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Introducing Nigerian Journal of International Law

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We are delighted to introduce to you the maiden edition of *Nigerian Journal of International Law*. The idea of NJIL goes back a couple of years and responds to a number of concerns as we engaged the field of international law as academics, activists and practitioners.

The first issue is critical to Nigeria and the global south for its needed space, visibility, theoretical and empirical work to develop research in its own right. We believe that having a publication in this field will encourage academics in Nigeria, the global south and African scholars in diaspora. International law is the body of rules which are legally binding on states in their intercourse with each other. It represents the common law of mankind in an early stage of development, of which the law governing relations between states is one, but only one major decision. Today, international law goes beyond relations of states for individuals are now part of the international legal order and not solely states. International law has been synonymous with the global north i.e. United States of America, United Kingdom and Europe.

Resistance to hegemonic discourses, epistemologies and practices questioning certain ideas/ideology must be associated with Nigerian international intellectual community as have been demonstrated in disciplines such as: History, English-Language and Gender Studies. The North epistemologies have been given prominence and it has become a benchmark in international law and practice. The goal of the journal is to promote the Nigerian voice in international law and practice.

Critically, the Nigerian Journal of International Law set out to prioritize voices, perspectives and knowledge from Nigeria, the global south and Africans in diaspora to work towards decolonizing international law. In so doing, we are keen also to provide a platform for global North-South and South-South collaborations. We also want to link theory with practice and strengthen the academic navel gazing and theoretical abstraction.

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