



Ayuk Tabe salue la mémoire de l'opposant John Fru Ndi, à la tête du SDF depuis 1990, décédé à 82 ans, le 12 juin 2023 à Yaoundé des suites de maladie.

La mort de Ni John Fru Ndi continue de susciter les réactions des personnalités politiques dans le pays. La dernière en date est celle de Sisiku Julius Ayuk Tabe, le dirigeant séparatiste et ancien président autoproclamé de la république chimérique de l'Ambazonie, condamné 20 août 2019 par le tribunal militaire de Yaoundé à la réclusion criminelle à perpétuité.

Dans une note publiée en langue anglaise le 15 juin 2023, Sisiku Ayuk Tabe, depuis sa cellule de prison principale de Kondengui, rend un vibrant homme au chairmain.

Sisiku Julius Ayuk Tabe salue le «courage et la détermination» de l'opposant charismatique.

Pour le leader Ambazonien, «*Ni John Fru Ndi était un grand leader qui s'est battu pour les droits du peuple camerounais*», même s'il reconnaît qu'il n'a pas toujours partagé tous les idéaux de l'homme de Ntarikon.

«*Je ne suis peut-être pas d'accord avec tout ce qu'il a fait, mais je respecte son droit de faire ce qu'il croyait être juste*», écrit Ayuk Tabe.

Et de poursuivre : «*Mes pensées et mes prières sont avec sa famille pendant cette période difficile. Qu'il repose en paix*», a-t-il conclu.

Communiqué intégral d'Ayuk Tabe

The epitome of "Power to the People" has fallen



It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Chairman John Fru Ndi. A death that happened on the 12th June 2023. On behalf of all Ambazonians, I send my deepest condolences to Chairman Fru Ndi's family at this difficult time. The people mourn with you as we celebrate the courageous life of this remarkable man.

One time, we had the privilege of meeting you and that one time was the first and only time in my life that I met you upfront; on the 2nd of March 2019. It was at the infamous Yaoundé Military Tribunal. The expression on your face told me that you felt the pain of the chains we were now bound with.

When we were young, "chairman" was a person who presided a meeting or leader of a group. You burst into the limelight in 1990, and until now, you have owned it and turned "Chairman" into a name. A nationally/globally recognized champion of democracy and freedom of speech, Chairman Fru Ndi was a pioneer in articulating the plight of the downtrodden using the platform of your SDF party.

You blazed the trail on which we now walk. You set the ball rolling in the match of our lives. The match is now in the final minute of extra time. We are leading and doing everything and anything to finally win. You, like many, have been the springboard on which we sprung. Your resilience, stamina and courage propelled us to aim higher, climb new hills, take different directions with the singular objective; the restoration of the statehood of the British Southern Cameroons, now known as Ambazonia.

Down memory lane, we were in the mammoth crowds that welcomed you in Douala during your 1992 election campaign tour. We ran along, by the roadsides, with the people when your convoy traversed the city of Douala, bidding you bye bye, by the wave of hands in Bonaberi, as we watched the convoy disappear at the distance. Vividly at that 1992 Omnisport gathering, amongst the opening salvos to your speech, a young man sang the song "Vas t'en" by Tchana Pierre. "Vas t'en" interpreted into English from French means "Go away". On that occasion, it was a message that your party was sending to the Yaoundé system. Over time and 31 years later, it has become abundantly clear that the Yaoundé system has always said to your people "vas t'en".

In politics, the Chairman will be remembered for the role he played in agitating for multiparty democracy and political reforms that paved the way for multiparty democracy in Cameroun. So despite our different paths towards the restoration of the independence and dignity of the people of Southern Cameroons, which makes some people say that you turned your back on your own people, in this moment of great sorrow for your family, we offer our prayers and our deepest sympathy.

May the land of our ancestors welcome you, and may your soul rest in the peace of God. Fare thee well Chairman John Fru Ndi

Sisiku AyukTabe (KPPY- 15th June 2023)