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**MISSION OF THE CHAIR OF THE ECOWAS AUTHORITY  
OF HEADS OF STATE OF GOVERNMENT TO MALI**

**Bamako, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

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1. H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa AKUFO-ADDO, President of the Republic of Ghana, Chair of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government, undertook a visit to Mali on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020.
2. The purpose of the visit was to meet with the new Malian authorities in order to assess the progress made in the transition process and to reaffirm ECOWAS' solidarity with the Republic of Mali.
3. The Chair of ECOWAS Authority was accompanied by:
  - H.E. Goodluck Ebele JONATHAN, Former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and ECOWAS Special Envoy and Mediator on the Crisis in Mali;
  - H.E. Shirley Ayorkor BOTCHWEY, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration of the Republic of Ghana and Chairperson of the ECOWAS Council of Ministers;
  - H.E. Jean-Claude Kassi BROU, President of the ECOWAS Commission;
  - As well as several collaborators.
4. H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa AKUFO-ADDO held consultations with H.E. Bah NDAW, President of the Transition and Head of State, Colonel Assimi GOITA, Vice-President of the Transition, Mr. Moctar OUANE, Prime Minister of the Transition and Head of Government, and the Ambassadors accredited to Mali.
5. The Chair of the ECOWAS Authority took note of the progress made in the implementation of the decisions of the Authority of Heads of State and Government since 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020, particularly the release of the detained civilian and military personalities, the establishment of the new transitional authorities and the adoption of the Transition Charter. He congratulated the President of the Transition, the Vice-President and the Prime Minister for their appointment and urged them to work towards a successful transition.
6. The Chair of the Authority took note of the information on the forthcoming establishment of the National Transitional Council (NTC) through an inclusive process.



7. The Chair of ECOWAS Authority urged the Transition Authorities to Finalise the calendar of the electoral process in order to arrive at the presidential and parliamentary elections within the indicated timeframe.
8. He encouraged the transition authorities to work towards enhancing Mali's security as well as the regional security. In this context, he urged the transitional authorities to strengthen cooperation with all regional actors, particularly ECOWAS.
9. H.E. President Nana Addo Dankwa AKUFO-ADDU reaffirmed the full support of ECOWAS to the Malian authorities in implementing the Transition roadmap in Mali, which is an important member of ECOWAS. He also called on the International Community to stand by Mali and give full support to the Transition.
10. The Chair of ECOWAS Authority expressed gratitude to the Malian authorities for the warm welcome and the facilities accorded to him for a successful mission.

Done at Bamako, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020



The Chair of Authority