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Dear Mr. Sample,

On behalf of the members of the Tamale Regional Peace Council, I send you greetings and congratulations of your successful Inter-faith Peace Summit last month in Tamale, NR. There have been many positive reactions to this summit, highlighted by youth conducting peace marches throughout the northern regions on September 21st to promote paths to peaceful elections this December.

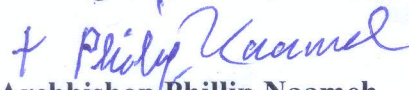
As you know, we continue to be concerned about the potential for violence before, during, and after the elections, especially in places like Yendi, NR, where there are several factors at work that could cause disruption. I am most impressed that the Yendi community came together constructively and held Peace Day activities, incorporating the concept that a path to peace relies on "waging peace" daily within each community by religious leaders and youth. I believe that this path will provide tremendous dividends in the long run, including after the elections.

I believe that your summit was a tremendous first step, but that additional work must continue between now and our elections. Therefore, I request that 72 Africa conduct another summit, located in and dedicated to Yendi. You would have the full support of the Regional Peace Council, although we do not have funding for such an effort. That said, I do believe that your summits are critical to ensuring peaceful elections, and am happy to assist in supporting your requests for funding through any paths you deem appropriate.

Time is extremely short, in that such a summit would need to happen in the next 60 days. I do hope, however, that you will agree to do this, can raise the necessary funding, and that we can have the pleasure of supporting your mission.

I look forward to your response.

Blessings and Peace,


Archbishop Phillip Naameh
Chairman, Tamale Regional Peace Council