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## Delivery by Hand and WhatsApp

April 8, 2025

Samuel Adu Frimpong (aka "Medikal") Accra

Dear Mr. Adu Frimpong,

UNAUTHORIZED USE AND INFRINGEMENT OF COPYRIGHT MATERIAL WITH RESPECT TO YOUR SONG "WELCOME TO AFRICA"

We represent and hold the firm instructions of the musical group the "ALABASTER BOX" (our clients) and write to you regarding the above subject matter.

Our clients are the copyright owners of the hit song "Akwaaba," which literally means "Welcome" in English.

For more than two decades, our clients have promoted and performed this song exclusively as copyright owners at local and international events and platforms and through commercial sale, gaining global recognition for the unique composition of the music.

Notwithstanding the notoriety of our clients' copyright ownership of the song, you have composed, produced and commercially promoting a new song titled "Welcome to Africa" in which you have significantly sampled our clients' song without authorization, grant, or license of rights for such purpose.

Specifically, at the beginning of your song in 10 seconds, in great detail and similarity, you created a derivative work of our clients' copyright material violating their exclusive rights under the law.

Further, our clients consider this infringement intentional, as your familiarity and knowledge of our clients' work are reflected in your choice of title and verses.

In a deliberate and concerted attempt to unjustly exploit our clients' work, you have begun an aggressive promotion, distribution, and performance of your derivative infringing song via traditional and digital media platforms. And as of the date of this demand, you have uploaded the infringing song to your verified YouTube Channel "Medikal" with over 292,000 subscribers, with the song attracting 7,900 likes, over 1,000 comments, and almost 72,000 views and growing.

Under your YouTube channel, you have encouraged subscribers and viewers to stream the infringing song on all digital stores, including Audiomack, Spotify, Apple Music, and Boomplay, providing related direct links to these sites. Curiously, you sought to assert copyright ownership in the infringing song and boldly indicated "all rights reserved."

Our clients' information is that the infringing song is enjoying massive airplay on radio and other streaming platforms globally, increasing the potential for your unjust maximum economic benefit.

In the circumstances, we hold our clients' firm instructions to demand the following forthwith, which we hereby do:

- 1. The withdraw of the infringing song from distribution and circulation from all traditional and digital platforms.
- 2. The cessation of any public performance, direct marketing, and/or sale of the infringing song.
- 3. The termination of any subsisting agreement for the production, promotion, distribution, and sale of the infringing song and the submission of copies of the related contracts and the termination notifications to us.
- 4. The provision of a detailed account of all revenue from the promotion, distribution, performance, and marketing of the infringing song.
- 5. The specification in writing of the names of all parties/persons you have provided copies of the infringing song to and steps you are undertaking to retrieve same from them.

Should you refuse and/or ignore our clients' demands, do note that our instructions include taking legal action against you without recourse to among others:

- a. injunct the continuous promotion, distribution and marketing of the infringing song,
- b. demand for the destruction and deletion of the infringing song from circulation,
- c. demand for damages for your infringing conduct,
- d. demand for exemplary damages for your intentional infringement of our clients' copyright and
- e. demand for costs including legal fees.

The undersigned, reachable via email <a href="mailto:richard@sustineriattorneys.com">richard@sustineriattorneys.com</a> or mobile phone +233243717144 holds instructions on this matter and should be contacted accordingly.

This letter is a formal notice of our clients' resolve to protect the copyright to their song "Akwaaba."

Yours in the Interest of Justice

Richard Nunekpeku

CC: The Alabaster Box, Accra