La position des évêques anglophones depuis le début de la crise qui perdure dans les régions du Sud-Ouest et du Nord-Ouest a parfois été très « dure » envers le régime de Yaoundé.

Le 30 septembre déjà, dans un communiqué signé de son président Mgr Abraham Kome , la commission « justice et paix » de la conférence épiscopale du Cameroun décrivait l'indignation de l'Eglise catholique face à la persistance de la crise. A ce sujet la commission réitérait la position de l'Eglise quant à la recherche de la paix à travers un dialogue sans complexe et en rapport avec la vérité.

Par la suite, les évêques de la province ecclésiastique de Bamenda vont se faire entendre, regroupant les régions du Nord-Ouest et du Sud-Ouest, ces prélats vont assimiler les évènements du 01 octobre à un génocide. Ils inviteront d'ailleurs le gouvernement dont la responsabilité disent-ils est bien établie dans la crise à ouvrir un dialogue sincère sur la forme de l'Etat. Les hommes de Dieu dénonceront les arrestations et les détentions arbitraire.

Aujourd'hui les prélats se disent prêts à offrir leurs services pour le retour de la paix dans les ces régions en proie aux violences.

CONSEIL DES EGLISES PROTESTANTES DU CAMEROUN
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DECLARATION OF CEPCA (CPCC) Heads of Churches to the Government of Cameroon

Through the Prime Minister, Head of Government

We the leaders of the Council of Protestant Churches in Cameroon have consciously observed that our Nation and our people especially those of the Anglophone Regions of South West and North West are going through trying times that have never been experienced since our independence.

As a Council of Protestant Churches that continues to partner with the State of Cameroon in nation building, we hold on to our Biblical mandate and Prophetic voice; just as our Protestant Ancestors did 500years ago in stating our protest against the recent happenings in our nation that have ruined our progress, identity and marred our reputation.

After thoughtful reflections, prayers and due considerations of our role as Protestant Leaders in Cameroon:

1. We condemn all forms of violence and brutality especially the type witnessed in recent months in North West and South West which led to loss human lives
2. We condemn the use of excessive force and inhuman treatment of the civilian population by forces of Law and Order
3. We condemn the destruction of State, Church and Private property and attacks on individuals by any persons or group of persons.
4. We condemn any communication that intends to incite more violence, denigrate a people and that insults a person or group of persons.
5. We condemn all forms of intimidations or manipulations and brutal arrest aimed at reviving violence and conflict
6. We condemn all attacks on church leaders.
7. We condemn all forms of radical extremism that have enhanced irresponsible and emotional actions against the peace and unity of our Fatherland.

8. We condemn the erroneous use of the social and mass media that helped to fuel the crises.

In view of the afore mentioned;

1. We are ready to mediate in this current impasse hoping that the State of Cameroon will create an enabling environment for the effective and equitable dialogue to be initiated.
2. We call for Peace at all levels because we serve the Prince of Peace who is the one to unite us as Protestants, believers and as a Nation.
3. We call for the full restoration of the Internet in the North West and South West Regions of Cameroon which is an economic and developmental tool and crave for its responsible usage.
4. We stand for school resumption and decry the prolonged shut down of schools in the two Anglophone Regions and the sustained "ghost towns" (country Sundays) that have crippled the economy and educational life of the Anglophones.
5. To further end these crises, we call on all Protestant Churches in Cameroon and believers of goodwill to fast and pray from the 22nd to the 26th of November 2017 for our Fatherland.

In conclusion; we remain the voice of the voiceless as we rely on the Holy Spirit to use the Protestant Churches and other churches in Cameroon to foster peace, unity and development in our nation.
God Bless Cameroon!

Done in Buea
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