

ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRIMES COMMISSION

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Receive

His Excellency,

Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, GCFR President Federal Republic of Nigeria State House Abuja.

Through: The Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF)

RE: STATUS REPORT ON THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRIMES COMMISSION (EFCC)

Sequel to your letter with Ref. No.SGF.50/S.24/IV/881 dated 20th June, 2011 in respect of our request for additional funds for critical operational needs, please find attached the Commission's 2011 budgetary position and a comprehensive breakdown of the cost and other related information as requested.

Recall, Your Excellency that I was appointed and assumed office as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), three years ago. Under my stewardship, the Commission grew tremendously while adopting novel techniques for achieving better results. The following is a synopsis of our achievements in the past three years (June 2008 – date) in key areas of the work that defines the relevance of the Commission.

in respect of our request for additional funds

RECOVERIES

In three years, the Commission has recovered over N975 billion Naira for various levels of Government and for private entities, as follows:

-Banking	224	N650 billion
-Taxation	828	N3.5 billion
-Local Businesses	502	N36 billion
-Multi-National Penalties	pa .	N36 billion
-Other forfeitures		N135 billion

In addition to the above assets worth billions of Naira have also been recovered.

2. <u>INVESTIGATIONS</u>, CONVICTIONS, ET AL

In the said three years of my stewardship, the Commission's ratio in this key area has improved tremendously. Our performance indicators show that the following have been achieved:

(a) Convictions secured	2.02	550	614
(b) Under Investigation	Tay.	50	1,540
(c) Cases charged to court		150	503

3. PRE-EMPTIVE MEASURES

The Anti-Corruption Revolution Campaign which was initiated and launched in 2008 has bred an army of whistle blowers nationwide who have continued to supply us with vital information to aid our job. Further, the campaign has continued to sensitise the public to the dangers of corruption.

Internally, we have set up a Transaction Clearing Platform aimed at educating potential victims of cybercriminals and providing basic due diligence services. The Transactions

Clearing Platform has prevented the commission of cybercrimes that would have resulted into the loss of over N300 billion to foreigners who would have been duped by Nigerians. Several Embassies of foreign Governments have commended this innovation.

CHALLENGES / PRAYERS

Your Excellency, the above achievements are inspite of the challenges that have continued to bedevil the work of the Commission. In order to enable us achieve more results, as well as improve new security arrangement in the country we amiably proposed the following:

1. OPERATIONAL EQUIPMENT

The Commission lacks the equipment and requisite technology for fighting sophisticated crimes such as cybercrime, financial crimes and terrorism financing. For efficient and effective operations that will lead to the dismantling of some of the sophisticated corruption rings/terrorism, the Commission needs high technology surveillance equipment with capacity to monitor communication links of perpetrators. The operational equipments are as follows:

- a) Interactive Voice Response (IVR) To monitor suspects on bail and build database of their voice print, finger print and modus operandi.
- b) **GSM phones/E-mail** Tracking and Interceptive Devices- To aid investigation of crimes committed via phones and emails.
- c) The cost of acquiring items a and b above is two billion, nine hundred and seventy-four million, two

hundred and seventy-two thousand naira (=N=2,974272,000.00).

2. MANPOWER SHORTAGE

Currently, we have a work force of 1,800, we now need to upgrade to at least 2,500 staff to reduce the pressure of work and ensure adequate coverage. The Commission continue to have most of its seconded staff that have been trained back to their parent organizations, especially after promotions. The road map to making the Commission autonomous should gradually commence now.

3. RETENTION OF 5% OF RECOVERIES

We crave the indulgence of Mr. President that the Commission adopts international best practice standards and retains 5% of the recoveries it makes for and on behalf of Government and its agencies. Indeed this is in line with recommendation 38 of the Financial Action Tasks Force which acknowledges the need for law enforcements agencies to retain a certain percentage of recoveries for capacity building, government alone cannot effectively fund such activities.

STAFF BUSES

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The Commission need to purchase at least ten (10) luxurious staff buses to ease security concerns and reduce clustered cars in our premises for security reasons.

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5. PAYMENT OF RETAINED SENIOR ADVOCATES OF NIGERIA (SAN)

The Commission has retained Senior Advocates of Nigeria to add robustness to prosecution of cases. Unfortunately, the budgetary allocation to the Commission hardly covers their fees and it is necessary that the sum of N1 billion be approved for the payment of fees of these Senior Advocates.

6. ESTABLISHMENT OF DOG SECTION

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The Headquarters has three (3) access road with busy traffic. Several high rise building surround the Head office and it will be necessary that the Commission is funded to do the following as an interim measure pending movement to its permanent site:

(i) Establishment of a dog section which will be used for sniffing explosives. This will involve the purchase of five (5) German Shepherd Dogs and five (5) Labradors Breed Dogs at the cost of \$15,000 per dog (freight from South Africa to Nigeria inclusive) for a start.

(ii) Training of dogs and the recruitment and training of eight (8) Dog Handlers in addition to their feeding which is very expensive.

(iii) Acquire bomb detection equipment that will be used across the offices of the Commission including Zones. These will also require the recruitment and training of bomb detection/disposal experts.

2011 BUDGET POSITION:

i. Equipment/Vehicles

S/n	Description	
a	Interactive Voice Response (IVR)	Budgetary Status
Ь	GSM phones/E- mail Tracking and	No budgetary provision
	GSM phones/E- mail Tracking and Interceptive Devices	No budgetary provision
C	Twenty (20) units of Hilux Pick -	¥100 million
	up vehicles	
d	Thirty (30) units of 18 Seater Buses	No budgetary provision

ii. External Solicitors:

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The 2011 budget contained N200 million for both Awareness Campaign and Legal Services.

a) EQUIPMENT ESTIMATED COST IMPLICATIONS

S/n	Description	Quantity	- Unit Price	Total
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b	Response (IVR)	nail Trucki	to and Male	134,2/7,4/4,000.00
	and GSM phones	190 I I I I I I I I	18. and 11.00 of	OSSTATY provision
13	/E- mail tracking	COS EXILAR	tiole - Bison	. 64.20
2	4X4 Shell Spec	20	6 CED DOD	N133,000,000.00
. 3.	Hilux Pick – up Vehicles	640 C	-,00000	11133,000,000.00
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3	18 Seater Buses	30	8,700,000	
Total.			N261,000,000.00 N3,368,272,000.00	

b) External Solicitors Estimated Fees Implications

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	Cāse	Total Amount N
Cases		
1 Senior Advocate 70	N20Million	1,400,000,000.00
of Nigeria (SAN)	·	2,2,3,9,9,9,9,9,0,0,0,0
2 Others GSM phone 70	№10 million	700,000,000.00
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18 Seater Buses

Accept, Your Excellency the continuous assurance of my warm regards and support.

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Yours Faithfully,

Chief Dr. (Mrs.) Farida M. Waziri, AIG (Rtd), fwc, OFR Executive Chairman.

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Chief Dr. (Mrs.) Farida M. Waziri, AlG (Rtd), two, OFR Executive Chairman.