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His Excellency, Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR
President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
Office of the President
Aso Rock Presidential Villa
Abuja, FCT, Nigeria

His Excellency, Ambassador Mohammad Maidugu
Nigerian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom
Nigeria House
9 Northumberland Avenue
London, WC2N 5BX
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Subject: Formal Complaint, Vote of No Confidence, and Demand for the Immediate Removal of the Chairman of NIDCOM, Hon. Abike Dabiri-Erewa, for Amplifying Hate Speech and Bigotry

Your Excellencies,

We, the undersigned heads of all Igbo unions and associations in the United Kingdom and the wider diaspora, under the umbrella of Ogbako Ndi Igbo UK, write to express our utmost condemnation and profound disgust at the recent, unequivocally bigoted actions of the Chairman of the Nigerians in Diaspora Commission (NIDCOM), Hon. Abike Dabiri-Erewa.

It has been incontrovertibly established that the Chairman actively amplified and endorsed a virulently hateful post to the global community using her official platform and the X social media platform. The post in question, authored by one Wale Akere, did not merely contain a casual slur; it launched a dehumanising tirade against citizens of South-Eastern extraction, referring to Igbos as “monkeys,” “children of gorillas,” and “bastards.” By choosing to repost this content, Hon. Dabiri-Erewa did not just overlook bigotry, she actively participated in it, sanctioned it, and broadcasted this hate speech from her official platform to a national audience.

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For a public official whose statutory mandate is to cater to and unite all Nigerians in the diaspora, irrespective of ethnicity, this action constitutes a gross and unforgivable dereliction of duty. It transforms her office from a beacon of inclusion into a platform for ethnic vitriol. This incident is, regrettably, not an isolated misstep but part of a persistent pattern of disregard and discredit directed by the Chairman towards one of Nigeria's largest and most globally impactful ethnic groups.

Therefore, Ogbako Ndi Igbo UK hereby formally:

Dissociates itself completely from Hon. Abike Dabiri-Erewa and the office she disgracefully occupies.

Declares a vote of no confidence in her leadership, which we find to be irredeemably compromised and divisive.

Demands her immediate removal from the office of Chairman of NIDCOM.

Consequently, we state unequivocally that until Hon. Dabiri-Erewa is removed from office, Ndi Igbo in the UK and the wider diaspora will cease all participation in any activity, event, or initiative under the auspices of NIDCOM or her leadership. We cannot and will not engage with an institution led by an individual who endorses calls for our dehumanisation.

We call on His Excellency, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, to act decisively in the interest of national unity, social cohesion, and the fundamental dignity of every Nigerian citizen by removing her from this position of authority with immediate effect.

We further call on the Nigerian High Commission in the United Kingdom to fulfil its duty to foster unity and inclusion by publicly condemning this hate speech, alienating itself from her conduct, and supporting actions that heal rather than divide.

Ndi Igbo, an ethnic nation of over fifty million people, will no longer tolerate being the target of state-sanctioned bigotry. We have a voice, and we stand firm in our demand for respect, dignity, and the immediate rectification of this grievous error.

We call on all patriotic Nigerians, civil society organisations, and the international community to condemn this reprehensible act in the strongest possible terms.

We await your urgent and decisive action.

Respectfully Yours,

For and on behalf of Ogbako Ndi Igbo UK and all Affiliate Unions in the Diaspora:

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Attested by Heads of all Affiliate major Igbo unions in the UK:

List of Names and Positions of Heads of Major Igbo Unions in the UK.

Dr. Mrs Daisy Nwaozuzu, President, Nzuko ndi igbo Dundee, Scotland

Uchenna Odunukwe Esq., President Igbo Union Milton Keynes

Dr Emma Nwofe, President, Igbo Union Yorkshire

Dr. Richard Ochiobi, President igbo Community Manchester

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Maazi Dozie Eluwa. President Oxford Igbo Union

Maazi Emeka Mbadinuju. President Igbo Union Swindon

Maazi Ken Uwakwe Odo. President Ndi Igbo North East England.

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cc:

The Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF)

The President of the Senate, National Assembly

The Speaker, House of Representatives

The Director-General, National Intelligence Agency (NIA)

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