



**MINUTES OF THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE NIGERIA  
GOVERNORS' FORUM IN 2012**

**HELD ON**

**22<sup>ND</sup> August, 2012**

**AT THE**

**RIVERS STATE GOVERNOR'S LODGE, ASOKORO,  
ABUJA**

## ATTENDANCE

S/N	NAME	STATE	DESIGNATION
1	Rt. Hon. Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi	Rivers	Governor/Chairman
2	Dr. Obong Godswill Akpabio	Akwa Ibom	Governor
3	Dr. Kayode Fayemi	Ekiti	Governor
4	Chief Martin N. Elechi	Ebonyi	Governor
5	Mr. Patrick I. Yakowa	Kaduna	Governor
6	Capt. Idris I. Wada	Kogi	Governor
7	Engr. Rabiu M. Kwankwaso	Kano	Governor
8	Senator Ibikunle Amosun	Ogun	Governor
9	Dr. Olusegun Mimiko	Ondo	Governor
10	Alhaji Aliyu M. Wamakko	Sokoto	Governor
11	Mr. Bala James Nggilari	Adamawa	Deputy Governor
12	Rear Admiral Gboribiogha Jonah (Rtd)	Bayelsa	Deputy Governor
13	Mr. Efiok Cobham	Cross River	Deputy Governor
14	Professor Amos A. Utuama, SAN	Delta	Deputy Governor
15	Hon. J.R. Tha'anda	Gombe	Deputy Governor
16	Dr. Jude Agbaso	Imo	Deputy Governor
17	Alhaji Ahmed M. Gumel	Jigawa	Deputy Governor
18	Alhaji Abdullahi G. Faskari	Katsina	Deputy Governor
19	Hon. (Mrs) Adejoke Adefulire	Lagos	Deputy Governor
20	Hon. Dameshi B. Luka	Nasarawa	Deputy Governor
21	Hon. Ahmed Musa Ibeto	Niger	Deputy Governor
22	Mr. Ignatius D. Longjan	Plateau	Deputy Governor
23	Col. Emeka Ananaba	Abia	Deputy Governor
24	Mr. Moses A. Adeyemo	Oyo	Deputy Governor
25	Alhaji Sani A. Danladi	Taraba	Deputy Governor
26	Engr. Abubakar	Yobe	Deputy Governor

## APOLOGIES

S/N	NAME	STATE	DESIGNATION
1	Mr. Peter Obi	Anambra	Governor/Vice Chairman
2	Mallam Isa Yuguda	Bauchi	Governor
3	Barr. Gabriel T. Suswam	Benue	Governor
4	Alhaji Kashim Shettima	Borno	Governor
5	Comrade Adams A. Oshiomhole	Edo	Governor
6	Barr. Sullivan I. Chime	Enugu	Governor
7	Alhaji Usman Dakingari	Kebbi	Governor
8	Alhaji Abdulfattah Ahmed	Kwara	Governor
9	Engr. Rauf Aregbesola	Osun	Governor
10	Alhaji Ibrahim Geidam	Zamfara	Governor



S/N	NOTES/RESOLUTIONS	ACTION BY
1.0	<p><b>Commencement</b></p> <p>The meeting started at 8.42 pm with an opening prayer said by the Deputy Governor of Lagos State.</p>	
2.0	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b></p>	
2.1	<p>The Forum recalled that at its last meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2012, it did not consider the minutes of the previous meeting. Consequently, the meeting first reviewed the minutes of the meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2012. The Deputy Governor of Niger State moved for its adoption and was seconded by the Deputy Governor of Taraba State.</p>	<p><b>Chairman</b></p>
2.2	<p>Similarly, the Forum considered the minutes of the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2012 and the following amendment was made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Deputy Governor of Oyo State is Moses A. Adeyemo and not Moses A. Adeyemi as wrongly reflected in the minutes;</li> </ul>	
2.3	<p>Thereafter, the Governor of Sokoto State moved for the adoption of the minutes and was seconded by the Deputy Governor of Oyo State.</p>	
3.0	<p><b>Constitutional Amendment</b></p>	
3.1	<p>The Chairman informed the meeting that the review of the constitutional amendment could not go on that day as earlier scheduled because he was still consulting widely on some areas that needed agreement and alignment. Upon the conclusion of the consultations, the Forum would hold a meeting where the only item for discussion would be the Constitutional amendment.</p>	<p><b>The Forum</b></p>
4.0	<p><b>Excess Crude Account Litigation in the Supreme Court</b></p>	
4.1	<p>The Meeting agreed that the Chairman would brief the National Economic Council (NEC) at its meeting scheduled for the following day, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2012. It also resolved to proceed to court if the Federal Government reneged on its agreement to pay.</p>	<p><b>Chairman</b></p>
5.0	<p><b>Polio Initiative</b></p>	
5.1	<p>It was noted that 71 cases had been reported across the country, an increase of 13 cases from the last reported number of 58 cases. The</p>	

	meeting learnt that variants of the virus had been confirmed in two hitherto Polio-free States of Taraba and Edo States.	
6.0	<b>Payment of Legal and Professional Fees</b>	
6.1	The meeting was informed that only four (4) States – Abia, Enugu, Nasarawa and Jigawa States had paid up the commitment of N9,333,333.33 each towards paying for legal and other professional fees as agreed by the Forum. The other States were urged to pay up so the lawyers could file their cases in September 2012.	<b>All States concerned</b>
7.0	<b>Adjournment/Conclusion</b>	
7.1	The Governor of Ekiti State moved for adjournment and was seconded by the Governor of Ogun State.	
7.2	The meeting rose at 10.03pm with a closing prayer said by the Governor of Sokoto State.	

**Rt.Hon. Rotimi Chibuike Amaechi**  
**Chairman, Nigeria Governors' Forum**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2012**

# ACTIONS LOG

## MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM

Ref no.	Date	Description	Action By	Time line	Status	Review Date
M9/001	22/08/12	Chair to brief the National Economic Council (NEC) on the Excess Crude Account litigation in the Supreme Court at the next NEC meeting scheduled for the following day, 23rd August, 2012.	Chair	23/08/12		
M9/002	22/08/12	States that are yet to meet commitment of N9, 333, 333. 33 towards paying the legal and other professional fees as agreed by the Forum, to pay up so lawyers can file their cases in September.	Outstanding States			



**NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM**

**9<sup>th</sup> Meeting in 2012**

**Tuesday, August 22, 2012**

**AGENDA**

1. Opening Prayers;
2. Chairman's Brief;
3. Consideration and Adoption of the Minutes of the Last NGF Meeting;
4. 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria – Review of Proposed Amendments;
5. Update on FAAC: ECA Litigation in the Supreme Court;
6. Status of Polio Eradication Initiative;
7. Presentation by Stakeholders;
8. AOB;
9. Adjournment;
10. Closing Prayers.