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PREAMBLE

We, the citizens of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who share the ideals of a mass convergence of ideas and desirous of the practice of genuine democracy for the evolvement of good governance and economic freedom through education and technology for national development:

- (I) establish a Political Party founded on the principles of true federalism, deep commitments to democratic ideals and economic prosperity of Nigerians and which membership is open to all Nigerians
- (II) promote the emergence of effective leadership and rule of law that will guarantee: social justice, economic freedom, security and education as the primary purpose of Government.

Now therefore enact and give ourselves the following Constitution.

SECTION ONE: PRELIMINARY

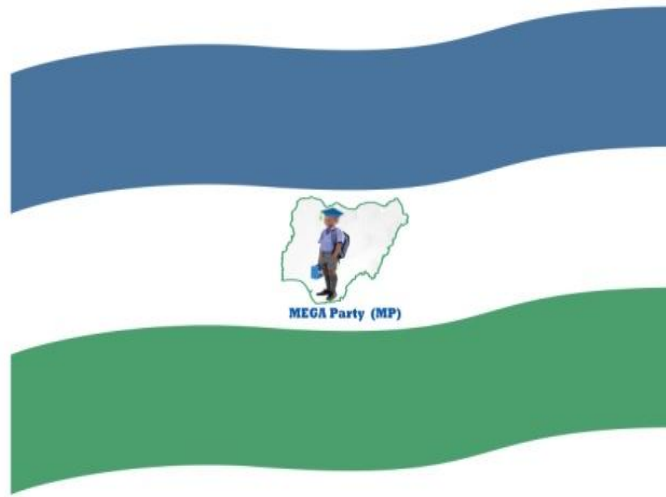
Article

1. The Name of the Party (Hereinafter called “The Party”) shall be ACTION Party.
2. The Acronym of the Party shall be (MP).
3. The MOTTO of the Party shall be **Reform the Nation *in Truth, Justice and Equity.***
4. The SLOGAN of the Party shall be: **Reform the Nation – in God We Trust.**
5. The ACTION Party LOGO shall be a child academic carrying a school bag and a tool box embossed on the map of Nigeria with green border standing atop the name ACTION Party and Acronym (MP).



The child academic is significant of ACTION Party’s Objective to reform Nigeria through education and innovations to reduce poverty, create wealth promote economic freedom and guarantee peace.

6. The ACTION Party FLAG shall be a horizontal blue, white and leaf green with the logo inserted in the middle white area. The blue symbolizes innovation, white symbolizes peace and leaf green depicts renewal and growth.



7. The ACTION Party MISSION is to promote the Social, Economic and Political wellbeing of all Nigerians through genuine democracy characterized by transparency, accountability, education, and social justice.
8. The IDEOLOGY of the Party is based on **Democracy, Justice** and **Economic Freedom**. We believe in social liberalism, a center-left standpoint on the political spectrum, steep belief in national liberalism, open to equality, freedom and rights to all citizens. While we are not in support of total capitalism, we believe that control and regulation of the market by government is inimical to our vision of a robust and self-sufficient economy. We also believe that the interests of the working class must be protected, at all costs, if we must become an egalitarian society.

SECTION 2: PARTY OFFICES AND NATIONAL SECRETARIAT

Article 1.

The National Office of the Party shall be situated within the Federal Capital Territory Abuja and shall serve as the National Secretariat of the Party.

Article 2.

The Party shall maintain a State office in every State Capital and the FCT.

SECTION 3: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

In tandem with the spirit and letters of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the aims and objectives of the Party shall include:

Article 1(a)

Economic Objective:

To create wealth and eliminate poverty, want, ignorance and diseases through provision of affordable education, health services, food security, and full development of Nigeria's resource potentials.

Article 1(b)

Political Objective:

To promote good governance, eliminate corruption, exploitation, intolerance and defend the secularity of the Nigerian Nation, discourage and eliminate all forms of discrimination either on account of: religion, sex or circumstances of birth in line with the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Article 2

Methodology:

Encourage political stability and sustainable economic growth through the use of Cooperative practices, quality education and innovations, transparency and accountability, and a deep commitment to democratic ideals as a guiding principle in public policy development.

Article 3

Policies and Programmes

1) Subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the ACTION Party shall have a manifesto, which shall be implemented by all organs of the party and governments elected under its platform.

2) The Party shall endeavour to:

- a. Propagate genuine federalism and redistribution of political and economic powers so that all members of society have the opportunity to participate in the shaping and control of the institutions and relationships which determine their lives;
- b. Maintain the sovereignty of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as a united political entity;
- c. Advance national integration, social justice and peaceful co-existence amongst the ethnic nationalities that constitute Nigeria;
- d. Actively encourage sustainable development through the provision of quality education, healthcare, food security, and implementation of strategic policies on housing, job creation and infrastructural development;
- e. Apply democratic ideals to increase the opportunities for people to work in satisfying, healthy and humane conditions; and to participate in and to increase their control over the decision-making processes that affect their lives;
- f. Protect the fundamental political and civil rights, including freedom of expression, the press, assembly, association, conscience and religion; the right to privacy; the protection of the individual from oppression by the state; and total independence of the Nigerian Judicial System;
- g. Support research and innovations in science, technology and arts; and recognition of the need to work towards achieving ecologically sustainable development;
- h. Support world peace; an independent Nigerian position in world affairs; the recognition of the sovereignty and rights of all nations to self-determination and independence; regional and international agreement for arms control and disarmament; a commitment to resolve international conflicts through the UN, AU and ECOWAS; and a recognition of the inalienable right of all people to liberty, equality, democracy and social justice;
- i. Eliminate discrimination and exploitation on the grounds of class, gender identity, religion, political affiliation, age, disability, ethnicity, economic or household status;

- j. Advance and support a competitive non-monopolistic private sector, including small businesses and Collective Action Groups (Cooperative Societies), controlled and owned by Nigerians, operating within clear social guidelines and objectives; and
- k. Advance the political, social, educational and economic interests of its members and act as the channel of communication between them, the government and other political parties or associations.

3) The Party shall pursue these objectives by:

- a. Guaranteeing that programmes and policies of the Party, as contained in its manifesto, agree with the fundamental objectives and directive principles of State Policy contained in the Nigerian Constitution;
- b. Recognizing and respecting the diversity of cultural and religious expressions and lifestyle of Nigerians;
- c. Promoting African and regional co-operation in confronting economic, political and security challenges within the African continent;
- d. Co-operating with African and other nationalist movements and organizations working for the eradication of imperialism, neo-colonialism and racism; and
- e. Undertaking such other activities as, in the opinion of the Party, may promote the attainment of the stated aims and objectives of the Party.

SECTION FOUR: MEMBERSHIP

Article 1:

Eligibility for Membership

All Nigerians of not less than 18 years of age shall be eligible for membership of the Party.

Article 2:

Admission Procedure

1. A person qualified for membership of the Party may apply for membership at the ward level and may be admitted as such, and be enrolled accordingly in the Party's National Register of Members.
2. An applicant for membership shall pay an ENROLMENT FEE of ₦200 only (or any other amount that the National Congress may from time to time fix).
3. On enrolment, the Member shall receive a Membership Card bearing (among other things) the Name, affixed recent passport photograph, Membership Registration Number and signatures of the National Chairman, National Secretary and the Holder (Thumb Print is acceptable where applicable).
4. Every Member of the Party shall belong to a branch of the Party in the Ward and be active thereat.
5. The possession of a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Membership Card shall be prima facie evidence of a person's Membership of the Party.
6. The ACTION Party Ward Branch Secretary shall send particulars of enrolment to the National Secretariat through the Local Government Area and State Secretariat for enrolment in the National Register of Members.
7. The ACTION Party Ward Treasurer shall forward the Enrolment Fee to the National Treasurer, through the Party's Local Government Treasurer and the State Treasurer.

Article 3:

Obligations of Members

- i. To Sustain Financial Membership through payment of Monthly Dues, Levies, etc.
- ii. To abide by the principles of the Manifesto & Constitution of the Party which provision must be put first before personal interest.
- iii. Upon enrolment, a Member is ipso facto deemed:
 - a) To have accepted the Principles, Policies, Programs and Objectives of the Party and to have agreed to conform with the Constitution, Regulations, and Rules of the Party as may from time to time be directed;
 - b) To have accepted to abide by all lawful directives and rulings of the Party acting through its organs;
 - c) To have undertaken to promote the objectives of the Party faithfully and to refrain from pursuing any course of action as may be inconsistent with or inimical to the interest of the Party.

Article 4:

Discipline

Any Member of the Party shall be liable to face disciplinary actions for charges of violation of the Constitution of the Party, and shall be liable to be dealt with in the manner prescribed in the First Schedule of this Constitution, provided he is a Party Member -

- a) Who is alleged to have disobeyed or neglected to carry out lawful directives of the Party
- b) Who is alleged to have conducted himself in a manner likely to bring the name of the Party to disrepute, contempt or ridicule
- c) Who, other than at a meeting of the Party is alleged to have advocated any doctrine, view or opinion contrary to what the Party has laid down
- d) Who is alleged to have committed a breach of any of the provisions of this Constitution or;
- e) Who has in every case of discipline, been accorded the Right to Fair Hearing and due process.

SECTION FIVE PARTY STRUCTURE

Article 1:

Organs of the Party

The Party shall be governed through the following organs:

1. ACTION National Convention
2. ACTION Board of Trustees
3. ACTION National Executive Committee
4. ACTION State Congress
5. ACTION State Executive Committee
6. ACTION Local Government Congress
7. ACTION Local Government Executive Committee
8. ACTION Ward Congress
9. ACTION Ward Executive Committee

Article 2:

National Convention

2.1 There shall be a National Convention which shall consist of:

- a. President and Vice President, if produced by the Party
- b. All National Officers of the Party
- c. Governors and Deputy Governors, if produced by the Party
- d. State Chairmen of the Party
- e. Members of the Party who are current Members of the Senate
- f. Members of the Party who are current Members of the House of Representatives
- g. Speakers, Deputy Speakers of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Party
- h. One representative from each Local Government Area to be elected by the Local Government Congress
- i. Former holders of the afore-stated government and legislative offices who are members of the Party.

2.2. The first National Convention of the Party shall be composed of one representative from each Local Government Area of the Federation.

Article 3:

Functions and Powers of the National Convention

The functions of the National Convention shall without prejudice to the Constitution of the Party, consist in particular of the following:

- a. To consider and lay down broad principles or policy for the guidance of the Party and all its organs;
- b. Where the Party controls the Federal Government, to examine the policies and programs pursued by the Federal Government from time to time in order to ensure that they are in accord with the principles, policies, programs, aims, and objectives of the Party;
- c. Where the Party is in Opposition in the Parliament, to examine the policies and programs pursued by the Federal Government in order to determine what action the Party should take;
- d. Where the Party is in power in any State, to examine the policies pursued by the State Government from time to time in order to determine that it is in accord (as much as practicable) with the principles, policies, programs, aims and objectives of the Party;
- e. To consider reports from Federal and State constituencies and to take such steps as are necessary to protect, advance, or consolidate the interests of the Party in such constituencies;
- f. At the presidential election as provided by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to ensure that the Party's candidates are elected as President and Vice-President;
- g. To secure at Federal elections the return of as many Party candidates as possible, so that the Senate and the House of Representatives may be controlled by the Party;
- h. To raise adequate funds for the achievement of the foregoing objectives;
- i. To exercise such other powers and authority as are vested in it by this Constitution.
- j. To take any action as may in its opinion be conducive to the promotion of the aims and objectives of the Party as laid down in this Constitution;
and
- k. To conduct elections into the National Executive Committee of the party

Article 4:

National Executive Committee (NEC) of the Party

4.1. There shall be a National Executive Committee of the Party in which shall consist the following

- a. National Chairman
- b. Deputy National Chairman (North)
- c. Deputy National Chairman (South)
- d. Zonal Vice Chairmen, one from each geo-political zone
- e. National Secretary
- f. Deputy National Secretary (North)
- g. Deputy National Secretary (South)
- h. National Treasurer
- i. Deputy National Treasurer (North)
- j. Deputy National Treasurer (South)
- k. National Financial Secretary
- l. Deputy National Financial Secretary (North)
- m. Deputy National Financial Secretary (South)
- n. National Publicity Secretary
- o. Deputy National Publicity Secretary (North)
- p. Deputy National Publicity Secretary (South)
- q. National Legal Adviser
- r. Deputy National Legal Adviser (North)
- s. Deputy National Legal Adviser (South)
- t. National Organizing Secretary
- u. Deputy National Organizing Secretary (North)
- v. Deputy National Organizing Secretary (South)
- w. National Woman Leader
- x. Deputy National Woman Leader (North)
- y. Deputy National Woman Leader (South)
- z. Six Zonal Women Leaders, one from each geo-political zone
- aa. National Youth Leader
- bb. Six Zonal Youth Leaders, one from each geo-political zone
- cc. National Welfare Officer

- dd. Deputy National Welfare Officer (North)
- ee. Deputy National Welfare Officer (South)
- ff. National Auditor
- gg. Deputy National Auditor (North)
- hh. Deputy National Auditor (South)
- ii. All State Chairmen and the FCT
- jj. Six Ex-Officio Members from each of the geo-political zones

4.2. The Committee shall meet once every quarter at such time and place as may be prescribed by the National Secretary on the directive of the National Chairman.

4.3. The Committee shall be presided over by the National Chairman or in his absence by the Deputy National Chairman North or South and in the event of both being absent; any of the six National Vice Chairmen as may be elected by the Meeting.

Article 5:

Quorum

5(i) One-third of the total Membership of the Committee shall form a quorum.

5(ii) The Committee shall be the Principal Agency of the Party for the purpose of formulating and carrying out its policies and programs and for performing such other functions as may be declared to it by the Congress. It shall also discharge, (between meetings of Congress), all functions of the congress.

Article 6:

National Working Committee

6(i) The National Working Committee shall consist of the National Chairman, the Deputy National Chairman North and South, Zonal Vice Chairmen, the National Secretary, the National Treasurer, the National Publicity Secretary, the National Legal Adviser, National Woman Leader, National Youth Leader, National Organizing Secretary, National Financial Secretary, National Auditor, National Welfare Officer and Chief Security Officer.

Article 7(a):

National Caucus

There shall be a National Caucus of the party which shall consist of the National Chairman, who presides over the Caucus; the National Secretary who shall be the Secretary of the Caucus, the National Treasurer, Legal Adviser, Woman Leader and Youth Leader; the President and Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria if they are members of the party; Senate President, Deputy Senate President, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party; 2 Governors from both North and South who are members of the Party; the National Security Adviser if a member of the Party.

Article 7(b):

Functions and Roles of the National Caucus

The National Caucus shall:

- a. Be an advisory body to the National Executive Committee
- b. Harmonize the relationship between the Executive and legislative arms of government and coordinate their activities and those of the party; and
- c. Consider, review and advise on policies and programmes of government.

Article 7(c):

Caucus Meetings

The National Chairman, in consultation with the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, if a member of the party, shall summon the meeting of the National Caucus, to consider important issues affecting the party and the nation. An extra-ordinary meeting of the National Caucus shall be held if requested for, by two-third of the members of the Caucus and a simple majority shall pass any motion.

Article 7(d):

Caucus Quorum

The quorum of the National Caucus shall be two third of its membership.

Article 8:

National Convention of the Party

- i The National Convention shall elect the aforementioned National Officers of the Party each of whom shall hold office for a maximum of eight years consisting of two terms of four years;at the National Convention.
- ii Any Officer elected by the National Convention or by its authority may resign his office by notice addressed to the National Chairman of the Party through the National Secretary, but such resignation shall not take effect until such notice hasbeen accepted by the National Executive Committee.
- iii The National Chairman of the Party may resign by notice addressed to the National Convention through the National Secretary.
- iv Any Officer of this Party found to be inefficient, disloyal, fraudulent or guilty of any other serious offence may be removed by the National Convention.

Article 9:

State Congress

There shall be constituted for each State, a State Congress of the Party; composed of the following:

- a) Seven representatives from each Ward to be elected at a meeting of the Ward;
- b) All Party members who are members of the National Assembly and State House ofAssembly;
- c) All State Officers of the Party;
- d) Governor and Deputy Governor; and
- e) Local Government Council Chairmen and Vice Chairmen

Article 10:

Functions and Powers of the State Congress

Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the State Congress shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) To consider and lay down broad principles or policy for the guidance of the Party and its organs in the State;
- b) Where the Party is in power in the State, to examine the policies pursued by the State Government from time to time in order to determine that they are in accordance with the principles, policies, programs, aims and objectives of the Party;
- c) Where the Party is in opposition, to examine the policies pursued by the State Government from time to time in order to determine what action the Party should take;
- d) To consider from time to time reports from Local Government Areas and to take such steps as are necessary, to protect or advance or consolidate the interests of the Party in such Local Government Areas;
- e) At the gubernatorial election, as provided by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to ensure that the Party's candidates are nominated in accordance with the directives of the National Executive Committee;
- f) To secure, during State elections, the return of as many candidates as possible so that the State Legislature may be controlled by the Party;
- g) To conduct election for members of the State;
- h) To exercise such other powers and authority as the National Convention may delegate to it or as may be exercisable by it under this Constitution.

Article 11:

State Executive Committee

11.1 There shall be a State Executive Committee consisting of

- a. Chairman
- b. Deputy Chairman
- c. Three Vice Chairmen, one from each senatorial zone
- d. State Secretary
- e. Assistant State Secretary
- f. State Treasurer

- g. Assistant State Treasurer
- h. State Legal Adviser
- i. Assistant State Legal Adviser
- j. State Publicity Secretary
- k. Assistant State Publicity Secretary
- l. State Financial Secretary
- m. Assistant State Financial Secretary
- n. State Woman Leader
- o. Assistant State Woman Leader
- p. State Youth Leader
- q. Assistant State Youth Leader
- r. State Organizing Secretary
- s. Assistant State Organizing Secretary
- t. State Auditor
- u. Assistant State Auditor
- v. State Welfare Officer
- w. Assistant State Welfare Officer
- x. Local Government Area chairmen of the Party
- y. One Ex-Officio Member per Local Government Area of the State, to be elected by the Local Government Congress

Article 12:

State Officers of the Party

- a. Each State Congress shall elect the aforementioned State Officers of the Party in their respective States, each of whom shall hold office for a tenure of four years and shall be eligible for re-election for another term.
- b. The State Congress may set up Committees it may deem fit for due discharge of its functions and charge such Committees with specific or general functions and directives in the interest of the Party.
- c. Any Officer elected by the State Congress may resign his office by notice addressed to the State Executive Committee.
- d. The State Chairman may resign his office by notice addressed to the National Executive Committee through the State Secretary but such

notice shall not take effect until accepted by the National Executive Committee

Article 13:

Local Government Area Congress

Composition: There shall be constituted for every Local Government Area, a Congress consisting of

- a. All Local Government Officers of the Party
- b. Chairmen, Vice Chairmen and Councilors who are members of the Party in the Local Government Council
- c. Members of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Local Government Area
- d. Seven representatives from each Ward to be elected at a meeting of the Ward.

Article 14:

Functions and Powers of the LGA Congress

- a. To discuss matters relating to the Local Government Area;
- b. To ensure the success of the Party in the Local Government Area at any General Election or Bye-Election in accordance with the directives of the National Executive Committee of the Party;
- c. To elect delegates of the Local Government for the State Congress or the National Convention;
- d. To nominate candidates to represent the Party at elections into the Local Government Councils in accordance with the directives of the National Executive Committee; and
- e. To elect National Executive Committee of the Party.

Article 15:

Local Government Executive Committee

15. 1. The Local Government Executive Committee shall comprise

- a. Chairman
- b. Deputy Chairman
- c. Secretary
- d. Assistant Secretary
- e. Treasurer

- f. Assistant Treasurer
- g. Legal Adviser
- h. Assistant Legal Adviser
- i. Publicity Secretary
- j. Assistant Publicity Secretary
- k. Financial Secretary
- l. Assistant Financial Secretary
- m. Woman Leader
- n. Assistant Woman Leader
- o. Youth/ICT Officer
- p. Assistant Youth Leader
- q. Financial Secretary
- r. Assistant Financial Secretary
- s. Organizing Secretary
- t. Assistant Organizing Secretary
- u. Welfare Officer
- v. Assistant Welfare Officer
- w. Auditor
- x. Assistant Auditor

Article 16 Ward Congress

There shall be a Ward Congress consisting of every registered financial Member of the Party in the ward.

Article 17 Functions and Powers of the Ward Congress

- a. To elect members of the Ward Executive Committee
- b. To elect delegates to the Local Government Congress and the State Congress as it may be necessary
- c. To elect a Councillorship Candidate to represent the Party at the election into the Local Government Council in accordance with the directive of the National Executive Committee of the Party
- d. To mobilize members in the ward to ensure victory for the Party in all elections held in the ward.

Article 18 Composition of Ward Executive Committee

- a. Chairman

- b. Deputy Chairman
- c. Secretary
- d. Assistant Secretary
- e. Treasurer
- f. Assistant Treasurer
- g. Legal Adviser
- h. Assistant Legal Adviser
- i. Publicity Secretary
- j. Assistant Publicity Secretary
- k. Financial Secretary
- l. Assistant Financial Secretary
- m. Women's Leader
- n. Assistant Women's Leader
- o. Youth/ICT Officer
- p. Assistant Youth Leader
- q. Financial Secretary
- r. Assistant Financial Secretary
- s. Organizing Secretary
- t. Assistant Organizing Secretary
- u. Welfare Officer
- v. Assistant Welfare Officer
- w. Auditor
- x. Assistant Auditor

SECTION SIX:MEETINGS

Article 1

Meetings of the National Convention and the State Congress

1.1 The National Convention shall be held once in four years at such place and time as may be prescribed by the National Executive Committee.

1.2 The State Congress shall take place at least once in three years at such place and time as may be prescribed by the State Executive Committee.

1.3 The National Chairman of the Party or the State Chairman may summon an emergency meeting of the National Convention and State Congress at any time, provided that at least seven days' notice of the meeting is given to the members.

1.4 Unless there are provisions to the contrary, one-third of the members of any organ of the Party shall form a quorum;

Article 2

Rules at Meetings:

2.1 All meetings of the National Executive Committee, National Convention, State Executive Committee, State Congress, and Local Government Area meetings, as well as all meetings of the Party of whatever nature or description, shall be conducted in the manner prescribed in the Third Schedule of this Constitution. The right of attendance at all meetings, shall be subject to such conditions as the appropriate body may from time to time prescribe. The National Chairman may, in his discretion, require any Member or members of the Party to attend any meeting of the Party as a co-opted member or members and such member or members shall be admitted to such a meeting but shall not be entitled to vote.

2.2. On the application made in writing by at least 15 Members of the National Executive Committee or State Executive Committee, the National Chairman or the State Chairman (as the case may be) shall direct the Secretary to summon a meeting of the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee.

Article 3

Election of Officers

Eligibility to contest any position in the party structure is open to every registered member of the party who has satisfied the requirements for nomination and election under this Constitution, the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria or any other law, rules or regulations in force shall be eligible to contest for any of the offices of the party. The mode of election into any office of the party shall be approved by the National Executive Committee of the Party in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution.

Article 4:

TENURE OF OFFICE OF PARTY OFFICERS

- 4.1 All Executive Officers of the Party at all levels shall hold office for a term of four years and shall be eligible for re-election for another term and no more.
- 4.2 Any Executive Officer of the Party at any level may resign his or her office by giving thirty days' notice in writing to the appropriate Executive Committee.
- 4.3 Where a vacancy occurs in any of the offices of the Party, the Executive Committee at the appropriate level shall appoint a suitable candidate from the area or zone where the officer originated from, pending the conduct of election to fill the vacancy.
- 4.4 A vote of confidence may be moved on any member of the Executive Committee of the Party at any level at the respective Convention or Congress of the Party two years into the tenure of such member, and where such a vote fails to be carried, the Executive Committee member shall be replaced at that Convention or Congress.
- 4.5 Article 4.4 above shall be deemed to be valid on the condition that two months' notice of such vote of confidence motion shall be given and circulated to the relevant chapters one month before the National Convention or Congress.
- 4.6 A vote of confidence shall be outvoted if not passed by a simple majority of the members of the Party at the Convention or Congress sitting and voting.

SECTION SEVEN: PROVISIONS RELATING TO FUNCTIONS OF OFFICERS

Article 1:

Functions of Officers

1. NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

There shall be a National Chairman who shall be the Chief Executive of the Party. His functions shall be to:

- a.) Summon and preside over the meetings of the National Convention, the National Executive Committee, the National Caucus and the National Working Committee of the Party;
- b.) Provide firm and effective leadership and direct the activities of the Party under the overall supervision of the National Executive Committee;
- c.) Promote and defend the integrity, policies and programmes of the party and make pronouncements for and on behalf of the National Executive Committee outlining the policies, programmes and activities of the Party;
- d.) Assign specific functions to any member or Officer of the Party;
- e.) Delegate his powers to the Deputy National Chairman or any of the National Vice Chairmen;
- f.) Cast votes if and when necessary;
- g.) Present to the National Convention a comprehensive statement of the state of the Party and the political situation generally;
- h.) Ensure strict compliance with the provisions of this Constitution and do all such other things as shall promote the growth and welfare of the party.

2. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

There shall be a Deputy National Chairman who shall come from either North or South, other than the zone of the National

Chairman. The Deputy National Chairman shall be assigned specific functions by the National Chairman, act in the absence of the National Chairman and shall also perform such other party functions as may be assigned to him or her.

3. ZONAL VICE CHAIRMEN

There shall be Zonal Vice Chairmen representing all geo-political zones of the country. They shall be assigned specific functions by the National Chairman and shall also perform such other Party functions as may be assigned to them.

4. NATIONAL SECRETARY

There shall be a National Secretary who shall be the Chief Administrative and Accounting Officer of the Party, whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Supervise the day-to-day activities of the Party;
- b.) Conduct or direct the conduct of the correspondences of the Party and cause to be issued notices of meetings of the National Executive Committee and the National Working Committee.
- c.) Keep or cause to be kept all records of the proceedings of the National Convention, the National Executive Committee, the National Caucus and the National Working Committee, as well as other records of the party.
- d.) Render a written annual report of the activities of the Party to NEC and the National Convention;
- e.) Ensure the implementation of the decisions and directives of the National Convention; National Executive Committee, National Caucus and the National Working Committee and ensure all units of the Party carry out their duties promptly and efficiently;
- f.) Consult the National Chairman in the discharge of his or her office
- g.) Carry out other duties as may be assigned to him or her, from time-to-time by the National Convention, National Caucus,

National Executive Committee, National Working Committee and the National Chairman; and

h.) The National Secretary of the Party shall be the custodian of the common seal of the Party.

5. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL SECRETARY

There shall be Deputy National Secretaries who shall assist the National Secretary in the discharge of his or her duties and shall act for him or her in his or her absence or whenever so directed.

6. THE NATIONAL TREASURER

There shall be a National Treasurer who shall be an Accountant and has trackrecord of prudence whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Receive and promptly pay into the Party's accounts all monies received for and on behalf of the Party from the Financial Secretary and keep all cheque books and other banking documents of the Party
- b.) Ensure prudent management of the Party's funds
- c.) Ensure that all funds received by the Party are paid into the Party's accounts immediately and if for any reason that is not possible, the funds shall be paid within 48 hours after collection; and
- d.) Prepare and submit yearly statement of account and periodic reports to the National Executive Committee.

7. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL TREASURER

There shall be Deputy National Treasurers who shall deputize for the National Treasurer in the discharge of his or her duties.

8. THE NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECRETARY

There shall be a National Financial Secretary whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Collect and keep records of all dues, levies, subscriptions and donations made to the Party

- b.) Prepare and submit proposals for raising funds for the Party for the consideration of the National Executive Committee
- c.) Undertake strict supervision of budgeting, budgetary control and financial reporting
- d.) Protect the assets of the Party and institute operating procedures through internal control; and
- e.) Establish and co-ordinate policies for the investment of funds to generate income for the Party.

9. DEPUTY NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECRETARY

There shall be two Deputy National Financial Secretaries who shall deputize for the National Financial Secretary in the discharge of his or her duties.

10. THE NATIONAL ORGANIZING SECRETARY

There shall be a National Organizing Secretary whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Initiate programs for the general mobilization of members of the Party and the recruitment of new members;
- b.) Appraise the problems of the Party and proffer solutions to such problems;
- c.) Harmonize all information and devise appropriate strategy for winning elections
- d.) Coordinate all field activities of the Party
- e.) Organize seminars, workshops, rallies and campaign programmes for the attainment of the party's objectives; and
- f.) Liaise with the National Women and Youth Leaders for the harmonization of the programmes for the attainment of the Party's success at all elections.

11. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL ORGANIZING SECRETARY

There shall be two Deputy National Organizing Secretaries who shall deputize for the National Organizing Secretary in the discharge of his or her duties.

12. THE NATIONAL PUBLICITY SECRETARY

There shall be a National Publicity Secretary whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Coordinate all information and public relations of the Party
- b.) Be the chief image maker of the Party
- c.) Cause to be publicized, the policies and programmes of the Party in line with the aims and objectives of the Party

13. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL PUBLICITY SECRETARY

There shall be two Deputy National Publicity Secretaries who shall deputize for the National Publicity Secretary in the discharge of his or her duties.

14. THE NATIONAL AUDITOR

There shall be a National Auditor of the Party, who shall be an accountant and whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Audit the books of account of the Party annually and report to the National Executive Committee
- b.) Present the audited account of the Party to the National Convention
- c.) Carry out any other functions as may be directed by the National Executive Committee.

15. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL AUDITOR

There shall be two Deputy National Auditors who shall be Accountants and who shall deputize for the National Auditor in the discharge of his or her duties.

16. THE NATIONAL LEGAL ADVISER

There shall be a National Legal Adviser of the Party who shall be a Lawyer of not less than 10 years' post-call and whose functions shall be to:

- a.) Advise the Party on all legal matters
- b.) Conduct all litigation and prosecute and defend actions on behalf of the Party, including its organs and officials in so

far as the subject of the litigation affects the interest of the Party; and

c.) Interpret the laws, regulations and constitution of the Party in the event of any ambiguities.

17. THE DEPUTY NATIONAL LEGAL ADVISER

There shall be two Deputy National Legal Advisers who shall be Lawyers of not less than 10 years' post-call who shall deputize for the National Legal Adviser in the discharge of his or her duties.

18. THE NATIONAL WOMAN LEADER

There shall be a National Woman Leader, who shall be responsible for:

- a.) Mobilizing and organizing women
- b.) Initiating and implementing strategic programmes and policies aimed at endearing the party to the Nigerian Women; and
- c.) Coordinating the activities of the Zonal and State Women Leaders

19. DEPUTY NATIONAL WOMEN LEADER

There shall be six Deputy National Women Leaders from each of the geo-political zones who shall deputize for the National Women Leader in the discharge of her duties.

20. THE NATIONAL YOUTH LEADER

There shall be a National Youth Leader, whose functions shall be:

- a.) Mobilizing the youth for the attainment of the objectives of the Party;
- b.) Initiating and implementing strategic programmes and policies aimed at endearing the Party to the Nigerian Youth; and

c.) Coordinating the activities of the Zonal and State Youth Leaders.

21. ZONAL NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERS

There shall be six Zonal Youth Leaders from each of the geo-political zones who shall deputize for the National Youth Leader in the discharge of his or her duties in their respective zones.

22. NATIONAL WELFARE OFFICER

There shall be a National Welfare Officer who shall carry out specific welfare duties as delegated by the National Chairman or the National Executive Committee.

23. DEPUTY NATIONAL WELFARE OFFICERS

There shall be two Deputy National Welfare Officers who shall deputize for the National Welfare Officer in the discharge of his or her duties.

24. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

There shall be six Ex-Officio members elected from each of the geo-political zones.

25. OFFICERS AT OTHER LEVELS

Subject to the provisions of this constitution, all other officers at the Zonal, State, Local Government Area and Ward levels shall have the same powers and functions as their corresponding National Officers, except where this Constitution states otherwise.

The executive committee at all levels shall have power to set up committees where necessary, desirable or expedient and shall assign to them such powers and functions as may be deemed appropriate.

SECTION 8: Finance, Banking and Audit

Article 1

Finance

1. The funds of the party at all levels shall be derived from all or any of the following sources
 - i. Registration fees;
 - ii. Periodic dues (as may be decided from time to time by the convention or Congress)
 - iii. Donations and
 - iv. Any other legitimate source that may be approved from time to time by the Executive Committee of that level.
2. The National Secretariat shall be entitled to 10% (ten percent) of all income accruing to the party at the State level, provided that nothing in this provision shall prevent the National Convention through its agencies, from generating funds of its own.
3. The National Executive Committee shall have the discretion to make special grants, donations or loans (without interest) to any organ of the Party).
4. The budget of the Party at any level shall be approved by the appropriate Executive Committee and authorization of all expenditures therein shall be vested in the appropriate Chairman.
5. A Token, to be known as the registration fee, shall be paid by every member as one of the conditions of membership. The fee, which shall be the same amount throughout the country, shall be determined from time to time by the National Executive Committee.
6. A financial member of the Party shall be a member who has paid all approved dues, fees and levies payable by and under this Constitution.

Article 2

Banking

The party at all levels shall operate Bank Accounts in Financial Institutions approved by the appropriate Executive/Coordinating Committee.

Withdrawals from such accounts shall be effected jointly by the appropriate Chairman as principal signatory and either the Secretary or the Treasurer as co-signatory.

Article 3

Audit

A firm of Accountants shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee to audit all the accounts of the Party and submit the audited accounts and report thereof to the Party, at least once in every financial year.

SECTION NINE: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

General Elections

1.1 The National Executive Committee and the State Executive Committee shall make rules and regulations for setting up the necessary machinery for the nomination of candidates to contest the Presidential, Gubernatorial, Federal and State Parliamentary elections respectively to the extent that the National Executive Committee's directive is consistent with the opinion of the State Executive.

Article 2

Local Government Elections

2.1. The State Congress shall make rules and regulations for the nomination of candidates for Local Government elections in accordance with the directives of the National Executive Council.

SECTION TEN: BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Article 1

Composition:

There shall be a Board of Trustees of the Party who shall consist of the following:

- a. The National Chairman
- b. All past and serving Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, who are members of the party
- c. All Past and serving National Chairmen who are members of the Party
- d. All past and serving Presidents of the Senate and Speakers of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party
- e. All Working Committee Members of the Party.
- f. Three members, from each of the six geo-political Zones; and provided that membership of the Board of Trustee shall reflect the principle of Federal Character in Nigeria.

Article 2

Functions of the Board of Trustees:

- a. The Trustees shall serve as the Conscience of the Party and will give direction to all the Party Organs in respect of the execution of Party Programs and Policies.
- b. The Trustees shall be entitled to perform all functions vested in them by law or by this Constitution, notwithstanding any vacancy in the office of any of the officers who are ex-officio trustees or entitled to be appointed as Trustees.
- c. All properties of the Party shall be vested in the Trustees.
- d. The Trustees shall execute such Trust Deeds as may be approved or prescribed by the National Executive Committee.

Article 3:

Tenure of Trustees:

1. Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 3.2 of this section, all members of the Board of Trustees specified shall serve a term of four years.
2. Members appointed as Trustees shall cease to hold the office of Trustee if
 - a. He ceases to be a Member of the Party
 - b. He ceases to hold the office by virtue of which he was appointed or elected Trustee
 - c. He is adjudged guilty of a breach of Trust by a Court of competent jurisdiction
 - d. If he has been sentenced by a Court of competent jurisdiction to imprisonment for any criminal or civil offence apart from manslaughter arising from motor accident only.
 - e. If he becomes incapacitated or deceased

Article 4

Qualification for Membership

A person shall qualify for membership into the Board of Trustees if he or she-

- a) Is a registered card carrying member of the Party;
- b) Has attained the age of sixty years;
- c) Is a person of integrity and;
- d) Has been paying his annual subscription fees as when due.

SECTION ELEVEN (A) Standing and Ad-hoc Committees

Article 1

Standing Committees

- a) The Convention or Congress at every level shall have power to set up Standing Committees and when necessary Ad-hoc Committees.
- b) Without any prejudice to the above provision, the Party shall have the following Standing Committees at every level of the Party.
 1. Appeal Committee
 2. Disciplinary Committee
 3. Programs and Policies Committee
 4. Research and Publications Committee
 5. Ways and Means Committee
 6. Training and Manpower Development Committee
 7. Contact and Mobilization Committee
 8. Monitoring and Evaluation Committee
- c) Membership and composition of all the Standing Committees shall be determined by the National Working Committee of the Party, but subject to the Approval of both the National Executive Committee and the National Convention of the Party.
- d) Each member of the Committee shall serve for a period of four years with an opportunity for re-nomination for another four years.
- e) No Committee Member shall serve on the same Committee for more than two terms of four years each.
- f) A Member of the Committee shall cease to be a Member of such Committee if he or she contravenes any clause of Article 4 of Section 11A.
- g) If he or she is found guilty by the Disciplinary Committee or any Administrative Panel of Enquiry of the Party.

- h) Membership of the affected member shall be restored if the Appeal Committee exonerates him or her, or the NEC and the Convention overturn the Appeal Committees decision.
- i) Each Committee is empowered to set up sub-committees and co-opt experts among the Party members into such sub-committees, but such co-opting must be supported by two-thirds of the Committee members present.

SECTION Eleven (B): Functions of the Standing Committees

In addition to any other functions that may be assigned to any of the Committees in Section 11A of this Constitution by the Party, the functions of the Committees shall be as stated below.

Article 1

Appeal Committee

- a. The Committee shall take all appeals against the decisions of all the Disciplinary Committees, Nomination Committees, Primary Election Committees and any other Administrative Panels of Enquiries set up by the Party and whose decisions have a binding effect on the concerned parties.
- b. Decision of the Appeal Committee becomes binding once upheld by the NEC of the Party.
- c. Reversal or alteration of the upheld decision shall be effected by the Party's Convention only.
- d. The Appeal Committee of the Party shall exist at the national level only.

Article 2

Disciplinary Committee

- a. All chapters of the Party shall have a Disciplinary Committee for the purpose of taking all cases referred to it by the Party through the Executive Committee.
- b. The Committee must (within 14 days of receiving any case from the Executive Committee) sit, conclude its investigation and submit its report to the Executive Committee.
- c. The Committee may however request for and be granted an extension of seven days to conclude and submit, if in the view of the Executive Committee, there is a cogent reason for such a request.
- d. Where the Committee fails to sit at all within the statutory 14 days, any of the concerned parties is privileged by this Constitution, to request the

Secretary of the Party at the concerned level to transfer the case to the Disciplinary Committee of the next higher level of the Party.

- e. The Secretary, on receiving such request, must within three working days, oblige, by forwarding all the relevant documents to the next level Disciplinary Committee through the Secretary of such level.
- f. The higher level Secretary must within three working days of receiving such report, with the approval of the level's Chairman, send all the documents to the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee, and in this circumstance, Sections (b) and (c) of this Article become applicable.
- g. Where the National Disciplinary Committee is involved in Section (d) of this Article, any of the concerned Parties may request the National Secretary to forward the case to the National Executive Committee for necessary action.
- h. Any Member willing to appeal against the decision of the Disciplinary Committee or Administrative Panel of Enquiry, must send such appeal through his State Secretary within 7 days of such judgment, while the State Secretary must acknowledge the filing of the appeal with date and ensure that the Appeal request reaches the desk of the National Secretary within three working days of its receipt.
- i. Any appeal sent after seven days is invalid and the decision of the Disciplinary Committee becomes binding.

Article 3:

Offense and Disciplinary Actions

Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the Party shall have powers to discipline any member:

- a. Who Breaches any Section of the Constitution of the Party;
- b. Whose Conduct amounts to antiparty activities;
- c. Who is found creating division or faction of the Party and by whatever name called, not being one provided for in this constitution;
- d. Employing thuggery or violence;
- e. Embarking in litigation in any disputes concerning rights, obligations and duties of member(s) of the Party without having recourse to the Party first;

Article 4:

Sanctions

The appropriate committee at any level of the Party organization may impose any of the following sanctions;

- a. Fine
- b. Suspension;
- c. Removal from office
- d. Expulsion from the Party

Article 5

Programs and Policies Committee

- a. The Programs and Policies Committee of the Party shall regularly work out the methodologies and modalities for the implementation of the Party programs in accordance with the Party ideology.
- b. The Committee shall regularly review the Party programs and update them in line with the needs of the people and the Nation but within the confines of the Party's ideology.
- c. The Committee shall serve as the programs technical committee' to governments produced by the Party to ensure compliance of such governments with the Party's ideology and Manifesto.
- d. The Committee shall exist at the National level only

Article 6:

Research and Publications Committee

- a) The Research and Publications Committee shall regularly produce all Party publications with the appropriate serial numbers (where necessary) and determine the dissemination of such publications to Party members and the general public.
- b) The Committee shall liaise with the Directorate of ICT and Innovations to conduct researches into vote-winning strategies for the Party.
- c) The Committee shall liaise with the Directorate of ICT and Innovations to examine the electoral fortunes of the Party throughout the Federation.
- d) Publications produced by the Committee shall however not include press releases but shall include the Party's Constitution, Manifesto, policies and programs, collection of Party speeches, monographs, etc.

- e) Every publication by the Committee shall be subject to the approval of the National Executive Committee.
- f) The Research and Publications Committee shall exist at the National level only.

Article 7:

Ways and Means Committee

- a. The Ways and Means Committee shall exist at all levels of the party.
- b. The Committee shall source for funds for the Party through legally acceptable means of fund-raising.
- c. The Committee shall monitor the finances of the Party through regular inspection of the Party financial books and ensure compliance with laid down procedures and laws of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Article 8:

Training and Manpower Development Committee

- a. The Training and Manpower Development Committee shall exist at all levels of the Party.
- b. The Committee shall develop and oversee all the training programs of the Party for Party members, Aspirants and Candidates elected and appointed members of the Party.
- c. The Committee must however liaise with the Chairman on training programs that involves foreign organizations and associates.
- d. All foreign training programs of the Party shall exclusively be the prerogative of the National Training and Manpower Development Committee.
- e. All training programs must have the approval of the National Executive Committee (NEC) before implementation.

Article 9:

Contacts and Mobilization Committee

- a. The Contacts and Mobilizations Committee shall exist at all levels of the Party.
- b. The Committee shall design and recommend for execution, all strategies necessary for mobilization of Party Members and the general public in all activities and programs of the Party.

Article 10

Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Committee

- a. The Monitoring and Evaluation Committee shall exist at all levels of the Party.
- b. The National Executive Committee through the M&E Committee shall periodically monitor the performance of the Party's programs.
- c. The Committee shall prepare and submit Periodic Progress Report of the Party's programs at every NEC Meetings.

SECTION TWELVE: AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION

The Party shall have the power to amend, add to or rescind this Constitution or any Schedule hereto, provided no amendment shall be made except at the National Convention of the Party and approved by not less than two-thirds of those persons present and voting at the Convention.

Notice of the proposed amendment must reach the National Secretariat in writing at least thirty days before the day of the meeting.

Notice of the amendment shall be given to members of the National Convention at least fourteen days before the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered.

FIRST SCHEDULE

RULES FOR DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

1. Any Member accused of committing an offence against the Constitution of the Party shall be informed in writing, clearly stating the accusations leveled against him not less than fourteen days before he shall be summoned to appear before a meeting of the Executive Committee at the National, State, Local Government Area or Ward.
2. The disciplinary body concerned shall fully investigate the accusation, and if after hearing his defense, finds that the Member is guilty, it shall impose such punishment as is prescribed by this Constitution, or (if no punishment is prescribed), such other punishment as it may deem fit.
3. Any person not satisfied with the decision of the Executive Committee of the State, Local Government or Ward may appeal to the National Executive Council and, if still dissatisfied, may appeal to the National Convention, whose decision shall be final.
4. A Member of the National Executive Committee who is dissatisfied with a decision of the National Executive Committee may appeal to the National Congress whose decision shall be final. The National Congress, the National Executive Committee, or the Executive

Committee of the State or of the Local Government or Ward Congress may appoint a Select Committee of members of the Party to exercise the powers conferred upon it by these rules, provided that any decision of such a Committee shall be subject to ratification by the body which appointed it.

5. Any person found guilty of an offence against the Constitution of the Party may be penalized through fine, reprimand, suspension from membership for a prescribed time or expulsion.

SECOND SCHEDULE

1. STANDING ORDERS AND RULES FOR CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

- (a) The National Chairman of the Party shall preside at all meetings of the National Congress or of the National Executive Committee.
- (b) Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the State Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the State Congress or of the State Executive Committee.
- (c) The Chairman of a Local Government Area or Ward shall preside at meetings of the Executive Committee of any of the aforesaid bodies.
- (d) The proceedings of any debate of a meeting shall be in the English Language, or at the discretion of the Chairman, in any Nigerian Language.

2. Motions and Amendments

1. No Motion shall be entertained at a meeting unless at least seven days' clear notice of such a Motion has been given to the Secretary or the Chairman, except it is:
 - 1.1 A Motion for the adjournment of a meeting;
 - 1.2 A Motion that any subject be referred to a Committee of members of the Party, or some other appropriate body;
 - 1.3 A Motion proposing an amendment to some other Motion; or
 - 1.4 A Motion proposing that a particular Member should be authorized to speak for more than 10 minutes.
2. A Motion or Amendment shall not be open for discussion until it has been seconded.
3. A Motion or Amendment may be withdrawn at any time at the request of the Mover and with the consent of the Chairman.

4. The Chairman of a meeting shall be entitled at his discretion to dispense with the requirement to give Notice on Motion in any casewhere it is necessary for reasons of urgency to do so.
5. No Member shall be permitted to speak on any subject at any meeting for longer than 30 minutes unless the majority of members agree that he should speak for a longer time.
6. A Member must confine his observations to the subject under discussion and may not introduce irrelevant matters thereto.
7. No Member shall be permitted to re-open any specific question upon which the meeting has come to a conclusion, except upon a Motion for which due notice has been given.
8. No Member shall use offensive, insulting or disorderly language about any other Member of the Party, or impute improper motives to such a Member.
9. A Member desiring to speak shall put up his hand, sitting in his place and shall not rise or speak until he is called upon by the Chairman.
10. No Member shall speak more than once on any topic except the Mover of a Motion or Amendment, who shall be permitted to wind up after the subject of such Motion or Amendment has been debated.
11. Provided that a Member who has spoken on a subject may again be heard at the discretion of the Chairman to offer explanation on some material part of his speech that has been misunderstood.
12. Provided that the provisions of this Section shall not apply to meetings of the National Executive Committee, State Executive Committee or any Committee meeting.
13. Any Member deviating from the provision of these rules may be immediately called to order by the Chairman or by a member rising to a point of order. A Member rising to a point of order shall simply direct attention to the point he desires to bring to notice and submit it to the Chairman for a decision.
14. No Member shall leave any meeting except with the permission of the Chairman.
15. At any time in the course of a debate, any Member shall be entitled to move "that the Question be now put" and, unless it shall appear to the Chairman that such Motion is premature, the meeting shall be entitled to

decide without amendment or debate whether the Question should be put at that stage of the debate, provided that Motion "That the Question be now put" shall not prejudice the right of a Motion or Amendment to wind up.

16. Any Member whose conduct is disorderly at any meeting, or who refuses to withdraw an offensive or insulting language after he has been told by the Chairman to do so, may be asked to leave the meeting by the Chairman.
17. Unless the Constitution otherwise prescribes, voting on any subject shall be by show of hands.

THIRD SCHEDULE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANISATION

1. The Executive Committee of the Party at all levels shall appoint administrative staff to assist in the effective implementation of the policies and programs of the Party.
2. The salaries and emolument of the officers shall be fixed by the National Executive Committee.
3. The following officers, with the stipulated functions and duties, shall be appointed at the National and State levels:

1. Director of Administration

The Administrative Secretary heads the staff of the Secretariat and coordinates the activities of various heads of Department.

He will be responsible for control and proper management of both staff and assets of the Party. The Administrative Secretary shall be responsible directly to the National Secretary of the Party.

2. Director of ICT and New Media:

A. He is expected to develop and maintain an effective and efficient responsive system that can positively appeal and mobilize the masses of the country leveraging information and communications technology and the social media.

B. He will evolve an effective and efficient campaign strategy that is truly indigenous and national in outlook so that it can respond to the needs and aspirations of Nigerians.

C. He will be responsible to the National Chairman.

3. Director of Publicity:

A. He will develop an effective and efficient system that will keep the Party and its organs abreast and well informed of policies and programs of the Party as well as all other issues relating theretothat are of interest to the Party and the Nation.

B. He is to make Press Releases that are of benefit to the Party and get them widely circulated for the information of the generalityofNigerians.

C. He will be responsible to the Publicity Secretary.

4. Director of Research and Publications

A. He is to study and keep the Party machinery informed of strategies of other parties so that the Party can respond positively to such situations.

B. He is to review the Party's strategies, policies and programs periodically.

C. He is to study and analyze past election patterns and make scientific forecasts so that the Party can be provided with information that canassist it in formulating its policies.

D. He is to ensure the gathering and collection of reliable and usefulintelligent information at all levels and scientificallyanalyze same for Party's use.

E. He will be responsible to the Publicity Secretary.

5. Director of Finance

The Director of Finance shall:

A. Demand for, collect and receive all, dues, fees, levies, donations and, other money meant for the party.

B. Keep proper books of accounts of the income and expenditures of the party and submit them with all relevant and supporting documents to the Party's Auditor for auditing as and when required.

C. Keep the tellers and cheque books and be a co-signatory to the party's bank account.

D. Make payments and disbursements for and on behalf of the Party as authorized by it.

- E. Submit a full report and a fair and true account of the financial position of the Party to the Treasurer who shall present it at the Executive Committee Meeting and National Convention
- F. He shall be responsible to the National Financial Secretary.

6. Director of Audit

The Director of Audit shall among other things:

- a.) Audit the books of account of the Party every month
- b.) Present the audited account of the Party to the National Auditor who shall present same to the National Auditor
- c.) Carry out any other functions as may be directed by the National Auditor.

7. Director of Legal Affairs

There shall be a Director of Legal Affairs for the Party whoshall:

- a.) Perform the day-to-day legal responsibilities of the Party and advise the Party on all legal matters
- b.) Conduct all litigation and prosecute and defend actions on behalf of the Party, including its organs and officials in so far as the subject of the litigation affects the interest of the Party;
- c.) Interpret the laws, regulations and constitution of the Party in the event of any ambiguities.
- d.) Carry out any other functions as may be directed by the National Legal Adviser

8. Director of Procurement

- A. The Director of Procurement shall be responsible for all processes from planning to acquisition and storage of goods and services needed by the Party Secretariat.
- B. The Director shall be responsible to the National Secretary of the Party.

9. Director of Welfare

The Director of Welfare shall among other duties:

- A. Coordinate and deliver all Welfare Advocacy for Party members

- B. Represent the Party Secretariat in relevant welfare matters and events
- C. Draft and Review Welfare Policies of the Party
- D. Provide information on membership entitlements and rights.

10. **Director of Mobilization**

- A. The Director of Mobilization shall design and recommend for execution, all strategies necessary for mobilization of Party Members and the general public in all activities and programs of the Party.
- B. He shall be responsible to the National Organizing Secretary.

11. **Director of Planning and Statistics**

The Director of Planning and Statistics shall among other duties:

- A. Organize, plan and manage all activities of the Party
- B. Gathers numerical data necessary for planning
- C. He shall be responsible to the National Secretary

FOURTH SCHEDULE

CODE OF ETHICS

1. The ACTION Party shall respect the tenets of internal democracy that puts the choice of political office holders on the shoulders of the people.
2. The Party shall not engage in the imposition of candidates on the people.
3. The people in the Party shall be supreme and no political office holder shall be allowed to operate in a manner that portrays him as being above his constituents.
4. All Party political office holders shall be made to be responsive and responsible to the Party by signing a justiciable "Article of Trust" which is aimed at adhering to this ethical code of conduct as enshrined in the Party's Constitution.
5. A political office holder shall not use his position for personal advantage or financial gain.

6. Abuse of office shall not be tolerated and will be viewed as corruptive activity.
7. Political office holders shall declare their assets publicly at the beginning and end of their tenures in such a manner that would be justifiable, taking into account their legitimate salaries, allowances, emoluments and privileges receivable while in office.
8. Political office holders shall not engage in acts that could be construed as an act of tribalism and nepotism, and all their actions must be justifiable in the reasoning of a civilized world.

FIFTH SCHEDULE

INTERPRETATION OF TERMS

For the purpose of this Party and in the context of this Constitution, the following terms are here defined.

- (a) At all levels: means at the National, Zonal, State, Local Government and Ward levels.
- (b) Officer means elected official
- (c) Official means a person employed and paid by the Party.
- (d) Principal Executive Committee means the National Executive Committee at the national level, the State Executive Committee at the state Level.
- (e) MP means acronyms for ACTION PARTY

SIXTH SCHEDULE

A. OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I do solemnly swear/affirm that I will be faithful, and bear true allegiance to the ACTION PARTY (MP) and the Federal Republic of Nigeria and I will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Party and that of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, so help me God.

B. OATHS OF OFFICE

I do solemnly swear/affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the ACTION PARTY (MP). I will discharge my duties to the best of my ability, faithfully and in accordance with the Constitution of the Party and laws. My actions shall always be reflective of my integrity, solidarity, advancement, well-being and the prosperity of the Party as contained in its Constitution and Manifesto; that I will not allow my personal interest to influence my official decisions; that in all circumstances I will do what is right to all the members and organs of the Party and to all manner of people, according to law without fear or favor, affection or ill-will; that I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person any matter which shall be brought under consideration or shall become known to me as an officer of the Party, except as may be required for the due discharge of my duties, and that I will devote myself to the service and well-being of the people of Nigeria. So help me God.

SEVENTH SCHEDULE

SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION

1. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and Electoral Act for the time being in force, the Constitution of ACTION Party shall be supreme and all its provisions shall be binding on the Party and all its organs, officers and members.
2. Except to the extent of conflicting with any provision of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria or any duly established Law of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, any action or decision legally and rightfully taken by the Party or any of its organs in pursuance of the provisions of this Constitution shall be final and binding on the Party and all its organs and the entire membership of the Party.
3. The Party is supreme, provided that it shall derive all its powers, authority and existence from the provisions of this Constitution.

4. No personal interest or consideration shall be put first or above the interest or consideration of the Party and any elected or appointed Party Officer, who secured his position.
5. This Constitution, to be cited as the Constitution of the ACTION Party, shall take effect from this day of the first conference of the National Executive Committee of the party, this 27th Day of December, 2016.

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DOUGLAS AKUBA
PROTEM National Secretary

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CHIEF (HON.) MRS. CHIKA IBENEME HON.(PRINCE) GORDON I.
ATTAI
PROTEM NATIONAL CHAIRMAN PROTEM NATIONAL SECRETARY