

Ghanaian journalist harassed

Journalist harassed and forced to delete photographs of politician.

Accra - On 31 July 2007, three men accompanying Sherry Ayittey, a functionary of the National Democratic Congress (NDC), Ghana's main opposition party, forced a photographer of the *Daily Guide*, a pro-government newspaper, to remove images of Ayittey from his camera.

Policemen from the Striking Force Unit of the Ghana Police Service prevented the three men from further harassing journalist Ken Yankah.

Ayittey and five others, including former first lady Nana Konadu Agyeman-Rawlings, are standing trial at an Accra High Court for allegedly causing financial loss to the state.

Yankah told the MFWA's correspondent that the men ordered that his camera be taken away to delete images of Ayittey taken as she was leaving the courtroom.

Following his refusal, one of the men removed the dry cells from his camera's battery and an attachment flash. For his safety, Yankah had to comply with the order.

In its 1 August edition, the *Daily Guide* reported that four policemen accompanied Yankah to the office to prevent further attacks from the men.

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