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NIGERIAN MUSLIMS NETWORK

And hold fast, all of you together, to the Rope of Allah, and be not disunited

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SUBJECT: NMN Supports SCIAN Reform Initiatives

FROM: Nigerian Muslim Network (NMN)

TO:

- 1) President SCIAN
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The Nigerian Muslim Network (NMN) is an Internet based forum for Nigerian Muslims living in different parts of the globe.

It is with delight that NMN learnt of the recent submission of recommendations to the Supreme Council of Islamic Affairs of Nigeria (SCIAN) by the Council Committee set up in 1997 under the chairmanship of the Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji Ibrahim Gambari to, among other things, study the feasibility of restructuring the umbrella body.

We at NMN welcome any decisive initiative by SCIAN in its consideration of these recommendations for implementation with a view to spearheading the council into a new era of more practical developmental undertakings.

It is our hope that the new initiative by SCIAN would offer an opportunity for all muslims to unite irrespective of differences and become a living embodiment of the true teachings of Islam.

We also note how some people and interest groups manipulate ethnic and regional sentiments to cause divisions amongst muslims for their own selfish purposes.

Therefore reforms and tightening up to the challenges of carrying muslims along, devoid of artificial affiliations, would no doubt have our full support for implementation by SCIAN.

We applaud the stance that SCIAN should spare no effort to denounce and check the trend among unfaithful interest groups who resort to deceit through ethnic crises, regional conflicts and tribal sentiments as cheap means to set muslims, especially from the North and the South against themselves.

By striving to set up an implementation committee for actualization of the submitted recommendations, we hope SCIAN is on a genuine path to providing muslims not only with a relevant quality leadership, but also a leadership that will be able to confront the challenges of spiritual re-birth, problem of poverty and eliminating corruption in the larger Nigerian society.

The NMN stands ready to assist the SCIAN with our internet presence and

geographical diversity to ensure that we consolidate the unity of Muslims in Nigeria.

CC:

1) JN1

2) FOMWAN

3) Nigerian Newspapers