



## LILONGWE PEACE DECLARATION (LPD)

*Tripartite Elections, 2014*

*Title: "Taking a Stand against Violence in Malawi during and after Elections"*

10 May, 2014

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9.	<b>Year of Establishment</b>	Formed 1992 and Registered February, 1995
10.	<b>Key Office Bearers</b>	Chairperson: The Very Rev. Dr. Felix Chingota  Publicity Secretary: Fr Peter Mulomole

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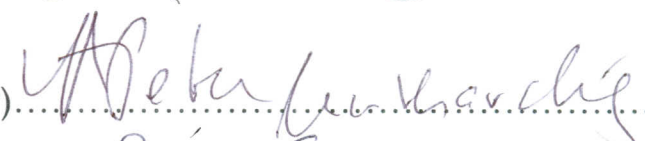
## TAKING A STAND AGAINST ELECTORAL VIOLENCE IN MALAWI

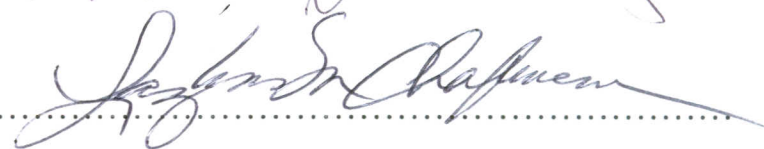
1. We, the Presidential Candidates in Malawi's May 2014 Tripartite Elections, having participated in the National Day of Prayers for Peaceful Elections convened by the Public Affairs Committee (PAC) on 10 May, 2014 at Civo Stadium, Lilongwe, in order to engage us in ensuring both a peaceful democratic elections and a political process thereafter that serves the national good;
2. Recognizing that free, fair and peaceful elections depend on political parties providing firm leadership to the impartial enforcement of the existing electoral laws by state institutions; the strengthening of the organizational capacities of their political parties to promote their members' compliance with the code of conduct that they had endorsed; and a shared commitment to inclusive governance, partnership and collaboration in the aftermath of elections;
3. Responding to the growing public demand for elections-related offences and crimes to be effectively prosecuted through professional investigations leading to fair, timely trials and justice;
4. Committed to the importance of sustaining Malawi's proud reputation of being a God-loving, peaceful democratic nation, declare as follows:

- That it is time to take a definitive stand against the possibility of electoral violence, impunity and injustice in our beloved Malawi, because these acts are detrimental to the peace, welfare and sustained development of the people of Malawi.
- That ahead of and immediately following the tripartite elections on May 20, 2014, we shall forcefully and publicly speak out against all acts of elections-related violence, impunity and injustice, and will seek to collaborate with the Malawi Police Service and allied law enforcement agencies to professionally discharge their duties without fear or favor.
- That we shall conduct our political campaigns in such a manner that the ability of the police or other security agencies to perform their roles and duties in enforcing the law and maintaining law and order will not be hindered whatsoever whether at the polling station, constituency, community, district, regional or national level.
- That we pledge to hold ourselves mutually accountable as peers, especially, in promoting effective political leadership of the campaign against electoral violence, impunity and injustice.
- That electoral violence, impunity and injustice are challenges which can be effectively addressed through our collective leadership efforts. Therefore, we commit ourselves to leading a national process of reducing their occurrence in the short term, and aiming to systematically eradicate them in the medium to long term.

Adopted in Lilongwe on May 10, 2014;

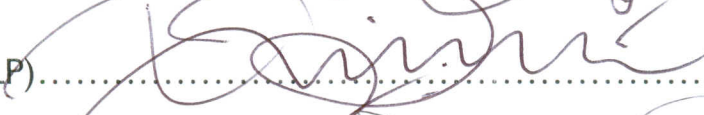
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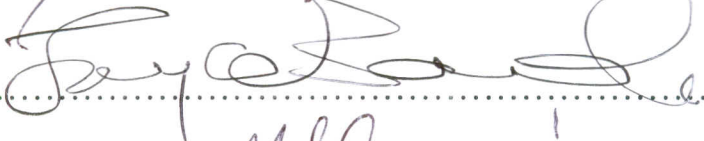
Democratic Progressive Party (DPP).....

Malawi Congress Party (MCP).....


Malawi Forum for Unity and Development/Tisintha Alliance (MAFUNDE).....

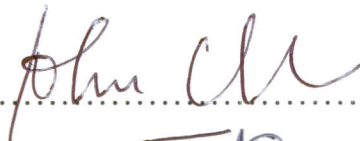
National Salvation Front (NASAF).....

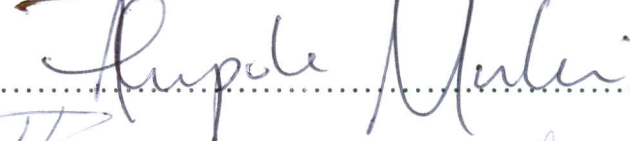
New Labour Party (NLP).....

Peoples Party (PP).....

Peoples Progressive Movement (PPM).....

Peoples Transformation Party (PETRA).....

Umodzi Party (UP).....

United Democratic Front (UDF).....

United Independent Party (UIP).....