

AFC POLICY –

CORRUPTION ERADICATION



A Clean Government. A Just Society. A Future Worth Building.

INTRODUCTION: BREAKING THE CYCLE OF CORRUPTION

Guyana stands at the threshold of unprecedented national wealth and opportunity, but it remains trapped in the vice of systemic corruption. Billions have been lost, justice denied, and hope dimmed for many. From oil revenues to gold exports, public procurement to state jobs—**corruption has distorted development and deepened inequality.**

The **Alliance For Change (AFC)** believes it is time to **turn the page**. The people of Guyana deserve a government of **merit, fairness, transparency, and accountability**. We must

restore trust, recover stolen wealth, and **build a public service where honesty is rewarded and wrongdoing is punished**—no matter who is involved.

We draw from the **proven “MPH” model** used by Singapore:

Meritocracy – Appoint the best people based on competence, not connections.

Pragmatism – Use what works, regardless of ideology. Discard what does not work.

Honesty – Zero tolerance for corruption at all levels.

VISION: A CORRUPTION-FREE GUYANA BY 2030

To create a **zero-tolerance culture** for corruption through **strong institutions, fearless enforcement, and public engagement**, ensuring that all public officers and private actors are held to the highest standards of integrity.



OUR CORE PRINCIPLES

1. **No one is above the law** – including ministers, MPs, or business elites.
2. **The people's money must serve the people** – not private interests.
3. **Transparency is the foundation of trust** – all government contracts, spending, and audits must be publicly available.
4. **The corrupt must pay** – through prosecution, asset recovery, and disqualification from public life.
5. **Whistle-blowers are heroes** – not traitors.

STRATEGIC PILLARS OF CORRUPTION ERADICATION

1. Establish a National Integrity and Anti-Corruption Framework

- Create a **National Integrity Commission** with constitutional independence to monitor public officials.
- Mandate **asset declarations** for all public officers and candidates for public office.
- Require **public disclosures of income, assets, liabilities, and beneficial ownership**.
- Introduce **lifetime bans** from public office for those found guilty of grand corruption.

2. Protect Whistle-blowers and Reward Truth-Telling

- Enact a **Whistle-blower Protection Law** in the **first 100 days** of AFC government.
- Establish a **Confidential Integrity Hotline** operated by an independent agency.
- Provide **legal immunity, physical protection, and financial rewards** for whistle-blowers whose information leads to successful prosecution or asset recovery.

3. Launch an Amnesty and Asset Recovery Initiative

- Grant a **30-day amnesty period** for the voluntary return of illicit wealth acquired from **2010 to present**, with **no exceptions**.
- After this period, full investigations and prosecutions will follow.
- Re-establish the **State Asset Recovery**

Unit (SARU) staffed with:

- **Certified Fraud Examiners (CFEs)**
 1. Forensic auditors
 2. Legal experts from Guyana and the diaspora.
 3. Modelled after Liberia's Office of Assets Recovery and Singapore's Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau.

4. Enforce Financial Accountability and Public Disclosure

- Conduct **lifestyle audits** for all government ministers, MPs, and senior officers.
- Match declared **GRA income to net assets** and investigate unexplained wealth.
- Require all **procurement contracts, oil deals, land transfers, and concessions** to be:
 1. Published online
 2. Audited annually
 3. Reviewed by Parliament and Civil Society Panels.

5. Strengthen Key Anti-Corruption Agencies

- Integrate efforts of **GRA, SOCU, SARA, FIU, and the Guyana Police Force**.
- Develop a **Unified Anti-Corruption Database and Case Management System**.
- Secure **technical support** from the:
 1. United Nations Global Programme Against Money Laundering (GPML)
 2. US Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)
 3. Transparency International





- Build **international cooperation agreements** for asset tracing and repatriation.

6. Monitor the Extractive Sector with Full Transparency

- From oil to gold to rare earth minerals, corruption risks are highest where money flows fastest.
- Implement the **Guyana Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (GYEITI)** reforms in full.
- Publish the **3 Global Registers** in accordance with EITI Standards:
 1. Beneficial Ownership Register
 2. License Register
 3. Contract Register
- Make these registers **publicly accessible** via a national online portal.
- Conduct **annual external audits** of all extractive revenue flows.
- Include **civil society oversight** in contract negotiations and environmental approvals.

7. Clean Up the Gambling and Casino Sector

Casinos are known global hubs for **money laundering, illicit currency exchange**, and

tax evasion.

- Mandate **real-time reporting** of all gambling transactions above G\$500,000.
- Require all winners above G\$1M to show **source of funds** for wagers.
- Ban **cash payouts** over G\$500,000 without bank transfer verification.
- Audit casino software and financials quarterly.
- Introduce legislation to **criminalize fake win slips** used to launder proceeds of crime.
- Coordinate with **FATCA, OFAC**, and **international financial regulators**.

8. Digitize Governance to Reduce Human Corruption Points

- Move procurement, licensing, and government services **online and traceable**.
- Use **blockchain or tamper-proof ledgers** for large-scale land, mining, and procurement records.
- Introduce **e-payment and biometric ID systems** to limit ghost beneficiaries and bribe collection.



9. Collaborate with the Diaspora for Skills, Audits, and Oversight

- Hire **diaspora fraud examiners, forensic accountants, and digital experts** on short-term contracts.
- Launch a **Diaspora Oversight and Innovation Unit** reporting to the Prime Minister.
- Create a **public-private anti-corruption advisory council**, co-chaired by civil society and government.

10. Enforce Political Party Accountability
Mandate **public audits of all political party finances**.

- Ban campaign donations from:
1. State contractors
 2. Foreign agents
- Anonymous or shell company sources
 - Limit campaign spending and require **disclosure within 60 days** of elections.

IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP

TIMELINE	ACTION
First 30 days	Whistle-blower Law, Amnesty period begins, SARU re-established
First 100 days	Beneficial ownership register launched; new asset declaration system begins
Month 6-12	EITI Registers go public; Casino law reform presented to Parliament
Year 1-2	All major anti-corruption agencies integrated; diaspora CFE hires begin
Year 3 onward	Asset recovery tracking reports published annually

CONCLUSION: THE TIME FOR BOLD ACTION IS NOW

Guyana cannot rise on oil wealth if it is drained by corruption. We cannot inspire hope if the people watch their future auctioned to the highest bidder. The **AFC’s Corruption Eradication Plan** is not about revenge—it is about **justice, fairness, and national restoration**. We will **end impunity**. We will **return stolen wealth**. And we will make Guyana a **beacon of clean government** in the Caribbean and the world.

AFC: BECAUSE CLEAN HANDS
BUILD A STRONG NATION.

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