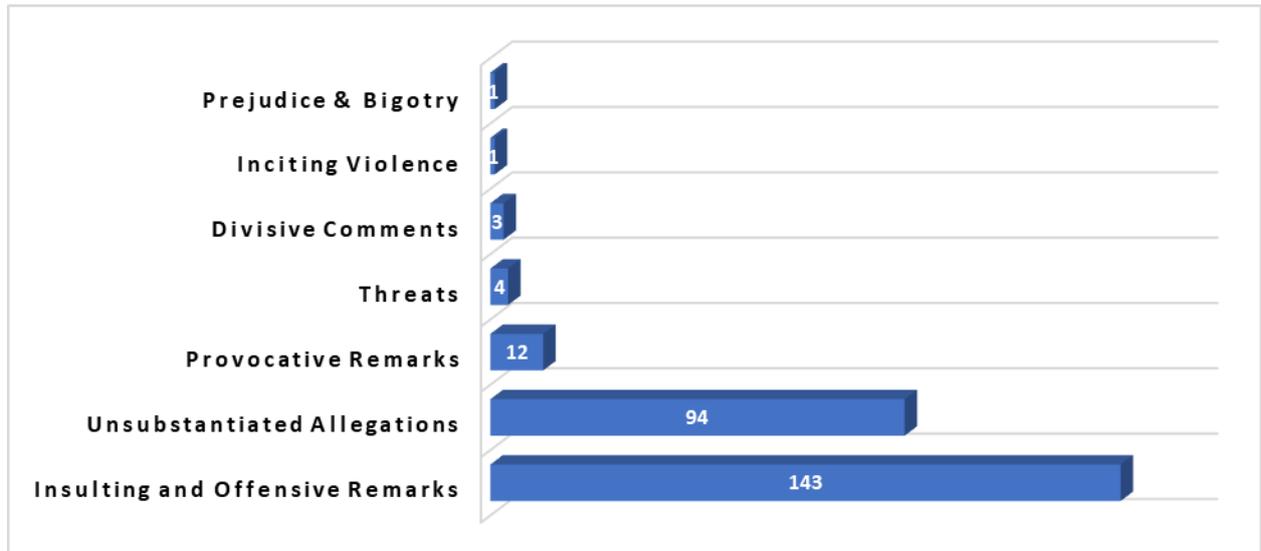
Altogether, **258 abusive and indecent expressions were recorded**. These expressions were recorded during discussions on topics/issues such as the voter registration exercise ending with over 16 million voters on the register; Pastor Agyin Asare’s comments on the banking crises; Professor Ahwoi’s book “Working with Rawlings” and Former President John Dramani Mahama’s comments on intimidation of residents of the volta region by the military; COVID-19 reliefs as freebies, promise of one million jobs, and challenging President Nana Akuffo Addo to a debate.

Other issues/topics that featured in the quarter were the WASSCE candidates engaged in acts of indiscipline across the country; NPP manifesto launch; and the Agyapa Royalties deal, the Attorney General dragged to court by some CSOs on Auditor General’s directive to proceed on leave; NDC’s Running Mate, Jane Naana Opoku continuing to receive salary from UCC; the State of Security within the Country. Additionally discussions focused on issues such as Spouses of MPs succeeding their deceased partners in Parliament; chiefs’ involvement in politics, the Electoral Commission’s (EC) disqualification of some candidates and holding of balloting for Political parties; the Finance Minister’s presentation of the first quarter budget for 2021; Campaign activities by the two main political parties (touring of some regions); and the activities of the Western Togoland *secessionist* group in the Volta region.

## 2.1 Categories of Indecent Expressions Recorded

The **258 indecent expressions** that were recorded comprised seven types of indecent expressions – Insulting and Offensive comments; Unsubstantiated allegations; Provocative remarks; Threats; Divisive comments; Expressions Inciting Violence, and Expressions containing Prejudice and Bigotry.

Figure 1 below indicates the frequency of use of each of the categories of indecent expressions recorded.



**Figure 1: Frequency of Indecent Expressions Recorded**

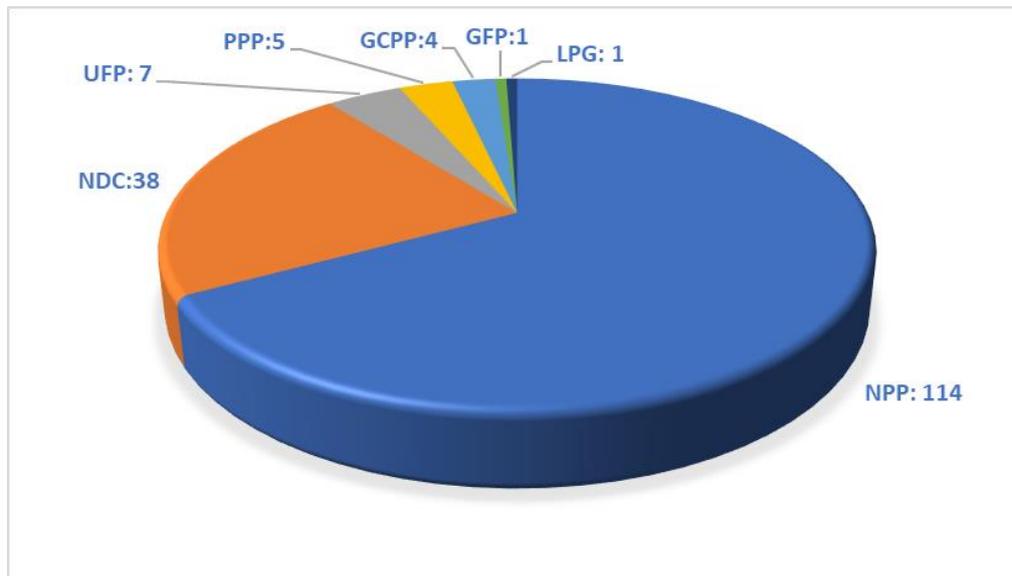
## 2.2 Political Party/ Group Affiliation of Individuals Who Used Indecent Expressions

In all, **95 individuals made the 258 indecent expressions**. These individuals featured on the programmes monitored as hosts, discussants, interviewees, texters and callers. Sixty nine out of the 95 individuals are political party officials, supporters and affiliates. The political party affiliation of the remaining 26 individuals who made abusive remarks could not be established. This is mainly because only persons who represent or are introduced as members of a political party are coded against their respective political parties.

The 69 political party officials, supporters and affiliates made 170 indecent expressions out of the 258 recorded (66%). The 26 individuals whose political affiliation could not be established made the remaining 88 (34%).

Officials and affiliates of seven political parties namely the New Patriotic Party (NPP), the National Democratic Congress (NDC), the People's Progressive Party (PPP), the Great Consolidated Popular Party (GCPP), the Ghana Freedom Party (GFP) and the Liberal Party of Ghana (LPG), and the United Front Party (UFP) were cited for the indecent expressions during the period.

**Figure 2** below gives a graphical representation of the frequency of indecent expressions recorded by affiliates of the seven political parties.



**Note:** Individuals who used indecent expressions but their political party or group affiliation was not mentioned on the programmes monitored are not included in Figure 2 above

**Table 2: Specific Categories of Indecent Expressions Recorded by Perpetrators** from August to October 2020

| Categories of Indecent Expressions Recorded | Political Affiliation of Perpetrators |           |          |          |          |          |          |               | Total      |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|------------|
|   | NPP                                   | NDC       | PPP      | GCPP     | UFP      | GFP      | LPG      | Not Mentioned |            |
| Insulting and Offensive Remarks             | 60                                    | 12        | 3        | 0        | 3        | 0        | 0        | 65            | 143        |
| Unsubstantiated Allegations                 | 45                                    | 21        | 2        | 3        | 4        | 1        | 1        | 17            | 94         |
| Threats                                     | 1                                     | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2             | 4          |
| Provocative Remarks                         | 7                                     | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 4             | 12         |
| Divisive comments                           | 1                                     | 1         | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0             | 3          |
| Inciting violence                           | 0                                     | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0             | 1          |
| Prejudice and Bigotry                       | 0                                     | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0             | 1          |
| <b>Total</b>                                | <b>114</b>                            | <b>38</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>88</b>     | <b>258</b> |

### 2.3 Radio Stations and Incidents of Indecent Expressions

21 of the 40 radio stations monitored recorded indecent expressions. Wontumi Radio located in Kumasi recorded the highest (69) indecent expressions on its Morning Show. Accra-based Oman FM followed with (61) indecent expressions across four programmes *Boiling Point* (53), *National Agenda* (6), *The Dialogue* (1) and *Evening News* (1). Kumasi-based Ashh FM recorded 53 incidents across three programmes *Boiling Point* (48), *Keynote* (4) and *National Agenda* (1) while Accra based Power FM recorded 37 incidents across two programmes *Inside Politics* (36) and *Dwaboase* (1). Tain FM in Nsawkaw had 21 indecent expressions across two programmes *Anɔpa Nkɔmmɔ* (20) and *10am News* (1) with Accra FM recording 16 incidents of indecent expressions across three programmes *Citizen Show* (9), *Ghana Yensom* (5) and *Evening News* (2).

The frequency of indecent expressions recorded on all the 21 radio stations are presented in Table 3 below:

**Table 3: Radio Stations that Recorded Indecent Expressions**

| Radio Station | Frequency of Indecent Expressions |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Wontumi Radio | 69                                |
| Oman FM       | 61                                |
| Ashh FM **    | 53                                |
| Power FM      | 37                                |
| Tain FM       | 21                                |
| Accra FM      | 16                                |
| Peace FM      | 8                                 |
| Obuoba FM     | 8                                 |
| Asempa FM     | 7                                 |
| Fox FM        | 5                                 |
| Adom FM       | 5                                 |
| Okay FM       | 4                                 |
| Hello FM ***  | 3                                 |
| Radio Tamale  | 3                                 |
| Radio Justice | 2                                 |
| Ahotor FM     | 2                                 |

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Happy FM       | 1          |
| A1 Radio       | 1          |
| Radio Progress | 1          |
| Angel FM       | 1          |
| Eagle FM       | 1          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>258</b> |

Note: \*\* *Forty-eight (48) of the indecent expressions recorded on Accra-based Oman FM were also recorded on Kumasi-based Ashb FM.*

\*\*\* *Three (3) of the indecent expressions recorded on Accra-based Peace FM were also picked from Kumasi-based Hello FM.*

## Assessment of Moderation of Programmes by Hosts

During the monitoring, Moderators/Hosts/Presenters were assessed on how they conducted themselves on their respective programmes and also, handled their programmes to ensure that hate speech and other indecent expressions are not used on their platforms. Progressively, a number of moderators made efforts to prevent the use of indecent expressions on their platforms. The MFWA commends such moderators and encourages all others to be professional in the discharge of their duties.

However, from the monitoring period (August to October, 2020), some moderators directly engaged in the use of indecent expressions. Specifically, Mugabe Maase, host of Accra-based Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme, made a highest of 31 indecent expressions. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme recorded 13 indecent expression over the three-month period while Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host and regular member of the *Boiling Point* team followed with 10 indecent expressions.

## 2.4 Specific Expressions Used

Below are the names of the individuals who made the indecent expressions, as well as the radio stations and the dates on which the expressions were made, placed under the specific type of indecent expression used.

### Insulting and Offensive Remarks:

1. Kwame Baffoe also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **one (1)** in an interview on Peace FM's Evening Political Show, *The Platform*, aired on August 3, 2020.
2. Azzey Baba, NDC Communication Team Member for Tain Constituency - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show, *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ*, aired on August 4, 2020.
3. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 4, 2020.
4. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **three (3)** during Asempa FM's *Ekosii Sen* programme aired on August 4, 2020.

5. Bernard Antwi Boasiako, also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman -**one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 5, 2020.
6. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **two (2)** during the August 5, 2020 edition of the programme.
7. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **two (2)** during August 6, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
8. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **four (4)** during the August 6, 2020 edition of the programme.
9. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 6, 2020.
10. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *National Agenda* aired on August 6, 2020.
11. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin-Central – during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **three (3)** during August 6, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Ashh FM.
12. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the August 7, 2020 edition of the programme.
13. Ernest Owusu Bempah, Communication Director of the Ghana National Gas Company – **two (2)** during on Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 10, 2020.
14. Kwabena Kwakye, the host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point*– **one (1)** during the August 11, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
15. Nana Obiri Boahen, NPP Deputy General Secretary affectionately known as *Original Abronye DC* – **one (1)** in an interview on Happy FM's Afternoon Political Show *Epa Hoa Daben* aired on August 11, 2020.
16. A caller identified as “One Day” (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Eagle FM's *Eagle Breakfast* show aired on August 11, 2020.
17. Richard Boadu, PPP Regional Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 11, 2020.
18. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **three (3)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 12, 2020.
19. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point*– **one (1)** during August 13, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
20. Kwesi Adormaa Jr., NDC Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme aired on August 14, 2020.
21. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 14, 2020.
22. Anthony Nukpenu, NDC Greater Accra Regional Organiser- **one (1)** during Peace FM's *The Platform* aired on August 17, 2020.
23. Maurice Ampaw, a legal practitioner (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Wontumi FM's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 17, 2020.
24. Gloria Yaa Amponsah, NDC Communication Team member for Tain Constituency- **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Anpa Nkemma* aired on August 18, 2020.
25. Benasco Ampong, General Secretary for Professionals for Change Alliance and an NPP Member -**one (1)** during August 18, 2020 edition of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

26. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the August 19, 2020 edition of the programme.
27. Kwabena Kwakye, the host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* - **two (2)** during August 20, 2020 edition of the *National Agenda* programme.
28. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member – **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 21, 2020.
29. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** in an interview on Oman FM's *National Agenda* programme aired on August 24, 2020.
30. James Tano, the Tain Constituency Secretary for the NDC – **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Anpa Nkemma* programme aired on August 24, 2020.
31. Bernard Antwi Boasiako popularly known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 25, 2020.
32. Dr. Kwasi Kyei, NPP Ashanti Regional Communication Director – **one (1)** during Ashh FM's *Keynote* programme aired on August 25, 2020.
33. Kwame Baffoe also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* aired on August 25, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
34. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on August 25, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
35. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co- host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during August 25, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
36. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **two (2)** during August 25, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
37. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 27, 2020.
38. Richard Boadu, PPP Regional Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 27, 2020.
39. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **two (2)** during August 27, 2020 edition of the programme.
40. Nana Kwadwo Amankwah, Host, read a text message from Kwame Danso - **one (1)** during Ashh FM's *Keynote* programme aired on August 27, 2020.
41. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 28, 2020.
42. Kwaku Boahene, NDC National Deputy Communication Officer – **one (1)** during Adom FM's *Dwaso Nsem* aired on August 31, 2020.
43. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 31, 2020.
44. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme – **two (2)** during the September 1, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
45. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 1, 2020.
46. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during September 1, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme which was also aired on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

47. Nana Oteatuoaso Kokobeng II, a Governance Watcher (Political Analyst) (political affiliation not mentioned)- **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 2, 2020.
48. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 3, 2020.
49. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the September 3, 2020 edition of the programme.
50. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 4, 2020.
51. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **two (2)** during the September 4, 2020 edition of the programme.
52. Pastor Kwaku (political affiliation not mentioned)– **one (1)** during Ashh FM's *Keynote* programme aired on September 7, 2020.
53. Pius Enam Hadzide, Deputy Minister of Information (NPP) – **one (1)** in an interview on Okay FM's *Ade Akye Abia* aired on September 7, 2020.
54. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **two (2)** during September 7, 2020 edition of the *National Agenda* programme.
55. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during September 8, 2020 edition of the Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
56. Nana Kwabena Bobie Ansah, host of *The Citizen Show* – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *The Citizen Show* aired on September 8, 2020.
57. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Net2 TV's *The Dialogue* programme aired on September 9, 2020. This programme was broadcast live on Accra based Oman FM and Kumasi based Ashh FM.
58. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 9, 2020.
59. Alhaji Gauf, NPP Communication Team Member for Bono Region - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Antpa Nkemma* aired on September 11, 2020.
60. Samuel Agyarko, Western Regional Chairman for Aggrieved Customers of Menzgold (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** in an interview on Accra FM's *Evening News* aired on September 14, 2020.
61. A caller identified as Baba (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Citizen Show* aired on September 16, 2020.
62. Richard Boadu, PPP Ashanti Regional Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 17, 2020.
63. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during September 17, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme.
64. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme – **one (1)** during the September 17, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme.
65. Peter Antwi Boasiako, NPP Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Ghana Yensom* programme aired on September 17, 2020.
66. Kweku Agyekum Asare, NDC Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Ghana Yensom* programme aired on September 17, 2020.
67. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's Afternoon Political Show *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the September 18, 2020 edition of the programme.
68. A serial caller identified as Kosovo (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Ghana Yensom* programme aired on September 21, 2020.

69. Anthony Nukpenu, NDC Greater Accra Regional Organiser- **one (1)** during Power FM's Morning Show *Dwaboase* aired on September 22, 2020.
70. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on September 22, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
71. Oheneba Boamah Bennie, host of “*What is trending segment*” on Power FM's Afternoon Political Show *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the September 23, 2020 edition.
72. Prince Kumi also known as Maxi, an NPP member - **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on September 25, 2020.
73. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 25, 2020.
74. Kamaldeen Abdulai, Deputy Communications Director (NPP) - **one (1)** during Peace FM's *The Platform* aired on September 28, 2020.
75. Dela Edem, NDC Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme aired on September 28, 2020.
76. Listowel Nana Kusi Poku, Former Special Assistant to Alan Kyeremanteng's campaign team (Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Ghana and General Secretary of United Front Party (UFP)) – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *The Citizen Show* aired on September 29, 2020.
77. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the September 29, 2020 edition of the programme.
78. Prince Kumi also known as Maxi, an NPP member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on September 30, 2020.
79. Nana Ama Fosua, also known as Ahafo Ama, Ahafo Regional Captain of NPP Loyal Ladies - **one (1)** during October 1, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
80. Bernard Antwi Boasiako, also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 5, 2020.
81. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during the October 6, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
82. Kwabena Kwakye, host of *Boiling Point*– **one (1)** during the October 6, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The program was also broadcast on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
83. Eric Adjei, NDC Deputy Bono Regional Communication Officer – **one (1)** during Peace FM's *The Platform* programme aired on October 7, 2020.
84. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 7, 2020.
85. Bernard Antwi Boasiako, also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 7, 2020.
86. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the October 8, 2020 edition of the programme.
87. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 9, 2020.
88. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **two (2)** during the October 9, 2020 edition of the programme.

89. Dennis ‘Miracles’ Aboagye, NPP Former MCE for Akuapem North – **one (1)** during Accra FM’s *Citizen Show* aired on October 10, 2020.
90. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio’s *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 13, 2020.
91. Nana Asare Bediako, NDC Former DCE for Atwima Nwabiagya district – **one (1)** during Fox FM’s *εboborba* aired on October 13, 2020.
92. Victor Osei Poku, Aide to Manhyia-North MP (NPP) - **one (1)** during Fox FM’s *εboborba* aired on October 13, 2020.
93. A caller by name Efo (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Adom FM’s *Burning Issues* aired on October 14, 2020.
94. A caller by name Nana Nkrumah (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Tain FM’s Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɛmmɔ* aired on October 14, 2020.
95. Bernard Antwi Boasiako, also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio’s *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 15, 2020.
96. Nana Oteatuso Kokobeng II, a Governance Watcher (Social Analyst) (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio’s *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 15, 2020.
97. Listowel Nana Kusi Poku, Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Group Ghana and General Secretary of United Front Party (UFP) – **one (1)** during Accra FM’s *Citizen Show* aired on October 17, 2020.
98. Kwasi Kyei, NPP Ashanti Regional Communication Director – **one (1)** during Fox FM’s Morning Show (*Adwenkeseε segment*) aired on October 20, 2020.
99. A caller by name Amponsah (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Adom FM’s *Burning Issues* aired on October 21, 2020.
100. Oheneba Boamah Bennie, host of *The Battle Ground* – **two (2)** during Power FM’s *Inside Politics* programme (what is trending segment) aired on October 22, 2020.
101. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM’s *Inside Politics* programme – **five (5)** during the October 22, 2020 edition of the programme.
102. A caller identified as Abdul Gafaru (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Radio Tamale’s *Boot for Boot* programme aired on October 24, 2020.
103. Alhaji Mohammed Amin Adam Abio, NDC Northern Region Director of Elections – **one (1)** during Radio Justice’s *Northerner Eye* aired on October 24, 2020.
104. Prince Kumi, also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio’s *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 26, 2020.
105. Listowel Nana Kusi Poku, Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Group Ghana and General Secretary of United Front Party (UFP) - **one (1)** during Accra FM’s *The Citizen Show* aired on October 27, 2020.
106. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM’s *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the October 27, 2020 edition of the programme.
107. Yaw Barimah P.R.O of True Drivers Union of Ghana (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** in an interview on Tain FM’s *10am News* aired on October 28, 2020.
108. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM’s *Inside Politics* programme – **three (3)** during the October 30, 2020 edition of the programme.

## Unsubstantiated Allegations

1. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 4, 2020.
2. Azzey Baba, NDC Communication Team member for Tain Constituency - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on August 4, 2020.
3. Alhaji Gauf, NPP Communication Team member for Bono Region - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on August 4, 2020.
4. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* - **one (1)** during August 6, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
5. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co-host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* - **one (1)** during August 6, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
6. Wilson Daboo, NPP Upper East Regional Communication team member - **one (1)** during Radio A1's *Critical Issues* aired on August 7, 2020.
7. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 7, 2020.
8. Richard Appiah Kubi also known as Dada Appiah, Tain Constituency NPP Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on August 10, 2020.
9. Daakyehene Adusi Poku, a Presenter on Ashh FM - **one (1)** during the Newspaper review segment of the Morning Show *National Agenda* aired on August 11, 2020.
10. Freda Prempeh, Deputy Minister of Gender, Children and Social Protection (NPP) and MP for Tano North - **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* on August 11, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
11. Frank Frederick Danquah, NPP Communication Team member - **one (1)** during Ashh FM's *Keynote* programme aired on August 11, 2020.
12. Gordon Asare-Bediako, co- host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* - **one (1)** during August 11, 2020 edition of the programme. The programme was broadcast on Ashh FM.
13. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 11, 2020.
14. Richard Boadu, PPP Regional Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 11, 2020.
15. Kofi Owusu Omar, GCPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 11, 2020.
16. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme - **one (1)** during the August 12, 2020 edition of the programme.
17. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 12, 2020.
18. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme - **one (1)** during the August 13, 2020 edition of the programme.
19. Gideon Boako, NPP Special Aide to the Vice President - **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* aired on August 13, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
20. Maurice Ampaw, a legal practitioner (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 17, 2020.

21. John Darko, lecturer at GIMPA and a member of the NPP Suame Constituency - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 18, 2020.
22. Bernard Antwi Boasiako popularly known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on August 19, 2020.
23. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 20, 2020.
24. Akua Donkor, Leader and founder of the Ghana Freedom Party (GFP)- **one (1)** in an interview on Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 20, 2020.
25. Kwame Baffoe also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* aired on August 25, 2020 edition of the programme which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
26. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on August 25, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
27. Bernard Antwi Boasiako popularly known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on August 26, 2020.
28. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on August 27, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
29. Kofi Akpaloo, Flagbearer and Founder of LPG – **one (1)** during Hello FM's "*Akokɔ Abon*" aired on August 29, 2020 which was also picked by Peace FM.
30. Ernest Owusu Bempah, Ghana National Gas Communication Director (Former NDP communication director) – **one (1)** during Asempa FM's *Ekosii Sen* programme aired on September 4, 2020.
31. Kulibali Adama, NPP Tain Constituency Secretary - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 7, 2020.
32. Issifu Kassim also known as Nation, NDC Communication Officer for Tain constituency - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 7, 2020.
33. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 9, 2020.
34. Alhaji Gauf, NPP Communication Team Member for Bono Region - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 9, 2020.
35. A caller by name Margaret Koramah (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** in an interview on Accra FM's *Evening News* aired on September 10, 2020.
36. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 14, 2020.
37. Afa Suale, PPP Communication Team Member - **one (1)** during Radio Justice's *Super Morning Show* aired on September 15, 2020.
38. 10. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 15, 2020.
39. Samuel Nkrumah also known as Oga, NDC Communication Team Member for Tain Constituency- **two (2)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 16, 2020.

40. Yaw Adomako Baafi, NPP Former National Communication Director – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on September 22, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
41. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on September 22, 2020 which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
42. Albert Kwasi Anderson, NPP Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* programme aired on September 22, 2020.
43. Kwabena Kwakye, host of Oman FM's *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during September 22, 2020 edition of the *National Agenda* programme.
44. Isaac Anohene, NDC Tain Constituency Communication Team Member - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 23, 2020.
45. Baba Jamal Konneh, NDC Director of Elections in the Eastern Region – **one (1)** in an interview on Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* aired on September 24, 2020.
46. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 24, 2020.
47. A caller known as Rhaman One (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 24, 2020.
48. Issifu Kassim, also known as Nation, NDC Tain Constituency Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 25, 2020.
49. Kulibali Adama, NPP Tain Constituency Secretary - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on September 28, 2020.
50. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during September 29, 2020 edition of the Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
51. Nana Oteatuoso Kokobeng II, a Governance Watcher (Political Analyst) (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 30, 2020.
52. Charles Nyame, Public Relations Officer for the Coalition of Aggrieved Customers of the Gold Coast Fund Management (GCFM) (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Accra FM's *The Citizen Show* aired on September 30, 2020.
53. An NDC Communication Team Member identified as Dr. Abodwese – **two (2)** during Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* aired on October 1, 2020.
54. Johnson Asiedu Nketiah, NDC General Secretary – **one (1)** during Okay FM's *Ade Akye Abia* aired on October 5, 2020.
55. Mallam Issah, NDC Communication Team member – **one (1)** during Fox FM's *ɛboborba* aired on October 5, 2020.
56. Albert Kwasi Anderson, NPP Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* aired on October 6, 2020.
57. Eric Adjei, NDC Deputy Bono Regional Communication Officer - **one (1)** during Asempa FM's *ɛkosii Sen* aired on October 6, 2020.
58. Kwabena Kwakye, host of *Boiling Point* – **one (1)** during the October 6, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
59. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **two (2)** during the October 6, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

60. An unidentified interviewee (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** in an interview on Adom FM's *Dwaso Nsem* aired on October 9, 2020.
61. Nii Amasah Namoale, Former NDC MP for La Dadekotopon constituency – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Ghana Yensom* aired on October 9, 2020.
62. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **one (1)** in an interview on Okay FM's *Ade Akye Abia* aired on October 12, 2020.
63. Mallam Issah, NDC Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Fox FM's *Ɛboborba* aired on October 12, 2020.
64. Andy Kwaku Ameyaw, NPP Communication Team Member for Eastern Region – **one (1)** during Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* aired on October 12, 2020.
65. Yaw Adomako Baafi, NPP Former National Communication Director – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on October 13, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
66. Johnson Asiedu Nketiah, NDC General Secretary – **one (1)** during Okay FM's *Ade Akye Abia* aired on October 13, 2020.
67. Yaw Debrah also known as Vito, Operation Director for Lawyer Amofa Campaign (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** in an interview on Accra FM's *Ghana Yensom* programme aired on October 13, 2020.
68. Hopeson Adorye, NPP MP for Kpone Katamanso Constituency – **one (1)** during the October 15, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
69. Nana Ansah Obofour, NPP Communication Director UK – **one (1)** during the October 15, 2020 edition of the *Boiling Point* programme on Oman FM. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
70. Listowel Nana Kusi Poku, Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Group Ghana and General Secretary of United Front Party (UFP) – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Citizen Show* aired on October 17, 2020.
71. Fuseini Donkor, Former District Chief Executive for Sekyere Afram Plains (NDC) – **one (1)** during Hello FM's "*Akokɔ Abon*" aired on October 17, 2020 which was also broadcast live on Accra based Peace FM.
72. Kofi Owusu Omar, GCPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on October 19, 2020.
73. Nana Agyenim Boateng, Flagbearer of United Front Party (UFP) – **one (1)** in an interview on Kumasi based Angel FM's *Evening News* aired on October 19, 2020.
74. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **two (2)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on October 20, 2020 which was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
75. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman - **two (2)** during October 20, 2020 edition of the Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.
76. An NDC Communication Team Member identified as Akisko - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Anpa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on October 20, 2020.
77. Nana Agyenim Boateng, Flagbearer of United Front Party (UFP) – **one (1)** during Adom FM's *Burning Issues* aired on October 21, 2020.
78. Listowel Nana Kusi Poku, Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Group Ghana

and General Secretary of United Front Party (UFP) – **one (1)** during Ahotor FM's *Adekye Mu Nsem* programme aired on October 22, 2020.

79. Fiifi Mensah, NPP Chairman for Bantama – **one (1)** during Hello FM's *Akoko Abon* which was broadcast live on October 24, 2020 on Accra based Peace FM.

80. Hamza Suhuyini, NDC Communication Team Member (Former Board Member of Ghana Road Fund) - **one (1)** during Radio Tamale's *Rescue Mission* aired on October 25, 2020.

81. Bernard Antwi Boasiako, also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 26, 2020.

82. Bismark Aborbi Ayitey, NDC Chairman for Ayawaso West Wuogon – **one (1)** during Peace FM's *The Platform* programme aired on October 26, 2020.

83. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the October 27, 2020 edition of the programme.

84. Collins Boakye, also known as Playboy, NDC Tain Constituency I.T Director - **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkemma* aired on October 28, 2020.

85. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 29, 2020.

86. Don Dallas Williams, NDC Eastern Regional Communication Officer – **one (1)** during Obuoba FM's *Obuoba Kasa* programme, aired on October 29, 2020.

## Provocative Remarks

1. Gideon Boako, NPP Special Aide to the Vice President– **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on August 13, 2020. The programme was broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

2. Kwame Baffoe, also known as Abronye DC, NPP Bono Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on August 25, 2020. The programme was broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

3. Bernard Antwi Boasiako also known as Chairman Wontumi, NPP Ashanti Regional Chairman – **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on September 23, 2020.

4. Citizen Kofi Owusu, host of *Adekye Mu Nsem* read a text from Marvelous located at Sogakophe – **one (1)** during Ahotor FM's *Adekye Mu Nsem* programme aired on September 23, 2020.

5. Nana Oteatuso Kokobeng II, a Governance Watcher (Political Analyst) (political affiliation not mentioned)- **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 25, 2020.

6. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **three (3)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on September 24, 2020.

7. Christian Donkor, lecturer with ICAG (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Oman FM's *6pm News* aired on September 26, 2020

8. A caller referred to as Yaw (political affiliation not mentioned) – **one (1)** during Accra FM's *Citizen Show* aired on September 28, 2020.

9. Kwadwo Adu Asare, Former MP for Adenta (NDC)- **one (1)** during Asempa FM's *Ekosii Sen* aired on October 7, 2020.

10. Prince Kumi also known as Maxi, an NPP Member - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on October 9, 2020.

## Threats

1. Kennedy Ohene Agyapong, NPP MP for Assin Central – **one (1)** during Asempa FM's *Ekosii Sen* programme aired on August 4, 2020.
2. Mugabe Maase, host of Power FM's *Inside Politics* programme – **one (1)** during the August 7, 2020 edition of the programme.
3. Issah Kantagyere, Former Upper West Regional Communications Officer and currently a member of the Communication Team (NDC) – **one (1)** during Radio Progress's *Super Morning Show* aired on August 29, 2020.
4. Nana Oteatuoso Kokobeng II, a Governance Watcher (Political Analyst) (political affiliation not mentioned) - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV aired on September 24, 2020.

## Divisive Comments

1. Emmanuel Nyame Gregory, NDC Tain Constituency Youth Organizer- **one (1)** during Tain FM's Morning Political Show *Ampa Nkɔmmɔ* aired on August 10, 2020.
2. Kofi Owusu Omar, GCPP Ashanti Regional Chairman - **one (1)** during Wontumi Radio's *Morning Show* which picked the feed from Wontumi TV on September 3, 2020.
3. Yaw Adomako Baafi, NPP Grassroots President (NPP Former National Communication Director) – **one (1)** during Oman FM's *Boiling Point* programme aired on September 22, 2020. The programme was also broadcast live on Kumasi based Ashh FM.

## Inciting Violence

1. An NDC Communication Team Member for Eastern Region identified as Dr. Abodwese – **one (1)** during Obuoba FM's Morning Show *Obuoba Kasa* aired on September 7, 2020.

## Expressions Containing Prejudice and Bigotry

1. Suadiq Musa, NDC Communication Team Member – **one (1)** during Radio Tamale's *People's Parliament* programme aired on October 27, 2020.

Over the three-month period, the following top 10 individuals were found to be most abusive

| NAME                       | PARTY/GROUP AFFILIATION  | NO. OF INDECENT EXPRESSIONS |
|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Bernard Antwi Boasiako     | NPP  | 37                          |
| Mugabe Maase               | Host of Inside Politics  | 31                          |
| Kennedy Ohene Agyapong     | NPP  | 20                          |
| Kwame Baffoe               | NPP  | 13                          |
| Kwabena Kwakye             | Host of Boiling Point  | 13                          |
| Prince Kumi                | NPP  | 12                          |
| Gordon Asare-Bediako       | Co-host of Boiling Point/ a regular feature on Boiling Point programme | 10                          |
| Listowel Kusi Poku         | Executive Secretary of Good Governance Advocacy Ghana & UFP            | 5                           |
| Nana Oteatuoso Kokobeng II | Governance Watcher (Social & Political Analyst)                        | 5                           |
| Yaw Adomako Baafi          | NPP  | 3                           |

*As a policy, the MFWA does not publish the indecent expressions people make since it amounts to rebroadcasting those remarks. The specific expressions made by people cited in our reports are, however, available at the MFWA for verification by those cited.*

### 3.0 Conclusion and Recommendations

In consideration of the above findings, the MFWA makes the following recommendations:

- Leaders of the various political parties, especially the NDC and the NPP should encourage their representatives, affiliates and communicators to focus on issues in their discourse on radio and desist from using indecent expressions.
- Radio stations, especially presenters/moderators should handle their programmes with professionalism by desisting from using indecent expressions and insisting on the use of decent expressions by persons who appear on their programmes.
- Radio stations and programme managers must know the reputation of guests/discussants and their penchant to use abusive language on their shows and avoid inviting such individuals.

- The National Media Commission (NMC), the Ghana Independent Broadcasters Association (GIBA) and the Ghana Journalists Association (GJA) are encouraged to use these findings and subsequent ones to inform remedial actions and processes.
- The electorate are encouraged to follow and consider the findings from the monitoring reports to know which political parties engage in issues-based public discourse to help inform and guide their voting decisions.



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