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BUHARI PROMISES INCLUSIVE GOVT, ATIKU HEADS TO COURT - DAILY TRUST PG.1&5, NATION PG.6 &7

President Muhammadu Buhari yesterday received his certificate of return as winner of the 2019 presidential election, promising that his government will remain inclusive. But the runner-up in the polls Atiku Abubakar rejected the outcome of the election and vowed to challenge it in court.

DON'T GO TO TRIBUNAL, AGBAKOBA ADVISES ATIKU - DAILY TRUST PG.4, PUNCH PG.7

A former president of the Nigerian Bar Association, Olisa Agbakoba, has advised the PDP's presidential candidate, Atiku Abubakar, not to approach the Presidential Election Petition Tribunal. Agbakoba, in a statement yesterday, said while the winner of the Saturday's presidential poll, President Muhammadu Buhari, kept his base in the north, Atiku largely held his in the south. According to him, the voting pattern for the 2019 presidential election shows ethnicity played a significant role in the poll.

ICPC SEIZES 12 PROPERTIES FROM BUSINESSMAN - DAILY TRUST PG.5, SUN PG.4

The Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) yesterday said it has seized 12 landed property in Abuja belonging to a construction firm and its owner. ICPC spokesperson Rasheedat Okoduwa in a statement said the property was confiscated pursuant to its powers contained in Section 45 of the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act 2000.

COURT DISMISSES DASUKI'S APPLICATION FOR INDEFINITE ADJOURNMENT - DAILY TRUST PG.10

An FCT High Court in Maitama has dismissed an application by former National Security Adviser (NSA), Sambo Dasuki, seeking an indefinite

adjournment of his case before the court. Dasuki had asked the court for adjournment sine die (indefinite) pending when the judgement of Justice Ijeoma Ojukwu of a Federal High Court in Abuja on July 2, 2018 ordering his release is complied with by the government.

PEACEFUL POLLS VICTORY FOR NIGERIA, SAYS BUHARI - NATION PG.6&7

President Muhammadu Buhari yesterday told Nigerians to see the peaceful conduct of the February 23 presidential election as a victory for the nation. Noting that an election should not be seen as a war, the President said the “victory is enough cause for joy without deriding those in the opposition now that election is over.” The President’s message was contained in his remarks at the International Conference Centre (ICC) in Abuja, after receiving the Certificate of Return as the president-elect from the Chairman of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), Prof Mahmood Yakubu.

EFCC ARRAIGNS 19 FOR ALLEGED ILLEGAL OIL DEAL - THE NATION PG.9, SUN PG.4

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) yesterday arraigned 19 men at Federal High Court in Lagos for alleged dealing in petroleum products illegally. They were charged before Justice Rilwan Aikawa with conspiracy, unlawful dealing in petroleum products and illegally storing them.

NDLEA ARREST 36 IN KWARA FOR ‘DRUG ABUSE’ - THE NATION PG.9

Thirty-six youths, including three women, have been arrested for alleged drug abuse in the last two weeks in Kwara State, Commander National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) Mr. Ona Ogilegwu has said. He told the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) in Ilorin yesterday the suspects were aged between 14 and 25.

CCT: APPEAL COURT RESERVES JUDGEMENT IN ONNOGHEN’S CASES. - THE NATION PG.41, THISDAY PG.45, SUN PG.5, PUNCH PG.10

The Court of Appeal in Abuja has reserved judgements in the four appeals filed by the suspended Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Justice Walter Onnoghen. A three-man panel of the court, led by Justice

Stephen Adah, after taking arguments from parties, in respect of the appeals, said they would be informed when judgements are ready.

ELECTION OBSERVER GROUPS SCORE INEC 80% - THISDAY PG.6

Some domestic observer groups numbering 20 yesterday rose in defence of the efforts put in by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to conduct the last presidential election in the country. In their assessment of the performance of the electoral umpire, the observer groups rated INEC 80 per cent, which they said was within international benchmark.

BOKO HARAM: MSF RAISES THE ALARM OVER FORCE RELOCATION OF 40,000 NIGERIAN REFUGEES FROM CAMEROON. - THISDAY PG.10

Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) yesterday raised the alarm over the forced relocation of 40,000 Nigerian refugees from Cameroon back to Rann, Borno State. The refugees has fled the Nigerian town, Rann in Kale-Balge, a border town with Cameroon for Goura in Cameroon after their town fell under Boko Haram attack over three weeks ago.

CHINA, UK, CONGRATULATE BUHARI AS ACF, AGBAKODA URGE ATIKU TO CONCEDE - SUN PG.39

The Chinese Government has congratulated President Muhammadu Buhari on his election for a second term. Spokesperson of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lu Kang, extended the wishes of the wishes of the Chinese Government when he briefed newsmen in Beijing yesterday.

I'VE NEVER SEEN OUR DEMOCRACY SO DEBASED AS IT WAS ON SATURDAY - ATIKU - PUNCH PG.2

The presidential candidate of the Peoples Democratic Party in the February 23 presidential election, Atiku Abubakar, on Wednesday said he would reclaim his 'stolen' mandate. Speaking during a world press conference in Abuja, he said the result of the election announced by the Independent National Electoral Commission did not reflect the wishes of Nigerians and the votes of the electorate.

I WILL RECOVER MY MANDATE, SAYS AKPABIO - PUNCH PG.7

Senator Godswill Akpabio has said he will challenge his defeat in Saturday's in Ikot Ekpene senatorial election at the Election Petitions

Tribunal. The former Akwa Ibom State governor, who sensationally defected from the Peoples Democratic Party to All Progressive Congress last year, was beaten by PDP's Chris Ekpenyong.