



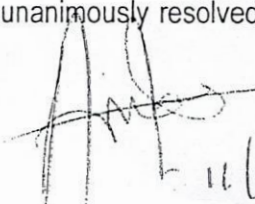
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ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 6th MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th JULY 2012, AT THE RIVERS STATE GOVERNOR'S LODGE, ABUJA

We, the Governors of the 36 States of the Federal Republic of Nigeria at our meeting held today Wednesday 11th July, 2012 at the Rivers State Governor's Lodge, Abuja deliberated over a number of issues.

The following resolutions were reached:

1. On the recurring insecurity in the country, Forum sympathized with the Government and people of Plateau State on the recent loss of lives and property and appealed to the Federal Government to urgently commence the recruitment, intensive training, equipping and proper deployment of security agents across the country. Forum also called on the Customs and Immigration Services to tighten security at the nation's borders.
2. The Forum resolved to constitute an Economic and Security Intervention Committee, with membership from Rivers, Bayelsa, Ekiti, Abia, Plateau, Adamawa and Zamfara States, to meet with Mr. President on an emergency economic intervention plan focusing initially on agriculture and other economic regeneration programmes for employment generation in the Northern States.
3. Finally, the Forum deliberated extensively on the continuing illegal deductions from the Federation Account towards offsetting oil subsidy payments, Excess Crude Account and other unconstitutional withdrawals by the Federal Government and unanimously resolved to go to court to seek legal redress.


11/07/12
Rt. Hon Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi
Executive Governor of Rivers State
&, Chairman, Nigeria Governors' Forum
July 11th, 2012