



EFF CONDEMNS THE ABDUCTION AND BRUTAL KILLING OF RADIO HOST AND PROMINENT JOURNALIST, MARTINEZ ZOGO IN CAMEROON

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The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) condemns in the strongest possible terms the abduction and brutal killing of a radio host and prominent Cameroonian journalist, Martinez Zogo. Zogo was first reported missing on the 17th of January 2023. His lifeless body was found in the middle of a field on Sunday, 22 January 2023, mutilated, naked and tortured.

The EFF joins the people of Cameroon, the African continent, the media fraternity and the world in expressing our deep condolences to the family of the late Zogo. Zogo was the director of Radio Amplitude, a popular radio show that tackles issues that directly affect the people of Cameroon. Zogo was also known for confronting state corruption and mismanagement of public funds by the state.

His critical voice echoed through the corridors of power in government offices and across the length and breadth of Yaoundé in Cameroon. Zogo's death is chilling as it further threatens the already delicate press freedom in Cameroon.

The EFF calls on Cameroonian President Paul Biya to immediately investigate the death of Zogo and bring all the perpetrators to book.

Justice for Zogo must never be undermined and the perpetrators must be apprehended regardless of their political or business affiliations.

It cannot be that in an era of democracy, civil liberties and Universal Human Rights we have a situation where journalists and citizens of an African state are subjected to a culture of fear and silence, when they have the right to think and speak out.

We also call on the South African Government, African Union, the people of Cameroon, the Diaspora and the world to publicly condemn the callous and brutal murder of Martinez Zogo.

May his soul rest in peace.

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