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Minister of Justice and
Attorney General of the Federation
Ministry of Justice
Federal Republic of Nigeria,
Abuja,
Nigeria

Dear Sir,

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE RANK OF MRS. FARIDA WAZIRI AT RETIREMENT

We wish to request an immediate clarification on the rank of Mrs. Farida Waziri, the current Chairperson of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), at the time of her retirement from the Nigeria Police.

The town is replete with the debate of an inappropriate claim to an unattained rank by the former senior police officer, amounting to **obtaining a title by false pretence** on the part of Madam Waziri. Sir, from all available records, Madam Farida retired from the Nigeria Police as Commissioner of Police in charge of the Special Fraud Unit (SFU). Since her appointment as Chair of the EFCC, she has been consistently addressed as Retired Assistant-Inspector General of Police, contrary to available records.

Sir, as you are aware, such act is unbecoming of any person in her position and undermines the integrity of her office and moral rectitude required of any person occupying the position of anti-corruption crusader charged with the responsibility for the arrest and prosecution of people accused of impersonation and fraud. It is further capable of compromising all efforts at stamping out unethical practices in public services and erodes the dignity of the country by the international community.

This organisation is therefore requesting a thorough investigation of this matter by your office and confirmation of Madam Farida's Status at the time of retirement. **This request is made pursuant to Section 11 of the Freedom of Information Act 2011.** The findings of the investigation should be made public finally put to rest the local and international odious controversies imminent in the event of public debate of this issue.

We look forward to an expeditious action on this request and a response from your office in the public and national interest.

Sincerely yours,

Olanrewaju Suraju
Chairman

Cc: Inspector General of Police
Chair, Police Service Commission