

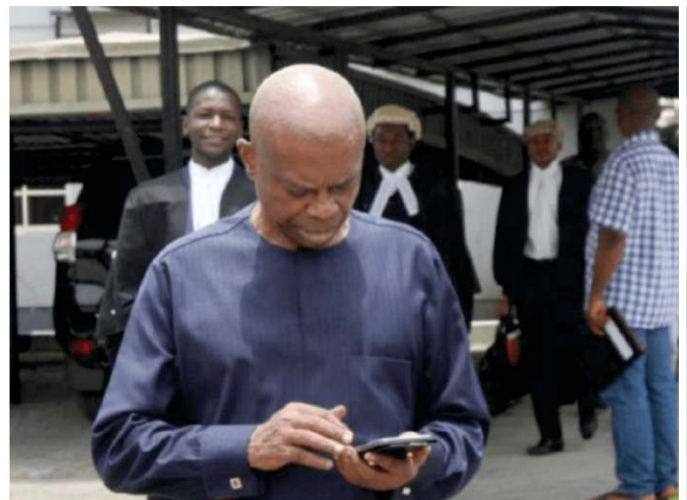


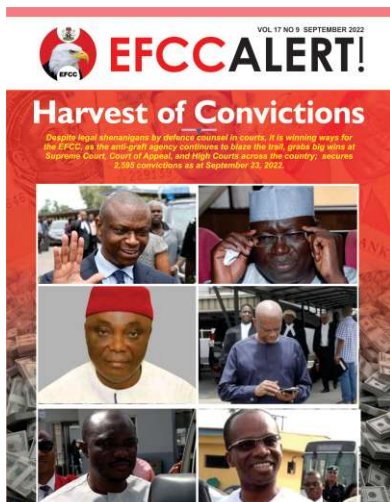
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# HARVEST of CONVICTIONS

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It is undoubtedly a remarkable achievement. Indeed, as at September 23, 2022, the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, EFCC has secured a record-breaking 2,595 convictions, with the record set to be increased through conscientious investigation and prosecution before the end of the last quarter of the year, even as the anti-graft agency intensifies efforts geared towards ridding the country of economic and financial crimes.

The jaw-dropping harvest of convictions, which comes at a time when securing convictions in Nigerian courts doesn't come easy, according to the EFCC Chairman, Abdulrasheed Bawa, was made possible by the forthrightness and commitment of President Muhammadu Buhari to the fight against corruption.

"The political will provided by President Muhammadu Buhari is second to none," said Bawa, at the margins of the 77th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, UNGA, September 24, 2022.

He reiterated that the emergence of President Buhari as the winner of the 2015 presidential election, galvanized the necessary machinery aimed at tackling illicit financial flows and corruption in Nigeria.

***"We are working hand-in-glove with the Court. We are all over the place trying to see that we eradicate economic and financial crimes through the court processes and other preventive measures that we have in place."***

***- Abdulrasheed Bawa***

For Bawa, four factors are critical and indispensable when dealing with the naughty issue of illicit financial flows, which is a precursor to money laundering and financial crimes: "They are political will, necessary legal framework, capacity by those saddled with the responsibility of enforcing the required laws, and the fear of God" While using the international forum to showcase the strides made by the EFCC, Bawa applauded the machineries put in place by President Buhari to tackle corruption, including the implementation of the Treasury Single Account, TSA policy, the signing of various Executive Orders to deal with illicit enrichment, the

restructuring of the Corporate Affairs Commission, CAC to have a Beneficial Ownership Register of all companies in Nigeria, among others.

"The signing of the Money Laundering Prevention and Prohibition Act, 2022, Terrorism Prevention and Prohibition Act, 2022, and the Proceeds of Crime Act, 2022, are legal instruments aimed at strengthening the existing domestic measures in combating IFFs," he said, further commending the President's approval of \$10 million as take-off grant for the Special Control Unit against Money Laundering, SCUML, which by legal status is now effectively domiciled in the EFCC. The effects of Buhari's unflinching political will, according to Bawa, has greatly enhanced the performance of the EFCC, such that the 2,595 convictions secured as at September 23, 2022 - an improvement on the conviction record of 2,220 in 2021, 312 in 2018, and 195 in 2016, was made possible due to the conducive environment availed the agency by the President to operate.

Perhaps, more significant is the fact that the achievements in this regard, also includes high profile members of the society, who challenged their convictions at the highest court of the land, but lost. Indeed, recently the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal ruled in favour of the





EFCC in fraud matters involving John Yakubu Yusuf, a former Assistant Director in the Police Pension Office who was prosecuted for an alleged N22.9 billion fraud; Tuoyo Omatsuli, a former Executive Director, Projects, Niger Delta Development Commission, NDDC, prosecuted for an alleged N3.6 billion fraud, and Peter Nwaoboshi, senator representing Delta North senatorial district at the National Assembly, prosecuted for an alleged N322 million fraud.

Below is a focus on some of the cases:

#### **Clement Iloh Onubuogo**

On May 5, 2022, the EFCC secured the conviction and sentencing of a former Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Labour and Productivity, Clement Iloh, to 12 years imprisonment before Justice Babs Kuewumi of the Federal High Court sitting in Ikoyi, Lagos.

Iloh was prosecuted by the EFCC on a three-count charge bordering on non-declaration of assets to the tune of N97.3million. The EFCC had accused him of receiving funds to the tune of N65 million from the Subsidy Reinvestment and Empowerment Programme, SURE-P project contractors as kickbacks.

In the course of his trial, he had changed his "not guilty" plea to "guilty". Justice Kuewumi sentenced him to four years on each of the counts to run

concurrently from October 10, 2019. The judge also ordered the forfeiture of the sum of N97, 300,613.44, \$139,575.50 and £10,121.52 respectively to the Federal Government of Nigeria, being proceeds of unlawful activities traced to him.

The EFCC had, on October 3, 2019, secured his conviction and sentencing to five years in prison over a N14.1 million fraud before Justice Oluwatoyin Taiwo of the Special Offences Court sitting in Ikeja, Lagos.

#### **Fake 'General' Bolarinwa**

On July 7, 2022 the EFCC secured the conviction and sentencing of Bolarinwa Abiodun, a fake Army General to seven years in prison on a 13-count charge bordering on obtaining money by false pretence, forgery of documents and possession of documents containing false pretence to the tune of N266, 500,000. He was tried before Justice Oluwatoyin Taiwo of a Special Offences Court sitting in Ikeja, Lagos.

The offences he committed were contrary to Section 1 (3) of the Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act 2006; Section 363 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State 2015 and Section 6 of the Advance Fee Fraud and Other Related Offences



Act No 14 of 2006, respectively. He was prosecuted by the Lagos Zonal Command of the EFCC. He was accused of posing as a General in the Nigerian Army using the guise to make false representations to Kodef Clearing Resources, that the President, Muhammadu Buhari, had short-listed him and one other to be appointed as the Chief of Army Staff, COAS, and that he needed a short grant to "press and process the appointment."

He succeeded in defrauding Kodef Clearing Resources.

Justice Taiwo held that: "The defendant went the length of involving a former president of this country, General Obasanjo and forged documents allegedly signed by the current president of this country, President Muhammadu Buhari. It is so sad that people like the defendant have given our beloved country a bad image.

"It is obvious that the defendant appears to be a very intelligent man, more is the pity that he could not put his ingenuity to better use. In the light of the seriousness





of this scam, and in order to send a clear message to all scammers, fraudsters and criminals, this court is prepared to protect the interest of Nigerians and the society at large.

"I therefore sentence the defendant to seven years imprisonment without an option of fine."

The Court also granted the prayers of the prosecution for the forfeiture of the four vehicles and the property in order to help the victim recover his money. He was also ordered to pay N20 million as restitution to the victim. His First Bank account was also ordered "closed forthwith".

#### **Bad News for John Yusuf**

On April 13, 2022, the Supreme Court affirmed the six-year sentence of John Yusuf who was arraigned on March 29, 2012 alongside Esai Dangabar, Atiku Abubakar Kigo, Ahmed Inuwa Wada, Veronica Ulonma Onyegbula and Sani Habila Zira before Justice Mohammed Talba then a judge of the Federal Capital Territory, FCT High Court, Gudu on 16 counts bordering on conspiracy and criminal breach of trust to the tune of N32 billion.

Alas, Justice Talba following the decision of Yusuf to enter into a plea

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bargain, literally gave him a slap on the wrist as he sentenced him to two years in prison on each of the three counts with an option of fine of N250,000 on each count.

Subsequently, the EFCC appealed the ruling at the Court of Appeal and won. The Appellate Court held that the three counts - 17, 18 and 19 to which he pleaded guilty to, clearly stated that he

diverted to his personal use, an aggregate sum of N24 billion. While reinstating the six-year jail term, the Appellate Court dismissed the order for an option of fine, but instead ordered him to return N22.9 billion traced to him as the funds he looted.

However, peeved by the ruling, Yusuf proceeded to the Supreme Court where sadly for him, again the EFCC emerged triumphant on April 13, 2022, with the Apex Court affirming his six years sentence, as well as the order of the Court of Appeal that he should refund N22.9 billion to the coffers of the Federal Government.

It was the final bus-stop for Yusuf, who had been on the run since 2018 following the ruling of the Appellate Court that he must serve the six-year jail-term and refund N22.9 billion for conniving with other culprits to loot N32.7 billion Police Pension fund.

He was later arrested by the EFCC after which Justice Hussein Baba Yusuf of the FCT High Court in June 2020 issued a remand order to ensure that he began his jail-term at the Kuje Correctional Centre, Abuja.

The victory, no doubt, is not only for the EFCC, but more for the old men and women of the Nigeria Police who though toiled under the rain and the sun to



***Ruling in favour of the EFCC, the three-man panel of the Appellate Court, Lagos Division, led by Justice Peter Affem, upheld the appeal and dismissed the ruling of Justice Saidu discharging***

provide security for their fellow citizens serving their Fatherland, have in their old age been deprived of their pension - the worthy fruits of their years of labour.

**Tuoyo Omatsuli's Pyrrhic Victory**

On April 13, 2022, the EFCC secured a major victory in the N3.6 billion fraud trial of Tuoyo Omatsuli, a former Executive Director, Projects, Niger Delta Development Commission, NNDC, at the Court of Appeal, Lagos Division, as the appellate court upheld the EFCC's appeal against his November 11, 2020 acquittal by Justice Saliu Saidu of the Federal High Court, Ikoyi, Lagos.

Omatsuli was being prosecuted by the EFCC before Justice Saidu alongside Francis Momoh, Don Parker Properties Limited and Building Associates Limited, on an amended 45-count charge bordering on conspiracy and money laundering. They were accused of conniving to disguise the origin of N3,645,000,000 which investigation showed was the proceeds of gratification and corrupt practices engaged in between August 2014 and September 2015.

They had all pleaded "not guilty" to the charges when they were arraigned on November 10, 2018.

Ruling in favour of the EFCC, the three-man panel of the Appellate Court, Lagos Division, led by Justice Peter Affem, upheld the appeal and dismissed the ruling of Justice Saidu



discharging Omatsuli.

In the ruling delivered by Justice Festus Ogbuinya on behalf of the panel, their Lordships set aside the ruling of the lower court and ordered him to enter his defence.

The Appellate Court, however discharged him on counts 27, 28, and 29 of the 45 counts and further dismissed the applications of Momoh and Building Associates Limited seeking to set aside the ruling of the lower court, which held that they had a case to answer and described the appeal as "bereft of merit".

They were all ordered to go back to the lower court and open their defence.

**Peter Nwaoboshi**

On July 1, 2022, the Court of Appeal, Lagos Division, sentenced Peter Nwaoboshi, the Senator representing Delta North, to seven years in prison for money laundering. The court also ordered that two of the senator's firms be wound up.

The EFCC had arraigned Nwaoboshi and his two firms – Golden Touch Construction Project Ltd and Suiming Electrical Ltd — in 2018 before

Justice Mohammed Idris of the Federal High Court, Lagos, before his elevation to the Court of Appeal. They were then re-arraigned before Justice Chukwujekwu Aneke on October 5, 2018. The EFCC accused him of perpetrating N322 million fraud in 2014.

Justice Aneke dismissed the charge, holding that the EFCC failed to prove the elements of the offences for which it charged the senator. The trial judge also discharged the companies on the same grounds.

However, convinced of its case, the EFCC approached the Appellate Court, where the decision of Justice Aneke was overturned and the senator convicted of the offence.

The higher court held that the EFCC proved the ingredients of the offence and so consequently found the defendants guilty as charged. The two companies were also ordered to be wound up.

**Okey Nwosu**

On June 8, 2022, the EFCC secured a major win in the conviction of Okey Nwosu, a former Managing Director of the defunct FinBank Plc, and Dayo Famoroti, as the Court of Appeal, sitting at Tafawa Balewa Square, Lagos, upheld their conviction as well as their three years jail-term.

The EFCC had on January 5, 2021 secured their conviction and sentencing before Justice Lateefa A. Okunnu of the



Lagos State High Court sitting in Ikeja, for an alleged N19.2 billion fraud.

The defendants, had however appealed their conviction and sentencing.

While dismissing their appeal and upholding their conviction and sentencing, the Appellate Court, reduced the restitution order from N18 billion to N10 billion on the grounds that the bank had recovered N8 billion.

The defendants were said to have perpetrated the fraud while they were directors of the bank.

### **Francis Atuche**

On June 23, 2022, a three-man panel of the Court of Appeal, Lagos Division, upheld the conviction of Francis Atuche, a former Managing Director of the defunct Bank PHB Plc, and Ugo Anyanwu, the bank's former Chief Financial Officer.

The EFCC had on June 16, 2021 secured their conviction before Justice Lateefat Okunnu of the Lagos State High Court, Ikeja after a trial that lasted 10 years. However, they appealed the judgement.

The panel, comprising of Justices Sadiq Umar, Adebukola Banjoko and Kayode Bada, upheld the EFCC's arguments and unanimously dismissed the appeal. The Appellate Court clarified that Atuche's jail term was 12 years concurrently, rather than 120 years, handed down by the lower court, if calculated consecutively. The panel also reduced Anyanwu's jail-term from 10 years to eight years.

### **Mama Boko Haram**

On June 14, 2022 the EFCC secured the conviction and sentencing of Aisha Alkali Wakil, (aka Mama Boko Haram) alongside Tahiru Saidu Daura and Prince Lawal Shoyode before Justice Aisha Kumaliya of the Borno State High Court, Maiduguri. The defendants were sentenced to five years imprisonment without option of fine.

They were prosecuted by the Maiduguri Zonal Command of the



EFCC. The judgment was the climax of a process that commenced on Monday, September 14, 2020 when the defendants were re-arraigned on a two-count charge of conspiracy and obtaining money by false pretence to the tune of N71,400,000 (Seventy-One Million, Four Hundred Thousand Naira only).

The convicts were accused that whilst being Chief Executive Officer, Programme Manager, and Country Director respectively of Complete Care and Aid Foundation (a non-governmental organisation), sometime in 2018 at Maiduguri, Borno State, with intent to defraud, induced one Saleh Ahmed Said of Shuad General Enterprises Ltd to deliver to them 3,000 bags of beans worth N71,400,000, under the false pretence of executing a contract for the supply of same.

The offence is contrary to Sections 1(1) (b) and 1(3) of the Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act, 2006. Mama

Boko Haram was also on August 12, 2022 convicted alongside Tahiru Saidu Daura and Prince Lawal Shoyode on a three count charge of conspiracy and stealing to the tune of N66 million. The defendants as promoter and managers of a Non-governmental organization, Complete Care and Aids Foundation on September 7, 2018 induced one Ali Tijjani, and his company, AMTMAT Global Ventures to supply N51million worth of processed maize grain also known as "biski" for which they refused to pay. AMTMAT Global Ventures further processed and funded the trip of the trio to Morocco to the tune of N15 million, a cost they refused to defray.

In a separate charge, the EFCC on September 29, 2022 secured the conviction and sentencing of Mama Boko Haram alongside Tahiru Alhaji, Saidu





# PHOTO-STORY

## UNITED AGAINST ILLICIT FINANCIAL FLOWS

At the 77th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, UNGA, which held in September 2022, the EFCC Chairman, Abdulrasheed Bawa, gave insight on the agency's fight against corruption, while speaking on "Food Security Response: Combating Illicit Financial Flows and Securing Asset Returns for Sustainable Development," at an event jointly organized by the EFCC and the African Union Development Agency–New Partnership for Africa's Development/Africa Peer Review Mechanism (AUDA-NEPAD/APRM).

He was also a member of a five-man panel which included: Dr. Mohammed Mahmood Abubakar, Nigeria's Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Dr. Abdoulie Janneh, member, Panel of Eminent Persons, African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM), Dr Fatima Khan of the Princeton University and Prof Ezraha Aharone, Founding Director, Centre for Global Africa, Delaware State University.

Below are images from the 77th UNGA:



President Muhammadu Buhari, acknowledges cheers from members of the Nigerian delegation., including the Chairman EFCC, Abdulrasheed Bawa



Members of the Nigerian Delegation waiting to receive President Muhammadu Buhari



(Third from left) President Muhammadu Buhari. Extreme left, Dr. Hajo Sani, Nigeria Rep at UNESCO, Abdulrasheed Bawa, EFCC Chairman, (Left of the President) Gloria Akobundu, Head, AUDA-NEPAD and others



Female members of the Nigerian delegation



Members of the panel discussion



Hadiza Gamawa, Chief of Staff to Executive Chairman, EFCC.



# SHINING STARS

*Two staff of the EFCC's Legal and Prosecution Department, alongside 50 other legal practitioners are elevated to the coveted Senior Advocate of Nigeria rank, testament to the anti-graft agency's strides in the legal field*



**T**he Legal Practitioners' Privileges Committee, LPPC, on September 29, 2022, announced the elevation of two lawyers of the EFCC - Sylvanus Tahir and Rotimi Oyedepo to the coveted rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria, SAN. According to Hajo Bello, Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court, who made the public announcement, their elevation was based on a decision reached at the LPPC's 154th plenary session.

"The rank of a Senior Advocate of Nigeria, SAN is awarded as a mark of



excellence to members of the legal profession who have distinguished themselves as advocates and academics," Bello said, adding that the elitist list for this year included 62 lawyers made up of 53 legal practitioners and nine academics. Tahir, who heads the Legal and Prosecution Unit at the EFCC Headquarters, Abuja, is renowned for securing the conviction of a former spokesperson of the Peoples Democratic Party, PDP, Olisa Metuh, and

prosecuting high profile cases. Resourceful, unassuming and versed in the pyrotechnics of law, he is a well-regarded prosecutor. He has also won cases at the Appeal Court and Supreme Court, one of which is the setting aside by the Abuja Division of the Court of Appeal on August 4, 2022, of the acquittal of former Chief of Air Staff, Air Marshal Mohammed Dikko Umar by a Federal High Court, Abuja of money laundering charge to the tune of N66 million.

Oyedepo, who heads the Chairman's Monitoring Unit, CMU, at the Lagos Zonal Command of the EFCC has also maintained his brilliance across all the courts of the land prosecuting high profile cases, involving a former First Lady, Patience Jonathan, and a former Minister of Petroleum Resources, Diezani Alison-Madueke, among many other PEPs in the society. He is also celebrated for securing the forfeiture of humongous sums of money from the seeming untouchables in the society.

An elated Abdurashheed Bawa, EFCC Chairman, applauded the resolution of the LPPC to elevate the EFCC counsel.

"The LPPC acted rightly for recognizing the sterling qualities of the two prosecutors; their elevation was well-deserved," he said.

The newly minted SANs will be sworn in on November 21, 2022.

## ACROSS ZONES

### NYSC's Group Unveils Billboard Against Corruption in Yenogoa

A Community Development Service, CDS, group of the National Youth Service Corps, NYSC, has erected and unveiled a billboard to support the anti-corruption campaign of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, EFCC.

The billboard, erected at the busy Opolo market junction, Yenogoa, Bayelsa State, was initiated and constructed by corps members in the NYSC's EFCC/ICPC CDS Group. Outgoing President of the CDS group, Busayo Adepoju said her group embarked on the project to educate the masses in Bayelsa on the need to shun corruption and offer the public correct interpretation of the mandates of the EFCC and ICPC.

"Erecting the billboard is to create awareness for the people," she said.

Several messages are printed on the billboard. Some of them are: "Say No to any form of bribery and corruption", "See something, Say something", "Nigerian Youths Reject Corruption", among others.

At a brief ceremony to unveil the billboard in Yenogoa, the Port Harcourt Zonal Commander of the EFCC, Nwanneka Nwokike, commended the initiative of the CDS group and called on other corps members to emulate the gesture. He explained that the billboard would complement the sensitization efforts of the EFCC.

"The erection of the signpost was designed as one of the means of sensitization which is a strategy to complement the already existing channels of educating Nigerians against corruption," he said.

Nwokike, spoke through the Head, Public Affairs Department, of the Command, Akpos Mezeh-Ekisowei.





## EFCC, NDA Parley in Anti-Graft Lecture

**T**he Kaduna Zonal Command of the EFCC on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at Afaka, Kaduna carried out an enlightenment and sensitisation interaction with senior military officers, directing staff and officer-cadets of 73 and 74 Regular Courses of the Nigerian Defence Academy, NDA.

Nana Fatima Abubakar from the Command's Public Affairs Department engaged the participants through a "Frequently Asked Questions" session to enlighten them on the activities of the EFCC.

Head, Cyber Crime Section, Nurudeen Bello made a presentation on "Understanding the Basics of Cyber

Threats". He enlightened them on the modus operandi of cyber-criminals, and itemized red flags to watch out for.

The Head, Bank Fraud Section, Mustapha Yusuf Abubakar in his presentation entitled: "A Closer Look at a Wide Range of Fraud Perpetrated by members of the Society", enumerated some of the cases handled by the Commission, results achieved as well as ways to keep classified information away from third parties.

The lectures afforded officers of the EFCC and NDA to engage in robust discussions and fresh ideas were canvassed on how to move the anti-corruption crusade forward.



## SCUML Resumes Issuance of Certificates, Gets New Online Presence



**F**ollowing the passing into Law of the Money Laundering (Prevention and Prohibition) Act 2022, which effectively domiciles the Special Control Unit against Money Laundering, SCUML, within the EFCC, and necessitated the need for reforms, the anti-graft agency has announced that the SCUML has lifted its ban on the issuance of certificates, and has such commenced the issuance to successful applicants. The customer

care service of the SCUML can now be accessed via the email: [infoscuml@efcc.gov.ng](mailto:infoscuml@efcc.gov.ng) for the reporting of Suspicious Transactions STRs, and [info@scuml.net](mailto:info@scuml.net) for the SCUML registration. The SCUML website can be accessed via: [www.scuml.net](http://www.scuml.net) Special Control Unit Against Money Laundry – Economic and Financial Crim... Special Control Unit Against Money Laundry – Economic and Financial Crime Commission

## EFCC Forensics Lab, One of the Best in Africa- NSCDC

**T**he Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps, NSCDC has described the Forensics Laboratory of the EFCC as one of the best in Africa.

Head, Forensic and Psychological Services Unit of NSCDC, Tersoo Shapper, made the assertion during a visit to the EFCC Headquarters, Abuja, on September 13, 2022.

"It is a fact that the EFCC Forensics has come to stay, and I am not just



talking about this country, I know what you are doing and I can describe the EFCC forensics services as one of the best in Africa," he said. "We are

actually presenting ourselves to you as partners in this job and in areas that you know better."

In his response, EFCC's Director of Forensics, Benedict Agweye, who was represented by Gideon Dashong, assured the NSCDC delegation of the willingness and openness for partnership. Head of Enlightenment and Reorientation Unit of the

Commission, Aisha Mohammed also stressed the willingness of the anti-graft agency to strengthen inter-agency collaboration.



## ACJA Monitoring Committee Ranks EFCC's Medical Facility Best in Nigeria



many questionable events and incidences and all the questions that I have asked, good answers were provided, truly I must say I am impressed."

**T**he Administration of Criminal Justice Act, ACJA, Monitoring Committee, has ranked the medical facility available at the EFCC as the best in the law enforcement community in Nigeria. Justice Mabel. S. Bello of the Federal High Court made the assertion on September 14, 2022 when she led a delegation of the Committee to the EFCC Headquarters, Abuja to inspect and evaluate the custodial and medical facilities available to suspected fraudsters in the custody of the anti-graft agency.

She said: "In terms of medical facilities accessible to suspects so far, that I have seen in the Federal Capital Territory, and generally in the country, I think the EFCC's medical facility ranks the best; it has a texture of international standard and it is quite remarkable.

"If I am to do a comparative analysis, I will adjudge EFCC's detention facility 80 per cent better than all the other facilities that I have visited.

"This detention centre did not bring tears to my eyes, I did not find too

Secretary to the Commission, Dr. George Ekpungu, who received the delegation, described the EFCC as a standard bearer in the administration of criminal justice in Nigeria.

"We have always kept to standard and I am sure when you visit our cell, you will be convinced with what I am saying. EFCC does not arrest and dump people in the cell, we only remand people on the order of the court, and if we have to arrest someone and keep, we do not keep beyond the stipulated detention period," he said.

## NMA Kano Branch Applauds EFCC

The Kano branch of the Nigerian Medical Association, NMA, has applauded the EFCC for its relentless fight against economic and financial crimes.

The newly-elected chairman of the Association, Dr. Abdullahi Kabir Suleiman, made the assertion when he led a delegation on a working-visit to the Kano Zonal Command of the Commission, on September 15, 2022. According to him, the EFCC has acquitted itself well in the pursuit of its mandate and deserves being appreciated.

"We like to use this opportunity to appreciate the good work of the EFCC in the fight against corruption, economic and financial crimes in general, especially in the Kano Command. We also like to appreciate the support and assistance the Command is giving to our members and the people of Kano in

general," he said.

He called for the cooperation of the Commission in running the Association, stressing that the EFCC's support was significant. Responding, Kano Zonal Commander, Farouq

Dogondaji, appreciated the leadership of the Association for recognizing and honouring the Commission with a courtesy visit.

"Law enforcement agencies alone



cannot fight and win the war, all stakeholders must key in and own the fight in order to salvage the country from the yoke of corruption," he said.





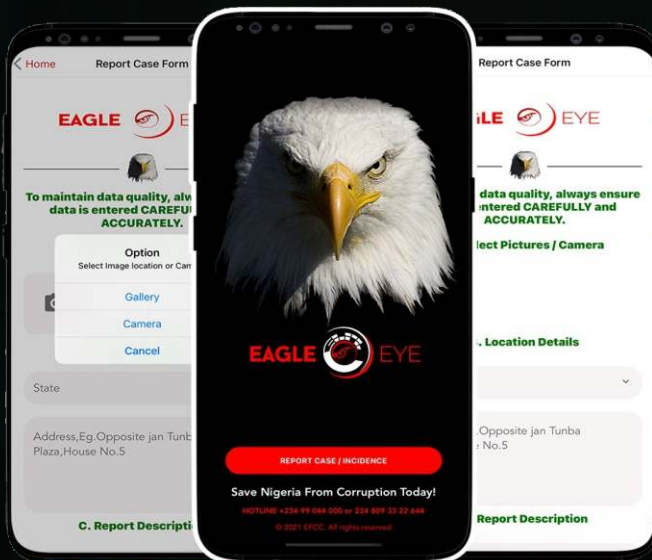
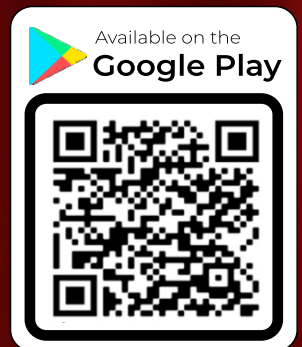
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