



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 4 of the Office and Commission on African Affairs Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-111; D.C. Official Code § 2-1393), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Mr. Richmond Danso 2915 17th Street NE Washington, DC 20018 (Ward 5)

for appointment as a public member of the Commission on African Affairs, replacing Abeba Taddese, for a term to end October 27, 2021.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

Muriel Bowser

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Chairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on .

To confirm the appointment of Mr. Richmond Danso to the Commission on African Affairs.

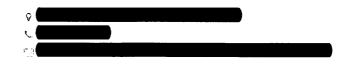
RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Commission on African Affairs Richmond Danso Confirmation Resolution of 2018".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Mr. Richmond Danso 2915 17th Street NE Washington, DC 20018 (Ward 5)

- as a public member of the Commission on African Affairs, pursuant to section 4 of the Office
- and Commission on African Affairs Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-111; D.C.
- 32 Official Code § 2-1393), replacing Abeba Taddese, for a term to end October 27, 2021.
- Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
- 34 upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
- Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RICHMOND DANSO



MPA

Education

PhD. Candidate 2016 - Present

Howard University

Specializes in International Relations and American Government, minor in Public Administration and Public Policy

Masters in Public Administration (MPA)

2014 - 2016

Montana State University MSU Specialized in Public Administration

Bachelor of Arts (B.A)

2009 - 2013

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology Specialized in Political Science

Research Paper

Hope and Despair: In State Tuition Policies for Undocumented Students

2017-04 - 2017-04

Presented at Virginia Commonwealth University Student Research Conference

Master's Thesis

Perspectives of MSU students on American Democracy

2015-08 - 2016-04

Montana State University (MSU)

The research compared the perceptions of international and American students on Democracy in the United States.

CollegeThesis

Study of Low Voter Turnout, KNUST

2012-10 - 2013-05

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)

The study examined the factors that contributes to low voter turnout in selected elections on campus.

Work experience

Teaching and Research Assistant

2016-08 - Present

Howard University

Graduate Teaching Assistant-Political Economy, International Relations and Pan-Africanism

Country Expect

2017-06 - Present

Global Leadership Project

Created a Country Profile for Sierra Leone

Program Assistant

2017-05 - 2017-07

Mandela Washington Fellowship-Howard University Public Management

Coordinated the activities between program managers and the fellows.

Organized seminars, tours, meetings with members of congress, think tanks and other governmental organizations

Research Assistant

2016-01 - 2016-05

Montana State University

Graduate Teaching/Research Assistant- Applied Political Analysis

Internship

2016-01 - 2016-05

Community Mediation Center

Help mediate family disputes and 'small cases'

National Service Personnel

2013-11 - 201407

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology

Catalogued and classification of research documents

Assisted students and faculty with research needs

Presenter

2012-08 - 2014-05

Focus FM, KNUST

Wrote and discussed on air sporting events

Interviewed sports personalities

Manager

2012-08 - 2014-05

Broadwings Travel and Tours-Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology

Recruited students for exchange programs

Marketed and promoted travel opportunities

Intern

2011-05 - 2011-08

National Road Safety Commission, Accra-Ghana

Road safety education

Traffic data analysis and report production

Volunteer/Community Service

Campus Coordinator

2017-05 - Present

Department of State-Foreign Service(Howard University)

Works both institutions to expose students the work of the Foreign Service

Coordinate campus events for the Department of State

Help students to find internships with the Department of State and Foreign Service

2018 Selection Committee Member

2017-10 - Present

Mandela Washington Fellowship (MWF)

Read and graded the application of prospective fellows for selection into MWF

Member 2016-11 - 2016-11

Voter Protection Project-Howard University

Monitored the 2016 Presidential elections in the United States

Wrote a report on the outcome of results for Michigan, Ohio and Florida

Server 2014-09 - 2016-05

Bozemen Community Cafe-Montana

Served food to needed members of the Bozeman Community



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Richmond Danso

Richmond Danso is a teaching and research assistant and doctoral student at Howard University's Department of Political Science.

Mr. Danso's is an emerging leaders, active in the local and university scene to engage and empower residents. His career and research focuses on regional integration, democratic institutions and political leadership in Africa. His professional experience includes serving as a program assistant for the Young African Leadership Initiative and as campus coordinator for the Department of State.

A Ward 5 resident, Mr. Danso received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology and a Masters in Public Administration from Montana State University.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Lauren C. Vaughan, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish October 13, 2018

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Date: Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Mayor's Order appointing Etayenesh Asfaw,

Richmond Danso, and Diebynaba Sall as members to the Commission on African

Affairs

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Mayor's Order and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish