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Chief of Staff to the President,
Deputy Chief of Staff to the President, Office of the Vice-President,
Honourable Ministers/Ministers of State,
Head of the Civil Service of the Federation,
Special Advisers/Senior Special Assistants,
Service Chiefs/Inspector-General of Police,
Chairman, Federal Civil Service Commission,
Chairman, Code of Conduct Bureau,
Chairman, Code of Conduct Tribunal,
Chairman, Federal Character Commission,
Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission,
Chairman, National Population Commission,
Chairman, Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission,
Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria,
Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practices and
Other Related Offences Commission,
Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission,

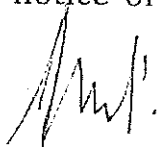
Chairman, National Drug Law Enforcement Agency,
Chairman, National Assembly Service Commission,
Permanent Secretaries and Heads of Extra-Ministerial Departments,
Clerk of the National Assembly,
Chief Registrar, Supreme Court of Nigeria,
Secretary, National Judicial Commission,
Accountant-General of the Federation,
Auditor – General of the Federation,
Director General/Chief Executive of Parastatals, Agencies
and Government Owned Companies.

NIGERIA - CHINA RELATIONS:
REAFFIRMING NIGERIA'S "ONE CHINA" POLICY

As part of Government's drive to strengthen and deepen bilateral relations with China, it has become imperative to reaffirm Nigeria's position on the "One China" Policy. For clarity, **the Federal Government recognises that Beijing remains the only seat of Government representing the whole of China and Taiwan is an inalienable part of its territory.** In effect, the Federal Government does not recognise Taiwan as an independent territory.

2. Consequently, Mr. President has directed that:
 - i. The term "**Republic of China (Taiwan)**" shall not be used in official communications and pronouncements; and
 - ii. All official and private trips by Government officials to Taiwan must be cleared with the Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF).

3. Government is also reviewing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Trade Relations between Nigeria and Taiwan, and its outcome will be communicated in due course. In the meanwhile, all Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) are enjoined to bring the contents of this circular to the notice of all concerned for immediate compliance.



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