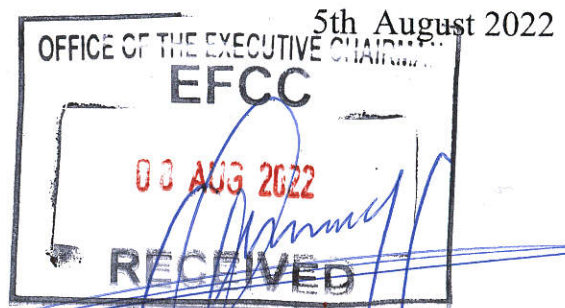




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APC YOUTH VANGUARD

The Executive Chairman,
Economic and Financial Crimes Commission
EFCC Headquarters,
Abuja



Dear Executive Chairman,

**THE PLOT BY FORMER CAS ABUBAKAR SADIQUE AND SADIYA UMAR
TO PROCURE BAUCHI STATE WITH PROCEEDS OF CORRUPTION:
NEED FOR URGENT INVESTIGATION AND PROBE.**

The leadership of the APC Youth Vanguard brings warm greetings to your esteemed personality. It commends your exceptional leadership of the nation's anti-graft agency since you assumed office.

We commend your display of commitment to revamping the operations of the EFCC and restoring public confidence in the fight against economic and financial crimes in the country.

We wish to use this medium to bring to your notice and necessary action on the plot by the former Chief of Air Staff and APC Governorship Candidate in Bauchi State, retired Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique, and his wife, the minister of Humanitarian Affairs, Hajia Sadiya Umar to procure the 2023 governorship election in the state with proceeds of corruption.

It is instructive to state that in the buildup to the APC gubernatorial primaries in the state, it is on record that Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique rtd spent several millions of dollars to secure the ticket of the APC with the help of some party stalwarts in the state and Abuja.

It is also on record that since he was nominated as the APC candidate in Bauchi state, he has been on a spending spree with monies that surpassed his income as a former public officer. This much we reliably gathered was in conjunction with his wife, who currently serves as the Minister of Humanitarian Affairs.

The Executive Chairman may wish to recall that during the stint of Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique as Chief of Air Staff, he was enmeshed in a series of corruption allegations that he got away with by virtue of the office he occupied.

You may wish to recall that the National Security Adviser, Nigeria's National Security Adviser, had revealed that funds running into billions of naira meant for procuring arms

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and ammunition under the past service chiefs, including Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique, were unaccounted for.

You may also recall that the Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management has been described as a cesspool of corruption, lacking transparency and accountability, with hundreds of billions unaccounted for under her stewardship.

The APC Youth Vanguard has it on good authority that proceeds from these corrupt acts by the duo of Abubakar Sadique and Sadiya Umar has been deployed towards securing electoral victory at the gubernatorial elections in Bauchi State.

This is on the heels that a colossal amount of monies have been earmarked for this purpose for vote buying and other acts such as compromising officials of the Independent National Electoral Commission, the Nigerian Police Force and other security agencies that are part of the electoral process in the country.

We have it on good authority that the APC candidate has reached out to prominent religious and political leaders in the state with mouthwatering offers of financial inducement towards securing their support at the elections. In some instances, cars worth several billion have been procured and distributed to stakeholders in the state to secure their support.

The APC Youth Solidarity Vanguard is alarmed at such a flagrant display of ill-gotten wealth by the Abubakar Sadique and Sadiya Umar duo, which by all indications is above their remuneration as public officers. The implication is that the duo has amassed public funds through corrupt practices by virtue of the offices they occupied, which is indeed an economic and financial crime.

Consequently, the APC Youth Solidarity Vanguard is using this medium to appeal to the Executive Chairman to use his good office to revisit the various corruption allegation levelled against Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique while he was Chief of Air Staff, running into billions of naira meant for arms purchase in the prosecution of the war against terrorism in the country.

We are also calling for a probe of the finances of the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs since Hajiya Sadiya Umar assumed leadership of the ministry. And specifically, the National Social Investment Program, NPOWER, the National Home Grown School Feeding Program, and other social interventions under the supervision of her ministry during the corona virus pandemic lockdown, including how the N2.67bn meant for school feeding during the COVID-19 lockdown ended up in private bank accounts, and payments of N729bn to 24.3 million poor Nigerians.

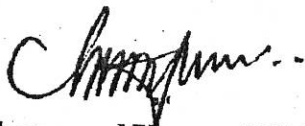
We may wish to inform the Executive Chairman of the feat recorded by the EFCC under his watch in arresting and charging to court the suspended Accountant General of the Federation and other high-level cases of graft that indeed restored the confidence of the general public in the fight against corruption in the country is indeed commendable.

We are impressed with your commitment to leading the war against corruption in the country. We are assured that this national concern will be given as much attention in your manner.

It is our earnest prayer that the EFCC continues to rise above sentiments in the fight against corruption in the country, as was the case under the previous leadership of the commission that indeed dented its image and drastically affected its public rating. The case of Air Marshal Abubakar Sadique and Hajiya Sadiya Umar certainly brings to the fore the impunity of public office holders with the utilization of public funds; thus, the need for urgent investigation and probe is sacrosanct.

The Executive Chairman may wish to be assured of the assurances of our highest regards, as we anticipate a favourable response.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mohammed Usman Dikko', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mohammed Usman Dikko
President