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Chief of Staff to the President,

Deputy Chief of Staff to the President, Office of the Vice-President,

Honourable Ministers/Minister of State.

Head of the Civil Service of the Federation

National Security Adviser,

Chairman, Federal Civil Service Commission,

Chairman Federal Character Commission.

Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission,

Chairman, Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission,

Chairman, National Population Commission,

Chairman, Code of Conduct Tribunal,

Chairman, Code of Conduct Bureau,

Permanent Secretaries,

Special Advisers/ Senior Special Assistants,

Service Chiefs/ Inspector General of Police,

Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria, Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practices

And other related Offences Commission,

Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission,

Chairman, National Drug Law Enforcement Agency,

Chairman, Federal Inland Revenue Service,

Chairman, National Assembly Service Commission,

Clerk of the National Assembly,

Chief Registrar, Supreme Court of Nigeria,

Secretary, National Judicial Council,

Auditor- General for the Federation,

Accountant-General of the Federation,

Heads of Extra- Ministerial Departments/ Directors-General/Chief,

Executive Officers of Parastatals, Agencies and Government-Owned Companies.

## COMPOSITION AND SIZE OF THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION TO THE 79<sup>TH</sup> UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED TO HOLD IN NEW YORK, USA, FROM SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2024

In furtherance of the present Administration's efforts to reduce cost of governance and as it particularly relates to international travels by public officials on statutory and non-statutory international engagements, coupled with the current mood of the nation in reflection of our present economic realities, **President Bola Ahmed Tinubu**, **GCFR**, has directed that, Nigeria presents a lean-sized delegation to the forthcoming 79th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (79 UNGA) scheduled to hold between September and December, 2024, in New York USA.

- 2. Accordingly, participating Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) that must have been confirmed to have specific roles and relevance to the theme and issues before the conference, would be prioritized to form Nigeria's lean official delegation to 79 UNGA. In that regard, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the responsibility for coordinating Nigeria's representation at UNGA, would prioritise the issues-based representation to recommend Nigeria's official delegation to the event.
- 3. Participating officials would be restricted to two (2) and on special consideration, not more than three (3) officials per Agency of the Federal or State Governments, irrespective of Government's financial responsibility to the cost of participation.
- 4. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is further directed to ensure it does not register for accreditation purposes, any public official from the States or Federal Government not authorized to travel for the conference. Additionally, the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, would ensure the United States of America Embassy in Nigeria is similarly advised not to issue entry visa to any such official.
- 5. It is also emphasized that failure to comply with this directive will be sanctioned appropriately as the rationale for ensuring strict compliance with this directive is in tandem with the Administration's commitment to reducing the cost of governance.
- 6. Honourable Ministers, Permanent Secretaries and Heads of Extra-Ministerial Departments/Parastatals/Agencies are to take due cognizance of the contents of this circular for **immediate and strict compliance**.

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