

November 5, 2020
President Muhammadu Buhari
The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
Aso Rock, Abuja
Nigeria

Dear President Buhari,

DIASPORA RESPONSE TO THE #endSARS PROTESTS AND RECOMMENDATION ON THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN NIGERIA

Your Excellency, we respectfully submit this letter on behalf of the undersigned associations in connection to the #endSARS protests for police reform in Nigeria.

We had an informative and refreshing session on Thursday, November 5th at the Nigerian Embassy in Washington DC with the Charge D'Affaires Ad Interim, Dr. Jane Adams. Dr. Adams read us the Federal Government's response to #endSARS movement's demands, and we dialogued on how we can all come together to move our great nation forward. We appreciate the Federal Government's efforts to listen to its citizens and set up judicial panels of inquiry to investigate grievances and all cases of police brutality.

Accountability is demanded now more than ever from our leader. As a result, the different civil, professional and non-profit organizations which we represent here in Diaspora would like updates on the action items below;

- Official updates from task force/independent body setup to investigate the events that took place on the 20th of October at the Lekki Toll Gate
- Timeline for the Police Reforms
- What is this new unit, SWAT? How are they different from SARS in their trainings, and how does the Nigeria Police Force intend to build trust between the unit and the citizens?
- We saw videos of warehouses full of palliatives getting breached by aggrieved individuals. What were those items meant for our citizens doing in a warehouse, and who were the parties responsible for these reprehensible acts?
- With the world reeling from a pandemic and the economic upheavals that we are going through as a nation, how is the government bridging the healthcare gap?

Our respective organizations have successfully completed many projects and taken actionable steps to improve Nigeria's image and we would hate to see our efforts go to waste. Ultimately, we are here to help, and as stakeholders in our economy, we would like to see changes.

Your Excellency, we are assured of your commitment to democratic governance and we strongly believe in your affirmed view that "The future of Nigeria lies in democratic governance, not only because it is an expression of the will of the people, but because democracy can help us build fair, just and inclusive societies". Hence, we implore you to ensure that a thorough investigation is carried out and that those found guilty are held accountable.

Sincerely,

Nigerian Physicians Advocacy Group

National Association of Pharmacists and Pharmaceutical Scientists in America

National Association of Nigeria Nurses in America

Nigerian Bankers in America

King's College Old Boys Association in North America


Newface Nigeria (NFN)

African Brothers Abroad Organization (ABAO)

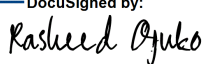
And the Nigerian Youth in Diaspora.

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
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