



UGANDA LAW SOCIETY

STATEMENT BY UGANDA LAW SOCIETY ON THE SAFETY OF DR. JIMMY SPIRE SSENTONGO, AGATHER ATUHAIRE, AND OTHER SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVISTS

The Uganda Law Society expresses grave concerns over the threats to the lives of Dr. Jimmy Spire Sentongo, Agather Atuhaire, Anthony Natif, and Godwin Toko, among other social media activists.

In any democracy, citizens are entitled to demand accountability of their leadership and Uganda is no exception to this. The team of Dr. Jimmy Spire Sentongo, Anthony Natif, Agather Atuhaire, and Godwin Toko are social media activists who have been demanding accountability from our leaders in Parliament through #UgandaParliamentExhibition on their social media platforms especially X (formerly Twitter).

We, therefore, condemn the threats and intimidation to silence citizens' urge for accountability of the holders of public offices. We call for a swift investigation of the threats made and the bringing to book of the perpetrators.

The Uganda Law Society once again calls upon leaders to always be open to criticism and accountability and to respond to citizens concerns where legitimate as this is one of the tenets of democracy.

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