



ABUJA ACCORD

On the Prevention of Violence and Acceptance of Elections Results by Presidential Candidates and Chairpersons of Political Parties contesting the 2015 General Elections

We the undersigned Presidential Candidates of the under-listed political parties contesting in the General Elections of 2015;

Desirous of taking proactive measures to prevent electoral violence before, during and after the elections;

Anxious about the maintenance of a peaceful environment for the 2015 General Elections;

Reaffirming our commitment to the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

Desirous of sustaining and promoting the unity and corporate existence of Nigeria as an indivisible entity;

Determined to avoid any conduct or behaviour that will endanger the political stability and national security of Nigeria;

Determined to place national interest above personal and partisan concerns;

Reaffirming our commitment to fully abide by all rules and regulations as laid down in the Legal Framework for Elections in Nigeria;

Hereby commit ourselves and our parties to the following:

1. To run issued-based campaigns at national, state and local government levels; In this, we pledge to refrain from campaigns that will involve religious incitement, ethnic or tribal profiling, both by ourselves and by all agents acting in our names;
2. To refrain from making, or causing to make in our names or that of our party, any public statements, pronouncements, declarations or speeches that have the capacity to incite any form of violence, before, during and after the elections;



3. To commit ourselves and political parties to the monitoring of the adherence to this Accord by a **National Peace Committee** made up of respected statesmen and women, traditional and religious leaders;
4. All institutions of government including INEC and security agencies must act and be seen to act with impartiality;
5. To forcefully and publicly speak out against provocative utterances and oppose all acts of electoral violence whether perpetrated by our supporters and and/or opponents; and

Adopted in Abuja this 14th Day of January, 2015

Signed

Presidential Candidate

1. Tunde Anifowoshe-Kelani
Action Alliance (AA)

National Chairman

- Hon. Mohammed Lawal Nalado
Action Alliance (AA)

2. Dr Rafiu Salau
Alliance for Democracy (AD)

- Senator Mojisoluwa Akinfenwa
Alliance for Democracy (AD)

3. Alhaji Ganiyu Galadima
Allied Congress Party of Nigeria
(ACPN)

- Alhaji Mohammed Sanni
Allied Congress Party of Nigeria
(ACPN)


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4. Dr Nant Ibrahim Ahmad
African Democratic Congress (ADC)

- Chief Ralphs Okey Nwosu
African Democratic Congress (ADC)



5. 
Maj.-Gen. Muhammadu Buhari
(rtd.) GCFR
All Progressives Congress (APC)
- John Odigie-Oyegun
All Progressives Congress (APC)
6. Ambrose Albert Owuru
Hope Democratic Party (HDP)
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Hope Democratic Party (HDP)
7. 
Prof. Comfort Olufemi Sonaiya
Kowa Party (KP)
- Alhaji Umar Mustapha
Kowa Party (KP)
8. Martin Onovo
National Conscience Party (NCP)
- Dr. Yunusa Tanko
National Conscience Party (NCP)
9. 
Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan GCFR
Peoples Democratic Party (PDP)
- 
Dr Mu'azu Adamu CON
Peoples Democratic Party (PDP)
10. 
Barr. Godson Okoye
United Democratic Party (UDP)
- Barr. Godson Okoye
United Democratic Party (UDP)
11. 
Chief Chekwes Okorie
United Progressive Party (UPP)
- 
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Dr Yunusa Tanko
Chairman, Inter-Party Advisory Council


Senator (Dr) Ben Ndi Obi CON, FNIPR
Special Adviser to the President on Inter Party Affairs

