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**STATEMENT BY THE CAMEROUN RENAISSANCE MOVEMENT REGARDING THE
BACKTRACKING ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE AUDIT CHAMBER ON THE
MANAGEMENT OF THE COVID-19 FUND**

After the outbreak of what is now known as the “Covid-19 Fund Management Scandal”, following the publication a few weeks ago of a partial report attributed to the Audit Chamber of the Supreme Court, national and international opinion is still waiting for the outcome of this case. Knowing the practices of the current regime in Cameroon, which has a reputation of opacity in the management of public funds – including when the said funds are granted by bilateral or multilateral partners – and manoeuvres to cover up the indelicacy of some senior public officials, many compatriots were convinced that light would not be shed on this scandal with hints of a crime against humanity.

For our part, we have been in a “wait and see” approach, convinced that a scandal of this magnitude involving funds from international partners could not be hushed up.

On 23 June 2021, an official note from the National Assembly announced a special plenary session for 25 June 2021, devoted to the “Presentation of the annual report and the audit report of the Special National Solidarity Fund for the fight against the coronavirus and its economic and social repercussions by the Audit Chamber”. Against all expectations, this plenary session was cancelled the day before it was announced, without any explanation from either the National Assembly or the Audit Chamber.

This suspicious backtracking is indicative of the regime's constant desire to evade the democratic duty of accountability and denotes its habitual and indecorous contempt for the Cameroonian people.

The Cameroon Renaissance Movement (CRM) expresses its deep concern at this backtracking, which is certainly in line with the autocratic and irresponsible behaviour of this arrogant regime, but which, in the light of the absence of follow-up to other scandals, could be the beginning of a cover-up of this case.

The CRM demands:

- that ALL the light be shed on the management of this Covid-19 Fund by the Government;
- that responsibilities – ALL responsibilities – be established; and
- that the perpetrators of wrongdoing, if proven, be punished in accordance with the law.

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