



PRESS RELEASE

To All Cameroonians Established or Living in South Africa

Just before the October 12, 2025, Presidential elections, I issued a call to all compatriots established or living in South Africa to exercise their civic right to vote in calm and with responsibility and discernment.

The High Commission conveys sincere thanks and appreciation for the orderly and dignified manner in which Cameroonians in South Africa conducted themselves before and during the Presidential elections of October 12, 2025.

In keeping with the law, after elections, results from all the electoral constituencies within and outside the country are collated by ELECAM, then forwarded to the Constitutional Council which alone has the competence to validate and proclaim the results after the examination of all electoral disputes.

We call on all our compatriots to maintain the same sense of responsibility by showing respect for the laws of our country and restraint from all acts of disorder and violence as they wait for the electoral process to run its full course to the proclamation of the results.

In this presidential election as in many elections, there are several stakes:

- choosing the candidate of preference,
- Promoting the image of our country,
- Protecting the integrity of our institutions,
- Entrenching the democratic process in our country,
- Preserving social peace and harmony in the community,
- Renewing hope in the future of our country...

Our Head of State, **H.E. President Paul BIYA** enjoins us to be ever mindful of these higher and greater objectives which must take precedence over and above all else.

As I indicated in my message prior to the elections, “we all have a stake in ensuring that our country and institutions are respected, and that Cameroonians are seen as a dignified people, resolutely committed to the good of their nation, peace-loving and highly conscious of anything that can lead to disorder and chaos”.

Given the agitation and manipulation taking place over social media, I urge Cameroonians in South Africa to remain calm and to continue to demonstrate a sense of patriotism and political maturity.

Pretoria, 14 October 2025

