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THE CHAIRMAN,
INDEPENDENT CORRUPT PRACTICES AND
OTHER RELATED OFFENCES COMMISSION,
PLOT 802 CONSTITUTION AVENUE,
CENTRAL DISTRICT,
FMB 535, GARKI,
ABUJA.

Dear Sir,

PETITION TO PROBE THE USE OF FUNDS BUDGETED FOR POLICE COLLEGES FROM
2009 TO 2013.

Human and Environmental Development Agenda [HEDA Resource Centre] is a Non-Governmental Organization [NGO] whose mandate is to promote, protect and defend universally recognized human rights and environmental justice in Nigeria and Africa, in accordance with international standard. HEDA Resource Centre envisions a society whose principle is based on equity, accountability and social justice.

We bring to your attention a report on a current affairs website www.eloboniah.com. On Tuesday 22nd of January 2013, the site reported under the caption "**LOOTED: N2.04billion budgeted for Police colleges in 4 years**" that in the budget years of 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2013 over N2bn had been budgeted for the upgrade of facilities in the police colleges and training institutions located in eight states namely Lagos, Kaduna, Bornu, Enugu, Oyo, Rivers, Ondo and Osun states. There has however been little or no improvement in the state of these institutions in those years, the institutions have sunk into further decay.


The visit of President Jonathan to the Nigeria Police College further revealed the horrific conditions under which police cadets train. It has been reported that Nigeria is in need of at least one million man/woman strong police force but statistics show that at present the police force is less than half this required number, most of whom are ill-trained, ill-equipped and ill-tempered. Many of these police officers can hardly be trusted with the most basic and routine functions. This is manifested in the constant media reports on police offences ranging from extra-judicial killings, aiding

and abetting in mob killings and forceful demands of bribe. This poses a huge danger to the civilian populace to whom they have a first duty to protect.

We are by this petition calling on you Mr. Chairman, to use your good office to ensure that the persons in charge of the administration of the police college funds in the years mentioned above are investigate and consequently prosecuted.

We look forward to your swift response on this matter.

Yours faithfully
HEDA RESOURCE CENTRE


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