



COMMUNIQUE

ISSUED AT THE END OF THE 1ST MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM HELD ON MONDAY 28TH JANUARY 2013, AT THE RIVERS STATE GOVERNOR'S LODGE, ABUJA

We, the Governors of the 36 States of the Federal Republic of Nigeria at our 1st meeting of the year held today Monday 28th January, 2013 at the Rivers State Governor's Lodge, Abuja deliberated over a number of issues and resolved as follows;

1. Forum decries the present attitude of the Federal Government on the Excess Crude Account and resolves to take no further adjournments in the subsisting case in court but to seek a final resolution of the matter from the Supreme Court.
2. On the rising incidents of Polio in the Country, Forum unanimously agreed to lead the efforts to eradicate polio by instituting the following:
 - A monthly campaign to be headed by Governors in all 36 states of the Federation to promote routine immunisation as well as promote healthy environmental habits;
 - Governors from non-polio states will support their counterparts in affected states by joining them in their states during the upcoming national polio campaign;
 - To meet with the Presidential Task Force on Polio Eradication in order to identify current funding gaps and challenges against polio eradication in Nigeria.
3. Forum agreed to hold a 2 - day retreat to deliberate on the current state of security of the country.
4. Members declared their confidence in the Chairman and endorsed his leadership as head of the Forum.
5. The Forum remains resolute in the development of our different States for the benefit of the nation and our citizens.

Rt. Hon Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi
Governor of Rivers State
& Chairman, Nigeria Governors' Forum
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