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Mr. Adewuyi Moshood Adewale
The Auditor-General
Lagos State
Alausa, Ikeja

Dear Sir:

IRREGULAR AND POTENTIALLY ILLEGAL CONTRACT AWARDS BY THE LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

I write to draw your attention to the attached extract from the schedule of contract award letters registered by the Lagos State Public Procurement Agency in January 2023. This schedule is published by the PPA on its website in compliance with its obligations under the Public Procurement Act.

There are four awards by the Ministry of Justice, reported by the PPA, amounting to N200 million in respect of instructions to legal firms to represent Mr Babajide Sanwoolu in his personal capacity in a partisan political matter relating to his election nomination process within his political party.

As you are well aware, the fact that such awards went through approval processes and were issued is, in the first instance, unacceptable, alarming and highly irregular and further, any payments made in respect of them would likely be a criminal misappropriation of public funds.

Pursuant to your obligations under the Nigerian constitution and your operating charter, I hereby call upon you to undertake an independent special investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding the issuance of these irregular awards.

It is our expectation that this investigation will establish the extent of irregularity and/or Illegality, determine those who may be culpable and ensure timely and appropriate consequences and remedial actions. Very importantly, this should also be seen as an opportunity to ascertain if there is a wider pattern of partisan expenditures being funded from the Lagos State public purse and, if so, to decisively remedy same.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Funso Doherty.

LETTER OF AWARD REGISTERED FOR JANUARY 2023				
S/N	MDA	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CONTRACTOR
1	PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICE	PROCUREMENT OF ONE (1) BRAND NEW THIRTY (30) SEATER TOYOTA COASTER BUS FOR USE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING	74,117,647.11	CONSTANT AUTOS LIMITED
2	MINISTRY OF HEALTH	RENOVATION OF DOCTOR'S QUARTERS AT ISOLO GENERAL HOSPITAL	39,770,698.84	SPIMIA SERVICES LIMITED
3	LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF ENERGY & MINERAL RESOURCES	ELECTRICITY IMPROVEMENT AT THE MINISTRY OF SPECIAL DUTIES AND INTER - GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, LAGOS SAFETY COMMISSION ADEYEMI BERO AUDITORIUM	56,671,387.76	ISSELE ASAGBA POWER LIMITED
4	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	JOBBERMAN SOFT EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS TRAINING IN AGEGE & ORILE AGEGE LCDAs OF LAGOS STATE	2,266,000.00	LITTOBBY GLOBAL RESOURCES
5	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	INTERACTIVE FORUM WITH BENEFICIARIES OF NATIONAL SOCIAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (NSIP)	79,275,000.00	MIKLAB GLOBAL ENTERPRISES
6	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	OFFICIAL FLAG-OFF ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LAGOS CARES SOCIAL TRANSFER TO TARGETED BENEFICIARIES BY MR. GOVERNOR	19,275,000.00	MIKLAB GLOBAL ENTERPRISES
7	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTARY ON EMPLOYABILITY AND TECHNICAL & VOCATIONAL ENTERPRENEURSHIP TRAINING (TVET) & INTERVENTION ON YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN NIGERIA	2,500,000.00	SCEPTRE & MORE CONCEPTS
8	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	CAPACITY BUILDING ON GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM FOR DESK OFFICERS, CASH TRANSFER FACILITATORS AND GRIEVANCE REDRESS OFFICERS AT AMUWO-ODOFIN, BADAGRY & AJEROMI-IFELODUN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS ON CONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER PROGRAMME IN LAGOS STATE	2,492,000.00	MIKLAB GLOBAL ENTERPRISES
9	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	JOBBERMAN SOFT EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS TRAINING IN AJEROMI IFELODUN & IFELODUN LCDAs OF LAGOS STATE	2,266,000.00	LITTOBBY GLOBAL RESOURCES
10	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	SOFT EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS TRAINING IN AGBOYI-KETU & IKOSI-ISHERI LCDA OF LAGOS STATE	2,266,000.00	O CUBE CONSULT
11	MINISTRY OF WEALTH CREATION & EMPLOYMENT	CAPACITY BUILDING ON GRIEVANCE REDRESS MECHANISM FOR DESK OFFICERS, CASH TRANSFER FACILITATORS AND GRIEVANCE REDRESS OFFICERS AT IBEJU-LEKKI, EPE AND LAGOS ISLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT	2,288,900.00	MIKLAB GLOBAL ENTERPRISES

12	LAGOS STATE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE BOARD	CONSTRUCTION OF IWORO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE IN OLRUNDA LCDA BADAGRY	253,416,536.21	PNL CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
13	LAGOS STATE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE BOARD	CONSTRUCTION OF IKAARE ISLAND PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE ORI-ADE	253,889,534.51	JLF CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
14	LAGOS STATE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE BOARD	CONSTRUCTION OF AGUNFOYE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE IGBOGBO BAIYEKU LCDA	253,884,524.87	WORKERGY ENGINEERING LIMITED
15	MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND BUDGET	DIGITAL COMMUNICATION MANAGEMENT (CONTENT CREATION AND AMPLIFICATION) AND INSIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, YEAR 2022	1,484,000.00	ANTICOV MEDIA
16	LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE	INSTRUCTION TO REPRESENT AND DEFEND MR SANWO-OLU BABAJIDE OLUSOLA IN: SUIT NO; FHC/CS/1979/2022- PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY VS INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND 42 ORS	50,000,000.00	AHMED RAJI & CO
17	LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE	INSTRUCTION TO REPRESENT AND DEFEND MR SANWO-OLU BABAJIDE OLUSOLA IN: SUIT NO; FHC/CS/1979/2022- PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY VS INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND 42 ORS	50,000,000.00	AKINBORO & CO
18	LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE	INSTRUCTION TO REPRESENT AND DEFEND MR SANWO-OLU BABAJIDE OLUSOLA IN: SUIT NO; FHC/CS/1979/2022- PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY VS INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND 42 ORS	50,000,000.00	BABATUNDE OGALA & CO
19	LAGOS STATE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE	INSTRUCTION TO REPRESENT AND DEFEND MR SANWO-OLU BABAJIDE OLUSOLA IN: SUIT NO; FHC/CS/1979/2022- PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY VS INDEPENDENT NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND 42 ORS	50,000,000.00	MESSRS. FEMI OKUNNU & CO
20	MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND BUDGET	PRODUCTION OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONAL PLAN (DOP) FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING DEPARTMENT	2,489,000.00	META-FRUX
21	MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND BUDGET	PRODUCTION OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONAL PLAN (DOP) FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION DEPARTMENT	2,470,000.00	META-FRUX
22	MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND BUDGET	PRODUCTION OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONAL PLAN (DOP) FOR BUDGET DEPARTMENT	2,489,000.00	META-FRUX
23	MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND BUDGET	PRODUCTION OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONAL PLAN (DOP) FOR DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP DEPARTMENT	2,460,000.00	META-FRUX