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TO: ALL AUTHORISED DEALERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

2011 HAJJ OPERATIONS:

PURCHASE OF PILGRIMS TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE (PTA) IN SAUDI RIYAL TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES (SRTCs)

Authorised Dealers and the general public are hereby notified of the following arrangements for 2011 Hajj operations:

1. Each pilgrim is entitled to purchase Saudi Riyal Travellers' Cheque (SRTCs) equivalent of a minimum of US\$750.00 and a maximum of US\$1,500.00 as PTA. The Federal Government has approved for intending pilgrims, a concessionary exchange rate of **₦135.00** to the US Dollar for amount of PTA between US\$750.00 and US\$1,000.00
2. For pilgrims buying SRTC above the US\$1,000.00, the difference shall be bought at the prevailing Naira exchange rate to the US Dollar on the day of the purchase.
3. No commission shall be charged by the banks for the sale of SRTCs to the intending pilgrims.
4. The Central Bank of Nigeria will commenced the issuance of SRTCs to the designated banks from 29th September, 2011, at the CBN Branches 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 SRTCs not later than two (2) weeks from the date of the last inward flight to Nigeria from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia upon reconciliation of the transactions with the CBN and the accounts of the banks shall be credited promptly.

6. The approved schedule showing the distribution of the pilgrims expected to perform the 2011 Hajj and the designated banks that will handle the sales of the PTA to the pilgrims in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), each state of the Federation and the Armed Forces is stated below for guidance.

S/N	STATE	2011 ALLOCATION	NAMES OF BANKS	REMARKS
1	ABIA	60	UNION BANK PLC, UMUAHIA BRANCH	
2	ADAMAWA	2553	ZENITH BANK PLC YOLA, BRANCH	
3	AKWA IBOM	80	UBA PLC AWKA RD UYO AKWA IBOM STATE	
4	ANAMBRA	75	FIDELITY BANK AWKWA ANAMBRA	
5	BAUCHI	3740	FIRST INLAND BANK BAUCHI ROAD	
6	BAYELSA	92	ZENITH BANK PLC CENTRAL AREA FED MORT. BANK BUILDING ABUJA	
7	BENUE	546	UNITY BANK PLC NEW BRIGDE ROAD MAKURDI	
8	BORNO	3300	UBA PLC BAGA RD BRANCH MAIDUGURI	
9	CROSS RIVER	50	FIRST BANK PLC CALABAR MAIN	
10	DELTA	105	MAIN SREET BANK ASABA BRANCH	
11	EBONYI	110	UNION BANK ABAKALIKI EBONYI	
12	EDO	300	UBA PLC	
13	EKITI	310	OCEANIC BANK PLC ADO EKITI BRANCH	
14	ENUGU	110	UBA ENUGU MAIN	
15	FCT	3369	UNITY BANK PLC GWAGWALADA ABUJA	
16	GOMBE	2631	UNITY BANK PLC COMMERCIAL AREA GOMBE	
17	IMO	140	UBA PLC DOUGLAS ROAD OWERRI	

18	JIGAWA A	3392	STERLING BANK DUTSE BRANCH	
19	KADUNA	7714	UNITY BANK PLC NAGWAMATSE HOUSE BRANCH KADUNA	
20	KANO	7135	UNITY BANK PLC MAIN BRANCH LAGOS STREET KANO	
21	KATSINA	6035	UBA PLC, KEYSTONE PLC KATSINA	
22	KEBBI	5644	ZENITH BANK BIRNI KEBBI, UNITY BANK BIRNI KEBBI	
23	KOGI	1000	OCEANIC BANK PLC, IBB WAY LOKOJA	
24	KWARA	2695	UNITY BANK PLC ILORIN BRANCH	
25	LAGOS	4000	UNION BANK OREGUN BRANCH LAGOS	
26	NASARAWA	2240	FIRST INLAND BANK LAFIA, UNITY BANK LAFIA	
27	NIGER	4462	SKYE BANK, UBA PLC, UNITY BANK	
28	OGUN	1620	FIRST CITY MONUMENT BANK PLC ABEOKUTA	
29	ONDO	495	UNITY BANK OBA ADESIDA ROAD AKURE	
30	OSUN	1175	STERLING BANK PLC OSOGBO	
31	OYO	1618	SKYE BANK PLC AGBOWO, FIRST CITY MONUMENT BANK BODIJA	
32	PLATEAU	1676	FIRST BANK PLC, DIAMOND BANK, FINBANK PLC	
33	RIVER	500	ZENITH BANK AZIKIWE RD PORTHARCOURT	
34	SOKOTO	6825	OCEANIC BANK MAIN BRANCH SOKOTO, UNITY BANK PLC	
35	TARABA	1983	ZENITH BANK, UNITY BANK JALINGO BRANCH	
36	YOBE	2990	UNITY BANK PLC DAMATURU	
37	ZAMFARA	5830	UNITY BANK GUSAU	

38	ARMED FORCES	500	UNITY BANK PLC BROAD ST LAGOS	
39	SPECIAL INSTITUTION	1900		DETAILS TO BE SUBMITTED LATER
40		4000		DETAILS TO BE SUBMITTED LATER
	TOTAL	89,000		

Please ensure compliance accordingly.



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