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TAFIDA EXHORTS COMPATRIOTS ON THE UK IMMIGRATION CAP

The Nigeria High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, Dr. Dalhatu Sarki Tafida, OFR has on Saturday 21st August 2010, during a one-day consultative seminar organised by the Nigeria High Commission, exhorted fellow compatriots in Diaspora to use the platform provided by the seminar to ventilate their views and concerns on the UK Immigration cap policies. Tafida emphasised that such views would then be collated and transmitted to the UK Border Agency (UKBA) and the Migration Advisory Committee (MAC) for consideration in line with the two-track consultation process launched by the UK government. He stressed that Nigerians should give clearer vocal expression to their numbers in the UK estimated between 2-3 million.

2. Tafida revealed that ethnic minorities in the UK such as Indians and Pakistanis have recorded successes at both mobilising and organising themselves, to promote and defend their common interest within the laws of the UK on such occasions and urged them to learn some lessons from these other experiences. He thanked various Nigerian associations notably CANUK, NIDO and the Council of Elders for their role in serving as the veritable vehicle for the promotion of unity and progress among Nigerians in the UK.

3. The occasion was graced by the Comptroller-General of Immigration, Mrs. Rose Chinyere Uzoma, Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Abuja, immigration consultants and eminent Nigerians from all walks of life in the UK.

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