



ALERTE N°5

**NEW HEARING OF ENGLISH-SPEAKING ACTIVISTS STILL IN DETENTION THIS 26/10/2017
BEFORE THE MILITARY COURT OF YAOUNDE.**

The **Central Africa Human Rights Defenders Network (REDHAC)**, informs national, regional and international opinion that the trial of the English-speaking activists **still in detention** will be held before the Military Court of Yaounde tomorrow, 26 October, 2017 for the : **“continuation of the debates”**.

Recall of facts:

The trial of 28/09/2017 before the Military Court of Yaounde was postponed to Thursday 26/10/2017, for the : **“continuation of the debates”**.

At least 150 people charged in the Anglophone crisis still remain in prisons (Main Prison and Yaoundé-Kondengui Central Prison, Buea Central Prison, Bamenda Central Prison) and others detention centers (the Secretary of State for Defense, the Directorate General for External Research, and others).

The REDHAC requires:

To the judicial authorities:

- To abandon the prosecution and the unfounded charges against all defendants;

To the Cameroonian authorities:

- To release immediately and unconditionally all those who have been arrested in connection with the so-called “Anglophone crisis”;
- To implement all the relevant recommendations made to it by the REDHAC and other non-state actors to emerge from this crisis, namely:
 - ✓ Immediately and unconditionally lift the decree prohibiting the activities of the Consortium of Anglophone Civil Society of Cameroon (CACSC) in conformity with the African and UN human rights instruments on freedom of association;
 - ✓ Re-examining the Law No. 2014_028 of 23 December 2014 base on the **“repression of acts of terrorism in Cameroon”**, especially article 2;
 - ✓ Arrest and bring to justice the police, security and defense forces who used disproportionate force during the various demonstrations;
 - ✓ Establish an inclusive social dialogue bringing together Civil Society Organizations, religious authorities, traditional leaders, political parties, state actors for the effective resolution of this crisis that persists and which only reappears in bad times Of our compatriots;

Otherwise REDHAC will hold the Cameroonian authorities responsible for the deterioration of the situation in the two English-speaking regions of the country.

Thank you for taking any urgent action from the authorities whose addresses are listed below for their unconditional release.

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