

SETTING THE TONE STATEMENT BY BOSS MUSTAPHA, SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATION AT THE "NEXT LEVEL: PRESENTATION OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROJECTIONS OF THE BUHARI GOVERNMENT" AT THE STATE HOUSE BANQUET HALL ON SUNDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 2018

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I stand here today with pride to welcome you all to this Scorecard and Next Level Presentation event. This event offers the world the unique opportunity to receive first hand, the success story of an administration that the Almighty God brought to power and Nigerians installed by overwhelming votes, to deliver the dividends of democracy.

- 2. The Buhari administration came into power when Nigerians clamored for change and the rest of the world looked up to our nation for leadership. It came into power with a promise to address three critical issues, namely:
  - To fight corruption which had crippled our economy and dented our image;
  - To restore security which had slipped to its lowest ebb and had frightened domestic and foreign investors; and
  - To revive the economy that had showed signs of stagnation and headed towards negative growth.
- 3. This government came into power when hope was lost and a leader with distinct integrity and acumen was needed for our Nation.

- 4. The Journey that began on May 29, 2015 has been tortuous but with the determination of the President and his team, we have weathered the storm, overcome the worst and set sail for consolidation over the next four years.
- 5. Mr. President, in the last three and a half years, this administration gave good governance its proper meaning. It has laid the foundation for a prosperous Nigeria by studying her problems, providing home grown solutions, developing policies and programmes that would lift the citizenry out of poverty, fighting the scourge of corruption and restoring security which is the foremost constitutional responsibility of government.
- 6. Mr. President, distinguished ladies and gentlemen, at the beginning of this year, the President-in-Council directed that all Ministers should give account of their stewardship to the Federal Executive Council. It was a most revealing three-month exercise that brought to the fore the accomplishments and strides of this administration in all the key sectors. Critical amongst these accomplishments are:
  - i. The huge investments in infrastructure (Railways, roads rehabilitation, & power);
  - ii. The Agricultural revolution (Anchor Borrowers Scheme);
  - iii. Introduction of social safety net programmes (N-Power, Home Grown School Feeding Programme, Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT), Government Enterprise Empowerment Programme (GEEP) which includes the MarketMoni and TraderMoni);
  - iv. Reviving the quality of Education and Healthcare especially the Universal health care access which will be launched in December 2018;
  - v. Combating corruption and recovering looted funds that is now being ploughed back for the benefit of all Nigerians;

- vi. Restoring security of lives and property particularly through the protection of our territorial integrity against insurgency and militancy;
- vii. Investing in our greatest assets- the Nigerian People;
- viii. Managing our finances efficiently and effectively; and
- ix. Passing over two hundred policies aimed at improving the delivery of public good to Nigerians.
- 6. With particular reference to the fight against corruption, Mr. President has been honoured by Africa as the African Champion against Corruption.
- 7. Mr. President, Nigerians will hear from their servants and will enjoy the benefit of audio-visual clips that speak to the progress we have made in the last three and a half years. They will also understand their participatory roles in the accomplishments we have recorded and share in the ownership. Above all, they will recognize the need for supporting this administration in its efforts to consolidate the gains over the next four years beginning from 29th May, 2019.
- 8. This administration believes strongly and will continue to strengthen institutions to deliver on the dividends of democracy and good governance while also creating the enabling environment for the youths to rediscover themselves by being creative as the world moves into an era of artificial intelligence. We will continue to put Nigeria in its place of pride in the comity of nations.
- 9. We have 90 days to elect our next Leaders and I believe that Nigerians will make the right choice in retuning our President. This Event showcases our scorecard and underscores the fact that we promised **CHANGE** and we are delivering **CHANGE**.
- 10. I wish you all a rewarding evening and thank you for your continued support.