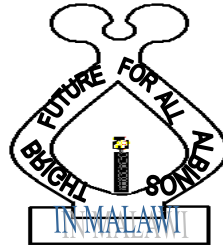


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*Promoting the Advancement of Persons with Albinism in Malawi*

## **STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION OF PEOPLE WITH ALBINISM**

The Albino Association of Malawi (TAAM) is a non-profit organization whose aim is to defend the cause of people with albinism in Malawi under umbrella body of Federation of Disability Organization in Malawi (FEDOMA). Our main goal is to raise awareness about albinism and its impact on social, economic and political development of the country; reduce stigmatization among the community to improve their status in society to attain the inclusion agenda.

In accordance with its goal, the association would like to bring to your attention as a government the recent cases of abuse and violation of human rights of people with albinism in Malawi. As of the past 8 months the association has received individual case reports in Dedza, Balaka and Blantyre of some of its members missing or being kidnapped or tricked by unscrupulous people. The latest one is the case in Zomba that happened on 2 July, 2013, where an 8 year old young girl with albinism went missing under dubious circumstances up to date.

The association made a follow up on the Zomba and Blantyre cases which are all under police investigation. We appreciate the support from the police on these cases; however, we urge the police to handle these matters faster and with the urgency deserved to prevent victimization of people with albinism becoming rampant as happens in other neighbouring countries. We believe that with support from community suspects can be brought to book.

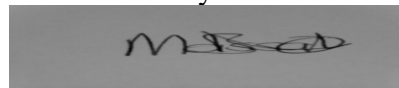
We believe like any other Malawian citizen persons with albinism are protected by the constitution of Malawi and United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights to have the Right to life and Right to enjoy our human rights to the fullest. The association is therefore;

- Condemning the cruel acts by some evil minded people
- Asking all stakeholders to join hand in stopping such bad acts in our warm heart of Africa Malawi.
- Asking the general public to be aware and report such cases to police

We would therefore

- Request government to take a serious and urgent action on the individual cases reported
- Appeal to government to assure us as people with albinism, our families and the nation of our security and protection of our human rights.
- Urges government to immediately accord the necessary priority at national level to stop such misconduct and brutal acts.

Yours faithfully



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