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## PRESS RELEASE ON PRESIDENT UMAR MUSA YAR'ADUA'S PUBLIC DECLARATION OF ASSETS

Civil Society Legislative Advocacy Centre (CISLAC) commends President Umar Musa Yar'Adua on the consistency with which he had publicly declared his assets in the last eight years. We recall with respect how Mr. President, Umar Musa Yar'Adua constantly declared his assets alongside those of his family members whilst still Governor of Katsina State.

The board and management of CISLAC wishes to commend Mr. President's recent insistence to publicly declare his assets even against the advice of the Code of Conduct Bureau not to do so. We acknowledge this symbolic boost to the fight against corruption as we call on all other public office holders at the federal and state levels to emulate President Yar'Adua by publicly declaring their assets on a regular basis in the spirit of transparency and accountability.

In the same spirit of transparency in government, CISLAC urges the leadership of both chambers of the National Assembly to adopt merit and intellectual discipline as a yardstick in the selection of Committee Chairmen and their Deputies for effective and efficient discharge of leadership in their assignments given the huge task ahead of them.

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