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TO: ALL AUTHORISED DEALERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

2015 HAJJ OPERATIONS: PURCHASE OF PILGRIMS TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE(PTA)

Authorised Dealers and the general public are hereby notified of the following arrangements for 2015 Hajj operations:

- 1. Each pilgrim is entitled to purchase a minimum of US\$750.00 and maximum of US\$1,000.00 as PTA. The Federal Government has approved that intending pilgrims are to be sold the US\$750.00 at a concessionary exchange rate of **№160.00** to the US dollar.
- 2. For pilgrims buying above US\$1,000.00, the difference shall be bought at the prevailing Naira exchange rate to the US dollar on the day of purchase.
- 3. No commission shall be charged by the banks for the sale of PTA to the intending pilgrims.
- 4. The Central Bank of Nigeria shall sell the PTA to the designated banks in Lagos and Abuja and the accounts of the respective banks shall be debited as soon as the funds are disbursed.
- 5. Each designated bank is required to sell to the CBN the unutilised funds not later than two (2) weeks from the date of the last inward flight to Nigeria from the kingdom of Saudi Arabia, while the accounts of the banks shall be credited promptly.
- 6. The approved schedule showing the distribution of the pilgrims expected

to perform the 2015 Hajj and the respective designated banks that will handle the sales of the PTA to the pilgrims in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), states of the Federation and the Armed Forces is as stated below for guidance.

S/NO.	STATE	NO. OF PILGRIMS	CHOICE OF BANK
		PER STATE	
1.	Abia	82	UBN Plc, Umuahia Branch
2.	Adamawa	1,922	Zenith Bank Plc, Yola Branch
3.	Akwa Ibom	72	UBA Plc, Awka Road, Uyo
4.	Anambra	73	Fidelity Bank Awka Branch,
			Anambra State
5.	Bauchi	2,828	FCMB Plc, Bauchi Branch
6.	Bayelsa	95	UBA Plc, Yenagoa
7.	Benue	412	Unity Bank, New Bridge
			Branch, Makurdi
8.	Borno	2,437	UBA Plc, Baga Rd, Maiduguri
9.	Cross River	65	FBN Plc, Calabar Road Branch
10.	Delta	117	UBN Nnebisi Rd, Asaba
11.	Ebonyi	122	UBN Plc, Abakaliki Road
12.	Edo	272	UBA 4 Akpakpava Rd, Benin
13.	Ekiti	244	Fidelity Bank, Ado Ekiti Branch
14.	Enugu	83	FCMB Garden Avenue, Enugu
15	Abuja (FCT)	3,107	Unity Bank, Gwagwalada
16.	Gombe	1,941	Unity Bank, Commercial Area
			Branch, Gombe
17.	Imo	72	UBA Plc, Douglas Road Owerri
18.	Jigawa	2,374	Sterling Bank Plc, Dutse Branch

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19.	Kaduna	5,682	Unity Bank, Yakubu Gowon
			Way, Kaduna
20.	Kano	5,602	Unity Bank, Sani Abacha Way,
			Kano
21.	Katsina	4,463	UBA IBB Way Branch Katsina
			(2,043)
			Keystone Bank Nagogo Rd
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22.	Kebbi	4,105	Zenith Bank (2,100) & Unity
			Bank (2,005) Birnin Kebbi
			Branch
23.	Kogi	812	Unity Bank, Murtala
			Mohammed Way, Lokoja
24.	Kwara	1,942	Unity Bank, Murtala
			Mohammed Way & UBN Ilorin
			Branch
25.	Lagos	3,047	UBN Plc, Oregun Branch, Lagos
26.	Nasarawa	1,682	Unity Bank, Lafia (1,000)
			Skye Bank Lafia (682)
27.	Niger	3,212	Skye Bank (1,500) & UBA Plc,
			Minna Branch (1,712)
28.	Ogun	1,189	FCMB Plc, Abeokuta Branch
29.	Ondo	310	Unity Bank, Akure Branch
30.	Osun	852	Sterling Bank Plc, Oshogbo
31.	Оуо	1,241	FBN Ibadan
32.	Plateau	1,262	Fidelity Bank (662) and
			Diamond Bank Jos (600)
33.	Rivers	401	Zenith Bank, Azikiwe Road,

			Port Harcourt
34	Sokoto	4,962	Unity Bank (2,000), UBA
			(1,962) & Skye Bank (1,000)
35.	Taraba	1,303	Unity Bank & Zenith Bank
			Jalingo Branch
36.	Yobe	2,231	Unity Bank Plc, Damaturu
			Branch
37.	Zamfara	4,006	Skye Bank Plc, Gusau Branch
38.	Armed Forces	400	Unity Bank, Broad Street,
			Lagos
39.	Hajj	978	Keystone Bank, Abiola House
	Commission		CBD Abuja.
	Total	66,000	

Please ensure compliance accordingly.

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