KWAME NKRUMAH MEMORIAL PARK

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KWAME NKRUMAH MEMORIAL PARK CALLS FOR INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION PHOTOGRAPH ON GHANA'S BANKNOTES

The Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park proposes replacing the Big Six image on selected banknotes with the iconic photograph of 6 March 1957, in alignment with the proposed Heritage Series.

1. The Management of the Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park is proposing that the Bank of Ghana replace the image of the Big Six on selected banknote denominations with the iconic photograph of Ghana's Independence Declaration on 6 March 1957.

2. The image of the Big Six currently features on almost all Ghanaian banknotes. While their contributions to Ghana's independence struggle remain historically significant and deserve lasting recognition, there is an opportunity to broaden the historical representation on our national currency by incorporating other defining moments in Ghana's history.

3. Currency is more than a medium of exchange; it is also an important vehicle for showcasing a nation's identity, heritage and history. Banknotes serve as enduring symbols of national pride and collective memory, making their imagery an important part of how a country represents its history.

4. It is against this background that we propose replacing the Big Six photograph on selected banknote denominations with the iconic image capturing Osagyefo Dr. Kwame Nkrumah declaring Ghana's independence on 6 March 1957.

5. The proposal is consistent with the Bank of Ghana's proposed introduction of a Heritage Series of banknotes, which presents an opportunity to celebrate significant personalities, events and milestones in Ghana's national history.

6. The Independence Declaration photograph captures the culmination of Ghana's independence struggle and the historic moment our nation broke free from colonial rule. It represents a defining turning point in Ghana's history and a landmark in the wider African liberation struggle. Few moments in our national history compare in significance to 6 March 1957, when Ghana attained independence and took its place among the community of sovereign nations. It is an enduring image of our freedom, sovereignty and national identity.

7. As Ghana prepares to commemorate the 70th anniversary of its independence in 2027, we believe the introduction of this iconic photograph on selected banknotes would be a particularly fitting and enduring tribute to the moment that gave birth to our nation.

Our currency should not merely facilitate transactions; it should tell our national story. And there is no story more fundamental to modern Ghana than the moment we became free.

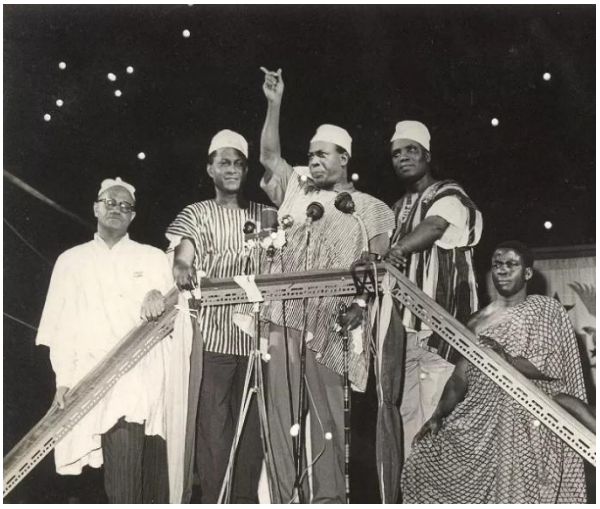
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The proposed photo: Independence Declaration photograph