



**ECONOMIC FIGHTERS LEAGUE**

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## **FIGHTERS OPENS ITS ARMS TO NII NOI NORTEY**

Our brother Nii Noi Nortey, former independent candidate for Korle Klottey constituency in the Greater Accra region has been fighting for his political life in the NPP since the party denied him the opportunity to contest the parliamentary elections in 2016.

Nii Noi contested and won the initial primary as Parliamentary Candidate on the ticket of the NPP but Akufo-Addo's favorite, Mr Philip Addison, who was also Akufo-Addo's lawyer in the 2012 election petition challenged the integrity of the internal poll in court and won. Following this 'arm twisting' Mr. Nii Noi contested the seat as an independent candidate, despite persistent behind-the-scenes calls on him not to.

Even though Mr Addison won the re-run and represented the party in the general election, he lost to Dr Zanetor Rawlings of the NDC.

After the 2016 elections Mr. Nii Noi Nortey came under severe pressure to apologize to the leadership of the party and he did, something that many young people felt at the time was being required of him not because he was wrong but because he is Youth.

Nii Noi has demonstrated courage in the face of political harassment, intimidation and oppression simply because he is a young person. Indeed many young people are suffering silently in the mainstream political parties, especially if they dare to stand up for what is just.

Our own CiC Ernesto Yeboah suffered the same fate with the CPP after he led the Youth League of the party to petition CHRAJ on President John Mahama's Ford bribe. He was eventually sacked for standing for principle.

If our governance is to be more developmental and inclusive, young people who constitute the majority in the population must be allowed room to freely participate without fear. We open our arms to Nii Noi Nortey and all young people in all political parties. They will always have a political home in the Economic Fighters League.

Revolutionary regards,

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