

President Tinubu: “Nigeria: A Democracy in both word and deed”
Celebration of One Year of Transformation in a difficult environment

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS: www.DiGiNews360.com welcomes the faith in democracy, that President Bola Ahmed Tinubu expressed on the occasion of completion of one year of his administration. We also welcome his promise to make Nigeria the flag-bearer of Democracy for the whole of the world and for Africa in particular. www.DiGiNews360.com notes that bringing a sense of security to the people and elimination of kidnappers from the villages and cities of Nigeria continues to be his priority. We hope that without any further delay, the **Federal Police** will, be able to establish itself as an **effective and technologically superior force**, which is able to work in **co-ordination with the State Police systems**, and, which maintains a mapping of all jungles and rural areas, which are sparsely populated.

May 29, 2024: State House, **Abuja**, Nigeria: “The peaceful transition from one government to another is now our political tradition,” said President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, *Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria*.



“For many years, Nigeria’s critics have trafficked the rumour that our nation will break apart, even perish. Yet here we are. We have stumbled at times, but our resilience and diversity have kept us going,” said the President. He vowed that the burdens might make the Nigerians bend at times, but they would never break them.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Nigeria stands forth as **Africa's most populous nation and as the best hope and strongest champion of the Black Race.**

As citizens, we declare as one unified people devoted to one unified national cause, that **as long as this world exists, NIGERIA SHALL EXIST.**

Today, Fate and Destiny join together to place **the torch of human progress in our very hands. We dare not let it slip.**

We lift high this torch so that it might **shine on every household and in every heart that calls itself Nigerian.** We hold this beam aloft because it lights our path with compassion, brotherhood, and peace. May this great light never EXTINGUISH."

Referring to the election of March 2023, the President said that his mandate was to mend and heal this nation, not tear and injure it. He said that the election that brought him to **Aso Villa** was a hard fought contest. And it was also fairly won. Since the advent of the Fourth Republic, Nigeria has not held an election of better quality. The outcome reflected the **will of the people.** However, my victory does not render me any **more Nigerian than my opponents.** Nor does it render **them any less patriotic. ...They represent important constituencies and concerns that wisdom dare not ignore.**

The President, who is the **Asiwaju** of Lagos said," Our constitution and laws give us a nation on paper. We must work harder at bringing these noble documents to life by **strengthening the bonds of economic collaboration, social cohesion, and cultural understanding.** *The South must not only seek good for itself but must understand that its interests are served when good comes to the North. The North must see the South likewise.*

Whether from the winding creeks of the Niger Delta, the vastness of the northern savannah, the boardrooms of Lagos, the bustling capital of Abuja, or the busy markets of Onitsha, you are all my people. As your president, I shall serve with prejudice toward none but compassion and amity towards all."

Onitsha is a city on the *eastern bank of the Niger River*, in **Anambra State.** A metropolitan city, **Onitsha** is known for its **river port** and as an **economic hub for commerce, industry, and education.** It is one of the largest metropolitan areas in Nigeria with a population, growing at a fast rate. It hosts the **Onitsha**

Main Market, the largest market in Africa in terms of geographical size and volume of goods. **Onitsha** and neighboring **Asaba**, the capital of **Delta State**, on the western bank of the Niger River, form a continuous metropolitan area. The **Niger River and Niger Bridge** defines **Onitsha** as the gateway to the Igbo heartland.



Onitsha (founded: 1550), a Metropolitan City in **Anambra State**

Population (2022 Estimate): Metropolis: 3.6 Mn, Urban: 7.99 Mn, Metro: 8.2 Mn;

Area: Metropolis: 830 Km², Urban: 1,965 Km², Metro: 1,965 Km²;

National Language: Igbo; **Onitsha** known for its **market, the largest in Africa.**

SECURITY- TOP PRIORITY: President Tinubu re-affirmed his government's resolve to remove insecurity and violence. He said, " We shall reform both our security DOCTRINE and its ARCHITECTURE. We shall invest more in our security personnel, and we shall provide, better training, equipment, pay and firepower."

ELECTRICITY: The President informed that power generation should nearly double and electricity will become more accessible and affordable to businesses and homes alike, in the near future.

JOBS for the YOUTH: President Bola Ahmed Tinubu repeated his campaign commitment of **one million new jobs in the digital economy.** He promised to work

with the National Assembly to fashion **an omnibus Jobs and Prosperity bill**. He said, " This bill will give our administration the policy space to embark on labour-intensive infrastructural improvements, encourage light industry and provide improved social services for the poor, elderly and vulnerable."

Besides the important extracts from the President's address on May 29, 2024, that we have presented above, the President touched upon all the important issues before the nation like establishment of Agricultural Hubs, modern practices for managing the livestock, fuel subsidy etc.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS: Bola Tinubu took over as the 16th President of Nigeria on **May 29, 2023** after promising to end the insecurity, caused by kidnappings and associated violence. But, www.DiGiNews360.com notes that there has been **no tangible improvement in security** for ordinary citizens and the gangs of kidnappers continue to strike at will.

www.DiGiNews360.com notes the recent steps for creation of State-level Police systems. But an **efficient Police system**, consisting of both **Federal and State Police systems, working together effectively**, will be required, if President **Bola Tinubu** is to fulfil his promise of security to the satisfaction of Nigerians.

www.DiGiNews360.com hopes President **Bola Tinubu** proves to be a **Jagaban**, (*means a "leader of warriors" - a title from the Emir of Borgu in Niger state*). We hope Jagaban **Tinubu** will succeed in winning over the feeling of widespread insecurity in the country.

www.DiGiNews360.com believes that the Nigerian State has the strength and the resources, and, the Nigerians have the education and intelligence to be able to build a great place, where people from all over the world, would like to come and set up their homes.
