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WE DIDN'T QUERY PROSECUTION LAWYER IN ONNOGHEN'S TRIAL, SAYS NBA - NATION PG.12, THISDAY PG.51

The Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) has faulted media reports to the effect that it has issued a query to Aliyu Umar (SAN) the lead prosecution lawyer in the trial of suspended Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Justice Walter before the Code of Conduct Tribunal (CCT). NBA's National Publicity Secretary, Kunle Edun said, in a statement on Sunday that Umar was only required to respond to a petition written against him by another member of the NBA.

ONNOGHEN'S TRIAL RESUMES TODAY - DAILY TRUST PG.7, PUNCH PG.8

The trial of suspended Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Walter Samuel Onnoghen over alleged non-declaration of assets will resume today before the Code of Conduct Tribunal (CCT). Onnoghen at the last sitting pleaded not guilty to the six- count charge filed against him by the Code of Conduct Bureau (CCB). He was accused of failure to declare his assets between June, 2005 and December, 2016 contrary to provisions of section 15(1) of the Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act Cap C15 LFN 2004 and punishable under section 23(2) a, b, and c of the same Act.

INEC SUSPENDS RIVERS ELECTIONS OVER VIOLENCE - DAILY TRUST PG.3, NATION PG.9, SUN PG.6

The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has suspended the governorship and state houses of assembly elections in Rivers State over widespread violence in the state. The National Commissioner and Chairman Voter Education Committee of INEC, Festus Okoye, announced the suspension in a statement yesterday. He said the commission decided to suspend the elections to ensure the safety of its staff.

NIGERIAN PROF, ENVOY, 155 OTHERS DIE IN ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES CRASH - NATION PG.7, PUNCH PG.3, THISDAY PG.8, SUN PG.4

A Nigerian professor based in Canada, Pius Adesanmi, and former UN and AU Deputy Joint Special Representative in Darfur, Sudan, Ambassador Abiodun Bashua of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs were among the 157 persons on board an Ethiopian Airline's plane which crashed yesterday. Adesanmi, who was popular on twitter for his consistent interventions on the state of the nation, was teaching at the Carlton University in Canada. He was a dual citizen of Nigeria and Canada.

I ANNOUNCED RESULTS UNDER DURESS, INEC OFFICER CRIES OUT - THISDAY PG.48

The Collation Officer of Tafawa Balewa Local Government Area in Bauchi State, Mrs. Dominion Anosike, has said that she announced the results of the election under duress to save her life from the hands of political thugs who invaded the collation centre on Saturday night. The confusion started when the State Returning Officer of the Governorship election, Prof. Kyari Mohammed, called her to step forward and announce the results with her and immediately, an agent of the APC, Col. Umar Tilde, raised an observation that there was no collation of results in the Local Government Area, adding that it should not be accepted.

SUPREME COURT ORDERS IMO, OKOROCHA TO PAY N1BN DEBT TO FIRM - SUN PG.40

The Supreme Court on Friday ordered Governor Rochas Okorocha and the Imo State Government to pay N1bn to E. F. Network Nigeria Limited, which the state government owed the firm for almost 10 years. The state government, during Governor Ihedi Ohakim's administration, owed the firm a contract debt of N800m, which was part payment for the supply of refuse bags and plastic rolling containers in 2008.