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NIGERIA CONGRATULATES THE REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE ON ITS NATIONAL DAY

The Federal Government of Nigeria warmly congratulates the Government and people of the Republic of Türkiye on the occasion of its National Day.

Nigeria and Türkiye enjoy longstanding and cordial relations, founded on shared interests and common commitment to strengthening bilateral ties across political, economic and social spheres. Their bonds of friendship were further reinforced by the State Visit of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, to Ankara, Turkey, in January 2026, during which nine landmark Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding were signed. The instruments cover key areas, including trade and investment, education, diaspora policy, military cooperation, media and communication, diplomatic training, and other areas of mutual interest

The Federal Government acknowledges Türkiye's growing interest in expanding economic partnerships with Nigeria in manufacturing, construction, textiles and solid minerals, among other key sectors. Nigeria remains committed to sustaining high level engagements and leveraging institutional mechanisms, including the Joint Economic and Trade Commission, to consolidate existing partnerships, explore new areas of cooperation and promote mutually beneficial economic opportunities for the two countries and their peoples.

Nigeria also welcomes the steady advancement in defense cooperation with Türkiye, particularly in local capacity building, technology transfer, and enhanced institutional cooperation between the Armed Forces of both countries. These efforts reflect the shared commitment of the two nations to strengthening their defence capabilities and deepening cooperation in addressing common security challenges.

At the multilateral level, Nigeria and Türkiye continue to work together in advancing international peace and security, promoting sustainable development, and addressing shared global challenges. Nigeria values this partnership and looks forward to further strengthening cooperation with Türkiye in pursuit of shared objectives and mutual prosperity.

On this momentous occasion, the Government and people of the Federal Republic of Nigeria wish the Government and people of the Republic of Türkiye a joyous National Day, and continued peace, stability, progress and prosperity.

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