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ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAMEROON
PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT (CPDM), ON 24 MARCH 2025

**The Secretary General of the Central Committee
TO ALL**

- **Members of the Political Bureau and the Central Committee;**
- **President of the National Bureau of the WCPDM;**
- **Vice President of the National Bureau of the YCPDM;**
- **Heads of the Permanent Regional and Divisional Delegation of the Central Committee;**
- **Presidents of the CPDM, WCPDM and YCPDM Bureaus of the Basic Organs;**
- **Fellow militants.**

Theme: *“Let us all stand ready, behind President Paul BIYA, to take up the challenge of a clear, transparent and unambiguous victory for the CPDM candidate in the presidential election”.*



24 March 1985 to 24 March 2025, exactly 40 years.

40 years since President Paul BIYA secured the creation of the Cameroon People's Democratic Movement (CPDM) at the Bamenda Congress Hall, following the subsequent challenges encountered by the Cameroon National Union (CNU) *“to provide appropriate responses to the new demands of national construction and to the future concerns of Cameroon people”.*

This is how the CPDM was born, by subtly changing the name of the CNU. However, it remains difficult for some to come to terms with the past, in the dual light of overcoming and openness. Indeed, the new party aims to emerge from this challenging period in the history of our young nation, which witnessed the attainment

of independence and the reunification of Cameroon under circumstances that remain controversial. It is poised to embrace a new Cameroonian society, characterized by its youthfulness, dynamism, and uninhibited spirit. This society is eager for the future and is gradually subject to the influences of rapid globalization and information and communication technologies, which are surging unnoticeably towards social media.

In retrospect, if we look closely at the conditions that led to the birth of the Cameroon People's Democratic Movement (CPDM), we can estimate that on the threshold of his fantastic destiny at the helm of the State, President Paul BIYA quickly understood the need for an ideological apparatus in phase with his approach to provide him with support, and imagined from that moment on the advent of the CPDM which remains, undoubtedly, one of the decisive political markers of his exceptional stewardship.

Today, how far have we come?

In the context of forty years of sometimes turbulent and troubled history, alternating naturally between satisfaction and disappointment, the CPDM has undoubtedly established a distinctive temperament and personality, characterized by the breadth of its territorial coverage, the quality of its activists, and the value of its ideals. It has resolutely fought for peace, unity, justice, and progress, as well as for nationalistic values and has supported President Paul BIYA, who has instilled in the party a sense of tolerance, resilience, and patience. These elements are among the constituent elements and characteristics of the **"CPDM spirit."**

Today, under the enlightened leadership of His Excellency Paul BIYA, National President of the Party, we are fully assuming our status as a leading party in the national political arena, calmly, without bluster, but with a high awareness of the State and the Nation.

As a happy omen, the year 2025 of our Party's forty-year jubilee celebration coincides with the presidential election. We are meticulously preparing for this election, aligning our efforts with our aspirations as a political party of our era and stature. Our goal is a decisive, transparent, and unambiguous victory.

On March 24, we are calling for a general mobilization of our supporters throughout the National territory and abroad around the following theme: ***"Let us all stand ready, behind President Paul BIYA, to take up the challenge of a clear,***

transparent and unambiguous victory for the CPDM candidate in the presidential election.

In this moment of reflection, we particularly urge young people to remain vigilant and to avoid being misled by those who seek to instill inter-community discord, political unrest, and the destabilization of institutions, all to the detriment of our nation.

To further enlighten them, we invite them to listen carefully to the message that the Head of State addressed to them on the occasion of the last Youth Day on 11 February 2025. In this message, he speaks to them with sincerity and wisdom, telling them: ***“Whatever the criticism, I will always speak the language of truth to you... I understand your legitimate desire to realize your dreams and improve your living conditions...Therefore, I urge you not to pay heed to the siren calls by some irresponsible individuals. Do not let them use you to achieve their evil plans of wreaking chaos in our beloved and beautiful country. Also, do not be swayed by the false and often unachievable promises they try to lure you with”.***

The fortieth anniversary of the Party presents a valuable opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to empowering the youth of today for a brighter tomorrow. The CPDM is a platform that offers a nurturing environment for young individuals to thrive and realize their potential. The future of the Party is in the hands of its members, and the next forty years will be shaped by their contributions and dedication.

The CPDM is committed to ensuring that all young people have the opportunity to contribute and thrive within the party, especially for the fact that **The CPDM is the only political party that unites the youth and represents the diverse identities of all localities in our country.** The CPDM is the optimal venue for transferring proven political experience, accumulated over numerous years in the exercise of power. Currently, it is the sole political party capable of shaping its own destiny and articulating its long-term ambitions. Furthermore, **the CPDM remains the Party of hope for all Cameroonians.** Notably, it functions as the peace arm of the National President and the country.

The same holds true for women, who are undeniably among the Party's major assets and the front-line elements of its strike force. On this fortieth anniversary, we offer them our special compliments for their commitment, militancy, and unflinching

loyalty. Without them, the CPDM would not be what it is today. The Party is confident in their ability to confront the challenges of the upcoming years, including the forthcoming presidential election, and to persist in their role as mentors to the younger generation, who are their protégés.

To ensure the optimal celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Party, it is recommended that all CPDM sections, both domestic and international, collaborate with their respective section presidents notably WCPDM and YCPDM. Besides, they need to organize popular events in order to bringing together militants of all ranks as well as the general public, with the main objective of preparing the great mobilization for the presidential election, in which the participation of all CPDM supporters will be imperative.

In this context, the messages to be delivered will focus on:

- the presentation of the government's local achievements, which have had a proven impact on people's lives;
- the condemnation, with the utmost energy, of the barbaric acts perpetrated against senior figures and members of the government on foreign soil;
- the reiteration of our firm commitment to combat hate speech and actions aimed at destabilization and chaos;
- the reaffirmation of our total support for all government measures taken to ensure the safety of our compatriots;
- the Party's irreversible commitment to the fight to preserve the peace, unity and integrity of our country;
- vigilance in the face of violence perpetrated and planned to sow panic among the population;
- vigilance with regard to voter registration;
- explaining what is at stake in the presidential election for the future of the locality.

Naturally, the Permanent Divisional Delegations of the Central Committee will monitor the organization of events in the various sections, while the Permanent Regional Delegations of the Central Committee shall supervise the said activities.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL.

The Secretary General of the Central Committee,

Jean NKUETE