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**STATEMENT ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADOPTION
OF THE ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

On behalf of the government and people of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, I am delighted to make a few remarks, on this important occasion, marking the anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Justice (ICC).

The ICC is a permanent international judicial body in The Hague, Netherlands that has special role in confronting genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity. It also brings perpetrators of such crimes to justice. July 17th each year, unites all those who wish to support justice, promote victims' rights, and help prevent crimes that threaten the peace, security and well-being of the world.

Nigeria, which is a State Party to the Rome Statute, attaches great importance to the International Criminal Court and is deeply committed to the fight against impunity. The bill for the domestication of the Rome Statute has passed the stage of second reading in the National Assembly.



Nigeria is putting in place a scheme of compensation and rehabilitation for victims of insurgency in the North East region of the country in line with the recommendation of a Presidential Committee on Dialogue and Peaceful Resolution of Security Challenges in the North. A committee on Victims Support Fund to mobilise resources and administer appropriate support to victims of insurgency and terror activities headed by Gen. TY Danjuma, GCON, was inaugurated on Wednesday, 16th July 2014.

Please accept Nigeria's full support to the International Criminal Court.

A handwritten signature in red ink, consisting of a stylized 'N' and 'A' enclosed in a red oval.

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Ambassador