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GEORGE N. EWANE ON DAY 2 OF THE MAJOR  
NATIONAL DIALOGUE**

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**Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen of the press.**

Thanks for answering to our call once again.

The President of the Major National Dialogue, Chief Dr Joseph Dion Ngute and the Technical Secretariat, through my voice, recognize the arduous task that is yours.

They acknowledge the fact that you are now aware of the stakes and challenges of the Major National Dialogue.

As indicated in previous briefings and sequential to Presidential discourse of 10 September 2019, this historic rendez-vous of the sons and daughters of Cameroon, from all walks of life, has one main objective, namely that:

***“ The Major National Dialogue will, in line with our constitution, enable us to seek ways and means of meeting the high aspirations of the people of the North-West and South-West , but also of the other components of our Nation...it will focus on issues of national interest.”***

That said, and as you know, the 8 commissions set up by the delegates themselves with an elected bureau drawn from their peers, began work in earnest this morning at 10 am.

The President of the National Dialogue, Prime Minister DION NGUTE visited all 8 commissions today. At every stop, the participants were happy and applauded his comforting visit.

The President of the Major National Dialogue indicated in passing that to foster the inclusive character of the dialogue, participants could swop from one commission to the other as a matter of necessity.

The goal of this movement is to ensure that all ideas are brought on the dialogue table from which participants will have to decide what is good for Cameroon and for peace to return to the North-West and South-West Regions.

As of now, all the commissioners are putting their heads under one thinking cap.

They have at the back of their minds the return to normalcy in the two English-speaking regions of Cameroon.

The dialogue is heated; the participants are speaking out their minds in all sincerity and this for the good of Cameroon, One and Indivisible.



### **Ladies and Gentlemen of the Press,**

Allow me state here, that the Commission on Decentralization and Local Development remains the most heated commission.

How to fast-track decentralization and what constitutes the package have come to the fore; this, alongside other alternative proposals have been the bone of contention so far.

The flaring tempers of the day have now given way to serenity and frank, honest and constructive discussions as contributions to building a strong, united and prosperous Cameroon.

Some commissions have started coming up with proposals which we cannot bring to you now.

The Major National Dialogue is not a political or constitutional council. It is a round table of the sons and daughters of Cameroon who seek solutions to Cameroonian problems and everyone is represented.

### **Ladies and Gentlemen,**

When a dialogue takes place, quitters become losers and reveal in a subtle way their anthropological and other connections.

One more life of a Cameroonian lost is one more life too much. The participants are conscious of this; you too should be conscious.

Cameroonians are tired of seeing bloodshed, the economy dwindle, school activities stopped in some areas of the SW and NW and the perpetration of heinous crimes.

This must be stopped. For Cameroonians and for you, men and women of the media, the occasion is NOW and the time is NOW.

Thank you.