



16<sup>th</sup> June, 2020

**The Chairman**

Economic and Financial Crimes Commission  
EFCC Headquarters  
Idu  
Abuja



**Dear Sir**

**DEMAND FOR IMMEDIATE AND URGENT INVESTIGATION OF MONEY LAUNDERING AND ABUSE OF POWERS – ALIYU ABDULHAMEED, SON, IMRAN ALIYU ABDULHAMEED AND OTHERS**

The above subject matters.

According to the report published and confirmed by Saharareporters on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020<sup>1</sup>, it was reported that Imran Aliyu Abdulhameed, son of Aliyu Abdulhameed, Managing Director, Nigeria Incentive-Based Risk Sharing System for Agricultural Lending (NIRSAL) was jailed by the government of Ras AL Khaimah, the United Arab Emirates for laundering money, in case number 2018/4796. It was reported that Imran was jailed in August 2018 at Ras Al Khaimah Central Prison, United Arab Emirates, but was eventually released on bail on September 23, 2018. Attached to this petition is the copy of the bail bond obtained from the public prosecution department and the statement of account obtained by Saharareporters which details how Imran reportedly laundered money on several occasions.

When Imran was arrested by the cops in Dubai, he was allegedly caught driving a Lamborghini Urus car, worth \$400,000.00 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars) and wearing a designer wrist watch, Audemars Piguet, one of the world's most expensive wristwatches valued at tens of thousands of dollars.

It was reported that Imran was a student of Rak American University, the United Arab Emirates in 2016 but he heavily laundered money with his Dubai Islamic Bank Account Number: 005580089498101, IBAN Number: AE250240005580089498101, Savings Account, Ras AL Khaimah branch. According to the report, it was alleged that investigations revealed that Imran's account was credited by Hadiza Aliyu Isa through Western Union Transfer on August 15, 2016. However, a particular Cromwell Iredia Omege prominently featured more in Imran's record of illicit transfer of funds.

<sup>1</sup> <http://saharareporters.com/2020/06/09/exposed-son-nirsal-md-who-fraudulently-got-n2bn-ict-contract-jailed-money-laundering-uae>



It was also reportedly alleged that Aliyu Abdulhameed awarded a contract of over N2bn to his son, Imran, for the purchase of sophisticated digital devices such as iPhones, MacBook Air laptops, drones, and ICT software to be used by NIRSAL staff with the aid of NIRSAL Head of ICT, Etin Omonbude who was alleged as being instrumental in the fraudulent award of the contract to Imran, which was ordered by his father, the MD of NIRSAL.

A sum of the above reports forms a gamut of allegations for immediate investigation and questioning based on the attachment detailing payments made;

1. Investigation of money laundering based on the allegation of transfers perpetrated in Dubai by Imran Aliyu Abdulhameed in case no. 2018/4796
2. Conflict of interest rising from the illegal award of contract from father to son using the instrument of the NISRAL IT Head, Etin Omonbude to award Imran Aliyu Abdulhameed, son of Aliyu Abdulhameed, Chairman NISRAL for the purchase of sophisticated digital devices such as iPhones, MacBook Air laptops, drones, and ICT software to be used by NIRSAL staff.

The report under reference has highlighted allegations which we strongly believe, as an organization, is akin to challenging the efforts of your Commission and government in the fight against corruption with the aim of endearing transparency, accountability and integrity in the minds of the general public and public servants. It is in relation to this that we request an urgent scrutiny of these allegations as these bother on financial crimes such as illegitimate and indiscriminate spending and siphoning of public funds which ultimately amounts to corruption and misappropriation of public funds.

Our demand is strongly anchored and founded on our patriotic mandate to promote and foster accountability while ensuring transparency and participatory governance in the country. Names were mentioned and referenced to support some of the assertions made in the report and are capable of assisting your Commission in the thorough investigation.

The provisions of the law are absolutely clear on the powers conferred on the Commission to investigate and if found culpable, proceed to onward prosecution. Our organization believes in the presumption of innocence and the upholding of due process; hence the need for this petition in order to invoke the powers vested on the Commission.

We hereby request the Commission to revisit its powers as vested in **Section 6(h) and Section 7(1(a)) of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (Establishment) Act 2004. Section 6(h) of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (Establishment) Act 2004** states one of the functions of the Commission as the examination and investigation of all reported cases of economic and financial **crimes with a view to identifying individuals, corporate bodies or groups involved;** also **Section 7 (1(a)) of the Act** also states that the Commission has power to cause investigations to be conducted as to



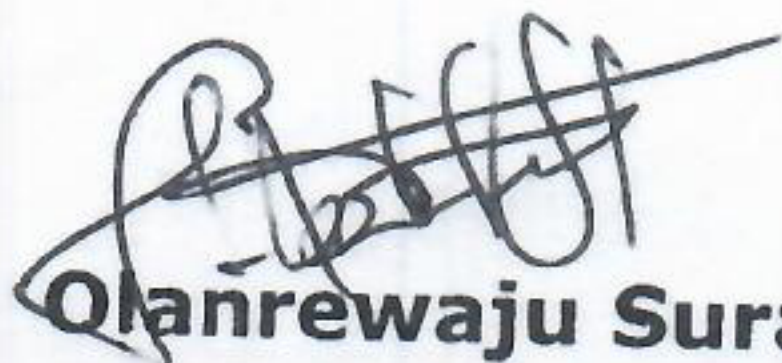
whether any person, corporate body or organisation has committed an offence under this Act or other law relating to economic and financial crimes. We humbly demand that an urgent and immediate investigation be initiated in relation to the above report with the aim of uncovering defaulters of the alleged fraudulent transactions in order to serve as a deterrent to future offenders.

We anticipate your usual prompt reponse.

Do accept our sincerest regards.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully



**Olanrewaju Suraju**  
Chairman

