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PRESS STATEMENT

WHY DO MOF AND OTUNNU REFUSE TO ENGAGE IN MEDIATION AS DIRECTED BY COURT?

1. Uganda Peoples Congress wishes the nation, a happy and prosperous New Year, 2016.
2. The Party has faced an avalanche of court cases from the now expired Otunnu administration. These cases have the hidden hand of the Milton Obote Foundation behind them. Both of these entities have refused to accept the will of the Party membership exercised on the 30th May 2015 where Hon. Jimmy Akena was overwhelmingly endorsed as the sole nominated candidate for the presidency of the UPC Party. NO OTHER CANDIDATE ATTAINED THE REQUIRED ONE THIRD ENDORSEMENTS TO STAND FOR ELECTION, THUS LEAVING ONLY ONE AS THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE AND THEREFORE THE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE PARTY.
3. It has come to the Party's attention that the Milton Obote Foundation has been traversing the country holding meetings in which it is denouncing the WILL OF THE MEMBERS and misleading them that the 2008 Constitution is being revoked and the 1970 Constitution being returned in its place. On whose authority are they acting?
4. The Court recently directed the Party to resolve its differences by way of mediation after the Otunnu group were caught trying to smuggle onto the file a report purporting to have been the result of a failed Mediation process, one that had never taken place. This just goes to exhibit the contempt for the Judiciary and the Party along with its Constitution that

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Vision: An independent, united, democratic, just, peaceful and prosperous nation, where all its citizens have equal opportunities and equitable access to national resources.

has characterized the conduct of Olara Otunnu and MOF from the moment they formed an alliance to destroy the Party and steal its assets.

5. The Party would like to reassure its members that there is no way that the 2008 Constitution can be repealed and that should MOF and the Otunnu group continue along the path they have refused to abandon, they will be confronted by the full weight and fury of the members.
6. The Party wishes to inform Mr. Joseph Bossa that his attempts to deregister its duly nominated candidates in the forthcoming elections will be dealt with in the most severe manner. Furthermore, the Party would like to remind Messrs. Bossa and Otunnu that they are now participants in the Go Forward campaign in direct contravention of the UPC Constitution's Article 3.6(2) that disallows their acting for independent or other non-UPC members without approval from the Party's Organs, and that they should concentrate whatever minimal talents they possess there and leave UPC out of their inadequacies.
7. The Party would also like to inform its members and the general public that the purported Delegates' Conference scheduled for the end of January, at the peak of the campaign period, is nothing but a ruse to disrupt the efforts of the UPC candidates. Again the Party would like to add that these are the same people that failed to hold a single DC during their tenure using the excuse of a lack of funding from MOF. So the timing and intention begs the question as to the purpose of the announcement.
8. In respect to the Hon. Justice Yasin Nyanzi directive both parties in the Olara Otunnu case against the Uganda Peoples Congress, that the Party represented by Hon. Jimmy Akena and Mr. Edward Segganyi on the one hand and its accusers represented by Mr. Olara Otunnu and Mr. Joseph Bossa on the other go for mediation before a High Court Judge, we remind our adversaries to heed the court directive and talk over any interests that they may wish, that the party preserves for them. We are

ready and time is of essence given that out of the 60 days given by court there are only now 45 days left.

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EDWARD SEGGANYI

SECRETARY GENERAL