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NIGERIA CONGRATULATES THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 66TH INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria extends its warm congratulations to the Government and people of Togo on the auspicious occasion of their 66th Independence Anniversary.

Nigeria joins the people of Togo in commemorating this historic milestone, which marks sixty-six years of sovereignty, national identity, and steady advancement since the country attained independence on 27 April 1960. This anniversary not only celebrates Togo's liberation from colonial rule but also provides a moment for reflection on its journey towards political consolidation, socio-economic transformation, and institutional development.

Over the decades, Togo has demonstrated resilience and commitment to nation-building through efforts aimed at strengthening democratic governance, enhancing public institutions, and promoting inclusive economic growth. Nigeria recognises the strides made by Togo in infrastructure development, regional trade facilitation, and reforms geared towards improving the business environment, which have contributed to its growing role within the West African sub-region.

Nigeria further commends Togo for its constructive engagement in advancing regional peace and stability, particularly through its active participation in the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). Togo's contributions to regional integration, conflict prevention, and diplomatic dialogue continue to reinforce collective efforts aimed at sustaining peace and fostering economic cooperation across West Africa.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria underscores the longstanding cordial relations between Nigeria and Togo, which are rooted in shared history, geographic proximity, cultural ties, and mutual respect. Both countries have continued to collaborate within bilateral and multilateral frameworks to address common challenges, including security concerns in the sub-region, economic diversification, and sustainable development.

Nigeria reiterates its commitment to further strengthening bilateral cooperation with Togo in key areas of mutual interest, including trade and investment, maritime security in the Gulf of Guinea, energy cooperation, youth empowerment, and cultural exchange. The Ministry expresses confidence that the partnership between both countries will continue to deepen in line with the aspirations of their respective peoples and the broader objectives of regional integration.

As Togo celebrates this important anniversary, Nigeria wishes the Government and people continued peace, stability, and prosperity, as well as greater achievements in the years ahead.

Signed:

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