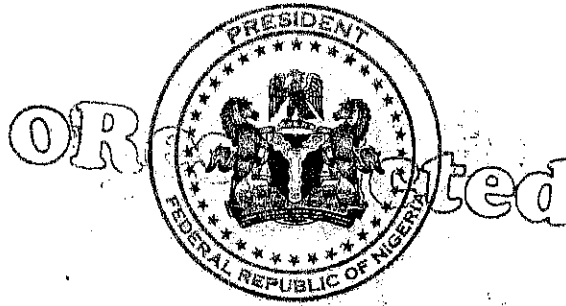




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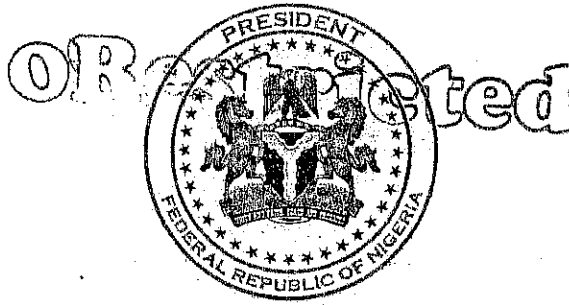
Distinguished Senator Abubakar Bukola Saraki
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Distinguished Sen. President,

**RE-NOMINATION OF MR. IBRAHIM MAGU MUSTAPHA AS
EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN OF THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL
CRIMES COMMISSION (EFCC)**

I write with reference to your letter No.NASS/85/R/01/6 dated 15th December, 2016 wherein you conveyed to me the Resolution of the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria reached on the same Thursday, 15th December, 2016 in respect of my earlier request for the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. Ibrahim Magu Mustapha ("the Nominee") as the Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC).

I have taken due note of the contents of the aforesaid Resolution as it concerns the Nominee particularly the conclusion of the Distinguished Senate 'not to confirm' the nomination of Mr. Magu due to a Security Report on the nominee issued by the Department of State Services (DSS) and addressed to the Senate vide a letter dated 3rd October, 2016.

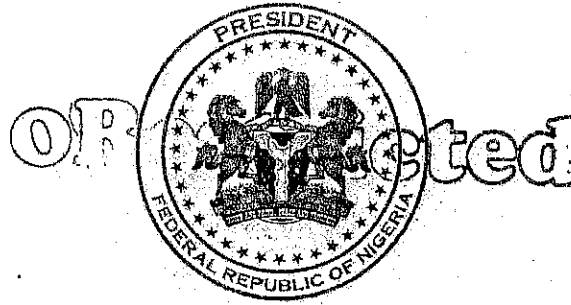


Upon receipt of the said Resolution, I took administrative steps within the Executive Arm of Government to ensure the speedy clarification of issues relied upon by the Senate in arriving at its decision. These steps included a request for the response of the Nominee to the allegations contained in the Report out of desire to ensure that the credibility of our anti-corruption campaign is not compromised or called to question.

As the Distinguished Senate will recall, the prosecution of the anti-corruption war in all aspects of the polity is a programme to which my Administration has committed itself since our inauguration on May 29, 2015. In undertaking this campaign, we have been guided by the need for urgency, consolidation and improvement of our present statutory framework for addressing the scourge of corruption in our country as well as taking the benefit of institutional memory and present capacity in taking the campaign forward. Within the above context, you will agree with me that there is a need to maintain the current momentum and capacity of the EFCC since May 29, 2015.

It is in the above context that I therefore request the gracious indulgence of this Distinguished Senate to favourably accept my re-nomination of MR. IBRAHIM MAGU MUSTAPHA for the position of Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, having received adequate clarification considering the matters relied upon by the Senate in arriving at its decision.

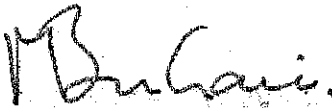
Mr. President of the Senate, I make this request for a favourable re-consideration by this Distinguished Chamber against the backdrop of the critical role of the Senate in driving the anti-corruption campaign of the present administration through a proactive legislative agenda and adequate appropriation support for the important work of agencies such as the EFCC. I use this opportunity to reassure Distinguished Senators



of my determination to continue to pursue synergy between the Executive and the Legislative Arms in our common mission to bequeath a more prosperous and value-driven country to generations after us.

Please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurance of my highest consideration and esteem.

Yours sincerely,


Muhammadu Buhari