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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NIGERIA
GOVERNORS' FORUM**

HELD ON

9th MAY, 2012

AT THE

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

ATTENDANCE

S/N	NAME	STATE	DESIGNATION
1	Rt. Hon. Rotimi C. Amaechi	Rivers	Governor/Chairman
2	Peter Obi	Anambra	Governor/Vice Chairman
3	T.A. Orji	Abia	Governor
4	Seriake Dickson	Bayelsa	Governor
5	Liyel Imoke	Cross River	Governor
6	Martin N. Elechi	Ebonyi	Governor
7	Owelle Rochas Okorochoa	Imo	Governor
8	Patrick I. Yakowa	Kaduna	Governor
9	Rabiu M. Kwankwaso	Kano	Governor
10	Ibrahim S. Shema	Katsina	Governor
11	Idris I. Wada	Kogi	Governor
12	Aliyu M. Wamakko	Sokoto	Governor
13	B.J. Nggilari	Adamawa	Deputy Governor
14	Sagir A.	Bauchi	Deputy Governor
15	Zannah Mustapha	Borno	Deputy Governor
16	Ahmed M. Gumel	Jigawa	Deputy Governor
17	Adejoke Orelope-Adefulire	Lagos	Deputy Governor
18	Hon. Ahmed Musa Ibeto	Niger	Deputy Governor
19	Otunba M.A. Adeyemo	Oyo	Deputy Governor

APOLOGIES

1	Godswill Akpabio	Akwa Ibom	Governor
2	Gabriel T. Suswam	Benue	Governor
3	Dr. Emmanuel Uduaghan	Delta	Governor
4	Adams A. Oshiomhole	Edo	Governor
5	Dr. Kayode Fayemi	Ekiti	Governor
6	Sullivan Chime	Enugu	Governor
7	Ibrahim Dankwambo	Gombe	Governor
8	Saidu N. Usman	Kebbi	Governor
9	Abdulfattah Ahmed	Kwara	Governor
10	Tanko Almakura	Nasarawa	Governor
11	Ibikunle Amosun	Ogun	Governor
12	Dr. Olusegun Mimiko	Ondo	Governor
13	Rauf Aregbesola	Osun	Governor
14	Jonah Jang	Plateau	Governor
15	Danbaba Suntai	Taraba	Governor
16	Ibrahim Gaidam	Yobe	Governor
17	Abulaziz Yari	Zamfara	Governor

S/N	NOTES/RESOLUTIONS	ACTION BY
1	<p>Commencement</p> <p>The meeting started at 7.30 pm with opening prayers by the Governor of Kogi State.</p>	
2	<p>Consideration and Adoption of Minutes of the Previous Meeting</p> <p>The Minutes of the last meeting held on 23rd April, 2012 was reviewed and adopted by a motion by the Governor of Anambra State and seconded by the Deputy Governor of Niger State.</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Last Meeting</p> <p>i. Excess Crude Account: The Chairman informed the meeting that he had met with the Minister of Finance on this issue and she had requested to make a presentation at the next meeting of the Forum, when she would have returned from her trip abroad.</p> <p>ii. NACTEST: The meeting recalled that the National Counter Terrorism Strategy document was distributed to members at a previous meeting and a Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of the Governor of Kogi State to collect and collate all input from the States. The meeting resolved to mandate all the Secretaries to State Governments (SSGs) to receive the input from the Secretariat for collation of all input and recommendations for presentation before the Forum.</p> <p>iii. Financial Obligations: The Meeting reviewed members' outstanding financial obligations to the Forum and members still indebted were urged to make good their commitments. Following intensive deliberations on these outstanding commitments, especially regarding the permanent Secretariat project, the Forum requested that the Permanent Secretariat Project Account balance be made available and sent to the Chairman. Similarly, members agreed to constitute a Committee to oversee the project. This Committee would work with an Implementation Committee from the Secretariat.</p> <p>iv. Polio Update: The Chairman re-emphasised the relevance of the Challenge and implored members to be at the forefront of the campaign to ensure the eradication of Polio in Nigeria. It was also resolved that going forward,</p>	<p>Chairman</p> <p>Governor Kogi State/NACTEST Committee and the Secretariat</p> <p>Chairman/ Secretariat</p>

local Government chairmen and other relevant stakeholders would be held accountable for the polio situation in their areas.

v. State of the Nation:

The meeting deliberated extensively on the state of the nation and condemned the current level of violence and insecurity in the country which had become a national embarrassment. The Forum pleaded for greater understanding among Nigerians and resolved to hold a 1-day brainstorming session for the sole purpose of addressing the security challenges in the country.

As part of efforts to mitigate the lingering security challenges, the Forum members committed to creating an enabling environment for economic development and channeling more resources towards the empowerment of the citizenry, especially youths, women and the vulnerable.

The Forum also agreed to meet with the leadership of the National Assembly to discuss the state of the nation, including:

- a) The security situation
- b) The on-going constitutional amendment process. The Forum would at the session present its Position/recommendations on the proposed amendment.

Adjournment

The meeting rose at 11. 30 pm following a motion for adjournment by the Governor of Imo State.

Right Honourable Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, CON
Executive Governor, Rivers State
Chairman, Nigeria Governors Forum

**Chairman/
Secretariat**