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The following are Legal Notices for General Information:-

#### C O N T E N T

1. Constitution of Commission of inquiry into the recent killings of members of Nigeria Security Forces (Nigeria Police and Department of State Security Services), Destruction and Confiscation of Security Personnel's Operational Vehicles and Weapons in Alakyo Village of Lafia Local Government Area

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**THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY LAW (CAP. 25)  
THE INSTRUMENT CONSTITUTING THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO  
THE RECENT KILLINGS OF MEMBERS OF NIGERIAN SECURITY FORCES  
(NIGERIA POLICE AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE SECURITY SERVICES),  
DESTRUCTION AND CONFISCATION OF SECURITY PERSONNEL'S  
OPERATIONAL VEHICLES AND WEAPONS IN ALAKYO VILLAGE OF LAFIA  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA ON 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2013**



**LEGAL NOTICE NO. 9 OF 2013**

In the exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 2 of the Commission of Inquiry law (Cap. 25), Laws of Northern Nigeria, 1963, as applicable to Nasarawa State, and all other powers enabling in that behalf, I Umaru Tanko Al-Makura, Governor, Nasarawa State of Nigeria, do hereby constitute a Commission of Inquiry into the recent killings of members of Nigerian Security Forces (Nigeria Police and Department of State Security Services), Destruction and Confiscation of Security Personnel's Operational Vehicles and Weapons in Alakyo Village of Lafia Local Government Area of Nasarawa State on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 (hereinafter referred to as 'the **Commission**') as follows:

1. This Instrument may be cited as the Commission of *Citation and*  
inquiry into the recent killings of members of Nigerian *Commencement.*  
Security Forces (Nigeria Police and Department of State  
Security Services), in Alakyo Village of Lafia Local  
Government Area

2. The Commission shall be constituted as follows:

*Constitution of  
the Commission.*

- a. Justice J. Fola Gbadeyan (RTD) - Chairman
- b. Barr. Muntasir Mohammed - Member
- c. Mr. Ibrahim Bakut - Member
- d. Brig. Gen. Dick Iruenabere (RTD) - Member
- e. AIG Hamisu Ali Jos (RTD) - Member
- f. Prof. Femi Odekunle - Member
- g. Haj. Zaynab Gogo Bayero - Member
- h. Representatative of National  
Human Rights Commission - Member
- i. Asabe Baba Nayaya - Member
- j. Abubakar Sadiq Ishaq - Member

3. Terms of Reference of the Commission are as follows:

- a. To inquire into the remote and immediate cause(s) of the killings of over fifty Nigerian Security Personnel on the 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 and the extent of the involvement of the outlawed ‘Ombatse Militia Group’ or any other group in the said act and or mayhem;
- b. To inquire into how and why, despite its proscription vide Nasarawa State Legal Notice No. 4 of 2012, Vol. 15, the outlawed Ombatse Militia continues to carry out its activities unabated and to cause breach of peace in Nasarawa State;
- c. To inquire into how, when and where the outlawed Ombatse Militia was formed or evolved, its founders, promoters, sponsors, financiers, members, aiders and

abettors and examine their roles(s) in the killings of the Nigerian Security Operatives on or about the 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 and recommend, provide and exert appropriate punishment for those found culpable within the provision of the Penal Code as applicable in Nasarawa State;

- d. To inquire into the modus operandi of the said outlawed Ombatse Militia and how it acquired/acquires its finances, arms, ammunitions, charms and weapons of attack and destruction including how they are stored and distributed and identify persons or groups supporters and exert appropriate punishment for those found culpable within the provision of the Penal Code as applicable in Nasarawa State and other extant statutes regulating arms and ammunitions;
- e. To identify the number of people including Nigerian Security Personnel who lost their lives and who sustained varying degrees of injuries, the extent of properties destroyed and damaged, as well as the economic loss in the killings of Nigerian Security Personnel on or about the 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 and other areas of the State etc and the perpetrators or culprits with a view to recommending, providing and or exerting appropriate penal sanction in accordance with the Penal Code as applicable in Nasarawa State and extant Penal Statutes etc;
- f. To identify thje persons, community or communities, associations or organizations which have been involved, directly whether as leaders, sponsors,

*Terms of  
reference.*

financiers, members, aiders, foot soldiers, errand boys, spies, collaborators or backers, etc in the massive and unwarranted killings of individuals and large scale destruction of lives and properties at Alakyo, Barkin Abdullahi and Kwandere in Lafia Local Government Area; Burum Burm in Doma Local Government Area and Yelwa-Bassa in Kokona Local Government Area of Nasarawa State, respectively and recommend, provide and exert appropriate Penal Sanction in accordance with relevant Penal Statutes;

- g. With, curb and completely wipe out the activities of this outlawed Militia or any other Militia or illegal and anti-social groups or groups in the State; and
- h. To highlight any other matter incidental to the foregoing terms of reference of the commission and make appropriate recommendation(s);
- i. To examine and proffer suggestions/advice on the ways, means and methodology through which Government can deal.

3.(1) Any person whose conduct is the subject of inquiry of the Commission or who is in any way implicated or concerned in the matter under investigation by the Commission shall be entitled to be represented by counsel at the inquiry. *Appearance of Counsel.*

(2) The Commissioner of Police, Nasarawa State, shall detail Police Officers to attend upon the Commission to serve summons on witnesses and perform such other function relating to the Commission. *Police Officers to attend to the Commission.*

*Interim Order.*

4. the Commission shall have power to make any interim order for the purpose of effectively carrying out the provisions of this instrument and particularly, it shall have the power to detain any person who fails to comply with its orders for a period not exceeding seven days at a time.

*Submission of*

5. The Commission shall submit its report to the Governor within a period of four weeks from the date its members are sworn in.

*Report.*

Dated at Lafia this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

**Umaru Tanko Al-Makura**

Governor,

Nasarawa State, Nigeria