

**OBSERVATIONS ON REQUESTS FOR STATE CREATION THAT PRIMA
FACIE COMPLIED WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 8
(1)(A)(i-iii)**

ZONE	S/N	STATE	OBSERVATION
NORTH CENTRAL	1	APA	<p>Memorandum is dated 1st July, 2009. No member of the House of Representatives who signed the memo is presently a serving member of the National Assembly.</p> <p>They are: Honourables David O. Idoko, Solomon Agidani, Augustine Adikpe, Nelson Alapa.</p>
	2	EDU	<p>Memorandum is dated 15th July, 2009. Hon. Baba Shehu and Hon. Isa Shaba who signed are no longer members of the House of Representatives.</p>
NORTH WEST	3	GHARI STATE	<p>Memorandum dated 11th May, 2009. None of the House of Representatives members who signed the memo is presently a serving member of the House.</p> <p>They are Honourables Sa'adu Yusuf Goda, Hamisu Abdul'Azeez, Yunusa Haruna,</p>

			Haliru D. Maigari, Sule Durum, Sale Ahmad Marke, Aminu Sa'adu Yakanawa, Hamisu Ibrahim and Hafizu Sani.
	4	GURARA STATE	<p>Letter of submission dated 17th May, 2010. Senator Zagi Caleb who signed is no longer a serving senator.</p> <p>3 of the 6 House of Representatives members who signed are not currently serving members. They are: Hon. Ado Dogo Audu, Hon. Joseph Gumbai and Hon. Emmanuel Maisango Audu.</p>
	5	HADEIJA	<p>Letter dated 27th October, 2009. Nine Constituencies demanded for the state.</p> <p>Out of 9 House of Assembly members who signed, 6 are no longer serving. They are: Hon. Suleiman Ibrahim Marke, Adamu Hassan Abun-so, Yusuf Ahmad Soja and Musa Hassan Birniwa, Abdulkadir Abubakar, Umar Anas Adamu.</p> <p>Therefore, the two-thirds</p>

			requirement was not met.
	6	NEW KADUNA STATE	<p>Memo dated April, 2010.</p> <p>Only 3 of the 11 members of the House of Representatives who signed are presently serving. The presently serving members are Hon. Isa Muhammed Ashiru, Hon. Ibrahim Khalid and Hon. Yakubu U. Barde.</p> <p>Similarly, many of the members of the House of Assembly who signed are longer serving.</p>
NORTH EAST	7	KATAGUM STATE	<p>Letter dated 14th day of December, 2009.</p> <p>Senators Muhammed A. Muhammed and Senator Suleiman Mohammed Nazif who signed are no longer serving senators.</p> <p>Of the six House of Representatives members who signed namely: Hon. Yusuf A. Tuggar, Hon. Adamu Gurai, Hon. Awwalu Audu. Hon. Sabo Usman, Hon. Tata Umar and Hon. Ibrahim Aliyu Makama, only Hon. Adamu Gurai is a serving member.</p>
	8	SAVANNAH STATE	Letter of Submission dated 28 th

			<p>March. 2010. Senator Omar Hambagda is no longer serving as a senator, Hon. Mohammed Ali Ndume is no longer in the House of Representatives while Hon. Ishaku Joshua Shara is no longer a member of the National Assembly.</p>
SOUTH EAST	9	ABA	<p>Letter of submission dated 9th September, 2008. Senator Adolphus Wabara who signed is no longer a serving senator. Four members of the House of Representatives signed namely, Hon. Chinenyerem Macebuh, Hon. Damian Ozurumba, Hon Nkech Nwaogu and Hon. Uzor Kalu. Hon. Nkechi Nwaogu is now a senator.</p> <p>The other three members of the House of Representatives who signed are no longer members of the House.</p>
	10	ADADA STATE	<p>Three House of Representatives members signed namely, Hon. Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi, Hon Pat Asadu and Hon. Paul Eze. Hon. Paul Eze is no longer serving.</p>

			<p>Of the 10 members of the State House of Assembly who signed, 7 are no longer serving. They are: Honorables Onah Fabian, Atigwe David, Amuh Felix Elechi, Ogbu Eugenia, Chigbo Anthony, Nna mani Edith, Elizabeth Ezugwu.</p> <p>The remaining three failed to meet the two-thirds requirement.</p>
SOUTH - SOUTH	11	ADO STATE	<p>Submission Date: 11th October, 2010.</p> <p>The Local Government Chairmen and Councillors who signed are no longer serving.</p>
	12	BORI STATE	<p>Date of Submission: April 2009.</p> <p>Senator Lee Ledego Maeba who signed is not currently serving.</p> <p>None of the 3 members of the House of Representatives who signed is presently serving. They are- Hons. Emmanuel Nwika Deeyah, Chief Olaka Nwogu and Christopher Berewari.</p>
	13	MINJI-SE STATE	<p>Date of Submission: 29th August, 2010.</p> <p>Hon. Daemi Kunaiyi-Akpanah</p>

			<p>who signed is no longer serving as member of the House of Representatives.</p> <p>Also, Four out of the seven members of the House of Assembly who signed are no longer serving.</p>
	14	NEW DELTA STATE	<p>Submitted 3rd August, 2010.</p> <p>The only Senator, Prof. A.E. Eferekaya who signed is no longer a serving senator.</p> <p>The House of Representatives members who signed namely Hon. Members Overah, OJ, Solomon U Ahwinahui and John H. Agoda are also no longer serving.</p>
	15	SOMBREIRO STATE	<p>Memorandum received after the official close of submission.</p>
SOUTH WEST	16	IJEBU	<p>Memorandum submitted July, 2009.</p> <p>All signatories from the Senate and House of Representatives are not serving members of the National Assembly. They are Senator Lekan Mustapha, Hon. Dave Salako, Gbenga Oduwaye and Segun Osibote.</p> <p>At the House of Assembly, of the 11 who signed, 9 are not</p>

			presently serving. They are- Honourables Musa Maroof, Nosiru Isiaka, Akeem Salami, Wale Alausa, Edward Ayo- Odugbesan, Omosanyo Solaja, Moses Abiodun, Pelumi Olusola, Tokunbo Oshin.
	17	ILAJE STATE	Date of Submission: 20 th August, 2010. Senator Hosea Ehinlanwo who signed is no longer serving. Hon. Agboola Ajayi is also no longer a member of the House of Representatives. The 2 members of the State House of Assembly who signed are not presently serving.
	18	OLUWA	Date of Submission: 10 th June 2010. Sen. Ehinlewo, Hon. E.O. Adedeji, Oluwole Olakinde and Agboola Ajani are no longer serving members of the National Assembly. At the House of Assembly, of the 8 signatories, 7 of them are no longer serving representatives. They are: Honourables Mayowa Akinfolarun, Yomi Tadema,

			Niyi Adebuseye, Yibo Obagbemi, Oyebo Aladetan, Kunle Odidi, Kele Bolodeoku.
	19	ODUDUWA	Date of Submission: 17 TH June, 2009 None of the signatories in respect of the Senate and House of Representatives is a serving member. They are: Senators, Omisore, Isiaka Adeleke, Simeon Oduoye, Hon. Patricia Etteh, Kayode Idowu, Kolawole Ismaila, Onigbogi Olugbenga, Busay Oluwole Oke, Leo Owoyemi Adesare, Falade Ajibade M., Albert Abiodun Adeogun and Jolaye George Oyewole.

The Committee therefore recommends that, provided the House of Representatives received same, henceforth, the Clerk of the National Assembly should be directed to forward any memoranda that complied with section 8(1)(a)(I, ii &iii) to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to conduct a referendum which itself is still half of the journey towards state creation. This can be done at anytime, whether or not there is a constitution amendment exercise going on.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

Mr. President, Distinguished colleagues, in view of the importance of these proposed alterations and their potential to create an enabling framework for stability and for the nurturing of a vibrant democracy in Nigeria; the Committee do hereby recommend that:

- (i) The proposed alteration to the Constitution in the attached document be adopted.
- (ii) The Senate do expedite action in the passage of the bill to enable the government restructure the institutions affected by this alteration.

8.0 CONCLUSION

Mr. President, Distinguished colleagues, on behalf of the members of the Committee, we wish to thank you for entrusting the responsibility of processing the alteration of the Constitution in our hands. Your support and cooperation has been quite rewarding throughout the exercise. We cannot thank you enough.



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