## NATIONAL ASSOCATION OF INSTITUTIONAL SUPPLIERS



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To all Media Houses,

## PRESS RELEASE

## **REMINDER NOTICE: PLANNED PICKETING EVENT**

We write on behalf of the National Association of Institutional Suppliers to remind you of our planned picketing scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at the Ministry of Education.

The event which will commence at 7:00am at the Ministry of Education, will continue throughout the day till we depart on the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.

It must be noted that leadership held a meeting with the Ministry of Education on March 26, 2024, at the Ministry of Education (MOE) premises in Accra, and the following agreements were reached:

- 1. MOE agreed to commerce payment on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2024 and clear all outstanding arrears owed to NAIS by Monday April 15, 2024.
- 2. A meeting will be convened to address other outstanding issues, namely the low-price quota and awards of PE kits and Stationery at the school level, after all arrears have been cleared.
- 3. NAIS agreed to suspend the intended picketing at the MOE, slated for April 8, 2024.

Regrettably, the Ministry of Education has failed to uphold their end of the agreement by refusing to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as agreed upon. Consequently, we are compelled to proceed with our planned picketing event.

The picketing event remains a crucial part of our ongoing efforts to continually draw the attention of stakeholders in the education sector, and all those who mean well for Ghana's education sector, to the longstanding issues of unpaid contracts arrears for 2021-2022, 2022-2023 academic year respectively, and other pressing issues affecting our businesses and livelihood for swift resolution.

In line with the public order Act, we have followed due processes and have had fruitful engagement with Ghana Police Service regarding this event and are hopeful of having a peaceful and fruitful picketing.

We'll continue to count on your support and also call on all stakeholders in the education sector, all those who mean well for Ghana's education to not only support us but also intervene for a swift resolution to our concern.

## We wish to thank you all for support

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