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A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

- Proverbs 15:1

The Nigerian Diplomat

The Nigerian Diplomat is a blog, which began in June 2016 with the vision of having the most reliable platform for presenting the best of Nigeria in every aspect of life to the world – impactful foreign relations; value inspired role models; good music, humour, art and culture, relevant history, etc. based on good and true reports/facts.

Top News

- Nigeria & China Sign "One China" Policy**
The Federal Government of Nigeria has signed an agreement with the Government of the People's Republic of China on "One China" policy, which reaffirms both countries respect for each other's sovereignty and territorial integrity.
- Nigeria's MFA Initiates Investors' Match-Making Database To Facilitate FDI**
Nigeria's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, MFA has initiated a match-making database to aid international business interconnectivity and stress-free investments into the country through the Nigerian missions abroad, which would serve as one-stop shops to spur investments through information sharing and elimination of bottlenecks.
- Nigeria Signs AU Niamey Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation**
Nigeria has signed the African Union Niamey Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation at the 28th African Union Summit in Addis Ababa. The Convention adopted on June 27, 2014 amongst other objectives, aims to promote cross-border cooperation, at local, sub-regional and regional levels as well as address related border challenges.
- Nigeria Ratifies WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement**
Nigeria has approved the World Trade Organization's (WTO) Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA), which is expected to reduce trade costs by over 14% for low-income countries and more than 13% for upper middle-income countries by restructuring the flow of trade across borders.

Jobs & Opportunities

- Communications Officer – UN Women** (Abuja; Deadline: 10 February 2017)
- Warehouse Manager – Action Against Hunger USA** (Maiduguri; Deadline: 18 February 2017)
- Contracts Administrator – Catholic Relief Services (CRS)** (Deadline: 18 February 2017)
- Head of Department Food Security and Livelihood – Action Against Hunger USA** (Abuja; Deadline: 18 February 2017)
- Chief of Party – USAID; anticipated** (Deadline: 28 February 2017)
- Human Resources Coordinator - International Rescue Committee (IRC)** (Northeast; Deadline: 10 March 2017)
- Gender Based Violence Advisor Volunteer - Médecins du Monde** (Maiduguri; Deadline: 30 April 2017)
- The Tony Elumelu Foundation Entrepreneurship Programme 2017** (Deadline: 01 March 2017)
- Call for Entries: Evergreen Role Models**

Foreign Policy Hub & Poll

Diplomatic Qualities of a Nigerian Diplomat – Toju Micheal Ogbe

The qualities of a Nigerian diplomat are distinct, honourable and indeed learnable.

- Be patriotic and passionate
- Be knowledgeable (inter-disciplinary)
- Be factual, analytical and objective
- Be an effective negotiator and communicator
- Be physically and mentally fit
- Be teachable and dynamic
- Be professional

Ongoing Poll: Nigerian diplomats have appropriate diplomatic qualities

