

**PRESS RELEASE:**

**TAFIDA COMMENDS NIGERIAN DIPLOMATS WIVES  
ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday 13 February 2010, Nigerian Diplomats Wives Association (NDWA) U.K, under the leadership of Her Excellency, Mrs. Salamatu Tafida hosted guests to a Couples' Evening at her Campden Hill London residence. In his welcome remarks, His Excellency, Dr. Dalhatu Sarki Tafida, OFR, High Commissioner of Nigeria to the United Kingdom commended the Association for organising the occasion to coincide with this year's Valentine Day celebration.

2. He informed that the objectives of the event were to celebrate our marriages and express appreciation to our spouses for their unalloyed support and understanding towards keeping the home front warm. Rather than being an essentially Valentine event, he said, the occasion was intended to forge stronger bonds between officers and their families as the bedrock for enhanced productivity and service delivery in the Chancery.

3. His Excellency, Dr. Tafida, an elder statesman, exhorted the members of staff to keep their wives busy through such things as enrolment in academic or professional institutions to enhance their individual and collective status in the overall interest of the service. He advised them to remain united and committed to their families and to avoid actions that could destabilize the home front. He added that the cornerstone of marriage is happiness

and that when our spouses are happy, officers are happy, respective output, in effect, is enhanced, inside and outside the work place.

4. The Couples' Evening was well attended and it featured various salutary remarks by the Deputy High Commissioner, Ambassador Dozie Nwanna, OON, and other members of staff, as well as riddles and jokes, special panorama and dance steps, to mention but a few.

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