



ELECTORAL COMMISSION  
GHANA

**PRESS RELEASE**

**PHOTO COLLAGE POSTED ON FACEBOOK SHOWING PHOTO OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE  
ELECTORAL COMMISSION WITH PHOTOS OF ARMED MEN**

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Our attention has been drawn to a collage of photos shared on Facebook on Saturday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 2019, which includes the photograph of the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission with a visitor/journalist from Class FM.

The said shared collage, which has photographs of armed men purported to be responsible for the violence that occurred on Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019, mischievously includes a photograph of the Chairperson and a staff member/visitor of Class FM.

For the records, the said photograph of the Chairperson included in the collage, was taken with a staff/visitor at Class FM on the morning of the Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 when the Chairperson was invited into the studios of Class FM for a short interview. The photo in question was one of many taken with various members of staff and visitors who requested photographs with the Chairperson at the studios of Class FM. This photo has however been edited by mischievous persons in society, in order to wrongly associate the Electoral Commission and the Chairperson with the violence which took place in the residence of the candidate of the National Democratic Congress (NDC).

As a Commission, we are well aware of attempts by key elements of our society to undermine the integrity of the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission, and stir up dissatisfaction in the hearts and minds of citizens of Ghana towards the work of the Commission. As a Commission which has the principles of transparency, fairness and integrity as the bedrock of its operations, we have no doubt that the truth will always prevail over fabrications.

The Electoral Commission urges all well-meaning Ghanaians to disregard these photos and similar photos and videos posted on social media, recognizing them as acts of mischief intended to discredit the Chairperson and Deputy Chairpersons of the Electoral Commission, Commission members and the Electoral Commission as a whole.

The Electoral Commission remains committed to carrying out its mandate of conducting credible and transparent elections that reflect the choice and sovereign will of the people of Ghana.

Thank you.

Signed,

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