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ISSUED AT THE END OF THE MEETING OF THE NIGERIA GOVERNORS' FORUM HELD ON WEDNESDAY MAY 9TH 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 Wednesday 9 May, 2012 at the Rivers State Governor's Lodge, Abuja deliberated over a number of issues.

The following resolutions were reached:

1. Forum emphatically condemned the current level of violence and insecurity across the nation, which has become a national embarrassment. It pleaded for greater understanding among Nigerians and resolved to hold a brainstorming session for the sole purpose of addressing the insecurity challenges in the country.

2. As part of efforts to mitigate the lingering security challenges, Forum members committed to creating an enabling environment for economic development and channeling more resources towards the empowerment of the citizenry, especially youths, women and the vulnerable.

3. The Forum, worried about the increasing number of children paralyzed by polio, will henceforth hold Local Government Chairmen and other relevant stakeholders accountable.

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May 9th, 2012