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ISSUED AT THE END OF THE MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM HELD ON SUNDAY 24TH JUNE 2012, AT THE RIVERS STATE GOVERNOR'S LODGE, ABUJA

We, the Governors of the 36 States of the Federal Republic of Nigeria at our meeting held today Sunday 24th June, 2012 at the Rivers State Governor's Lodge, Abuja deliberated over a number of issues.

The following resolutions were reached:

Forum strongly condemned the current spate of insecurity and violence which has been drifting the nation towards anarchy and called for a multi-dimensional approach to security issues including enhanced coordination and collaboration among security forces, effective use of technology and intelligence, value re-orientation, employment generation and sincerity of purpose.

2. Forum reiterated its commitment to convene a Governors' Forum conference on security in Nigeria.

3. State governments are currently overstretched in funding security and call for a special intervention fund from the Federal Government, especially to the States that are most affected.

Forum identified the increasing need for State police as a strategy for combating the rising insecurity in the country.

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June 24th, 2012