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STATEMENT ON THE REPORTED DETENTION OF MR. DELE FAROTIMI.

I have read with concern, media reports of developments surrounding the detention of Mr Dele Farotimi, a prominent Lagos-based lawyer and social commentator.

It is alarming, if true, that a resident of Lagos State will be transported to another State to be detained and purportedly interrogated for alleged crimes perpetrated in Lagos.

I call on the Nigeria Police Force to promptly charge Mr Farotimi to a court of law or immediately release him, in keeping with the provisions of the law.

If any person has a civil complaint against Mr. Farotimi, such a person should seek legal redress.

The rule of law should be made to prevail in a fair, just and even-handed manner.

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