



## Federal Ministry of Justice

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#### **POLLS UNDER CORRUPTION THREATS, BUHARI WARNS - NATION PG.7, DAILY TRUST PG.1&5, PUNCH PG.2, THISDAY PG.1&64**

Those who plundered the commonwealth of the nation are unrelenting on their plan to destabilise the system; President Muhammadu Buhari has alerted Nigerians. According to him, the looters of the nation's resources have resolved to deploy their ill-gotten wealth to undermining the forthcoming general elections "and by extension our democracy". The President disclosed this in a special feature entitled: "Corruption threatens Nigeria - and its election" which he released yesterday in Abuja.

#### **N17B JUDGMENT DEBT: APPEAL COURT SETS ASIDE CONVICTIONS OF FIRST BANK CHIEFS - NATION PG.9, PUNCH PG.7, THISDAY PG.67**

The Court of Appeal, Lagos, has set aside the decision of a federal high court, Lagos, which convicted the Chairman of First Bank Nigeria Plc, Pastor Ibukun Awosika and the bank's Managing Director, Dr. Adesola Adeduntan for contempt over a judgment debt of N17 billion. The appellate court voided the decision of the lower court on the ground that the judge erred in law when it convicted the bank chiefs for contempt on the allegation of breach of an undertaking.

#### **COURT WARNS CBN, NCC ON ETISALAT - NATION PG.1&6**

Federal High Court in Abuja has warned the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Nigerian Telecommunication Commission (NCC) and others involved in the transaction for the sale of troubled telecom firm Etisalat (9mobile) against taking further steps to conclude the sale. The warning was informed by the claim by some aggrieved investors that despite a subsisting order of the court, made on October 10, last year, by Justice Binta Nyako, barring parties to the transaction from taking further steps pending the determination of the suit, the CBN,

First Bank and others have allegedly sold the firm and transferred its ownership.

**ONNOGHEN: EFCC DETECTIVES, OTHERS MAY APPEAR BEFORE NJC - NATION PG.7, THISDAY PG.8, DAILY TRUST PG.4, SUN PG.11**

Some Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) detectives may appear before the National Judicial Council (NJC) on their findings on suspended Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN) Walter Onnoghen and other issues. The Nation has learnt. Also to appear before the NJC are officials of some other intelligence agencies. All relevant desks and detectives were placed on standby yesterday pending the invitation of the NJC.

**BILL CLINTON, SCOTLAND TO WITNESS SECOND SIGNING OF THE NATIONAL PEACE ACCORD - NATION PG.7, SUN PG.11**

Former United States (U.S.) President Bill Clinton and Commonwealth Secretary-General Baroness Patricia Scotland are to witness the second signing of the peace accord ahead of Saturday's presidential election on Wednesday. The first signing of the national peace accord midwifed by the Gen. Abdusalami Abubakar-led National Peace Committee (NPC) took place on December 11. The accord was designed to ensure peaceful campaigns and political rallies. The second signing is coming at the instance of the Chairman.

**NIBET BOSS, MARILYN AMOBI, IN TROUBLE OVER N2BN FRAUD - DAILY TRUST PG.7**

The managing director of the Nigeria Bulk Electricity Trading Plc (NBET), Marilyn Amobi, is in trouble over allegations of fraudulent payment of at least N2 billion to two power-generating companies by the managing director of the agency, investigations by Leaks NG has revealed. Official documents reviewed by Leaks NG have shown that Mrs Amobi was also involved in a series of corruption allegations such as subversion of board approvals and infraction of procurement laws.

## **COURT ADJOURNS EX-AG'S N1BN SUIT AGAINST FAYOSE TILL FEB 28 - PUNCH PG.59**

An Ado Ekiti High Court on Friday ordered substituted service on a former governor of Ekiti State, Mr Ayodele Fayose, in a N1bn suit filed against him by a former Attorney General of the state, Mr Owoseni Ajayi. In his ruling, Justice L.O. Ogundana, who granted the orders as prayed by Ajayi, adjourned the matter till February 28 for report of service. In the suit numbered HAD/113/2018, Ajayi is asking the court to order Fayose to pay him professional fees for a number of cases he handled for him between 2006 and 2014.

## **COURT HEARS CONTEMPT SUIT AGAINST OSHIOMHOLE FEBRUARY 18 - PUNCH PG.58, SUN PG.5**

The suit seeking to commit the National Chairman of the All Progressives Congress, Adams Oshiomhole, to prison filed by the executive of the Imo State chapter of the APC will come up for hearing on February 18. Oshiomhole, had without respect to an existing court order, announced the dissolution of the executive of Imo State chapter of the APC and announced a caretaker committee as a replacement.

## **ARMS SCAM: FG FAILS TO PROBE BUHARI'S NSA, MINISTER - PUNCH PG.10**

Over two years after they were recommended for probe, the Federal Government has yet to investigate and charge the National Security Adviser, Major General Babagana Monguno; and the Minister of Interior, Lt. Gen. Abdulrahman Dambazau (retd.). The two ex-generals were recommended for probe by the Committee on Audit of Defence Equipment Procurement in the Nigerian Armed Forces from 2007 to 2015.