ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 9TH MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS’ FORUM HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 2016 AT THE STATE HOUSE BANQUET HALL, ABUJA

We, the members of the Nigeria Governors’ Forum (NGF), at our meeting held today, at the State House Banquet Hall, Abuja, deliberated on a number of issues and resolved as follows:

1. Members congratulated the new Edo State Governor, His Excellency, Godwin Obaseki, on the successful outcome of his State’s election, and welcomed him to the Forum.

2. Following a presentation by the Honourable Minister of Information, Alhaji Lai Mohammed on the Federal Government Reorientation Campaign – Change Begins with Me, members committed to collaborate with the federal government in the dissemination of the reorientation drive.

3. Governors recommended the need for the reintroduction of civic education in Nigeria’s primary school curricula to provide better thrust for the reorientation programme.

4. Finally, members received presentation from the Country Director of the World Bank, Mr. Rasheed Bemmassaud on ongoing State partnerships with the Bank, including programmes on power, irrigation and rural road infrastructure, education, health, public financial management reforms as well as new operations in the Social Safety Net Programme and Additional Financing Support for the North East. The
Forum pledged to work with the Bank in ensuring full implementation of the programmes to improve living standards in the country.

Governor Abdul’aziz Yari Abubakar
Chairman, Nigeria Governors’ Forum
16th November, 2016