



## Federal Ministry of Justice

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**JUDGE FACES NJC PROBE OVER ZAMFARA ELECTIONS - SUN PG.4**

The National Judicial Council, (NJC) has commenced investigation into a petition brought by the governorship candidate of the All Progressive Grand Alliance (APGA) in Zamfara State, Alhaji Sani Shinkafi. Shinkafi, in the said petition which was received by the office of the Chief Justice of Nigeria on the February 26, alleged that a judge of the Zamfara State High Court engaged in “gross abuse of office and judicial rascality,” when adjudicating over a political case marked ZMS/GS/52/2018, pertaining to the March 9 governorship election.

**PRESIDENTIAL AMNESTY SCAM: EFCC SECURES FINAL FORFEITURE OF N732.85M TO FG - SUN PG.5, DAILYTRUST PG.7, NATION PG.1 & 6**

Justice James Tsoho of the Federal High Court in Abuja on Friday, March 1, 2019, granted the application of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) seeking the final forfeiture of N732.85 million to the Federal Government. The forfeiture includes a plot of land situated at Katsina Road by Ogbomosho Road, Kaduna North Local Government, worth N190 million, all believed to be proceeds of unlawful activities.

**WE CARE ABOUT BIAFRA, NOT WHO BECOMES PRESIDENT- IPOB - SUN PG.48, PUNCH PG. 8**

The Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB) has said it is not bothered about who becomes president of Nigeria from May 29, rather its focus is on Biafra restoration. The group urged politicians, artisans, traders, academics, professionals, businessmen and women in Biafra land and all over the world to support IPOB in its quest for Biafra liberation.

### **ALLEGED CERTIFICATE FORGERY: BINDOW KNOWS FATE TODAY - DAILYTRUST PG.3**

An FCT High Court in Apo has fixed today for judgment in a suit seeking the disqualification of Adamawa State Governor, Mohammed Jibrilla Bindow, from the forthcoming governorship election, over alleged certificate forgery. Justice Olukayode Adeniyi fixed March 1 for the judgment after counsels to all parties in the suit.

### **BUHARI'S GROUP URGES EU, AU TO CAUTION ATIKU - NATION PG.8**

The Buhari Campaign Organisation (BCO) has urged the European Union (EU) and the African Union (AU) to prevail upon the People's Democratic Party (PDP) presidential candidate Alhaji Atiku Abubakar to jettison his plan of going to court to challenge President Muhammadu Buhari's re-election. In separate letters addressed to the heads of EU and AU Observation Missions in Nigeria, the support group noted that the international bodies must act fast to save the country's democracy from what it described as Atiku's inequitable conduct despite the reports of fairness in the just concluded polls by the international observers..

### **KOGI GOVT PLANS TO ASSASSINATE ME, MELAYE ALLEGES - NATION PG.44**

Senator representing Kogi West Senator Dino Melaye has alleged plan by the Kogi State government to assassinate him. Melaye was declared winner of last Saturday's senatorial election in Kogi West on the ticket of opposition Peoples Democratic Party (PDP).

### **EFCC TO DEPLOY OPERATIVES TO BORDERS, ARREST EX-PARTY OFFICIALS - PUNCH PG.10**

There is a strong indication that the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission will, in the coming weeks, send its operatives to the nation's borders as part of its plan to prevent suspects under its surveillance from leaving the country. It was learnt that the commission had initiated an offensive against former government officials involved in the embezzlement of public funds, as well as shady businessmen who financed political parties during the presidential and National Assembly elections.

## **SERVICE CHIEFS JOSTLE FOR CDS POSITION - THISDAY PG.8**

Military service chiefs have intensified the lobby to replace the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), General Gabriel Olonisakin. Military sources said Chief of Army Staff, Lt. General Tukur Buratai, and Chief of Air Staff, Air Marshal Sadique Abubakar, have stepped up subterranean moves, in their different capacities, to get President Muhammadu Buhari to name either of them as the next CDS.

## **COURT DECLARES DEPORTATION OF CAMEROONIANS FROM NIGERIA ILLEGAL - THISDAY PG.51**

A federal High Court in Abuja has declared as illegal and unconstitutional, the deportation of 47 Cameroonians from Nigeria on January 26, 2018. The presiding judge of the court, Justice Anwuli Chikere, also granted all the reliefs as prayed for by the key Cameroonian separatist leader, Julius Sisiku Ayuk Tabe, president of the self-declared “Republic of Ambazonia”, who was arrested along with his supporters on January 9 by Nigerian intelligence agents at their hotels in Abuja on January 7, 2018, while they were assembled for a meeting.