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STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF HIS ROYAL MAJESTY DE WHENO AHOLU MENU-TOYI, THE AKRAN OF BADAGRY.

With a profound sense of loss, I join the noble people of the ancient kingdom of Badagry and the entire Lagos Community to mourn the loss of our revered Royal Father, HRM De Wheno Aholu Menu-Toyi, the Akran of Badagry.

From his Ascension to the throne of his ancestors in April 1977, till he answered the Creator's call, Oba Akran was a towering monarch, who enjoyed the deep respect and admiration of his people and the wider Lagos Community.

I visited him in his Palace in May last year and carry fond memories of him and the warm reception he accorded us.

He served his generation well, and we thank God for Oba Akran's very long and successful reign.

Rest well Baba.

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