

STATEMENT ON THE MASSACRE OF THE CHADIAN POPULATIONS BY THE SECURITY FORCES DURING THE POLITICAL PROTESTS OF 20 OCTOBER 2022.

The misfortunes of a brotherly people cannot leave us indifferent.

The Cameroon Renaissance Movement (CRM) is deeply shocked by the unbearable and shameful images of dozens of dead and hundreds of injured Chadians, which went around the world on Thursday 20th October 2022. Nothing can justify such a tragedy. The explanations provided by the Prime Minister, a few hours after the painful event, leave us speechless.

The CRM extends its deepest condolences to the families of those murdered, and its deep sympathy to the many wounded.

The CRM gives its unreserved support to the brotherly people of Chad in their struggle against a power that shamelessly violates its main commitments made within the framework of the transition, in favour of the establishment of a civilian regime, democratic openness, respect for fundamental human rights and public freedoms, within the framework of a state based on the rule of law.

The massacres that occurred during this "Black Thursday" must not go unpunished, neither at national nor at international level. Whoever gave the order to fire on political demonstrators with legitimate demands, as well as those officers and elements of the security forces, that had the slightest involvement in these massacres, must answer for them.

The massacres of 20 October 2022 are the direct consequence of the establishment of the current power in violation of the Constitution, following a friendly arrangement and in logic of dynastic transmission, contrary to the basic principles and fundamental values of the Republic. .

Refusing to learn from their past mistakes, the very famous "International Community" and the African Union, which claim to promote democratic values, by their complicity in the unconstitutional establishment of the new power of N'Djamena, have handed over the Chadian people to their executioners today.

She plugged her ears to far sighted warnings of the People of Change in Chad, political parties, civil society organisations, personalities from various walks of life, one of the most eminent figures of which is the national president of the party "Les Transformateurs", Mr Success MASRA.

If his arrest is confirmed, we call for his immediate release, so as not to add misfortune to the tragedy of 20 October and to favour appeasement, a necessary condition for a solution to the deep political crisis in which the country is plunged.

Peace and stability in Chad contribute to peace and stability in Central Africa, starting with my country, Cameroon.

This is why we appeal to the other Heads of State of our sub-region to get involved in the search for a lasting solution to the current difficulties of this brotherly country.

Done in Yaoundé, October 22, 2022

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