

JOINT MEMORANDUM TO PARLIAMENT

SUBMITTED BY

**KEN OFORI -ATTA
(MINISTER FOR FINANCE)**

AND

**HON. CECILIA ABENA DAPAAH
(MINISTER FOR AVIATION)**

FOR THE

**DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND PHASE OF THE TAMALE
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

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18th JULY 2018

The Government of Ghana acting through Ghana Airports Company Limited (GACL) intends to upgrade Tamale Airport to be able to handle International operations. As a strategic decision by GACL, Tamale Airport is proposed to be an alternative to Kotoka International Airport in Accra. In particular, the Government of Ghana intends to use this project to support the programmes of the Northern Development Authority (NDA) of Ghana as well as use Tamale Airport as a base for the seasonal Hajj (pilgrimage) direct flights between Ghana and Mecca in Saudi Arabia. Tamale Airport shall be developed as a sub-Saharan Hub airport for flights to/from neighbouring and West African countries.

GACL signed a Contract with QG Construction UK Limited for the upgrade and extension of the existing runway and associated facilities to accommodate large wide-bodied jet aircraft. This phase of the project was completed in August 2016. The phase 1 of the project included the preparation of the Master Plan and Environmental and Social Impact Assessment to cover the whole scope of the development of the Tamale Airport for international operations.

In addition, phase 1 of the project rehabilitated and extended the existing runway from 2438m up to 3400m length, the extension and strengthening of the existing runway pavement, the rehabilitation of the existing taxiway and taxi-links and the apron expansion.

Further to this, the Government of Ghana wishes to develop the next phases for the entire development of Tamale Airport. The next phases of the development of the airport shall include the construction of a modern international airport terminal, a Hajj Facility and the development of a modern infrastructure for all aviation and non-aviation relevant facilities.

Due to its central location, Tamale serves as a hub for all administrative and commercial activities in the Northern Region of Ghana, doubling as the political, economic and financial capital of Northern Region.

4. STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Extensive consultations have been held among the Ministry of Aviation, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Roads and Highways, Ghana Airports

Company Limited, Ghana Civil Aviation Authority and the Northern Regional Traditional Council to ensure that the project is effectively implemented and the benefits realized.

5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION & SCOPE

4.1. The scope of works is as follows:

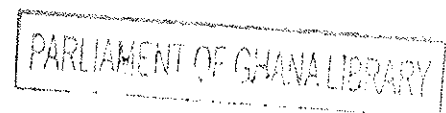
- a) Design for the Scope of Works
- b) Modular Airport Terminal Building with approx. 5,000 m² expandable in the future
- c) Hajj Facility with approx. 1,000m²
- d) Single Carriageway Access Road
- e) Landside and Airside Infrastructure adapted to the Terminal size
- f) Water, Power, and Sewerage Infrastructure deemed necessary for normal operations.

4.2. The project has the following components

- a) Passenger Main Terminal
- b) Hajj Facility
- c) Access & Secondary Roads
- d) Water, Power and Sewerage Infrastructure

4.3. Project cost and implementation plan

The project for this phase is expected to cost Seventy Million United States Dollars. The project would be completed within a period of Thirty (30) months from the commencement date.



- iv. Exemption of taxes, customs duties, levies, stamp duties, applicable fees and duties relating to the execution of the project and permissible under the Tax Law of the Republic of Ghana.
3. Cabinet approved the Memorandum and recommended same to Parliament for consideration.
4. I should be grateful if you could take requisite action on the decision by Cabinet.



MERCY DEBRAH-KARIKARI
SECRETARY TO THE CABINET

THE HON. MINISTER FOR AVIATION

THE HON. MINISTER FOR FINANCE

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