



OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF  
 State House  
 PRESIDENTIAL VILLA, ABUJA

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Principal Secretary, C-in-C

From: H.E. Mr. President

SH/PSP/24/A/812

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2009

ENDORSEMENT OF ACTION PLAN ON THE DEREGULATION OF THE DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM SUB-SECTOR

I refer Your Excellency to the meeting held on 9 June 2009 between Your Excellency, VP, SGF, HM (Finance), HM (Transport), HM (Pet), HMS (Pet), GMD-NNPC, CEA and PSP on the above subject matter and the verbal approvals given at that meeting on the proposed action plan earlier submitted by the HM (Finance) to ameliorate the likely adverse impact of the eventual removal of subsidies in the downstream petroleum sub sector on the pump price of petroleum products.

2. The purpose of this memorandum is therefore to seek Your Excellency's approval to convey your verbal directives to the relevant Ministries.

PRAYER:

3. The prayers of the Hon. Minister of Finance earlier submitted were as follows:

A. His Excellency, Mr. President is kindly invited to direct the HMT to oversee the implementation of the under-listed measures within the timeframe specified in the attached template commencing July 2009

- i) Reduce the Nigeria Port Authority (NPA) jetty charges by 50%.
- ii) Resume routine maintenance of jetties, for example, sweeping of Apapa Jetty;
- iii) Commence the dredging of Apapa Jetty, including exploring the scope for private sector involvement;
- iv) Allow construction of another jetty in the empty space behind NPA on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis to increase jetty capacity; and
- v) Fast track the granting of Single Buoy Mooring (SBM) license to marketers who have expressed interest to construct SBM along Nigeria's coast line.

B: His Excellency, Mr. President is also kindly invited to direct that the HM (Petroleum) oversee the implementation of the following measures within the time frame specified in the attached template commencing July 2009:

- i. Eliminate existing subsidy on the consumption of kerosene, taking into account that subsidy payments by Government on kerosene do not reach the intended beneficiaries. Public announcement of this measure should be avoided;
- ii. Facilitate the process of bringing Apapa Jetty under the Open Access, Common Carrier Regime;
- iii. Facilitate the repair of loading arms at the Apapa Jetty; and
- iv. Sustain the tempo of gas utilization initiative and regularly provide monthly progress reports.

**Recommendation:**

4. The above is respectfully submitted for Your Excellency's consideration and further directives Sir.

*[Signature]*  
Office of the Principal Secretary  
to the President

Date *10<sup>th</sup> June 2009*

His Excellency's Decision/Directive,

*Approval given, per [Signature]*

Signature.....  
*[Signature]*  
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Date.....

RESUBMITTED



STATE HOUSE  
ABUJA,  
NIGERIA.

Reference: SH/PSP/24/A/219

17<sup>th</sup> June, 2009

The Honourable Minister,  
Federal Ministry of Petroleum Resources,  
Central Business District,  
Abuja.



**RE: ENDORSEMENT OF ACTION PLAN ON THE DEREGULATION OF THE  
DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM SUB-SECTOR.**

I write with respect to the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> of June, 2009, on the above subject matter, in which you were in attendance, to formally convey to you Mr. President's directive at the meeting that your ministry should oversee the implementation of the under-listed measures within the time-frame specified in the attached template commencing from July, 2009:

- (i) Eliminate existing subsidy on the consumption of kerosene, taking into account that subsidy payments by Government on Kerosene do not reach the intended beneficiaries. - Public announcement of this measure should be avoided;
- (ii) Facilitate the process of bringing Apapa Jetty under the Open Access, Common Carrier Regime;
- (iii) Facilitate the repair of loading arms at the Apapa Jetty; and
- (iv) Sustain the tempo of gas utilization initiative and regularly provide monthly progress reports.

- 2. A copy of Mr. President's directive is attached for your guidance and records, please.
- 3. Kindly accept, Honourable Minister, the assurances of my highest regards

David Edevbie

Principal Secretary to the President, C-in-C

- cc:
- SSAP(Admin), C-in-C.
  - PS-(Vice-President),
  - Honourable Minister, Transport,
  - Honourable Minister, Finance.
  - Honourable Minister (State), Petroleum,
  - Secretary to the Government of the Federation,
  - Chief Economic Adviser,
  - GMD, NNPC.



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19 October 2009

The National Security Adviser  
Three Arms Zone  
Abuja

**RE: ENDORSEMENT OF ACTION PLAN ON THE DEREGULATION  
OF THE DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM SUB-SECTOR**

Sequel to the meeting with Mr. President on the Deregulation of the Downstream Petroleum Sub-sector, I write to forward to you, a copy of the Presidential Directives in respect of the above subject matter as conveyed to the Hon. Minister of Petroleum Resources and copied to the relevant state officials.

2. We have confirmed from our Registry that the directives were received and acknowledged in the offices of the Hon. Minister of Petroleum Resources, Hon. Minister of State, Petroleum Resources and Group Managing Director, NNPC.
3. Consequently, in my humble opinion, the NNPC should not be entitled to claim from the Petroleum Support Fund (PSF) in respect of kerosene with effect from the date of Mr. President's approval i.e 15<sup>th</sup> June 2009.
4. Please accept the assurances of my highest esteem.

*David Edevbie*  
David Edevbie

Principal Secretary to the President, C-in-C

Cc  
Hon. Minister, Petroleum Resources  
Hon. Minister of State, Petroleum Resources  
GMD, NNPC  
ES, PPPRA ✓

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