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TO
LIGHT
CORRUPTION SERIES
DIAWUO, THE FACE OF CORRUPTION



INTRODUCTION

Each story reveals a different face of corruption and challenges us to look beyond the immediate gain to the human consequences that follow. In the pages ahead, you will meet Diawuo the grinning face of corruption and follow the wreckage he leaves behind. These are not stories. These are our reality. The future of Ghana rests in the hands of its youth, yet corruption threatens to steal it. It is time to step out of the shadows and into the light.



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Under Section 2(c) of Act 959, the OSP is mandated to take steps to prevent corruption. This publication aligns with the preventive mandate of the Office of the Special Prosecutor.

Youth Against Corruption (YAC) is the youth-driven initiative established under the OSP to fulfill this preventive mandate. We are dedicated to cultivating integrity, ethical behavior, and anti-corruption consciousness among young Ghanaians, aligning with the principles of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC).

Vision: To build a Ghana where youth-led integrity drives change.

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