



Constitution

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PREAMBLE

WE, of the United Party

Aware of dynamic trends impacting rule-based conduct in national, regional and international governance

Committed to upholding democratic values, norms and principles in Ghana, including effective participation, fundamental human rights, the rule of law, the promotion of individual talent, wealth creation and equitable development

Recalling that these values, norms, and principles are set out in Chapters 5 and 6 of the 1992 Constitution of Ghana; headlined 'Fundamental Human Rights and Freedoms' and 'The Directive Principles of State Policy' respectively

Recognising the desire of the people of Ghana for political stability, economic growth, and social cohesion as tangible benefits of democratic governance

Conscious of the need for transformation in all spheres of national life

Believing in the sovereignty of the people of Ghana, wherever they may be in the world

Do, in the name of God Almighty, adopt this Constitution.

Article I: NAME, COLOURS & SYMBOL

- 1. The name of the Party is the UNITED PARTY, abbreviated as UP.
- 2. The colours are Yellow, Black, and White.
- 3. The symbol is a Monarch Butterfly signifying national transformation, adapting the best of the past to change the present and emerge into a brighter future with hope, strength, and resilient growth.
- 4. The motto is "Ghana First".

Article II: PURPOSE

The purpose of the UP is to achieve electoral success to transform Ghana, and build a prosperous, united, and peaceful country that provides equal opportunities for all, particularly young people, women, and other vulnerable groups, to realise their full potential and improve their livelihoods and general wellbeing.

Article III: OBJECTIVES

- 1. Identify and support candidates at all levels of political contest to achieve electoral success to transform Ghana towards resilient and sustainable growth.
- 2. Build an Enterprise Economy that recognises private ownership, rewards entrepreneurial initiative, supports local and foreign capital accumulation, develops human resource capacity, builds social infrastructure, and fosters competitive markets.
- 3. Establish resilient and flexible regulatory frameworks that shape the public sector as a facilitator and enabler of private enterprise.
- 4. Develop comprehensive policies, programmes and projects which provide fair access to opportunities for all, increasing job and wealth creation, for prosperity.
- 5. Promote diversity and inclusion in national, regional and local political, economic and social governance structures and processes.
- 6. Ensure integrity in the use of national assets.
- 7. Promote innovation in all spheres of national endeavour by investing in Research and Development and harnessing indigenous talent.
- 8. Manage our natural resources and environment in a beneficial and sustainable manner.
- 9. Inspire mindset and behavioural change to enhance productivity, transparency, and accountability.
- 10. Pursue an international foreign policy agenda of positive neutrality, with a view to promoting the strategic interests of Ghana and enhancing Pan Africanism.

Article IV: ORGANS AND OFFICES

The organs of the UP are: -

1. NATIONAL LEVEL

a) National Conference (NC)

The National Conference shall: -

- i) be the highest decision-making body of the Party.
- ii) be open to all registered members of the Party.
- iii) be responsible for approving the Constitution of the Party and all amendments to the Constitution.
- iv) be convened annually and chaired by the National Chairman.

b) National Governing Council (NGC)

The National Governing Council shall: -

- i) be the second highest decision-making body of the Party.
- ii) be responsible for decisions in between meetings of the NC.
- iii) be chaired by the Leader of the Party, howsoever that the Founder of the Party shall act as the Leader until otherwise determined by the NC.
- iv) meet every six (6) months, and as and when necessary.
- v) be made up of: -
 - All members of the National Coordinating Executive Committee (NCEC)
 - All Regional Chairpersons
 - A number of representatives from the Parliamentary Caucus nominated by the Leader of the Party
 - Five (5) representatives from the National Council of Elders
 - Sixteen (16) Cell Leaders nominated from Polling Stations by
 Cell Leaders from each of the sixteen (16) regions
 - Six (6) representatives from Ghanaians Living Abroad, representing various zones namely Africa, Europe, North America, South America, Asia and the Pacific

 Sixteen (16) representatives nominated by the Yellow Army (UP Tertiary Institutions Wing) within each of the sixteen (16) regions

c) National Coordinating Executive Committee (NCEC)

The National Coordinating Executive Committee shall: -

- i) be responsible for all decisions in-between meetings of the NGC.
- ii) draw the agenda for meetings of the NC and NGC.
- iii) be chaired by the National Chairman.
- iv) meet every month.
- v) be made up of: -
 - The National Chairman
 - Seven National Vice Chairpersons
 - General Secretary
 - Two Deputy General Secretaries
 - Chairman, National Council of Elders
 - National Treasurer
 - Director, National Field Operations
 - Director, Communications and Spokesperson
 - Director, National Women Caucus
 - Director, National Youth Caucus
 - Director, Zumunta
 - Director, Security and Intelligence
 - Director, Strategy
 - Director, Elections
 - Director, IT
 - Director, Political Research
 - Director, Policy
 - Director, Monitoring and Evaluation
 - Director, Legal
 - Director, Administration, Human Resource & General Services
 - Director, Protocol and Social Engineering
 - Regional Chairpersons
 - Chairman, Parliamentary Caucus

- Chairman, Caucus of Ghanaians Living Abroad
- Commander, Yellow Army

d) Chairman's Caucus (CC)

The Chairman's Caucus shall: -

- i) be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Party.
- ii) draw up the agenda for the meetings of the NCEC.
- iii) be chaired by the National Chairman.
- iv) meet once a week and as and when required.
- v) invite and or co-opt any person or any member of the NCEC to attend a meeting where necessary.
- vi) be made up of: -
 - The National Chairman
 - National Vice Chairpersons
 - General Secretary
 - Deputy General Secretaries
 - National Treasurer
 - Director, National Field Operations
 - Director, Communications and Spokesperson
 - Director, Security and Intelligence
 - Director, National Youth Caucus
 - Director, National Women Caucus
 - Director, Zumunta
 - Director, IT
 - Director, Legal
 - Director, Administration, Human Resource & General Services
 - Director, Protocol and Social Engineering

e) National Council of Elders

The National Council of Elders shall: -

i) provide general advice to support the efficient and effective management of the Party.

- ii) support the fundraising and resource mobilization efforts of the Party.
- iii) assist in the resolution of conflicts that may arise within the Party.
- iv) be composed of twenty one persons, made up of the Chairpersons of the sixteen (16) Regional Councils of Elders and five others selected by the Leader of the Party in consultation with NCEC, one of whom shall be the Chairperson.
- v) meet as often as required to discharge its functions effectively.

f) Coordination of Ghanaians Living Abroad

- i) The General Secretary shall be responsible for liaison with Ghanaians Living Abroad and shall ensure effective coordination of the Party abroad.
- ii) The General Secretary, in consultation with Ghanaians Living Abroad, and with the approval of the NCEC, may establish an international branch of the Party in any country.
- iii) International Branches may determine their own procedures subject to approval by NCEC.

g) National Secretariat

There shall be a National Secretariat of the Party, which shall: -

- i) be headed by the General Secretary of the Party.
- ii) offer administrative and operational support to the Presidential Candidate, Vice Presidential Nominee, the National Chairman and National Vice Chairpersons, Directorates, National Treasurer, the Regional and Constituency Offices and any other offices, committees and functional units of the Party.

2. REGIONAL LEVEL

a) The Regional Executive Committee

The Regional Executive Committee shall: -

- i) be the highest decision-making body within a region.
- ii) have oversight responsibility for all constituencies within a region.
- iii) be chaired by the Regional Chairperson.
- iv) meet every month.
- v) be made up of: -
 - The Regional Chairperson
 - Two Regional Vice Chairpersons
 - Regional Secretary
 - Assistant Regional Secretary
 - Regional Treasurer
 - Chairperson of the Regional Council of Elders
 - Leader of Regional MPs Caucus
 - All Constituency Chairpersons within a region
 - Regional Director of Field Operations
 - Regional Communications Director
 - Regional Director, Women Caucus
 - Regional Director, Youth Caucus
 - Regional Director, Zumunta
 - Regional Director, Elections
 - Regional Director, IT
 - Regional Director, Political Research
 - Regional Security and Intelligence Coordinator
 - Regional Commander, Yellow Army

b) The Regional Council of Elders

The Regional Council of Elders shall: -

- i) provide general advice to support the efficient and effective management of the Party at the regional level.
- ii) support the fundraising and resource mobilization efforts of the Party at the regional level.

- assist in the resolution of conflicts that may arise within the Party at the regional level.
- iv) be made up of the Chairpersons of the Constituency Councils of Elders.
- v) be chaired by a person selected by the Leader of the Party in consultation with the Regional Executive Committee.
- vi) meet as often as required to discharge its functions effectively.

3. CONSTITUENCY LEVEL

a) The Constituency Executive Committee

The Constituency Executive Committee shall: -

- i) be the highest decision-making body at the constituency level.
- ii) have oversight responsibility for all community level operations in a constituency.
- iii) be chaired by the Constituency Chairperson.
- iv) meet once a month and as and when necessary.
- v) be made up of: -
 - the Constituency Chairperson
 - Two Constituency Vice Chairpersons
 - Member of Parliament or Parliamentary Candidate
 - Chairperson of the Constituency Council of Elders
 - Constituency Secretary
 - Constituency Assistant Secretary to be appointed by the Constituency Executive Committee
 - Constituency Treasurer
 - Constituency Field Operations Coordinator
 - Constituency Women Caucus Coordinator
 - Constituency Youth Caucus Coordinator
 - Constituency Zumunta Coordinator
 - Constituency Communications Officer
 - Constituency Elections Officer
 - Constituency Political Research Officer
 - Constituency IT Officer

b) The Constituency Council of Elders

The Constituency Council of Elders shall: -

- i) provide general advice to support the efficient and effective management of the Party at the constituency level.
- support the fundraising and resource mobilization efforts of the Party at the constituency level.
- iii) assist in the resolution of conflicts that may arise within the Party at the constituency level.
- iv) be made up of a nominated Patron from each community within the Constituency.
- v) be chaired by a person selected by the Leader of the Party in consultation with the Constituency Executive Committee.
- vi) meet as often as required to discharge its functions effectively.

4. COMMUNITY LEVEL

The community level structure of the Party shall be established in every town in a rural constituency or every suburb in an urban constituency and be led by a community executive committee.

The Community Executive Committee shall: -

- i) be the highest decision-making body at the Community level.
- ii) have oversight responsibility for all Polling Station operations in a community.
- iii) be chaired by the Community Leader.
- iv) meet every month and, as and when required.
- v) be made up of: -
 - The Community Leader
 - As many people as the Community Leader may appoint as a Working Committee
 - Polling Station Cell Leaders within a community or suburb
 - Patrons

a) Community Patrons

Community Patrons shall be individuals of influence and means, who identify with the ideals of the Party and, irrespective of their location, choose to support the activities of the Party at community level.

Community Patrons shall: -

- i) provide general advice to support the efficient and effective management of the Party at the community level.
- ii) support the fundraising and resource mobilization efforts of the Party at the community level.
- iii) assist in the resolution of conflicts that may arise within the Party at the community level.
- iv) be made up of as many persons as shall be identified by the Party as Patrons within a community.
- v) be chaired by a person selected by the Leader of the Party in consultation with the Community Executive Committee.
- vi) meet as often as required to discharge its functions effectively.

5. POLLING STATION LEVEL

There shall be:

- i) a Cell Leader for every Polling Station set up by the Electoral Commission in any General Election.
- ii) the Cell Leader shall have oversight responsibility for all activities at the Polling Station.
- iii) a Cell Leader may select as many people as necessary to help carry out activities within the area of a Polling Station.
- iv) selected people must include: -
 - a secretary to keep and manage records of the Party
 - ten (10) people designated as Polling Station Organisers
- v) a Cell Leader may convene as many meetings as necessary and invite as many people as needed to attend, depending on the matter at hand.

Article V: SELECTION OF OFFICERS

All registered members who meet the eligibility criteria in the 1992 Constitution of the Republic of Ghana and the Political Parties Act, 2000 (Act 574) may hold Office in the Party, subject to the selection and or election process provided herein, howsoever that Ghanaians Living Abroad may also hold office, provided such officers can attend meetings regularly.

1. Elections

- a) National Officers shall be elected by all registered members of the Party in Ghana and Ghanaians Living Abroad on the basis of One-Member-One-Vote (OMOV).
- b) Regional Officers shall be elected by all registered members of the Party within a particular region.
- c) Constituency Officers shall be elected by all registered members of the Party within a constituency.
- d) Community Leaders shall be elected by all registered members of the Party within a community.
- e) Cell Leaders shall be elected by all registered members of the Party within a Polling Station.

2. Selection

Notwithstanding Article V (1), where the NGC determines that any office at any level of the Party may be occupied by selection, candidates may be nominated by any member of the Party, and vetted and selected by a panel of the relevant body as follows: –

- a) National Officers shall be selected by the NGC and approved by the NC.
- b) Regional Officers shall be selected by the NCEC and approved by the NGC.
- c) Constituency Officers shall be selected by the Regional Executive Committee and approved by the NCEC.

- d) Community Leaders shall be selected by the Constituency Executive Committee and approved by the Regional Executive Committee.
- e) Cell Leaders shall be selected by the Community Executive Committee and approved by the Constituency Executive Committee.
- f) Patrons and Elders shall be selected by the relevant Executive Committee and or the Leader of the Party.
- 3. The process of nominations for selection or election shall be provided in Regulations and Guidelines.

4. Term of Office

- a) Offices within the approved structure of the Party shall be held for a four-year term.
- b) Subject to Article VI hereunder, an eligible member may stand for re-election or be selected for an unlimited number of terms for any position at National, Regional, Constituency, Community and Polling Station level.

5. Dual Office

- a) Subject to recommendations by the CC and approval by the NCEC, an officer of the Party at any level, upon application to the CC, may contest for other elective positions in national elections.
- b) An officer may hold positions concurrently, one within the Party structure and outside the Party structure.
- c) For the purposes of Article V (5), positions within the Party leadership structure are those established under Article IV and are distinct from positions contested for and acquired through national elections organized by the Electoral Commission on behalf of the Republic of Ghana.

6. Appointment of Other Officers

a) The NCEC may appoint Deputies and Assistants to any of the prescribed offices, as appropriate.

b) The NCEC may also establish other offices necessary for the efficient and effective operations and administration of the Party.

Article VI: MEMBERSHIP

1. Eligibility and Registration

- a) Membership of the UP is open to all persons, qualified and registered to vote in Ghana.
- b) Any person who demonstrates support for the Party, its program of work, and is willing to propagate the Party's principles, may register as a member of the Party.
- c) Registration as a member is through any channel specified by the Party including but not limited to online and manual processes. Registration requirements shall include information necessary to build and maintain a database of members.
- d) Successful registrants shall be issued with membership cards to attest to their membership.
- e) Membership shall be subject to periodic renewal.

2. Rights

- a) Apart from personal data necessary to establish a functional and efficient database for operations, a member retains a right of privacy.
- b) Members shall not be disadvantaged by virtue of race, ethnicity, status, occupation, religion, or gender.
- c) Members shall be eligible to participate in the selection and election of leaders and officers of the Party, either as candidates or as part of the relevant electoral college.
- d) Members may participate in meetings, share opinions, and contribute to policy formulation, advocacy and dissemination of the Party's values, principles, policies and programmes.

3. Duties

- a) Members shall by their actions and utterances protect and project a positive image of the Party in line with Party tenets and all laws governing political activity in Ghana.
- b) Members are required to study and appreciate the Party's values, principles, policies and programmes to enable proficiency in advocacy on behalf of the Party.
- c) Members shall pay any dues and fees in any amount as shall be determined by the relevant organ of the Party. The payment of such dues and fees shall be on an annual basis except that a member may make provision for monthly payments.
- d) Compliance with payment of dues and fees shall be a primary determinant for membership of good standing. Only members in good standing shall be eligible to contest for election to leadership and or officer roles in the Party, and to vote in internal elections.
- e) A member shall subscribe to a code of conduct.

4. Loss of Membership

- a) Members who misconduct themselves or have grievances proven against them by members or non-members, may lose membership of the Party through:
 - i) Resignation
 - ii) Suspension
 - iii) Expulsion
 - iv) Forfeiture
- b) The following shall constitute misconduct:
 - i) Infringement of the provisions of this Constitution.
 - ii) Breach of the Code of Conduct of the Party.
 - iii) Repeated failure or refusal to pay the requisite dues and fees.
 - iv) Unauthorized association with other parties and political entities or endorsement of other parties, political entities or individuals.
 - v) Verbal, physical or media assault on other members and or leadership
 - vi) Manipulation of membership data.

- vii) Persistent deliberate deviation and distortion of Party principles, tenets, and messages.
- viii) Falsification of documents and information in any medium, meant to influence claims or acquire unmerited benefits.
- ix) Malicious damage to the property and reputation of the Party.

Article VII: DISCIPLINE

- 1. There shall be disciplinary committees at national, regional and constituency level.
- 2. A disciplinary committee shall:
 - a) Receive complaints about misconduct.
 - b) Receive petitions of grievance from members against other members, the Party or officers of the Party.
 - c) Investigate and conduct inquiries into received complaints and grievances.
 - d) Make a report on the proceedings and conclusions of investigations and inquiries including recommendations for action.
 - e) Present reports to the relevant executive committee.
 - f) In all cases, the relevant executive committee shall implement the recommendations of the received report.
- 3. A Constituency Disciplinary Committee shall have jurisdiction over all matters of alleged misconduct and grievance within the constituency.
 - a) A Constituency Disciplinary Committee shall have three members, appointed by the Constituency Executive Committee, in consultation with the Constituency Council of Elders.
 - b) Constituency Disciplinary Committee members shall not be members of the Constituency Executive Committee or Constituency Council of Elders.
 - c) The quorum for deliberations shall be two-thirds of the members of the Committee, whilst the quorum for final decisions shall be all

- members of the Committee. Reports of the Committee must be signed and ratified by all members.
- d) Constituency Disciplinary Committee members shall be appointed for a term of four years, renewable as often as the appointment is deemed fit.
- e) The report and recommendations of the Constituency Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the Constituency Executive Committee.
- 4. There shall be a Regional Disciplinary Committee, which shall have jurisdiction on all matters pertaining to the conduct of members of the Regional Executive Committee, Regional Council of Elders and any other members operating and acting at regional level.
 - a) A Regional Disciplinary Committee shall have three members, appointed by the Regional Executive Committee in consultation with the Regional Council of Elders.
 - b) Regional Disciplinary Committee members shall not be members of the Regional Executive Committee or Regional Council of Elders.
 - c) The quorum for deliberations shall be two-thirds of the members of the Committee, whilst the quorum for final decisions shall be all members of the Committee. Reports of the Committee must be signed and ratified by all members.
 - d) Regional Disciplinary Committee members shall be appointed for a term of four years, renewable as often as the appointment is deemed fit.
 - e) The report and recommendations of the Regional Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the Regional Executive Committee.
- 5. There shall be a National Disciplinary Committee, which shall have jurisdiction over all matters to do with the conduct of the national leadership of the Party, the National Council of Elders, the Presidential Candidate and Vice-Presidential Nominee at any point in time and Parliamentary Candidates.
 - a) The National Disciplinary Committee shall have three members, appointed by the NCEC.

- b) National Disciplinary Committee members shall not be members of the NGC, NCEC, CC or the National Council of Elders.
- c) The quorum for deliberations shall be two-thirds of the members of the Committee, whilst the quorum for final decisions shall be all members of the Committee. Reports of the Committee must be signed and ratified by all members.
- d) National Disciplinary Committee members shall be appointed for a term of four years, renewable as often as the appointment is deemed fit.
- e) The report and recommendations of the National Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the CC.
- 6. Appeals from the decisions and or recommendations of the relevant disciplinary committees shall lie as of right as follows:
 - a) From the Constituency to the Regional Disciplinary Committee.
 - b) From the Region to the National Disciplinary Committee.
 - c) From National to an Ad-hoc Appellate Committee of three members to be set up by the NGC on a case-by-case basis.
- 7. Further guidelines, rules of procedure and composition of the Disciplinary Committees shall be made and approved by the NGC.

Article VIII: CANDIDATES

1. Presidential Candidate

- a) There shall be a Presidential Candidate of the Party for the purposes of participation in the National Presidential Elections.
- b) An Aspirant seeking to be a Presidential Candidate must be a full-fledged card bearing member of the Party, in good standing, with demonstrable evidence of payments of all dues and fees and any other contributions in cash or kind to the Party. A candidates' record of engagement on behalf of the Party, and a demonstrated understanding of the aims and purpose of the UP, as well as a functional understanding of the political ecosystem, may inform the decisions of members meeting in NC for the selection process.
- c) A Presidential Candidate shall be selected by the Party meeting in NC through elections or by consensus.
- d) After selection: -
 - the Presidential Candidate will become the face of the Party,
 Chief Spokesperson and Leader of the Party.
 - ii) the Presidential Candidate shall be a member of all the national organs of the Party except the CC of which the Presidential Candidate shall be an ex-officio member, subject to invitation by the CC.
 - iii) the Presidential Candidate shall be an ex-officio member of all regional and constituency executive committees.
 - iv) the Presidential Candidate shall nominate a vice president, in consultation with the NGC.
- e) A Presidential Candidate shall be selected every four (4) years, howsoever that NGC may determine the modalities.
- f) A Presidential Candidate who becomes President of the Republic of Ghana shall divest the powers under Article VIII(1)(d) i) heretofore and the said powers shall vest in the Chairman of the Party.
- g) In between National Presidential Elections, and where the Presidential Candidate is not elected President of the Republic of Ghana, the Presidential Candidate shall retain all the powers under Article VIII (1)(d) i) heretofore and subject to Article VIII (1)(e), until the selection of a new Presidential Candidate.

h) A Presidential Candidate shall be subject to the Code of Conduct and may be removed within the provisions of the Code and the jurisdiction of the National Disciplinary Committee.

2. Vice Presidential Nominee

- a) There shall be a Vice-Presidential Nominee of the Party for the purposes of participation in the National Presidential Elections.
- b) The Vice-Presidential Nominee shall be selected by the Presidential Candidate in consultation with the NGC.
- c) The Presidential Candidate shall nominate the Vice-Presidential Nominee not later than three (3) months after being selected, save that the Presidential Candidate may request an extension of time from the NGC.
- d) The Vice-Presidential Nominee shall: -
 - assist the Presidential Candidate in all activities in pursuance of the Party's campaign for the General Elections.
 - ii) be a member of all the national organs of the Party except the CC of which the Vice-Presidential Nominee shall be an ex-officio member, subject to invitation by the CC.
 - iii) the Vice-Presidential Nominee shall be an ex-officio member of all regional and constituency executive committees.
- e) Where the Presidential Candidate is not elected President of the Republic of Ghana, the nomination of the Vice President shall lapse after the General Elections.
- f) The Vice-Presidential Nominee shall be subject to the Code of Conduct and may be removed within the provisions of the Code and the jurisdiction of the National Disciplinary Committee.

3. Parliamentary Candidates

- a) There shall be Parliamentary Candidates representing the Party at constituency level for the purpose of participation in the National Parliamentary Elections.
- b) An Aspirant seeking to be a Parliamentary Candidate shall be a card-bearing member of the Party, in good standing, and shall provide evidence of any other contributions in cash or kind to the Party, howsoever that the NGC may waive these and any other requirements upon recommendation by a Constituency Executive Committee.
- c) Parliamentary Candidates shall be selected by the Constituency Executive Committees in consultation with the Regional Executive Committee and be ratified by the NGC.
- d) After selection, the Parliamentary Candidate:
 - i) will become the face of the Party, Chief Spokesperson and Negotiator in Chief at the Constituency level.
 - ii) shall be a member of the Constituency Executive Committee.
 - iii) shall represent the Parliamentary Caucus, if nominated by the Leader of the Party, in consultation with the Caucus, in any designation or meeting that the Parliamentary Caucus is entitled to participate in, under this Constitution.
- e) Parliamentary candidates shall be selected every four (4) years, after the selection of the Presidential Candidate.
- f) Notwithstanding Article VIII (3) (e) above, where a Parliamentary Candidate is not successful in a National Parliamentary Election, the Constituency Executive Committee shall determine, within six (6) months of the conclusion of the National General Election, whether to retain or replace the Parliamentary Candidate.
- g) Where a Constituency Executive Committee decides to retain a Parliamentary Candidate, the decision shall be subject to ratification by the NGC.

h) A Parliamentary Candidate shall be subject to the Code of Conduct and may be removed within the provisions of the Code and the jurisdiction of the Constituency Disciplinary Committee.

Article IX: COMMITTEES

- 1. The NGC shall establish the following Standing Committees:
 - a) Finance Committee
 - b) Legal and Constitutional Committee
 - c) Organization Committee
 - d) Research Committee
 - e) National Disciplinary Committee
 - f) Vetting Committee
 - g) Communications Committee
 - h) Elections Committee
- 2. The NGC may establish other standing and ad-hoc committees as shall be required.
- 3. The NGC shall establish Sector Committees that will be responsible for providing policy guidance in respect of various sectors within the ambit of Government.

Article X: MERGERS AND ALLIANCES

- 1. Subject to the approval of the NCEC and ratification by the NGC, the Presidential Candidate is empowered to negotiate and conclude any mergers, alliances, partnerships or coalitions with any political entities.
- 2. Any proposed merger, alliance, partnership or coalition must have demonstrated potential to enhance the capacity of the UP to achieve electoral success and participate in the governance of the country.
- 3. The terms of any merger, alliance, partnership or coalition shall include provisions on power sharing and dissolution.

4. The terms of a merger, alliance, partnership or coalition, shall conform to the Constitution of Ghana and the electoral laws governing national General Elections.

Article XI: REGULATIONS

- 1. The implementation of this Constitution may be supplemented by rules, regulations and guidelines as the NCEC may recommend, and the NGC shall ratify.
- 2. Notwithstanding any provision within this Constitution, the NGC may, with stated reasons to be ratified by the NC, recommend the suspension or variation of the operation of some or parts of this Constitution for a specified purpose for a stated period.

Article XII: AMENDMENTS

- 1. This Constitution shall be amended either in whole or in part by the NC.
- 2. Proposals for amendment may be made by any member and presented in writing to the CC.
- 3. The CC shall facilitate debate of received proposals through the NCEC and the NGC and a recommendation as to the merits of the proposal shall be put before the NC for final determination.

Article XIII: INTERPRETATION

- 1. The interpretation of this Constitution shall be the responsibility of the NGC with the support of the Legal and Constitutional Committee of the Party.
- 2. The provisions of this Constitution shall be construed in accordance with the 1992 Constitution of the Republic of Ghana.

Article XIV: FOUNDATION OF THE PARTY

The Founder of the United Party is Hon. Alan John Kwadwo Kyerematen, who
has provided leadership and the strategic vision for the establishment of the
Party.
Dated:
Signed:
Founder
Interim National Chairman

Interim General Secretary