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Chief of Staff to the President,
Deputy Chief of Staff to the President, Office of the Vice President,
Honourable Ministers/Ministers of State,
Head of the Civil Service of the Federation,
Clerk of the National Assembly,
Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court of Nigeria,
Permanent Secretaries,
National Security Adviser,
Special Advisers/Senior Special Assistants,
Chief of Defence Staff/Service Chiefs/Inspector-General of Police,
Governor, Central Bank of Nigeria,
Chairman, Federal Civil Service Commission,
Chairman, Police Service Commission,
Chairman, Code of Conduct Bureau,
Chairman, Code of Conduct Tribunal,
Chairman, Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission,
Chairman, Federal Inland Revenue Service,
Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission,
Chairman, National Population Commission,
Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practices & Other Related Offences
Commission,
Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission,

Chairman, National Drug Law Enforcement Agency,
Chairman, National Salaries, Incomes & Wages Commission,
Chairman, National Assembly Service Commission,
Accountant-General of the Federation,
Auditor-General for the Federation,
Directors-General/Executive Secretaries/Managing Directors.

**NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME FROM ECOLOGICAL
FUND OFFICE TO ECOLOGICAL PROJECT OFFICE**

This is to bring to the notice all Ministries, Departments and Agencies that President Muhammadu Buhari, has approved the change of name for the Ecological **Fund** Office (EFO) to "Ecological **Project** Office (EPO)". The former EFO which was established in 1985, has been an intervention Office under the supervision of the Office of the Secretary to the Government of the Federation (OSGF).

2. The change of name at this material point, is due to recent misconception noticed among members of the public as well as within Government circles, as it affects the position/role of the Office in relation to the larger Ecological Fund, which is the Special Intervention Fund created to address deserving ecological problems nationwide.

3. For clarity, it should be noted that the larger Ecology and Derivation Fund as shared at the Federation Account Allocation Committee (FAAC) on monthly basis, the **Federal Government** receives only 1% while the **States and Local Government Councils** get 0.72% and 0.60% respectively. Other beneficiaries of the 1% FGN share are:


- i. The National emergency Management Agency (NEMA) by virtue of Section 13(2) (b) of its Act draws 20%;
- ii. The National Agency for the Great Green Wall (NAGGW) by virtue of Section 12 (2) (b) of its Act draws 5%;

- iii. The North-East Development Commission (NEDC) by virtue of Section 14(2) (b) of its Act Draws 10% of the Ecological Fund;
- iv. The National Agricultural Land Development Authority (NALDA) by virtue of Section 16 (2)(a) of its Act draws 10% of the Ecological Fund.

4. It therefore implies that the "Ecological Fund Office" which is now to be known as "**Ecological Project Office**" is one of the several beneficiaries of the Federal Government's share of the Ecological Fund and is not responsible for the management of the entire fund.

5. Consequently, Mr. President has in the exercise of his statutory powers approved that henceforth the former "Ecological Fund Office" be now known and referred to as the "**Ecological Project Office**", under the Office of the Secretary to the Government of the Federation and that the Office is essentially a **project management, identification, planning and execution office**.

6. In the light of the foregoing, all MDAs and the public are hereby invited to note the change of name accordingly, with emphasis on the difference in the operative words: "**Fund**" and "**Project**".


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