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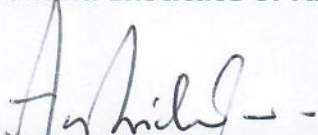
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PRESS RELEASE

POLICE INVESTIGATION INTO A MURDER CASE AT ABESIM, SUNYANI

1. Our attention has been drawn to a press release on August 21, 2021 by the Public Affairs Directorate of the Ghana Police Service with the title "Police in Sunyani begin investigation into a murder case at Abesim".
2. Paragraph 2, line 1 of the press release by the Ghana Police Service reads "the murder case involves one Richard Appiah, a 28-year-old architect",
3. The Ghana Institute of Architects would like to categorially state that Richard Appiah is **NOT** an Architect. The ARCHITECTS ACT 1969 (N.L.C.D 357), Section 10, qualifications states:
"10. Qualifications: Subject to section 11, a person is registered as an Architect on payment of the prescribed fee if that person is a member of the Institute and
 - a. **is a person who has passed the qualifying examinations in the courses prescribed or approved by the Board under this Act, and completes practical training of the description and for the period prescribed by the Board.**
 - c. **is a person who was a member of the Ghana Institute of Architects immediately before the commencement of this Act.**
4. In accordance with the laws of Ghana governing Architects and architecture, Richard Appiah **DOES NOT** satisfy any of the above provisions of the ARCHITECTS ACT 1969 (N.L.C.D 357) and therefore cannot be referenced with the title 'Architect' or refer to himself as an Architect.

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