



NOTICE ON ISSUANCE OF EMERGENCY TRAVEL CERTIFICATE (ETC)

This is to inform the general public that the Mission is currently experiencing shortage of passport booklets. In order to alleviate the suffering of Nigerians wishing to go home, the Mission has decided to issue Emergency travel certificates to interested applicants. The issuance of the document is subject to the followings:

- (i) Normal collection time for ETC is 48hrs after submission of application and documents.
- (ii) Stranded Nigerian with no alternative travel document to take him/her back home.
- (iii) Passport applicant whose collection date was due but the Mission could not produce and issue the passport on the collection date, due to the scarcity. Such person is qualified to get the ETC if he/she holds British passport to use for his/her return journey to the UK.
- (iv) Applicant issued with ETC under the condition as stated in (iii) above are required to show the passport collection slip and copy of the ETC before they could be allowed departure from Nigeria with a British passport.
- (v) Applicant coming from outside London will have to show documentary proof to qualify for express service.
- (vi) All applicants are advised to apply for the ETC at least three (3) days before departure.
- (vii) The Mission did not authorise anybody to send text messages to applicants. Nigerians are therefore advised to ignore such text messages purportedly sent by the Nigeria High Commission.